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## What Would Jesus Do . . . Great Time At Camp . . .

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Dear Brethren, October 11, 2000

Last month we held our summer youth camp. It took us over two weeks just to get the grounds and buildings looking like they should. There was lots of help though. On two occasions we had groups of fifteen or more working. We had made a head start on the grounds when we got things ready for the ladies' camp, which was held the first week of September.

Besides all the hard labor involved in getting the grounds ready, there was plenty to do to get the actual camp together. The team that worked with me was just great. I had seven young

people and three married couples helping me. We worked together for weeks before getting all the activities, meals and other responsibilities together. We were together for hours on end, but it was worth it.

The theme for this camp was "What Would Jesus Do?" I have been teaching this principle for over twenty years at church. Just a couple of years ago I stumbled on "In His Steps" and read it. It was interesting to see how people from different centuries and cultures pick up the same Bible principles independently. For this camp we decided to do this theme, complete with a voluntary pact. We put a copy of the pact in an envelope along with a complimentary "WWJD" wrist band (in Portuguese "OQJF" of course). Those who wanted to read and follow the pact were invited to come forward and pick up an envelope during the closing prayer. (They did not know about the wrist bands.) Eighty-one of the ninety-four teens picked up envelopes! If they follow through, their lives will be revolutionized and the church will be deeply impacted.

The camp was Thursday through Sunday noon. We left after the noon meal. They had just enough time to get back to town to vote. October 1st was election day. On Saturday night we rented a bus so those who were not able to go to camp would be able to be there at least for a few hours. During our Saturday night session the meeting hall was jammed packed and a ton of people outside.

The other activities went well, too. We kept the kids so busy they were too tired-out to be up to much monkey business at night. Nevertheless I didn't get much sleep those nights. We always stay up until 1 or 2 in the morning anyway. A couple of lost guys slipped out and went down the road and bought some booze, but we caught them. It was a good opportunity to witness to them personally along with the others that they dragged in. We had a nice long talk at General Headquarters!



This man is paralyzed from the waist, is pastor of a congregation high on the river bank. His wife is a leper.

The last night some of the guys from one of the cabins were talking about filling balloons with soured beans to trash another couple of cabins. I casually let the word out to the guys in the other cabins, so they would be able to get ready. When the blowhards found out that they were in danger of being attacked, they chickened out. They stayed locked in their cabin with their flashlights darting all around the whole night. I was hidden in the bushes until 4:30AM hoping to see some action, but was disappointed! The battle never happened. Don't we wish the Middle East was as easily dissuaded?

Beverly is in the States right now. My daughter-in-law had her baby last month and Bev is there to help her learn the ropes.

The day after camp, I went up river on a six day trip, so I haven't had much time to wonder where my wife is. She is supposed to return this week. Monday I am scheduled to leave on another mission trip. Hardly ever see my kids and grandkids. Now I hardly ever see my wife!

May God bless all of you. Thanks for your constant prayer and support.

In Christ,  
Mike Creiglow

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please Read)

**Asa Bratcher Resigns October 17, 2000.** I hereby render my resignation as missionary with B.F.M., expressing my appreciation to the directors for their support and prayers through 23 years and 6 months. May God continue to bless B.F.M.

We want to thank Brother Asa for the good work he did while serving as a missionary with B.F.M. He will continue to receive his salary and full benefits (housing allowance, expense account, hospitalization through December 2000). We will continue to send him money that is designated to him through December 2000. After that, any offerings sent to us for him will be returned to the sender. Any wishing to support him should make arrangements with him to do so. He will continue to receive a salary from B.F.M. through June 2001.

**Brother W. C. "Red" Campbell** long time friend and supporter of B.F.M., passed away August 25th. Brother Campbell served as Deacon of Waverly Road Baptist Church for many years. "Absent from the body, present with the Lord."

**Policy Change:** None, except those who have done it, realize the amount of time it takes to do the work of secretary of B.F.M. When Brother David Parks became secretary, it was necessary for him to cut back on his work as a school bus driver in order to do the work. We felt that it was only right for the mission to make up this deficit in his pay, and so the directors voted to pay him a modest salary for his work as secretary. It was also agreed to pay the expenses of the secretary, the treasurer, and the editor of the MISSION SHEET to any B.F.M. conferences that they attend. Even with these modest changes, we estimate that 97%-98% of the offerings that are sent to us are still used in the mission work. We do not know of any other mission group that can say that.

**Mission Funds:** Each month we list all of the offerings that come to B.F.M. People sometimes ask questions about different funds that are listed in the MISSION SHEETS, and so we want to give this explanation.

**The GENERAL FUND:** While all of the funds are important, this fund is the most important of all. From this fund comes the missionary's salary, mission expense (money that is used in doing mission work such as travel expense, materials, etc.), living expense (each missionary receives a housing allowance), hospital insurance. Most months the offerings to this fund are not enough to meet these needs, and that is why the Thanksgiving Offering is so important. We depend upon it to build up the General Fund so that we can draw from it throughout the year. Without the Thanksgiving Offering, the missionaries could not carry on as they do. Please consider increasing your monthly gifts to this fund. If you are not already giving a Thanksgiving offering, please consider starting to do so.

**CAR FUND:** When a missionary goes to the field he is given \$8,000.00 towards the purchase of a vehicle. Every four years the missionary receives \$8,000.00 so that he can purchase a newer vehicle. A schedule is set up so that one or more missionaries get this money each year. When there is not enough in the car fund to send to the missionary his car money, the balance is taken out of the General Fund. **INDIVIDUAL FUNDS:** Some churches wish to send only to certain missionaries or to a special need the missionary has. Some designate their offerings for "Salary." He does not get this in addition to his regular salary but it is used to help pay his salary. This is stated on the receipt that is sent to all churches and individuals.

**PERSONAL GIFTS:** Birthday, Christmas, anniversary, etc. These are all sent to the missionary in addition to his regular salary.

**BUILDINGS, NEW WORKS:** These offerings are placed in the missionary's account and are kept for him until he calls for them. Example: a missionary may be finishing up a building and does not need this money at the present. His building fund may build up to several thousand dollars. When he goes into another area to start a new work, he then needs money to purchase a building or a lot to build on. He contacts the secretary to send him part or all of his building money. This money is promptly sent to him upon his request.

**RELIEF, POVERTY:** This money is sent monthly to the missionary for him to distribute as he sees best.

**OVERBEY FUND:** This fund was started in memory of Brother H. H. Overbey who served as secretary for forty years and continued as a director until his death. This fund is to be used to help missionary children with college expense or financial needs.

A full financial account is given each year at the spring conference. A copy of this report will be sent to all supporting churches and individuals, upon request.

**OPEN FORUM:** Two times a year, at the Thanksgiving Conference and at the Spring Conference, there is an open forum for all who are interested in B.F.M. Questions can be asked as to why things are done a certain way and suggestions given as to how to make B.F.M. better. All are invited to attend these meetings. We especially encourage pastors and members of supporting churches to attend.

**DOCTRINAL POSITION:** When B.F.M. began, it was agreed by the directors that the mission must stay true to the doctrines of the Bible. Among those things stated in the first doctrinal statement were: "Baptist Faith Missions is a Baptist work. It is not protestant, it is not unionist or interdenominational. We believe that Jesus Christ organized a church while here on earth during His personal ministry. We believe there are two church ordinances, baptism and the Lord's supper. Baptism is the immersion of a saved person in water upon the authority of a true Baptist Church. We believe that the Lord's supper is restricted to each local church. We believe that the church is local and visible. We do not believe there is any such thing as an "invisible" or "universal" church. We believe in the sovereignty of God, in foreknowledge, predestination, election, effectual calling, justification, and glorification and that whosoever will may come and that these do not contradict each other."

As a larger doctrinal statement we have adopted the New Hampshire Confession of Faith with a few minor changes. These changes were made in order to emphasize our belief in the local church. We have not changed on these positions. Anyone who says that B.F.M. has changed its once strong doctrinal stand is not stating the facts.

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## WINTER CONFERENCE

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Park Ridge Baptist Church - Gotha, Florida

Plan now to attend this great conference in the interest of  
Baptist Faith Missions

## Thankful For Blessings . . . Reaching Souls In Home Bible Studies . . .

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Dear Fellow Laborers, October 30, 2000  
It is a joy to communicate with you again to let you know that God continues to answer your prayers. If you haven't been praying, now would be a good time to start. As you read each letter in the Mission Sheets, pray for the matters that are mentioned and thank God for how He has blessed.

We thank God for your generous giving. Our needs are being met and we are able to use the home that God has given us to share the Gospel and encourage believers. One outstanding event this month was the opportunity to clearly give the Gospel and explain God's grace to a family from our old neighborhood. Though we now live some distance from them, God has enabled us to maintain and even strengthen the friendship.

The Lord opened the door wide for this opportunity while we were having dinner together in our home. We were in their home for dinner last week and again spoke of spiritual matters. The son, who is fourteen, is now attending a youth outreach that we help lead each week. This family does not participate in any kind of church.

At another time, we were able to give the gospel to our next door neighbors while having a snack in their home. I was able to explain that in Christ anyone has access directly to God. With us in the home was the couple that lives on the other side of us. A couple of days ago they said that they want to have us over for a meal, also.

In our last letter we mentioned a neighbor who had volunteered to come to Bible study. She has now recruited another neighbor to come with her. We are again hosting the Young Adults Bible study. It has been wonderful to see their continued spiritual growth.

Each week we also meet with three couples who live in a town about 20 miles from here for Bible Study, prayer and encouragement. They are all saved and very interested in reaching others in the town where they live with the Gospel. We meet weekly with another missionary in a neighboring town for prayer.

We are sure that the fields are ready for harvest and we are delighted to be involved. We are looking forward to the fruit that the Lord will produce. We are thankful that you are laboring with us. Don't forget to pray! May God bless you!

With Thanksgiving,  
John and Judy Hatcher

## Brother Bratcher Busy As usual . . .

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Savior, October 4, 2000  
The Apostle Paul commands us: "Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God, in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18). The Apostle Paul assures us that: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

During this Mission Sheet month, September 4-October 4, I preached 14 sermons, 10 of them at the 24th of March Baptist Church where I am the pastor and where Marie and I are members. Friday night, September 5th, Marie and I attended a birthday celebration at Sr. Julio and Dona Linete's home. I brought the message. It was a daughter's birthday. Sr. Julio and Dona Linete are members of the 14th of December Baptist Church. Sunday night the 17th, I preached to 123 at the Celestial Baptist Church where Ailmar Morais is the pastor. There was one rededication. On Saturday night the 23rd, I fulfilled my promise to Brother Getulio of the Vessel of Blessing Baptist Mission to celebrate in his new house the birthday of an 18 year-old son and a 15 year-old granddaughter. Some 60 people were present. On Thursday night the 28th, I preached a thanksgiving service in the home of Dr. Francisco Jesus Dias of the Calvary Baptist Church. There were around 25 that heard the message. All my sermons were preached in the city of Manaus.

I could wish that this were all the news we should report to you, our faithful friends and followers of the Father, but it is not. Read on to learn from Marie's pen about her bad fall while on duty. Continue to pray for us. Besides Marie's recovery, pray for all of us that we all will be firm, faithful, fruitful, and free of folly until the finish. We have some special needs. Thank you, dearly beloved for your prayers and financial support.

Yours in the service of the Savior,  
Harold and Marie

## Marie Bratcher Injured In Fall . . .

Harold requested that I write about a very painful subject for me. On the 16th of September, Saturday night, we were at the 24th of March Church to attend the youth group. On Friday before, I had bought a small gift to take to a six-year-old boy who had fractured his foot. He lives right close to the church. So I decided to take the gift and return quickly to the church. If I had waited until on Sunday to make this visit, I would have saved myself a lot of pain. As Harold always says, "Hindsight is better than foresight." How true this is!

After making the visit (the little boy was much better), I left to go back to the church. The outside light was very dim, and I did not notice that the cement area was about five or six inches higher than the section that goes out into the street. All at once, I found myself lying face forward on the hard, hard cement. To make a long story short, my left shoulder was thrown out of place, my right knee had to have five stitches, and I had to spend the night in the hospital.

Just as we arrived at the emergency room at nine o'clock, Gloria, the little boy's mother, who is a nurse and who was on duty that night, was waiting for me with a wheelchair, as her husband had called to tell her we were on our way. She was a blessing to me and helped all she could. So did Maria Carmo. They stayed with me until I had to be taken to the operating room, to be put to sleep to put my shoulder back in place. I returned home on Sunday morning.

My arm is still in a sling, but the doctor told me Monday that I could start writing some as long as my arm is being supported, but not to overdo it. So, I offer my apologies to the ladies that often receive letters from me. This is the reason.

Thanks to each one who faithfully writes and for your prayers, love and concern for our welfare. May God bless each one of you who read the Baptist Faith Missions sheet from month to month.

Marie Bratcher  
Proverbs 3:5 and 18:24

## Sister Draper In States For Tests . . . New Buildings Going Up . . . Thanks For Prayers . . .

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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ, October 25, 2000

Greetings from Brazil. We here in Central Brazil have been suffering in the extreme heat. Yesterday we received our first good soaking rain in about six months. The weather has an influence on the mission work. In extreme heat or cold, people stay home. If it rains at church, time-most won't go out in it to go to church. Does that sound familiar! We Baptists are good excuse makers!

Michelle and I are here in Brazil without Ursula at this time. She went to the States to get checked out. The breast surgery she had did not heal easily, and she still has pain in the area. She has already had an exam by a doctor there in St. Louis. He thinks it is just scar tissue from the botched up surgery. She forgot to take her x-rays and exams from here which they have to have there to compare with the ones here to see if the lump is growing. All indicates that there is no malignancy. She will spend some weeks there in treatment and observation. I have mailed her exams to her, and they should be there in about another week. We are thankful that all looks as well as it does. In the meantime, Michelle has taken over in the kitchen and is doing an excellent job. I think I am getting dishpan hands, but we're making it.

I am now in the process of building the new building for our mission in Varzea Grande. By the end of this week it should be under roof. Also, the Altos do Coxipo Church where I am pastor is putting up a small open building next to the church to use for Sunday School and Conferences, etc. All of our churches report souls saved and no serious problems this month. We continue to try and defend the faith once delivered unto the saints and to preach the glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We appreciate so much all of you who have given that we may do this work. Also, we thank you so much for your prayers for our daughter Melody there in the States. We don't know just how things will turn out for her, but we have committed it unto the Lord. In spite of all that we have faced with health problems and hardships, we feel stronger spiritually and by His grace are still in the fight. God bless all of you.

Harold & Ursula Draper

## Open New Mission Work . . . Teaching Homiletics . . . Anita Teaching Ladies . . .

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Dear Friends, October 29, 2000

Anita and I hope all of you have a great Thanksgiving. We're praying for the Conference in Detroit. It is amazing that in a "laid back" mountain town like Huanuco life can be so fast moving and hectic for us. The Lord's work continues to move forward. We opened a new mission point this past week about one-and-a-half hours from Huanuco in an area called "Chasqui" Please remember to pray for this new work.

I conducted another Institute class last week also. Attendance was down some; only had 35 attend. I was expecting about 45.

The course was on Homiletics and seemed to be a real blessing to the preachers and pastors attending. Now I know some of you preachers are chuckling about now, trying to imagine me of all people, teaching a course in Homiletics. I admit I am probably not the person most suited for the job, but I learned a lot also and it was a blessing! Anita and I leave in about half an hour, driving over the Andes mountains to the capital city of Peru, Lima. From there we leave by plane for the Northern Jungle city of Iquitos. I will be teaching the same class for the preachers and pastors of that region. Anita will be teaching the ladies lessons on the Christian Home. I'll write you next month with the details of how it all came out.

The mission works are doing well. The work in Huaral has already started digging the footers for its perimeter wall. They are very encouraged and anxious to get their building constructed so they can get into the work of building the real church, the local congregation there. The Ebenezer mission in south Lima is still holding its own. Please remember all of these works in your prayers.

Anita and I will be coming to the States for our daughter, Leah's, graduation in December. This is not furlough for us; we will be there until the middle of January. Hopefully we'll get the opportunity to see some of you. However, we will be coming to the States for furlough from October, 2001 until May of 2002. Pastors if you would like to have us in any of your conferences or for meetings, please let me know as soon as possible. We try to accommodate everyone, but time is always the problem when home on furlough. We love you all and pray for you. We know you pray for us. Thanks for being such good friends.

Serving Jesus in Peru,  
Sheridan and Anita Stanton

We hope you are planning to give to this year's Thanksgiving Offering. This offering is needed each year to help our missionaries through the year.

**PLEASE GIVE!**

**Baptist Faith Missions  
OCTOBER 2000 OFFERINGS**

**REGULAR FUND**

Adkins, Elbert and Eileen, Yulsa, OK	20.00
Battle Baptist Church, Mackville, KY	30.00
Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil	164.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, KY	150.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY	202.70
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC	200.00
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY	400.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, IN	110.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN	550.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	1090.00
Bohon Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY	175.00
Bouchard, Roland & Elisabeth, Louisville, KY	42.50
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV	283.00
Burleson, W. T., TN (Forty-seven years a supporter of BFM)	150.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	600.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	543.75
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY	375.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarsville, WV	75.00
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	25.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC	300.00
Crestline Friend	420.00
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	70.00
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	340.85
Darling, Russell & Ruth, Blue River, WI	60.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	425.00
Edwards, Reggal and Susan, Piney Flats, TN	40.00
Elgin Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL	596.90
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	200.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	188.74
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	453.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY	271.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	296.15
Faith Baptist Church, Kirksville, MO	100.00
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY	200.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY	1,000.00
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY	100.00
Friends	100.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	75.00
Goldfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	25.00
Goodsprings Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL	150.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY	20.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH	600.00
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Spring, MS	200.00
Hallum, Marguerite, Hammond, LA	50.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH	107.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Lettert Gap, WV	300.00
Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS	25.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	75.00
Hensley, Charles and Agnes, Crestline, OH	100.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	3,000.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	35.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI	300.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculumbia, AL	75.21
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	50.00
Johnston, Mark, San Jose, CA	100.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL	100.00
King, Pastor Doug & Romona, Arcadia, FL	100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	1,241.32
Lamb, Linda, Brookville, PA	0.50
Liberty Baptist Church, Normantown, WV	75.00
Lynams Creek Baptist Church, Lone, KY	25.00
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH	50.00
Mayfield, Raymond and Carol, Fenton, MO	20.00
Mount Cavalry Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	500.00
Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, Grafton, OH	250.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	759.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	25.00
Norris, William, Richmond, Ky	60.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Perkins, WV	200.00
Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Paul B., Tusculumbia, AL	100.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN	80.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL	335.76
Poplar Spring Baptist Church, Carrollton, MS	307.42
Potter's Independent Missionary Baptist Church, Pottersville, MO	125.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	70.00
Riverview Baptist Church, Point Pleasant, WV	100.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	200.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV	300.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	1,000.00
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	125.00
South Carolina Friend	80.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL	150.00
Stonewall Baptist Church, Sadieville, KY	50.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	2,303.50
Sugar Creek Baptist Church, Woodlawn, TN	10.00
Texas Friends	600.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	115.00
Twenty-fourth of March Baptist Church, Brazil	100.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Bristol, TN	50.00
Virginia Friends	615.00
Watkins, Bert & Louise, Richmond, KY	55.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, WV	500.00
Webster Memorial Baptist Church, Lakeland, FL	50.00
West Virginia Friends	186.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,538.30</b>

**CAR FUND**

Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>200.00</b>

**WEST INDIES**

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio MI...Sewnauth Punallal	54.36
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI Emmanuel Jaggernauth	69.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>123.36</b>

**OVERBEY FUND**

Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.00</b>

**ASA BRATCHER**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 266.67
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 200.00

Brooksburg Baptist Church, Madison, IN	Personal 226.45
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 188.74
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA	Field Needs 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Hamilton, OH	New Works 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Hyder, Shirley, Cincinnati, OH	Personal 100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Institute 31.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	As Needed 172.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL	New Work 125.00
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Mission Support 50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,549.86</b>

**HAROLD BRATCHER FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Building 65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 266.67
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 100.00
Brooksburg Baptist Church, Madison, IN	Personal 226.45
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	Poverty Relief 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY	Salary 225.00
Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	New Work 100.00
Edwards, Wilgus and Maria, Booneville, KY	Salary 10.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	Salary 200.00
Gill, Hazel, Lancaster, KY	Salary 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	Salary 100.00
Hyder, Shirley, Cincinnati, OH	Personal 250.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH	Salary 35.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH	Personal 65.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL	Building 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,988.12</b>

**HENSELY FUND**

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 625.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Personal 275.00
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA	A-O Home 200.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA	Salary 91.67
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA	Alpha & Omega 62.50
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	50.00
Creighton, Bobby and Betty, Richmond, KY	Personal 75.00
Edwards, Wilgus and Maria, Booneville, KY	Salary 10.00
Estes, Randall and Rhonda, Beattyville, KY	As Needed 25.00
Georgia Friend	Alpha & Omega Home 1,000.00
Hilltop Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY	As Needed 50.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	75.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY	Alpha-Omega Home 25.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	A-O Home 30.00
Joy Bell S.S. Class, Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Child's Eye Surg 50.00
L, M. P.	Alpha-Omega Home 50.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Alpha-Omega 235.00
Purity Baptist Church, Maysville, KY	Personal 30.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
Ruth S.S. Class, First Baptist Church, Highland Heights, KY	Odali & Kathy 100.00
South Carolina Friend	Alpha-Omega Home 50.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	Odali Barros 50.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	Odali Barros 35.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	A-O Home 35.00
Union Baptist Church, Cynthiaana, KY	300.00
W, K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 25.00
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL	As Needed 50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,699.17</b>

**MIKE CREIGLOW FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	New Works 65.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 200.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, TN	Salary 25.00
Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank, Lancaster, OH	Mission Work 15.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 188.74
Grace Baptist Church, Columbia, TN	Personal 100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, TN	Personal 50.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>763.74</b>

**DRAPER FUND**

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 50.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH	Salary 90.00
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, KY	Salary 74.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, KY	Salary 40.00
Creighton, Bobby and Betty, Richmond, KY	Personal 75.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	Salary 100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV	As Needed 100.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	Salary 100.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	As Needed 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	New Work 31.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, KY	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>930.00</b>

**JOHN HATCHER FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Building 65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 266.67
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 120.00
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN	Salary 65.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	Salary 25.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA	Salary 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV	New Works 1,000.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	New Work 30.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Sunday School 16.00
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, WV	Salary 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	New Work 25.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	Maria 25.00
W, K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 50.00
West Virginia Friend	New Works 50.00
Wood, Nere, Columbia, SC	New Works 100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,082.67</b>

**PAUL HATCHER FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Seminary 100.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL	Seminary 60.00
Allbritton, Tommy and Barbara, Scott Depot, WV	Seminary 30.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 266.67
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, TN	Salary 25.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	Seminary 20.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY	Baptist Seminary 50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	Seminary 50.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Seminary 31.00
Rosemont Ladies Fellowship, Winston-Salem, NC	Wanda Personal 100.00
Trinity-Northbrook Baptist Church, Cincinnati, OH, Baptist Theological	30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>862.67</b>

**PAUL CREIGLOW FUND**

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 266.67
<b>Total</b>	<b>266.67</b>

**STANTON FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Building Fund 65.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Peru New Works 65.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 416.67
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Personal 50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 200.00
Burroughs, C. E., Bristol, TN	Carlos Fund 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH	Salary 90.00
Cooper, Michael and Beverly, Lexington, KY	Carlos Azana 20.00
Durrum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL	Personal 300.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	Personal 200.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 188.74
Gilpin Masonary Construction, Inc., Lexington, KY	Personal 50.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Georgetown, KY	Salary 50.00
Ohio Friends	Relief Fund 50.00
Restoration Baptist Church, Dickson, TN	Personal 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Building 100.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	25.00
Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, KY	Salary 100.00
Stanton, Jeff and Martita, Merritt Island, FL	Personal 25.00
W, K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 75.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,340.41</b>

**WACASER FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Salary 65.00
Bouchard, Roland & Elisabeth, Louisville, KY	Personal 382.50
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH	Salary 35.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA	Salary 50.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA	Salary 25.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	Salary 100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	Salary 30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>757.50</b>

**THANKSGIVING OFFERING**

Beathe, Mr. and Mrs. William, Sr., Buckhannon, WV	25.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY	1,000.00
Burleson, W. T., Kingsport, TN	100.00
Covey, Mrs. Frederick J., Geneva, FL	25.00
Creel, Billy, Cairo, GA	20.00
Cunningham, Clarence and Alice, Lakeland, FL	20.00
Deel, David and Loretta, Marengo, OH	50.00
Grimes, Jack and Margaret, Evans, WV	20.00
Mayfield, Raymond and Carol, Fenton, MD	20.00
Michigan Friends	25.00
Murphy, William, Uhrichsville, OH	20.00
Robbins, Harry and Mary, Port Norris, NJ	250.00
Simmerman, Carl and Glenna, Port Washington, OH	20.00
Simmons, Mr. John, Louisville, KY	10.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	65.00
Thompson, Tony and Cathy, Lexington, KY	10.00
Warlick, Robert and Caryl, Riverview, MI	500.00
Watkins, Bert and Louise, Richmond, KY	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,230.00</b>

**MISCELLANEOUS**

I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	Administrative Costs 6.00
Jones, Bob and Sue, Lexington, KY	Repair Mission House 545.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>551.00</b>

**HOME MISSIONS**

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	Reinhardt 84.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	Newport Build. 90.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY	Reinhardt 75.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Reinhardt 94.36
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	Reinhardt 138.00
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	Reinhardt 40.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Reinhardt 70.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	Reinhardt 100.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, WV	Reinhardt 50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>741.36</b>

**IN MEMORIAM FUND**

Bethel Baptist Church, Fackler, AL	Bro. George Bean 200.00
Overbey, Dale & Doris, Van Buren, AR	Mrs. Maude Overbey 125.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>325.00</b>

**MIKE ANDERSON FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Salary 65.00
Allbritton, Tommy and Barbara, Scott Depot, WV	30.00
Bible Baptist Church, Durham, NC	85.00
Bush, Dale and Pam, Culloden, WV	Personal 50.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	Special Project 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	Ministry & Support 20.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV	Personal 100.00
Fairview Baptist Church, Letart, WV	100.00
Faith Baptist Church, St. Albans, WV	Salary 50.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Vienna, WV	Monthly Support 50.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA	Salary 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Surgoinsville, TN	Salary 50.00
Harvesters Bible Class, Point Pleasant, WV	Salary 100.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	35.00
Lemkuhl, Louise M., Scott Depot, WV	Personal 25.00
Martin, Gaylord and Hazel, Charleston, WV	90.00
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL	per expense 40.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Chaleston, WV	Salary 100.00
Mount Hope Baptist Church, Chesapeake, OH	Salary 60.00
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Mission Support 50.00
Open Door Bible Church, Culloden, WV	Salary 75.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	50.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	Special Off. 72.00
South Carolina Friend	As Needed 60.00
Sugar Creek Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	150.00
Wade, Dr. & Mrs. James, Abingdon, VA	Personal 100.00
Wade, Dr. and Mrs. James, Abingdon, VA	Church Property 1,000.00
Walnut Hills Baptist Church, Huntington, WV	Salary 40.00
Yanak, Albert & Ruby, St. Albans, WV	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,858.00</b>

**JOHN M. HATCHER FUND**

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Support 65.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	Salary 50.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	Personal 1,036.56
Everman, Arthur and Pattie, Corsicana, TX	As Needed 125.00
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY	Personal 25.00
Gerig, Galen and Tamara, Columbus, OH	Salary 60.00
Grace Baptist Church, Coffeen, IL	Where Needed 53.60
King, Pastor Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL	20.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	Salary 100.00
Mundy, Mr. & Mrs. Billie, Godfrey, IL	Salary 15.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Salary 70.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,620.16</b>

<b>TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>50,477.99</b>
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## Ministering To Street Gangs . . . Many Saved . . .

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Friends,

October 28, 2000

Greetings from Brazil. Praise our Father in Heaven for changing lives.

Brother Gilvani is a youth pastor intern at Tabernacle Baptist Church. About a year ago he was designated to a subdivision to begin a ministry to senior-highs. The area has a very large population and has been ravished by teen gangs. One Saturday afternoon Gilvani walked up to a teen on the street corner and invited him to the teen rally that night. After the youth relieved his fear that Gilvani was not a policeman, he shared, "I would go but I am staying in my gang's area, because a rival gang is out to get me."

"Why are they after you?" Gilvani asked.

The youth responded, "Well, we had some problems, and I stabbed a couple of guys from the rival gang, so I can't get out of my zone."

Gilvani offered to pick him up and take him to the youth rally in his car, to which he promised, "Next week I'll risk getting out and go with you, if you can pick me up and get me back." Gilvani said, "Okay, we're set for next Saturday, but don't stab any one this week!"

The next week he did come. Over the past year many teens like him have been saved and left the street gangs to be new people in Christ. In fact, over one hundred-and-fifty have



Tabernacle Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil. High school and college age "Dynamic Group" Meeting.

been saved and baptized there. Every time I am with them I am thrilled by the joy and commitment I see in them for Christ. They have come from all walks: prostitution, drugs, gangs, theft. They are changed, a witness to the gospel's power. The community is impressed by the change.

They were meeting in homes, and wherever they could find a space for all of them. In order to open a permanent meeting place in the subdivision, they found a building to rent that was within our financial capabilities. The lease was signed and the place was cleaned and painted and benches built by the teens. Opening night the house was full. They open every day for Bible studies, prayer time, counseling, and services.

Exactly one week after they moved, the building had a break-in and the sound system, guitar, tape player and other objects were taken. A police report was immediately filed, but we knew that was the extent of the police intervention. There was a concern by the group as to how to they would replace the stolen equipment. They prayed and decided to spread out and try to locate the stolen items. As many of them had been in the gangs themselves, they had a pretty good idea how to find them. Within three hours they had found the gang responsible for the break-in; but there was no fighting, they talked to them and a strong repentance overtook the boys. In tears (unheard of in the gangs), they returned everything. The guitar had been broken, as they had been drugged; and they promised to pay for repairs. The thief was there for the evening service. Since then, about ten days, he has been there almost every night; he has not trusted Jesus as Savior, but certainly he has seen the love of God in the believers. We are all praying for his conversion.

Christ certainly makes a difference, changing lives, and giving sinners hope and salvation. Praise the Lord!

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## Time Flying By . . . Minister To The Dying . . . Pray For Directions . . .

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Dear Friends:

October 23, 2000

The days race by so fast that sometimes it seems that time has left us in the dust. But God knows we are still here and seeking to do His will every day and every moment of each day. Believe me, we make our plans and write them down, but each day we put His will in first place to guide each step. This week I spent one day in Leopoldina helping to put up the front gate at the new church building. Another day Alta and I drove to Londrina to visit Roldoun, a former neighbor, who is dying with cancer. He never was interested in hearing about the Lord and never visited our services even though he lived directly in front of our house.

He is in such pain he cannot sit for more than 15 minutes nor can he lie down. He spends the night in a rocking chair leaning forward on three pillows placed on a chair. He did listen as I presented the Gospel to him and stated that he needed to be saved and that he was trusting the Lord. Tomorrow, Alta and I have services in the city of Jataizinha and after we finish we will drive to Londrina to visit Roldoun again.

The new mission building in Fernan Dias is ready for the rafters and roofing. If you would like to help on this building your offering would be appreciated. (Send to John Hatcher new work Brazil).



## Alpha and Omega A Busy Place . . . Visiting Doctors Receive Christ . . .

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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

October 29, 2000

Greetings from Brazil. Here at our home the children are growing and maturing. We are beginning to have more structured time in the training and working time with them. In the mornings they go to school at 7:30 until 12:20. When they arrive home after school they have chores to do in the house, then it is lunch time. After lunch until 2:00 they do things in the home. Then at 2:00 they go to their assigned work on the grounds. Of course I am totally enjoying them in the carpentry shop. We are learning about tools, machines and using our math knowledge to work with those tools and machines. That way, we put our schooling to practical use. It is great to see Biblical principles and practical skills come together.



I have a story to tell you that begins about three years ago. We have a good friend, Mark Miller who is a chiropractor there in Winchester, Kentucky and he has a heart for missions. He came to Brazil and brought a young chiropractor, Rick, with him. This trip he went to Manaus first, and there Rick received Christ as his Savior. The next year Rick brought a group of chiropractors with him to help our people with their health. What happened with this group was two of the young chiropractors got saved. And guess what, this year those two who received Christ as Savior came back with more chiropractors. This just goes to show that everyone is a missionary and that God's work is not limited to foreign fields. Just think of the many people that those doctors will treat in a lifetime and how they can make a difference for God. All because someone had a heart for missions. We enjoyed having Brother Archer and Brother Creiglow with us for a few days. Also we have had our daughter Mary and her friend Denise and Eric with us this week. It is real great for us to have visitors. It lets us catch up on home news and make many new friends. So if you are considering visiting a mission work, give us a call and let us know when you are coming.

We will be spending the Christmas holidays with our family there in the States this year. That means that we will have the opportunity to visit some of you while we are there. Please contact us and let us know if you would like to hear more about the work here at the Alpha and Omega Home for Children.

In His service,

A. J. and Barbara Hensley



Tuesday night youth group at the Alpha and Omega home.

Another project I started this week was putting a handrail on our second floor stairway. There are 23 steps. I finally decided it was time to put up a rail before my wife's husband falls down them. This project should be finished in four or five days.

The church in Cornelio is going well even though the new pastor has had some moments of in the fire testing. He has shown his worth in his manner of doing things and dealing with people. It has been amazing the amount of jealousy and murmuring that has taken place, but God has been faithful and things are doing well. Several have come asking forgiveness for things they have done and words they have spoken. Things are looking up. All the missions are continuing.

Pray for me as new directions of ministry must be taken soon as to our outreach and concerning our teaching ministry in the Seminary. Pray for us.

In Christian love,

John and Alta Hatcher



Alta Hatcher teaching the story of David. She has trained many Sunday School teachers. She is highly respected by all for her ability, patience, and willing spirit.