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## HAROLD AND MARIE BRATCHER - FORTY YEAR VETERANS

### MY LIFE UPON THE EARTH

I was born on March 24, 1927 in the Baptist Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky, U.S.A. My mother's maiden name was Beulah Mae Porter. She married my father, Charles Slaton Bratcher, on December 25, 1919.

When I was 2 years old we moved to Morganfield, Kentucky, where I was raised, living with my parents for some 10 years in the parsonage of the F. B. C. of Morganfield, Kentucky. On March 12, 1935 Charles, my youngest brother, was born. On a rainy Sunday morning, March 12, 1939, my father challenged me to make my public profession of faith, reminding me that I had heard him preach the gospel many times and that I knew the way to be saved. I accepted his advice, and when the invitation was given, I went forward and made my profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and declared that I had decided to follow Jesus, no turning back. And I was received as a candidate for baptism. That afternoon I was baptized with some 10 others and that night given the hand of church fellowship. Even before I was saved and baptized I felt that the Lord wanted me to preach the gospel. I continued my education, graduating from high school in May of 1945.

On June 5, 1945, I was drafted into the U.S. Army, serving as a soldier of my country for some 18 months, 11 of these months in the army of occupation in Germany.

In January of 1948 I began my labors as Pastor of the Newby Baptist Church, where I was ordained to the gospel ministry on August 31, 1947. I served as Pastor until May 1955. It was while I was Pastor at Newby that I met a young lady who was converted during a revival in 1952. We were united in marriage on December 27, 1954 at the Newby Baptist Church (Miss Marie Moore).

In January of 1955 I graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. I continued on as Pastor at the church until May, 1956. In June of 1955 my dear mother left us to live with the Lord in Heaven. She lived on in my father's heart as he never did marry again, living by himself for around 25 years.

Soon after we were married I served for more than a year as a professor at the Lexington Baptist College. On January 4, 1956, Asa Mark Bratcher, who is now a missionary of B.F.M. and Pastor of the 14th of December Baptist Church, was born in Richmond, Kentucky.

While serving the Lord as a full time evangelist, I felt the call to be a foreign missionary after reading the biography of E. A. Nelson, the apostle of the Amazonas. The biography was written by my uncle, Dr. L. M. Bratcher, whose body is waiting the resurrection in the Saint John the Baptist Cemetery in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

In November of 1958 Marie and I were appointed as missionaries to Brazil by B.F.M. In the morning while it was still dark, the three of us (Asa Mark, 3-1/2 years old), arrived at the airport in Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil, S.A. We arrived with Pastor John A. Hatcher and family and we stayed with them for some three weeks before renting a house on Paraiba Street.



Brother Harold Bratcher preached at the dedication of a new mission of Manacial Baptist Church. This is a "granddaughter" of 14th of December Baptist Church.

The first few months were very difficult ones. We, not knowing how to speak or understand Portuguese, were like deaf and dumb people.

We joined, soon after we arrived, the Zion Baptist Church, Praça 14. Our first Pastor was Sostenes Nunes de Mello. He was a blessing to us.

In January of 1960, after we had been in Manaus six months, I preached my first sermon in Portuguese at the Zion Baptist Church. The Pastor, Sostenes Nunes de Mello, was unable to attend due to sickness. One of the deacons came to me and informed me that I was to preach. I didn't come fully prepared, but I had been working on a sermon. I said: "Please sing another hymn." So while they sang I translated from the Portuguese. "At the cross, it was at the cross, where one day I saw my sins punished in Jesus . . . It was there by faith I opened my eyes and now I am happy in his light." I then preached on the "Healing of Simon Peter's mother-in-law." 1-She was sick. 2. Jesus healed her. 3. She went to work for Jesus.

We continued on as members of Zion until I was called as Pastor of the 14th of December Baptist Church in March of 1962.

On July 13th of 1962, we returned to the U.S. There were four of us as Stephen was born in the Holy House of Mercy Hospital here in Manaus on March 8, 1960. Soon after arriving in the U.S. I had to be a patient in a hospital in Detroit, Michigan because of malaria fever, which I had contacted on a trip to Codajás, Amazonas before we left Brazil.

We returned to Manaus in July of 1963 and I was again called to be Pastor of the 14th of December Baptist Church where I am during the months of June and July 1999, serving as Interim Pastor.

On March 3, 1965 we were made glad by the birth of our third son, Joel Harold Bratcher. On August 17, 1971 I had to cry out with Job, "Have pity on me, have pity upon me, oh my friends, for the hand of the Lord has touched me" (Job 19:21), as Joel drowned in the Amazon River as we were returning from a missionary trip on the Buzzard river.



Soon after the F.B.I.A. was organized, I accepted to teach Old Testament. Today I am still teaching O.T. I am now pastor of the 24th of March Baptist Church, 13 members.

Yes, today, July 15, 1999, Marie and I are remembering that 40 years ago today at around 4:00 a.m. we arrived in Manaus.

As we look at the city of Manaus today we are aware of the fact that Manaus has changed -- some for the better and some for the worse. We enjoy better lights and electricity. The population of Manaus has increased by at least a million. I am thinking that there were perhaps 150,000 people in Manaus at that time.

The first few months were difficult ones. The first days Marie was ready to give up and die as she remembered that the sun was shining bright in her old Kentucky home. Soon after we arrived, Marie began to suffer stomach pains. She didn't know it, but the cause of her suffering was not her nerves, but she was pregnant!

We soon learned that we were among a very poor people. There were a few rich families, and very many poor families. The poor we had with us always. We attended the small Zion Baptist Church within walking distance of our house where we became members. Yes, the poor classified us with the few extremely rich of the city. It is better today as there now exists, including the believers of our churches, a strong middle class. I remember a missionary from another denomination made the statement to me that he didn't come to Brazil to raise the living standard. I fear he and his wife were a little on the stingy or selfish side. I thought to myself: "I don't believe I have been a tight-wad or stingy or selfish during these 40 years." We hope that we have more treasures laid up for ourselves in heaven than we have for ourselves in earth. We want to hoist our hearts into heaven.

I Corinthians 15:58, "Am I a soldier of the cross? And when the battle is over, we shall wear a crown! I'll exchange my cross for a starry crown! 'Tis the grace of God that brought us safe thus far, and the grace of God will lead us to our heavenly home."

Yours in His service,  
Harold and Marie Bratcher

(Please see page two for Marie's view on Brazil).

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## Reaching Upper-Middle Class ... Looking To Start New Mission ... Charlene Writes ...

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Dear Friends, August 3, 1999

We have begun to see answers to prayer about reaching the upper middle class here in Curitiba. You may remember that we had some friends from Brazil to visit with us in the U.S. while we were on furlough. Luiz and Michelle are a young married couple who were raised in the upper middle class in this culture. While they were visiting with us we had the opportunity to ascertain that they had truly trusted in Christ as their Lord and Savior. There is a sharp distinction here between classes and it is difficult for someone from one class to obtain more than a casual or formal relationship with someone from a different class. The upper class person may understand and believe the message that is being shared, but he will have a hard time attending the church of the lower class person.

The couple who came to visit us in the States invited us to a party at their place of business. Before we went, Charlene and I prayed that God would open a door of opportunity to reach out to this group. Shortly after arriving, I was introduced to Demas, a long time friend of Luiz. He and I had a lengthy conversation, and I had the opportunity to share with him our interest to start a home Bible study and that we would like to have him participate. He showed genuine interest and agreed to attend when we begin. We are praying now for the proper time and place to hold these studies. Pray with us for the Lord's guidance in this ministry.

Charlene and I went to canvas the neighborhood of Diadema where we hope to begin our next mission point. We found that among the 40,000 residents there is not a single Baptist church. We looked for a piece of property or a building that might serve as a place of worship, but didn't find anything especially promising. We will be returning to search out the possibilities more thoroughly. We ask that you pray that God's Spirit would go before us and accompany us as we seek to take the gospel to those who do not have ready access to it.

Charlene writes: Preparing meals in Brazil has always been very time consuming. I decided to try a method that a good friend in Kentucky referred to me that would cut down on wasted time. The method is called "Once a Month Cooking" and it has already helped me have spare time to join Bobby in outreach ministries. I only prepared a half a month the first time to see if the recipes would be any good. So far, they have been a real success. The benefit is that all the main dishes are cooked in one day and stored in the freezer. All I have to do to prepare them is to thaw them out and heat them with a side vegetable or salad. I also save a lot of time that I used to spend running to the supermarkets each week. Clean up is much easier and quicker too. I have more time to spend with our two kids and the youth we are working with.

This weekend (both Friday and Saturday) we will be having the adolescents and the teenagers over to our house for Bible study and fellowship. We have learned from the leaders that head up our works that our future leaders are those who are children and youth now. Three of our pastors were just kids when we began to share the gospel with them. We must not underestimate what God can do with the least things or little people.

Yours in Christ's service,  
Bobby, Charlene, Jessie and Brennen Wacaser

## Medical Team Visits ... Soul's Saved ... Need For Helpers ...

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Dear Friends, August 2, 1999

Well, we have several things to report to you all this month. One of the joys for missionaries is when a family member comes out to visit. My brother-in-law, Dr. Jim Wade, came out for two weeks. He brought a 15 member medical team with him to minister to African children who needed surgery, because of split lip or cleft palate problems. Pam and I told people about Jim's ministry, and one of our church members knew of two children in their area who had split lips, from the same family. The medical team was able to repair this problem, and they did not charge anything for their services.

Oh, I might add that it is also nice when friends come to see us, too. We did not know it, but one of the members on the medical team used to work with Pam at a local hospital in West Virginia. Both Pam and Terry Hill worked as nurses in the Intensive Care Unit. It was a pleasant surprise for them to see one another again at the airport in Nairobi. They had a great time trying to catch up on what has been happening in their lives.

We have really had an active month of ministry, for which we thank the Lord. Six precious souls received Christ as their personal Savior. One man, named Protuas Sawenja, came to our house to repair some electrical problems. He had the opportunity to hear me give the morning devotional to our workers. I believe, perhaps for the first time in his life, he was being fed spiritually. He invited us to his house, and we had the honor of leading him to a knowledge of Jesus Christ. He made a profession of faith and it was a real joy to lead this Catholic man to our Lord.

Pam and I have enjoyed going out on visitation. One of our members told us about a 22 year old man who was having some serious stomach problems. We took him to the mission hospital where Dr. Wade did his surgeries at Kijabe. It took us over five hours to get there. We found out that James Oduror had stomach cancer. The doctor says that it is too late to help him, and that he only has months to live. We thank the Lord that James knows our Lord as his personal Savior.

Recently, I went out into the bush country to visit the two children that had the split lip surgery. They are both doing well, and their parents were very pleased with the results. While I was there, I had the opportunity to preach in their church.

We continue to enjoy ministering in our church. The youth really enjoy our Word of Life Bible Club that we have each Saturday. On Sunday night, I am involved in a discipleship program in our church.

Yesterday, in church, we had a baby dedication. I dedicated 7 children to the Lord. By the way, Pam had another child in the church named after her. The baby's name is Pamela Juma, and she was born the first part of the month.

Pam and I are praying about a couple to come out and join us in the Lord's work here in Kitale. There are such great spiritual needs here. I hope you will pray with us that the Lord will lead others to come out and help us.

## Back In Brazil ... Lost Luggage ... Witnessing In The Air ...

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Dear Friends, July 29, 1999

Alta and I had a good trip back to Brazil in spite of canceled and late flights. Thanks to Brother Grant Fox for taking our baggage to the airport, and for Steve and Eva Blake, Tim Doss, Ross and Lynn McGary and our grandchildren: John Victor, Ryan and Virginia McGary who came to see us off. Thanks, Mary Ann Fox, for the bag of sweet cherries. Everyone of them was sweet.

Our arrival in Sao Paulo was on time but our baggage was not. Not one of the twelve volumes arrived with us. Two days later the company called and said that eleven bags had arrived and three were retained in the customs. They sent eight pieces, and on Monday the 27th, I flew to Sao Paulo and paid the custom fees and returned home. The only box missing now is my new computer; no sign of it. Pray that the Lord will give it to us.

MAN SAVED IN THE AIR. When something goes, apparently, wrong it is probably because God is helping us do His will. The flight from Londrina to Sao Paulo is one hour. I met a man at the airport before boarding. We had seats next to each other. I asked God to help me witness to him. After about five minutes in flight we conversed and then a question opened the door. He is a civil engineer and owns a furniture factory. God opened a ready heart and he trusted Jesus as Savior. We prayed together and thanked God for His love and Grace. He lives in a city about 100 miles from us, and as soon as we return from Cruzeiro do Sul he is expecting me to come see him. Pray that this may be the opening for another new work. On the trip back a nun boarded the plane and I asked God to put her close to my seat so I could witness to her. Her seat was on the same row at the opposite window. When the plane stopped at Campo Grande I stepped over and asked if I could talk with her. I had noticed at the lunch time she had asked for whiskey. She had no hope and was empty inside. God gave me liberty to tell her about Salvation by faith in Jesus alone, and I pray she will find Him dear to her heart. So it was not so bad to lose the baggage; after all the cost really was not anything compared to a man finding Christ as Savior.

It was a big emotion to be back home and with our people once more. On Wednesday night the people in Urai gave us a surprise dinner at the evening service. On Sunday evening the Tabernacle Church in Cornelio gave us a SURPRISE reception. What goodness God has poured out on our lives.

Tom Turley, his wife Diane and son Joshua have done a wonderful job in caring for the church, teaching in the Seminary and directing work among the missions as well as starting a very effective youth work on Saturday evening. Many have been saved, about 10 persons baptized, and attendance has increased in all the works. Pray for the Turley family. They will be returning to Manaus.

In our next letter we will write of our trip to Cruzeiro do Sul.

God bless you each one. We love you and appreciate your love, your support, your prayers and your patience with us.

Love, John and Alta Hatcher

## BRAZIL FROM MARIE'S VIEW ...

First, I want to express my appreciation to all who made phone calls, sent flowers and many cards of sympathy since the death of my mother. All has been greatly appreciated. Also I want to thank the Newby Baptist Church for their special memorial offering they sent to us through Baptist Faith Missions. May God bless each one of you who were so kind and thoughtful. These expressions of sympathy have been a great blessing since we were unable to be there for the funeral. Thank you, each one. We are so thankful that our son Stephen made a special effort to travel from Ocala, Florida to Richmond, Kentucky, to be present for his granny's funeral. I thank each one of you who had a part taking care of him while he was there. God bless you all!

On July, 1952, Brother Bill Beeny was holding a revival at the Newby Baptist Church. During the sermon he compared salvation to a doctor performing surgery: the patient trusted the surgeon with his life as the doctor operated on him. Then he urged all who were unsaved to trust in the blood of Jesus Christ who died on the cross of Calvary for our sins. I accepted Him as my Savior and made my public profession of faith that night. The following Sunday afternoon my sister and I were baptized by the Pastor of the Church - Harold Bratcher. Little did I dream that in two-and-a-half years we would become husband and wife in spite of Harold's busy schedule. He had very little time for courting.

July 1959 found us on the mission field here in Manaus, Brazil. We owe Brother John and Sister Alta Hatcher a big debt of thanks as they were a great blessing and help to us those first weeks when we knew how to say only a few words in Portuguese. Thank you, John and Alta, for helping is out many times, especially during the drowning accident of our third son, Joel Harold Bratcher, August 17, 1971. Those were very difficult days, weeks and months for us. Alta, you were such a blessing to me then! I say, "Thank you."

After I learned Portuguese enough to understand and be understood, I worked with two ladies' groups, making many personal visits into many different homes here in Manaus.

At the present time, due to some health problems, I try to attend the regular church services and cooperate with the ladies' group at the 24th of March Baptist Church. Some of my regular duties include giving many cups of cold water to those who visit or stop by to ask for a "copo com água" (a glass with water). The climate here is very hot and there is much need for the physical water as well as for the need for the living water or spiritual water.

I enjoyed reading Pam Anderson's letter in the last Mission Sheet. Forty years ago our water had to be boiled, then put through a filter as Pam wrote about. Now we are thankful we can get distilled water in large containers; that eliminates the need for boiling and filtering our drinking water. Makes it much easier.

God has been good to us even though we have had our joys and sorrows and have been on the mountain tops many times and down in the "Valley" many times! He has never forsaken us! Praise Him for His goodness, His love and mercy and compassion He has shown to us.

I would like to thank all of you who have made our ministry here possible these many years. Thanks to the Directors of Baptist Faith Missions and to you each reader of the Mission Sheets and to each supporting church. We ask that you continue praying for us and for our two sons, Asa Mark Bratcher, Stephen Bratcher and their wives and for our three grandchildren, Marcia, Lucy Marie and Stephen Matthew.

Permit me to close with the words of the Serenity Prayer, "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change what I can, and the wisdom to know the difference." Amen.

Yours in Christ,  
Marie Bratcher

We appreciate many of you who have written to encourage us, and say that you are praying for us. So far, we have not had to go to court concerning our former pastor who wants to sue us. So please continue to keep this matter in your prayers.

Take care and God bless you all.

Servants for Christ,  
Mike and Pam Anderson



# Baptist Faith Missions

## JUNE 1999 OFFERINGS

### REGULAR FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	65.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Belleville, MI (Pastor Edwin Reese)	100.00
Battle Baptist Church, Mackville, KY (Pastor Mark Williams)	30.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, KY	100.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY (Pastor Allan Keith)	181.00
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC (Pastor Charles Cook)	150.00
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY (Pastor Carl Morton)	400.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley)	439.00
Bohon Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY (Pastor Ken Calia)	175.00
Bouchard, Roland and Elisabeth, Louisville, KY	74.00
Bray, Darrell, Houston, MS	75.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV (Pastor Tim Day)	100.00
Burleson, W. T., Knoxville, TN	150.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH (Pastor John VanHorn)	Sp. Off. 130.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV (Pastor Millard Mitchell)	400.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY (Pastor Bobby Greene)	611.05
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY (Pastor Jim Adams)	100.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, WV (Pastor Roger Stewart)	75.00
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX (Pastor Louie Carver)	25.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC (Pastor Elton Dunbar)	300.00
Crestline Friend	160.00
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV (Pastor Henry Linden)	256.58
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV (Pastor Henry Linden)	60.00
Darling, Russell and Ruth, Blue River, WI	60.00
Dawson Baptist Church, Glenville, WV (Mt. Pisgah Assoc.)	100.00
East Maine Baptist Church, Niles, IL	420.00
Ebenezer Baptist Church, Orma, WV (Pastor George Rose)	30.00
Elgin Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL (Pastor James McCullar)	536.16
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	175.59
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH (Pastor Darrell Messer)	416.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN (Pastors Falwell & Newland)	942.39
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN (Sunday Sch. Classes)	8.18
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY (Pastor James Foster)	269.00
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Bobby Lakes)	200.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY (Pastor Ron Duty)	1,000.00
First Baptist Church, Siloam, KY (Pastor Warren Hardin)	513.98
Friends	100.00
Getsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	75.00
Goldfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor John Sealey)	25.00
Goodsprings Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL (Pastor Bobby Walton)	120.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY	20.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH (Pastor Eugene Helton)	500.00
Grace Baptist Church, Kiskville, MO (Pastor Richard Turner)	100.00
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Springs, MS (Pastor William Roberts)	225.00
Hallum, Marguerite, Hammond, LA	50.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH (Pastor Ed Hunkapiller)	50.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV (Pastor Charles Fisher)	600.00
Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS	25.00
Hitchens Baptist Church, Grayson, KY (Pastor John David Newlin)	75.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC (Pastor Danny Wainwright)	60.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI (Pastor Denny Herndon)	200.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, AL (Pastor Gene Franks)	104.84
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	50.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL (Pastor George Sleds)	100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	1,184.36
Lynams Creek Baptist Church, Lone, KY (Pastor Richard Adams)	25.00
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH (Pastor Dale Adkins)	50.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV (Pastor David Mitchell)	100.00
Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, Grafton, OH (Pastor Mike Smith)	250.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Bloomington, IL	25.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI (Pastor Marvin Summers)	682.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Steve Wainwright)	25.00
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	60.00
Ohio Friends	50.00
Oliver, Paul B., Tuscumbia, AL (Work Horse Fund)	75.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL (Pastor Kevin Mitchell)	93.48
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Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, AL (Pastor David Tidwell)	250.00
Riverview Baptist Church, Point Pleasant, WV (Pastor Merle Wood)	100.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN (Pastor Reed Mullins)	150.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV (Pastor Larry Fisher)	250.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor Curtis Whaley)	1,000.00
Sims, James and Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	125.00
South Carolina Friend	45.00
Southside Baptist Church, Fulton, MS	100.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL (Pastor Ron Smith)	150.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick)	1,083.71
Summer Conference Offering, Livermore, KY	532.00
Summer Conference Video and Audio Tapes	190.00
Swisher, Tereca, Willow Hill, IL	10.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL (Pastor Herb Wilson) by Doug, Ramona King	50.00
Tennney, James and Patsy, Ococo, FL	30.00
Texas, Friends	600.00
Tulsa Friends	115.00
Twenty-fourth of March Baptist Church, Brazil, South America	200.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Bristol, TN (Pastor Wallace Freeman)	100.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	5.00
Virginia Friends	580.00
Watkins, Bert and Louise, Richmond, KY	55.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, WV (Pastor Charles Lybrook)	500.00
West Virginia Friends	140.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,592.01</b>

### CARE FUND

Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick)	200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>200.00</b>

### WEST INDIES

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	(Sewnauth Panalla) 66.70
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI (Pastor Marvin Summers)	(Emmanuel Jaggermauth) 420.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>128.70</b>

### H. H. OVERBEY FUND

Lessley, James and Rebecca, Alma, AR	50.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick)	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>

### ASA BRATCHER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	266.67
Brooksbury Baptist Church, Madison, IN	Personal 197.80
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 175.59
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA (Pastor Dennis Burnette)	Field Needs 25.00
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Mickey Hyder)	Relief fund 125.00
Grace Baptist Church, Hamilton, OH (Pastor Gail Terrell)	New Works 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton)	New Works 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	Institute 31.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL (Pastor William Botner)	New Work 125.00
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Bob Jones)	Mission Support 50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,174.81</b>

### HAROLD BRATCHER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Building 65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	266.67
Brooksbury Baptist Church, Madison, IN	Personal 197.80
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY (Pastor Bobby Greene)	Poverty Relief 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY (Pastor Jim Adams)	Salary 75.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glenville, GA (Pastor Tim Sollosi)	Salary 200.00
Gills, Hazel, Lancaster, KY	Salary 25.00
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Mickey Hyder)	Relief Fund 125.00
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
Hyder, Shirley, Cincinnati, OH	Special Gift 100.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH (Pastor David Hyde)	Personal 65.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH (Pastor David Hyde)	Salary 35.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL (Pastor William Botner)	Building 111.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,575.47</b>

### A. J. HENSLEY FUND

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	509.17
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY (Pastor Bobby Greene)	Alpha & Omega Home 232.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA	Salary 75.00
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX (Pastor Louie Carver)	52.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY	Salary 20.00
L. M. P., Lexington, KY	Salary 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	Alpha & Omega Fund 50.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 35.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,083.17</b>

### MIKE CREIGLOW FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Other 65.00
Beulah Baptist Church, Summersville, WV	Support 30.00
Creiglow, Mr. and Mrs. Frank, Lancaster, OH	Mission Work 15.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 175.59
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH (Pastor Darrell Messer)	Salary 150.00
Grace Baptist Church, Columbia, TN (Pastor Carl Crawford)	Personal 100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton)	New Work 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton)	Boat 1,000.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, TN (Pastor Larry Ellis)	Personal 50.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 35.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,730.59</b>

### HAROLD DRAPER FUND

Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH (Pastor John VanHorn)	Personal 40.00
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, KY (Pastor Willie Laswell)	Salary 79.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, KY (Pastor R. D. Mize)	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 200.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor E. W. Parks)	Salary 100.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	As Needed 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	New Work 31.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, KY (Pastor L. F. Frazer)	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>750.00</b>

### JOHN HATCHER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Building 65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	266.67
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN (Pastor Don McCann)	Salary 65.00
Fox, Grant and Mary Ann, Lexington, KY	As Needed 1,000.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton)	New Work 50.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	As Needed 30.00
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, WV	Salary 100.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV (Pastor David Mitchell)	Salary 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	New Work 25.00
Spicer, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert, South Bend, IN	300.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick)	Maria 25.00
Wood, Mrs. Wickliffe, Danville, KY	New Buildings 400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,511.67</b>

### PAUL HATCHER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Seminary 100.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL	Seminary 60.00
Allbritton, Tommy, Plant City, FL	Seminary 30.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	266.67
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY (Pastor Ron Duty)	Baptist Seminary 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI (Pastor Max Clifton)	Seminary 50.00

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	Seminary 31.00
North-Northeast Baptist Church, Cincinnati, OH (Pastor Ed Kittle)	Baptist Theological 30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>617.67</b>

### PAUL CREIGLOW

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	266.67
Creiglow, Mr. and Mrs. Frank, Lancaster, OH	Mission Work 15.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>341.67</b>

### STANTON FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Build. Fund 65.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Peru New Works 65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Russell Howard)	366.67
Burroughs, C. E., Bristol, TN	Carlos Fund 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH (Pastor John VanHorn)	Salary 40.00
Cooper, Michael and Beverly, Lexington, KY	Carlos Azana Fund 10.00
Durum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL	Personal 100.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glenville, GA (Pastor Tom Sollosi)	Personal 200.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 175.79
Howe, C. Raymond, Jr., Saint Augustine, FL	Personal 150.00
Ohio Friends	Relief Fund 20.00
Ohio Friends	Carlos Fund 50.00
Ohio Friends	Relief 50.00
Restoration Baptist Church, Dickson, TN (Pastor Stan Ham)	Personal 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN (Pastor Reed Mullins)	25.00
Stanton, Jeff and Martita, Merritt Island, FL	Personal 25.00
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 35.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,637.26</b>

### WACASER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Salary 65.00
Bouchard, Roland and Elisabeth, Louisville, KY	Personal 666.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH (Pastor Wayne Brickner)	Salary 35.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA	Salary 50.00
First Baptist Church, Covington, OH (Pastor Cliff Christman)	Salary 25.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	From S.S. Youth 14.10
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV (Pastor David Mitchell)	Salary 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
Tennney, James and Patsy, Ococo, FL	Salary 60.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,075.10</b>

### FOUNDERS' MONTH

Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH (Pastor Eugene Helton)	2,400.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH (Pastor Jim Orrick)	1,764.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,164.00</b>

### MISCELLANEOUS

I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC (Pastor Danny Wainwright)	Adm. Costs 3.00
South Carolina Friend	HHO Fund 15.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>18.00</b>

### HOME MISSIONS

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL (Pastor Art Donley)	Reinhardt 37.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY (Pastor Ron Duty)	Reinhardt 125.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (Pastor Doug Armstrong)	Reinhardt 66.70
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI (Pastor Marvin Summers)	124.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI (Pastor Marvin Summers)	Reinhardt 124.00
Norris, Wallace, Richmond, KY	Reinhardt 40.00
Ohio Friends	Reinhardt 50.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Reinhardt 60.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC (Pastor Curtis Whaley)	Reinhardt 200.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, WV (Pastor Charles Lybrook)	Reinhardt 50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>876.70</b>

### IN MEMORIAM

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN (Pastors Falwell & Newland)	Curt Buente 415.02
Overbey, Dale and Doris, Van Buren, AR	Z. E. Clark 125.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>540.02</b>

### MIKE ANDERSON FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Salary 65.00
Allbritton, Tommy, Hurricane, WV	New Works 30.00
Bible Baptist Church, Durham, NC (Pastor Greg Allison)	25.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV (Pastor Tim Day)	Defense Fund 335.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV (Pastor Millard Mitchell)	Spec. Proj. 100.00
Campbell, Julie, Pelion, SC	As Needed 50.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV (Pastor Jeff Arthur)	Personal 55.00
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV (Pastor Brian May)	Mike & Pam 100.00
Faith Baptist Church, Saint Albans, WV (Pastor John Hoskins)	Salary 50.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, TN (Pastor Dennis Burnette)	Salary 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Surgonsville, TN (Pastor Donnie Anderson)	Salary 50.00
Harvesters SS Class, Point Pleasant, WV	Salary 100.00
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL	Per expense 40.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV (Pastor David Mitchell)	Salary 100.00
Mount Hope Baptist Church, Chesapeake, OH	Salary 60.00
Murphy, Tom and Nancy, County Kerry, Ireland	Church Build. 150.00
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, KY (Pastor Bob Jones)	Mission Support 30.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Culloden, WV (Pastor Ron Brewer) (Foundations)	Salary 75.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY (Pastor Glenn Archer)	Salary 60.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN (Pastor Reed Mullins)	50.00
South Carolina Friend	As needed 60.00
Stuck, Louise, Scott Depot, WV	Personal 25.00
Sugar Creek Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	Salary 150.00
Walnut Hills Baptist Church, Huntington, WV (Pastor Joe Moore)	20.00
Winfield Baptist Church, Winfield, WV (Pastor Douglas L. McComas)	100.00
Wolcott, Pastor Jerry, Sioux City, IA	As Needed 250.00
Yanak, Albert & Ruby, Saint Albans, WV	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,245.00</b>

### JOHN M. HATCHER FUND

Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY (Pastor Bobby Greene)	Salary 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Coffeen, IL	29.00
King, Doug and Ramona, Arcadia, FL	20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>99.00</b>

**TOTAL - ALL FUNDS \$41,460.84**



# Busy Visiting Churches . . . Report On Sister Draper's Health . . . Plans For Future Work . . .

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Dear Brethren,  
July 28, 1999  
Thank the Lord, we are staying busy. This month we had great opportunities both to serve and be served. The fellowship and spirit has been tremendous. We preached both services at the Southside B.C., Paducah, Ky., without a Pastor; Bryan Station B.C. of Lexington, Ky., Al Gormley, Pastor; held a 4-day Revival at Faith B.C. Versailles, Ky with Bobby Lakes, Pastor; Thompson Rd. B.C. Lex., Ky with David Parks, Pastor; attended and preached last message at the BFM Missions Conference at Richland B.C. Livermore, Ky with Glen Archer, Pastor; attended and preached last message of Homecoming service of Mt. Pispah B.C., Grafton, Ohio, Mike Smith, Pastor; we preached in the morning service at the Shady Grove B.C., Ballard Co., Ky with David Hendon, Pastor; Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky with Larry Fraser, Pastor. We thank all of these precious pastors and churches for your invitation and love offerings.

Ursula's health continues to cause some concern. They now think she may have had a light stroke which could be causing her to have bladder spasms. But if it is this, it seems to have been very light, and her surgery will be scheduled after we get her checked out by a neurologist. We still hope she'll have her surgery at least by the middle of September. Continue to pray for her.

Our work in Brazil seems to be going well. One church is a concern for us due to there not being many sound men in our area. We are confident that the Lord will help them to find the right man. Bob Creiglow and Betty along with Dave Parks will be visiting the work this week which will be a thrill for the folk there. We want to open up yet another new work when we go back to Brazil as well as develop the last one which was opened. We need help to do this. If you feel led, please give to the Draper New Work Fund. We thank all of you who support the General Fund. I have a few openings to preach until the 1st of December. After that we will have to stop traveling and pack to leave. We intend to return to Brazil around the 18th of December if possible and must use the last 2 weeks to pack and bid farewell to family.

May God bless all of you.

Yours in Christ,  
Harold M. Draper



Bolivian sisters in Christ.

# Brenda Finally Gets Permanent Visa . . . Return To Brazil July 26th . . .

By Paul D. Creiglow  
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Dear Friends,  
The battle is finally over! After almost 5 years we finally received Brenda's permanent visa. We can now return to Brazil, and next time we come home on furlough it will be when we want, and for as long, or short, as we want. This whole ordeal has been very hard on our family and has taken its toll on us emotionally. It is especially difficult for our children. After being here so long, they have mixed feelings about going back. This is typical, and I know that after the first couple of weeks in Cruzeiro do Sul everything will be back to normal for them.

Lindsay graduated high school last month and will be returning to Brazil with us for at least a year before she comes back to start college. She is planning on spending some time with Odali and Kathy Barros helping in the orphanage, and she feels God may be calling her to work in this ministry. Nothing would please me more! Please pray for her as she seeks God's will for, and begins to plan, her future.

We have our passage set to return to Brazil on July 26th. Remember us in your prayers as we wind things down here and make our final preparations to leave. We would like to thank all of you for your prayers and support; it means more to us than you will ever know.

In Christ,  
Paul D. Creiglow

# Countdown To Departure . . . High Cost Of Living . . . How To Meet The Cost . . .

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
August 3, 1999  
As you read this letter, we should be 2 weeks away from departing for Toulouse, France. The consulate officer indicated to us that we should be able to receive the long-term visas for which we have applied by September 15. Pray for the visas to be granted before our departure date if it is the Lord's will.

We praise the Lord for the safety and blessings we have received as we share the needs of France with churches. We praise the Lord for those who have begun or increased their support in order to enable us to proclaim the Gospel in France. We thank the Lord for those who have promised to pray for us. Some have asked us about where we plan to begin. We will be starting from scratch. The area that the Lord has laid on our hearts is the city of Toulouse and the surrounding cities. This is a metropolitan area with a population of about 750,000. It is made up of about 14 cities. You can find it on your map by looking south to the border of France with Spain and then up approximately 60 miles north from this border. Toulouse (pronounced Too-looz) is about halfway between the Atlantic and the Mediterranean. The cost of serving in France is high. Gas is about \$4.50 per gallon. Nearly everything costs considerably more than it does in the U.S.A. Most of the countries where missionaries with Baptist Faith Missions serve have a cost of living that is substantially higher than in your hometown. The missionaries leave family and friends to go where God has called. These sacrifices seem small when compared to what those before us have suffered and are nothing when compared to the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ for us. As you bow your head in prayer for your daily bread, think about how God has blessed you and others that live in this wonderful country. Ask your heavenly Father what He would have you give so that others may hear the message that can save them from hell.

If each supporting church would increase its monthly giving by an average of \$50.00, our expenses in France would be met and all of the missionaries that serve with Baptist Faith Missions could continue to have their needs supplied. That probably works out to about \$1.00 per person. Would you give this and more to enable others to receive the message that God uses to save you? Pastors, lead your church to invest in the Lord's Kingdom. Members, speak to your Pastor about this. During the 26 years the Lord has enabled me to pastor, I have seen the promise of the Lord fulfilled. If we will give, our Heavenly Father will multiply our seed and meet our needs. Join us by increasing your investments in the wonderful ministry of reconciliation. We expect God to do great things.

Pray for God to thrust out laborers into His kingdom. Volunteer to go as He directs!  
May the Lord richly bless you.

In Christ,  
John and Judy



Left to Right: John Hatcher, Augusto Magalhães, Luiza Magalhães, and Alta Hatcher

August and Luiza were saved while we were working in Garca. This brother is a great servant of God. He was one of our faithful bus drivers, faithful in visiting and serving the Lord at home. When he was saved only one of his family, a daughter, was a believer. Today, his sons and daughters are saved, his in-laws are saved and his grandchildren are saved. I think there are about 20 in all, besides friends and their families who have been saved. Augusto has worked faithfully for over four years in the Julio Mesquita Mission of the Church in Garca.

## WHERE TO SEND OFFERINGS

Make all checks payable to: Baptist Faith Missions  
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## PRAY FOR YOUR MISSIONARIES . . .

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John and Alta Hatcher  
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Harold and Ursula Draper  
Asa and Lucy Bratcher  
Robert and Charlene Wacaser  
A. J. and Barbara Hensley

### IN PERU:

Sheridan and Anita Stanton

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### IN FRANCE:

John M. and Judy Hatcher