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#### ELWOOD HENSLEY WRITES ABOUT BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS

(Editor's note: After a pastorate of 47 years, Brother Hensley has retired as Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, Ohio. For many years this Church has been one of our most faithful supporters and Brother Hensley one of our truest friends. May God's blessing be upon Elwood,

Hazel, and Calvary Baptist Church).
We were instroduced to BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS by Brother Hafford Overbey in the Spring of 1955. Brother Overbey was with us in a weekend meeting and told us of BFM. This was what we needed to know. We had been supporting a mission but the people were not pleased by the way the mission was operating. The program of BFM was our way of thinking. The way mission support came in: the free will offerings of the supporting churches; all this used for the naries equally divided. We liked the way the directors were selected. These served the mission without cost to the mission. We pause here and now to thank God for these Godly men.

We began to meet the pastors of the sup-porting churches as we attended the Mission Conferences both in Detroit, Michigan and in Lexington, Kentucky. We talked with these one at a time and all gave the same report about BFM. The report was that BFM, was one of the best ways, if not the best, to support mission work. The missionaries could spend their time doing mission work without the worry of where their support would come from. When they came home on furlough they didn't have to sepnd their much needed relax and rest time pounding the made doing the work of caining support the roads doing the work of gaining support enough for them to return to the field.

As time went by we began to meet the missionaries one by one. The first Missionary was Royal Calley. As he talked with our people of his work on the field, we knew then that we had made the right choice in supporting BFM. Our next missionary to meet was Paul Calley, the brother of Royal. His report was very much the same. Each

missionary as they came to church, telling of their work and showing slides told us the same story; BFM is the right way to support mission work and get the job done as it should be done. I sure gained a lot of respect for MISSIONARIES John Hatcher, Harold Bratcher, Bruce Lunsford, Bobby Creiglow and the many others who served in Brazil and Peru, S.A. Then the next generation of Hatchers, Bratchers, and Creiglows came along putting forth the same efforts and sharing the same success as their fathers. All this more convinced me and the church that I Pastored that BFM was the right way to

Now, firmly convinced that BFM was our mission, our support began to increase. As Calvary Missionary Baptist Church grew, the offerings grew. This meant that more and more could be given to mission work. We raised our mission support to forty-five percent of all our income; forty percent of this was to go to BFM. We did faithfully, hoping that our income would increase so that we could do more. We realized that our greatest blessing from God came to us through our mission efforts and we did receive many

Someone might say, why so much to missions? Why doesn't your own church use more of the offerings for her own support? Our answer is and always has been, Our Name is Missionary Baptist. We want to be Missionary in more than name. We want to be Missionary in what we do. Perhaps the best reason we give to missions is what Jesus said in Matthew 28:19, "Go ye therefore . . . "The very best way that we can go beyond the Crestline area is through BFM.

The reasons we love and support BAP-

TIST FAITH MISSIONS we have written This I will do on and on and desire that Calvary Missionary Baptist Church of Crestline, Ohio, will continue to do.

Sincerely, Elwood Hensley

#### Service At The Fire Department . . . Four Firemen Saved . . .

Caixa Postal 24 69980

Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre BRAZIL Editor's Note: Brother Mike's December letters were lost somewhere in space (or my computer). He graciously sent them again.

Dear Brethren. December 16, 1998 There is no way out of it. I am going to have to write 2 letters this month. It's not my fault that the Lord has blessed in so many ways that it is im-

sible to tell even half the story I'll begin by telling just what has happened this morning and the morning is not over yet! Four of us just returned from a service that was held

early this morning at the fire department. First a little background. Fire departments here in Brazil are far from what you are used to there. They are certainly never "volunteer." They are a military type organization. Most of the time lots of men and little equipment. This is the case here in Cruzeiro do Sul. Over 50 men with a military hierarchy. Only two trucks in the whole outfit. One stays permanently at the airport. The other puts out all the fires for a town of over 60,000.

Last Sunday night I finally got to have a long talk with the commander, who has been coming to our services for several months now. He made a profession of faith. The headquarters are right across the street from our building, by the way. He had already asked me to hold a service for his men. That service was this morning. They had all the flag raising and an official opening ceremony. At 8:30 sharp we started singing, had prayer, then a brief message. In the mean time our folks have been praying. I used a theme that is on their uniforms, "salvamento"-literally, "saving." I asked 2 of the men to do a non rehearsed demonstration of the correct procedure to save a drowning person. This was used to demonstrate that there is only one way of salvation. Scripture was applied. We had prayer right after the plan of salvation. I decided to ask for public professions of faith. Four men came all the way up front and in their own words professed their faith in Christ. The commander was one of them. This takes a huge amount of courage. It seems to me that it would be easier (not sure about that last word) to do this at church, but to make it public in front of your buddies in the work place is quite a statement. Three of the four men are from the Catholic church. We met with them after the service in the commander's office to give them their first

This service this morning was an even bigger blessing to some of us. Our services last Friday night were rained on. Then on Sunday we had a huge rain that lasted for many hours. We had services but with only a little over a hundred people. All of us look forward to every service, expecting some new blessing, especially our friends being saved. When we get rained out a couple of times we can't help being a little disappointed. Then God gives us a sunny Wednesday morning and 4 more souls.

That folks is how the Lord works in part of one morning. Think about a month, a year, a lifetime of blessings!

In Christ, Mike Creiglow (Please read Brother Creiglow's second letter on page two)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAILING LIST UPDATE - Each month we mail out several thousand MISSION SHEETS to churches and individuals. We want to be good stewards of the Lord's money and ask that you help us do so. In order to update our mailing list we will be sending a letter to churches on the mailing list, along with a self-addressed post card where the Pastor, or Mission's Director, can mark if they want to continue receiving the same number of MISSION SHEETS, increase or decrease the number, or discontinue receiving them all together. Please take time to mark the card and mail it to us.

Also, we mail several hundred MISSION SHEETS to individuals. Each month we receive several of these back from the postal service with a change of address for people who have moved. The post office will not forward second class mail. They return it to us and we are charged \$.50 for each piece of mail returned. In the past we have made these changes and continued to mail the MISSION SHEET to the person. We are changing this policy. In the future when a paper is returned to us that person will be removed from the mailing list. When people move they notify other publications of their change of address because they want to continue receiving them. We feel that the same should be true of the MISSION SHEETS. A failure to notofy us of a change of address will be interpreted to mean that they no longer want to receive the MISSION SHEETS.

GREAT WINTER CONFERENCE - Thanks to Park Ridge Baptist Church and Pastor Kevin Mitchell for hosting another winter conference in the interest of B.F.M. The preaching, fellowship, and food was wonderful. Pastor, plan now to attend the next winter conference in January 2000.

NEW MISSIONARY APPLICANT - One exciting thing that took place at the winter conference was the announcement that we have a couple who are going to France as missionaries and they have applied to go with B.F.M. If they are accepted (at the spring confernece) they will be introduced to our supporters in the May issue of the MISSION SHEETS. This means that we will be going into a country and to a continent where we have never had a work. In order to take on this new family we need more support. Churches, consider increasing your giving to the GENERAL FUND of B.F.M. Pastors, lead your churches to do this.

Do you know of a church that you think would be interested in supporting this kind of mission work? Send their name to Bobby Creiglow, 44 Brandy Chase Blvd., S. W., Winter Haven, Florida, and he will contact them about coming and presenting the work.

The dates of the spring conference in Lexington, Kentucky, are April 12-14. Mark these

Don't forget, June is Founder's month. Plan to give.



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### Preach in Manaus . . . A Visit With The Governor . . . **Exciting Things...** Raise Missionaries' Salaries 80% ...

By Michael D. Creiglow Caixa Postal 24 69980 Cruzeiro do Sul. Acre BRAZIL

This time there are some great items of news that I will have to just state that they happened, without how they happened. I went to Manaus to teach for four days at Tabernacle. Don't know how many students I had. They said the room seats 300 and more chairs were added. I was mobbed with questions even during the 10 minute break each night. I couldn't even take a drink of water. Seems to have been good for all of us. On the weekend, I helped in a 3-day meeting at Pastor Moisés' church. There were at least 17 professions of faith.

I got back from Manaus on a Tueaday, preached in my own pulpit on Wednesday and went to/Eirunepé to hold meetings as of Thursday. I returned to Cruzeiro do Sul on Monday and started another practical course for our people the same night. So you think the pace in Latin America is easy going?

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The following morning I went to have a little chat with the governor. He had asked me to stop by to talk. I went to his house (mansion is the more appropriate word) and they had me come right in. It is not always easy to get past all the body guards and so on. The man was in his bermuda shorts and slippers! He is so excited about getting out of office on January I. He has already started to unwind. He was definitely in a talkative mood. After about a half hour of small talk we got down to business. I asked him if his son had passed along my "wish" list. He made a crack about his son being shy and went on to ask what I needed. "Well, I hear you have some motors and generators you are going to donate," I said. He said, "How many do you want!" I thought: Whoa! He gave us 2 motors and a generator. That is all we need, so that is what I asked for. I don't know how many he would have been willing to give us. We talked a while longer then he asked me if we had gotten the air conditioners for our church talked a while longer then he asked me if we had gotten the air conditioners for our church building. I told him we were working on it. He must have remembered how hot it was the last time he attended one of our services. He, without a stutter, said, "Tm going to buy them." He immediately gave orders to his technician from Manaus to measure our building and take pictures to find out what we need. He is buying 8 five ton units that cost almost

But that's not all. He had imported a bunch of insulation from the States and had a slew left over, so he donated that to us, too. Then he gave us 40 square yards of carpet that was left over from one of his jobs (enough for one of our seminary class rooms). He also just happened to have sound absorbing materials left over, so now our studio is getting a "new

Wait, it ain't over yet. He then says, "Come back here. I want to show you something." We go into an adjacent room where he opens a case with a brand new, huge, Sony video projector, that costs around \$15,000. He told me that he bought it for our new theater here in town, but he thought they needed a bigger one, so . . . you guessed it. While he's throwing things at us, he tossed in the 10 foot motorized screen, too.

Don't stop reading. I'm not finished! He had received 40 motorcycles from Honda as a tax write off. He is distributing these to government offices. He thought it would be a good idea to give me one of these. Actually the motorcycle is for my daughter Crissy who teaches at our school and has to hitch rides. Sometimes when her friends or Dad can't take her she has to pay a taxi out of her fantastic salary of \$70.00 a month. Needless to say this gift made

One of the main reasons that I had gone to talk to the governor about was getting the street that gives access to our school paved before he leaves office. This was the only thing he wasn't real sure that could be done. Yesterday the machinery was delivered to the site. It looks like this too might just get done.

It was fun telling all of this to my family, the church and now to you. We are praising our

wonderful God for the shocking way that He works and takes care of us.

Now let me tell you something that is just too much of a coincidence. Our church just gave an 80% raise to all of our missionaries last month. This month God pours down thousands of dollars of equipment for our work. Our church couldn't mathematically afford to give this raise. Our last financial report showed us in the red by \$1,600. He will continue to provide though. Would you take the challenge that I am presenting you in this letter?

Next time I will tell you about all the folks that have been saved in and out of town. Yes

there is still a lot untold.

May God bless you as much as He has us. Thanks for all of your prayers and support. In Christ

Mike Creiglow

### Last Services Before Leaving For Brazil . . . Short Visit In Florida . . . Romans 15:30-31 (Bratcher Translation) . . . Need For Funds . . .

By Harold Bratcher Caixa Postal 227 69.100 Manaus, Amazonas Brazil, South America Brasil, America do Sul Tel: 011-5592-611-2331

Dear Brethren,

I do not have in hand last month's Mission Sheet letter which covered the period of December 2 to December 30. During this month, December 30 to today, January 29, I preached seven sermons and heard ten. I attended two special services

December 31, 1998, passed into eternity with Marie and I present at the Fellowship Baptist Church, Richmond, Kentucky, where James Dargavell is the Pastor, attended their watch night service.

January 10, 1999 in the a.m., I preached at the Glen's Creek Baptist Church where Mickey Hyder is the interim Pastor.

January 17, 1999 in the a.m., I preached at the New Friendship Baptist Church, Corinth, Kentucky, where Carl Chipley is the Pastor. Fifty-one years have passed since the last time I

On Wednesday, January 20, in the evening, Marie and I visited the Cardoso family in Richmond and I preached in Portuguese to the seven of us present.

Sunday, January 24, I preached three times at the Calvary Baptist Church in Richmond where Bobby Greene is the Pastor.

We indeed owe to the Calvary Baptist Church a deep debt of appreciation. That church gave me the title of "Missionary in Residence." I used the Pastor's study as my study - lo

### Back "Home" In Kenya . . . Traveled 15,000 Miles, Visited 50 Churches While On Furlough . . . Exhausting Trip ...

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Dear Friends,

Greetings from Nairobi! An African proverb says, "The feet do not go where the heart does not go first." It is great to be back "home" in Kenya! Presently, we are staying at a guest house for a few days. We are doing some business in town, and also resting from our time in the States. While we were in the States, we ministered in over 50 churches and traveled over 15,000 miles. It was great to see so many of our friends and loved over 15,000 miles. It was great to see so many of our friends and loved

over 15,000 miles. It was great to see so many of our friends and loved ones, and to make many new friends.

We arrived in Kenya on Tuesday morning, January 19th, and spent the first day with missionary friends in Nairobi. We were exhausted, and Pam fell asleep in the afternoon, while I went into town to do some business. The flight was good, but we had a 14 hour layover in London, which was long, and both of us were so tired that we didn't feel like touring the city, plus it was so cold, so we just stayed at the airport for most of the time and tried to sleep.

Anyway, God was SO GOOD! We took in two extra trunks, and went through customs without being stopped! We were afraid of having to pay a big tax on all the stuff that we brought in, but they didn't stop us. PTL!

The weather is beautiful - in the 80's everyday. We plan to leave for Kitale early this week. We're waiting to see if we can get a ride with some missionaries that are here from Kitale, because our car is in Kitale. One of the missionaries here is a pilot for a helicopter ministry in Kitale (the helicopter that was on our video) and he and his wife are going back this coming week. They've offered to fly Pam back with them, and I would stay here and get a ride back

week. They've offered to fly Pam back with them, and I would stay here and get a ride back with some other missionaries, and would bring all of our luggage.

We have not had the opportunity to see the ruins of the bombed American Embassy yet. Pam and I are excited about getting back to our home and ministry in Kitale. Please pray for us as we have a lot of things to sort out in our ministry. We need God's wisdom in making ome important decisions. Let's keep in touch!

Servants for Christ, Mike and Pam Anderson I Cor. 15:57-58



Recently elected at the Thanksgiving Conference left to right: Jim Orrick, President; David Parks, Secretary; and Charles Lubrook, Director

these last 17 months. I spent many hours praying and studying in Pastor Greene's church study. He has his study in his home. We are convinced that this church loves the Lord and loves us in the Lord.

If I have wronged any of you forgive me! If I owe thee ought, send the bill to Jim Emerson, the treasurer of Calvary Baptist Church and he will send you the money. Send to him at

Calvary Baptist Church, 343 Big Hill Avenue, Richmond, Kentucky 40475.

Marie and I left Richmond at 22:40 on January 25 aboard a Greyhound bus. Brother Pat Prather, Bobby and Sandra Greene of Calvary Baptist, Pastor Bradley Johns, and Mrs. Ella J. Casey of Clarksville Baptist church saw us off. At 16:00 January 26, we arrived at the bus station, Ocala, Florida, where Stephen M. and Stephen Matthew met us and took us to his home where we will stay, the Lord willing until Saturday when Stephen will take us to Pastor George Sledd's church and house, Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, Florida. Monday, February 1, we trust, he will take us to Orlando, Florida, where we will fly to Miami and then from Miami on to Manuas.

The Lord willing, we (Marie and I) will arrive home, Manuas, Amazonas, Brazil, South America around 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, eighteen months ago today we arrived back in the U.S.A. Those of you who read our letters in the Mission Sheets know and I trust understand why we stayed over the last six months.

Permit me to change Paul's petition for prayer to the Romans (see Romans 15:30-31) to serve as the Bratchers of Brazil petition for prayer. "Now, I beseech you, bretheen, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with us in your prayers to God for <u>us</u>: That <u>we</u> may be delivered from them that do not believe in Brazil; and that our service which we have for Manaus may be accepted of the saints there." Permit me now to request your financial help as well. Don't forget the WORK HORSE FUND. This is the General Fund. Out of it comes the missionaries' salaries, expenses, travel, medical, cars, etc. After remembering the WORK HORSE FUND, remember the HAROLD BRATCHER FUNDS; we will need more money as we leave, and when we arrive there will be waiting for us needs for home repairs and to buy a car. We are "trusting the Saviour and telling you the saved." Continued in next month's Mission Sheet letter in a different place by the same writer.

To the many churches, pastors and people that have been a blessing to us during these 18 months we say - Thank you and God bless you." God be with you until we meet again.

Yours in the service of the Saviour,

Harold and Marie Bratcher
P.S. Not only pray for Marie and me, but for Marie's mother, Mrs. Flosse Moore, 95 years old, and Mrs. Deane Cruse, her daughter, who will have more burdens to bear

P.S.S. Thank you Mrs. Kay Mills, Secretary of Central Baptist Church, Ocala, Florida, for typing this letter for me

### Preach In Two Historic Churches ... Busy Preaching and Teaching . . .

By Asa Mark Bratcher Asa@objetivomao.br



Dear Brethren January 31, 1999 It is way past time for an update on the Lord's work here in the Amazon Valley. Forgive me!

Since the last Mission letter, I have had the privilege of speaking at two historic Baptist churches in the interior - both organized by missionary, E. A. Nelson. The first was the Baptist Church of Codajas, a town of about 15,000 people. In March this church will be 81 years old. My family and I

were there a weekend - Friday through Monday. On "Friday Youth Night," I brought the Word to around 300 people. On Saturday evening, the service was held at the Convention Center of Codajas and over 1,000 people attended. On Sunday I preached three times. First, in the morning services at the 25th of December Baptist Church where our missionary Ortam Freitas is Pastor. Next, and also in the morning services, at the First Baptist Church of Codajas to whom I also ministered in the evening service. In all, there were some eleven professions

Later on the next month, on a Saturday, ten students of the Institute and I traveled four hours in the church Volkswagon van to the interior town of Itacoatiara (Painted Rock) where I held a five hour seminary on Eschatology. There were over eighty present there, among them local pastors and evangelists, at the First Baptist Church of Itacoatiara - also organized

by E. A. Nelson 84 years ago. It was a blessed day!

Things on the home front are going well, despite the tremendous upheaval in the Brazilian financial market right now. I baptized 18 at our home church, and our S. S. high was 410. Then last Sunday night, after preaching here, I baptized 15 for one of our daughter churches, 17th of August Baptist Church, presently without a pastor, in honor of their new baptistry which had been anxiously awaited for eleven years. I also held the Lord's Supper that evening. On Wednesday, I held the funeral service of Brother Joiel Rocha Franca, 36 years old, who had suffered from stomach cancer for two years. Last night, I performed a wedding ceremony for a young couple - the bride being the niece of a faithful member of the church. The day-school classes start this week, and it has been only with the Lord's help that we will be

able to successfully open our doors to the children on Tuesday. The Institute classes start in March, the Lord permitting.

Thus, the ups and downs of the ministry of a pastor-missionary. We appreciate your continuous prayers. We would also like to express our appreciation to the Bible Baptist Church at Harrisburg for the package of "goodies" and the Waverly Road Baptist Church for the three boxes of literature. Also many thanks to all who wrote and called during the Holiday Season. Places continue to help up faith our building project before up of the part of the Season. Please continue to help us finish our building projects, before we come home for a brief two month furlough in June-July, the Lord willing. We hope to organize two of the works into churches before then. Lucia and the girls send their love to all.

In His Service, Asa Mark Bratcher

#### Report On School Work . . . **Economic Situation In Brazil...** Training For World Missions . . .

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Dear Friends, February 2, 1999

I am back into the study schedule at Southern Seminary. I was in a little bit of "shell-shock" from the heavy load of the first semester, but it is time for the tough to get going. Pray for me to get the most benefit possible for spiritual growth and tools for better missionary service from my time here. Especially pray for Charlene and the kids to put up with me through it all. I will be a little "stressed out" during the next three to four months and

will need God's grace to make it through.

I am thankful for the prayers, special gifts and invitations to speak during the last several months. It has been a privilege for my family and me to get to know some of you personally and to see some old friends again. The churches have been very generous and hospitable and we are grateful.

Last Thursday night we had a wonderful thrill to hear Jessie (our seven year old daughter) sing in a talent show at her school. She sang a gospel song in Portuguese and did a great job. She practiced faithfully (with a little push from Mama and Daddy) for several weeks prior to the show and her practice paid off. She did the song without missing a beat. She told me that she wanted to do a good job for the glory of the Lord. She gave Him thanks and praise when she prayed that night and now she is encouraged enough to attempt it again. I won't push her to do so, but I'm thrilled that she wants to use her talents for God's glory.

I called the pastors in Curitiba, Brazil, and received a little bit of news. The work is going well, but the economic situation there is starting to hurt some of the members. One of the Pastors, Gilmar, lost his job due to layoffs and is having a rough time of making ends meet. He has a wife and two children and really needs our prayers. The other pastors have been working steadily teaching, preaching, and going out into the neighborhood to bring folks to Christ. I am encouraged by their faithfulness. They expressed some lonliness and desire for us to return, but haven't let that stop them from keeping up the work. I appreciate being missed, but am thankful that their dependence is on God and not on me.

I am working on plans to start training for world missions when we return. Brazil has seen major strides in getting into other countries where even Americans have had difficulties due to an anti-American sentiment. Many of the citizens of our city are of Arab and Eastern Europe descent that may open doors for reaching some of the least evangelized nations of the world. We will have to pray for leadership and the means from the Lord, but we serve a mighty God who has already given us the command to go. When we return to Curitiba in June we will start trying to put together the strategy for accomplishing our goal. At present we are praying for God's guidance and enabling.

In Christ's service,

Bobby, Charlene, Jessie and Brennen Wacaser

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If you would like to help Baptist Faith Missions through donations of appreciated real estate, stocks, bonds, mutual funds and avoid the capital gains tax, please call Brother Jim Miller at 1-800-383-3902 for detailed information.

### Reports On Work In Mato Grosso . . . Coming Home On Furlough In June . . . Two Special Prayer Requests . . .

By Harold Drape Caixa Postal 3039 78.060-200 Cuiaba, MT. Brasil, S.A. E-mail: hmdubdbr@nutecnet.com.br

Dear Brethren,
All is well here in Central Brazil. I will give a quick rundown of the progress in the works in the state of Mato Grosso.

The Boa Esperanca Baptist Church had a good year in 1998 with several baptisms and additions. They built a new Sunday School building behind the church and fixed up their preacher's house some. They are very active in their community in getting out the gospel. This is the first work that began here over 20 years ago.

The second work in Varzea Grande had a great year. The Lord saved more than 20 persons and their building is getting small. They just suffered the loss of a young wife in a motor-

and their building is getting small. They just suffered the loss of a young wife in a motor-cycle accident. They have just started up a new preaching point which they hope will grow and become a church

The Chacara dos Pinheiros Church is growing with a slow steady growth. They had 3 families enter the membership in 1998. Theirs is a hard church filled with witchcraft and catholicism being very strong in that area. A young drug addict that recently made a profession of faith committed suicide this week. They are very shaken by this right now.

The Faith Baptist Church in Novo Diamentino has had a revival and have a new hard working pastor and family now. They baptized 15 last year and made a great comback after several years of struggling. To God be the praise!

The Faith Baptist Church of Primaveira completed its first year of being organized. Both the church and their young pastor grew both in number and in grace. They built a new building with little help from others. Most of it was personally done by the members, both the labor and finances.

The Altos do Coxipo Church where I concentrate the most of my efforts baptized 5 this past year and had 5 other professions of faith who are not yet baptized. We have a family right now that is giving us a lot of trouble because of sin in their lives. They blame everyone but themselves which will never solve their problems. Pray with us about this. As a whole the church is united and working together. My prospect for pastor is growing and studying to be used in the ministry. Pray for Brother Rubson and family as they grow in knowledge and grace. I must find someone to help him take care of the church before we come home for furlough in lune.

Ursula is doing a lot better with her health. Continue to pray for her. God bless all and thank you so much for your faithful support.

Yours in Him,

Harold Draper

#### 10 Ways The Andersons Know They Are Back In Kenya . . .

By Mike Anderson P. O. Box 4150 Kitale, Kenya, East Africa Phone: 011-254-325-31316 E-mail: BFM-Kenya-Anderson@MAF.org

Dear Friends,

January 31, 1999

Greetings once again from Kenya! It is really good to be back "home" again. We left the snow-covered mountains of West Virginia on January 17th, and arrived in tropical Nairobi on January 10th. God blessed us with a safe trip, and all of our things arrived safely. Also, we went through Kenyan Customs without any hassle.

#### TEN WAYS TO KNOW THAT WE ARE BACK IN AFRICA

We know that we are back in Africa because

- 1. We tried to phone across the capitol city of Nairobi many times and failed.
- 2. We walk down the streets and they reek with the odors of sweat, urine, and rotting
- 3. We are constantly surrounded by street children and beggars with their hands out.
- 4. We had to get adjusted to "jet lag," and an 8 hour time zone difference from Eastern Standard Time. Kenya is 8 hours ahead of the time in West Virginia.
- 5. We waited 5 days to get a shipment of boxes, and 3 days to get them transported out to our home in Kitale. There is a saying here, "There is no hurry in Africa." Pam and I believe it!
- 6. We have been awakened many times by the Muslims' call to prayer very early in the
- 7. The roads here are rough, "turbulant," and sometimes non-existant. Also, pray for me, as I have to get readjusted to driving on the left-hand side of the road again
- 8. We constantly hear a mixture of different languages, such as: Swahili, Luo, Aluya, Hindi, Arabic, English, German, etc.
- 9. The water and electricity always seems to be in short supply. There has not been rain here for the past two months, and the Kitale area is very dry.
- 10. We are easy to spot in a church picture!

During the first 9 days here, we had to wait in Nairobi for another shipment, and then a 10 hour trip to our home in Kitale. While in Nairobi, I got sick. I thank the Lord for Pam, because she correctly diagnosed that I had a kidney infection, and a stomach virus. Thank the Lord, I am doing much better now. During the Apostle Paul's missionary journeys, he had a personal physician who traveled with him, by the name of Luke. I am thankful that I have a personal nurse, by the name of Pam!

It was good to be back in our church again today. Pray for wisdom and discernment, as we plan and set goals for this second term of service.

Pam and I are so thankful for the support and prayers of our family, friends, and supporting churches. We are going to miss you all. We will be praying for you all too, as the Lord brings you to our minds.

May our Lord richly bless you all.

Servants for Christ. Mike and Pam Anderson

#### Baptist Faith Missions JANUARY 1999 OFFERINGS

JANUARY 1999 OFFERING	GS
REGULAR FUND Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	65.00
Adkins, Elbert, Mr. & Mrs. Tulsa, OK	100.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Belleville, MI (Pastor Edwin Reese)	50.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard) .	
Battle Baptist Church, Mackville, KY (Pastor Mark Williams) Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY (Pastor Wayne Howard)	
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC (Pastor Charles Cook)	
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY (Pastor Carl Morton)	400.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN (Pastor Emmett Sexton)	
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley)	
Bohon Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY (Pastor Ken Calia) Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV (Pastor Tim Day)	
Burleson, W. T., Knoxville, TN	
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH	. 50.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV (Pastor Millard Mitchell)	
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY (Pastor Bobby Greene)	
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY (Pastor Jim Adams)	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC (Pastor Elton Dunbar)	
Crestline Friend	
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV (Pastor Henry Linden)	
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gasaway, WV (Pastor Henry Linden)	
Darling, Russell and Ruth, Blue River, WI  Dawson Baptist Church, Glenville, WV (Mt. Pisgah Assoc.)	
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL (Pastor Cliff Presley)	
Ebenezer Baptist Church, Orma, WV	
Elk Lick Baptist Church, Booneville, KY (Pastor Charlie Wilson)	
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS (Pastor Cecil Fayard)	
Ellithorpe, Michael and Renee, Burton, MI  Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN (Pastor John M. Hatcher)1	
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN (Sunday Sch. Classes)	
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY (Pastor James Foster)	
$Emmanuel\ Baptist\ Church, Summers ville, WV\ (Pastor\ Roger\ Frame)\ .$	
Epps, Grantham and Sarah, Plant City, FL	
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Bobby Lakes)	
First Baptist Church, Niles, IL.	
Florida Friend	
Fourteenth of December Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil (Pastor A. Bratcher)	. 200.00
Galilean Baptist Church, Walled Lake, MI	
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	
Goldfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor John Sealey) Goodsprings Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL (Pastor Bobby Walton)	
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY	
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH (Pastor Eugene Helton)	
Grace Baptist Church, Kirksville, MO (Pastor Richard Turner)	
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Springs, MS (Pastor William Roberts)	
Hallum, Marguerite, Hammond, LA	
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH (Pastor Ed Hunkapiller) Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV (Pastor Charles Fisher).	
Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS	
Hitchens Baptist Church, Grayson, KY (Pastor John David Newlin).	
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC (Pastor Danny Wainwright)	
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI (Pastor Denny Herndon)  Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, AL (Pastor Gene Franks)	
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL (Pastor George Sledd)	100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong) 1	
Liberty Baptist Church, (Mt. Pisgah Assoc.), Normantown, WV	
Lynams Creek Baptist Church, Lone. KY (Pastor Richard Adams) Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH (Pastor Dale Adkins)	
Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, Grafton, OH	
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI (Pastor Marvin Summers)	. 935.00
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	
Oliver, Paul B., Tuscumbia, AL (Work Horse Fund)	
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN	
Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, AL (Pastor Joe Spiller)	
Riverview Baptist Church, Point Pleasant, WV (Pastor Merle Wood)	
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN (Pastor Reed Mullins)	
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV (Pastor Larry Fisher)	
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor Curtis Whaley) 1 Sims, James and Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	
South Carolina Friend	
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Tim Doss)	
Southside Baptist Church, Fulton, MS	100.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL (Pastor Ron Smith)	
Sovereign Grace Baptist Church, Meadville, PA (Pastor John Bower)	27.00
Spence, James and Julie, Charleston, WV	
Sugar Creek Baptist Church, Woodlawn, TN (Pastor Walter Jones)	
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	. 60.00
Texas, Friends	
Virginia, Friends	
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL (Pastor Larry Glass)	
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, WV (Pastor Charles Lybrook)	
Webster Memorial Baptist Church, Lakeland, FL	
	. 50.00
West Virginia Friend	600.00
West Virginia Friend West Virginia Friends Total	600.00

MISSION SHEETS
CARFUND
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick) 200.00
Total
KOREAN WORK
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH (Dr. Seo Ku Lee) 65.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick) (Korea) 50.00
Total
WEST INDIES
Florida Friend (Punallal) 30.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong) (Sewnauth Punallal) 61.45
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MJ (Pastor Marvin Summers)(Emmanuel Jaggernauth) 1,085.0 Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL (Pastor Kevin Mitchell)309.20
Total
H. H. OVERBEY FUND
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick) 50.00
Total
ASA BRATCHER FUND
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley) Building 192.00
Brooksburg Baptist Church, Madison, IN Personal 205.47
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS (Pastor Cecil Fayard) Food Pantry 175.38
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA (Pastor Dennis Burnette) Field Needs 25.00
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Mitchell Farthing) Relief Fund 75.00
Grace Baptist Church, Columbia, TN (Pastor Carl Crawford) Personal 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Hamilton, OH (Pastor Gail Terrell)
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton) New Works 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong) Institute 30.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL (Pastor William Botner) New Works 143.10
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Bob Jones)
HAROLD BRATCHER FUND
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Special Designation 100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley) Personal Needs 64.00
Brooksburg Baptist Church, Madison, IN
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY (Pastor Jim Adams) Salary 75.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA (Pastor Tim Sollosi) Salary 200.00
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Mitchell Farthing) Relief Fund 75.00
Grace Baptist Church, Columbia, TN (Pastor Carl Crawford) Personal 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton) New Work 50.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor E. W. Parks) Salary 100.00
Hisle, Raymond and Juanita, Lexington, KY Salary 50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH (Pastor David Hyde) Personal 100.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH (Pastor David Hyde) Personal 65.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toldedo, OH (Pastor David Hyde) Salary 35.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL (Pastor William Botner) . Building 114.48
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) Salary 60.00
Total
A. J. HENSLEY FUND
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA
Central Baptist Church, Whichita Falls, TX (Pastor Louie Carver) Salary 54.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Merengo, OH (Teens Sund. Sch.)
Hisle, Raymond and Juanita, Lexington, KY
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY
Lexington Friends Salary 50.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) Salary 60.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL
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West Virginia Friends
Total
BOBBY CREIGLOW FUND
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL (Pastor Mike Holland) Personal 25.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, TN (Larry Ellis)
Total
MIKE CREIGLOW FUND
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL (Pastor Mike Holland) Personal 25.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley) School 192.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV (Pastor Tim Day) Boat & Motor 1,435.00 Creiglow, Mr. & Mrs. Frank, Lancaster, OH
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS (Pastor Cecil Fayard) Salary 175.38
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH (Pastor Darrell Messer) Work Fund 150.00
Faith Baptist Church, Leighton, AL
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton) New Work 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong) 10.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) Salary 60.00
Wood, Mrs. R. Wickcliffe, Columbia, SC Boat 330.00
Total
HAROLD DRAPER FUND
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley) As needed 32.00
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, KY (Pastor Willie Laswell) Salary 64.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, KY (Pastor R. D. Mize) Salary 40.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton) New Work 50.00
$Hardman\ Fork\ Baptist\ Church,\ Letter\ Gap,\ WV\ (Pastor\ Charles\ Fisher)\ As\ Needed\ 100.00$
$Hillcrest\ Baptist\ Church,\ Winston-Salem,\ NC\ (Pastor\ E.\ W.\ Parks)\dots Salary\ 100.00$
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA
Lake Pond Pantist Church Clip MI (Paster David Assestance) New Work 20.00

## WHERE TO SEND OFFERINGS

Make all checks payable to: **Baptist Faith Missions** 

and mail all offerings to:
Glenn Archer
P. O. Box 144
Livermore, KY 42352

# DON'T FORGET THE WORK HORSE FUND

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong) . . . New Work 30.00 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) . . . . . Salary 60.00 Rosemont Ladies Fellowship, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor Curtis Whaley) . . . Ursula Pers. 100.00

This is the General Fund.

Out of it comes the missionaries' salaries, expenses, travel, medical, cars, etc. It has not kept pace with rising costs. It needs to increase so that our missionaries might have what they need.



Please consider increasing your offerings.

February 1999
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, KY (Pastor L. F. Frazer)
Total
IOHN HATCHER FUND Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL (Pastor Mike Holland) New Build. 570.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley) New Build. 120.00 Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN (Pastor Don McCann) Salary 65.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL (Pastor Cliff Presley) Salary 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton) New Work 50.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA
Kinna, Irene, FL
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, WV Salary 100.00
Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, AL (Pastor Joe Spiller) Love Off. 100.00 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) Salary 60.00
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS New Work 50.00
Spicer, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert, South Bend, IN
Total
PAUL HATCHER FUND
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton) Seminary 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong) Seminary 30.00
Total
Creiglow, Mr. and Mrs. Frank, Lancaster, OH As needed 15.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) Salary 60.00
Total
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Build. Fund 65.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Peru New Works 65.00
Allbritton, Tommy, Hurricane, WV
Cooper, Michael and Beverly, Lexington, KY Carlos Azana Fund 10.00
Durrum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL Personal 200.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA (Pastor Tom Sollosi) Salary 200.00 Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS (Pastor Cecil Fayard) Salary 175.38
Gilpin Masonary Construction Inc., Lexington, KY Personal 50.00
Howe, C. Raymond, Jr., Saint Augustine, FL
Hurst, Kenny & Kim, South Point, OH
KJW, Lehigh Acres, FL Personal 30.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, IL (Pastor Bill Prince) Builing Fund 75.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer) Salary 60.00 Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN (Pastor Reed Mullins) 25.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor Curtis Whaley) Love Gift 100.00
Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, KY (Pastor Lonnie Mattingly) Salary 100.00
Total
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH (Pastor Wayne Brickner) Salary 35.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA
First Baptist Church, Covington, OH (Jr. High S.S. Class) Love Off. 30.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV (Pastor David Mitchell). Salary 100.00 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)Salary 60.00
Total
MISCELLANEOUS  Creiglow Mr. & Mrs. Rob (Kirkman Medical)  25.00
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