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Up-To-Date Report From Peru ... Read - Rejoice - Pray ...



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Dear Friends,

April 1, 2001

Anita and I thought it might be good to give you a general run down of our work here in Peru. We are in good health and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. Please pray for the political situation here in this country. We are once again in the process of new presidential elections, and in the past this has led to violence and riots. At present, Peru has somewhat of a "temporary government." Please pray for a peaceful transfer of power. The following is a summary of the different works we are involved with at present.

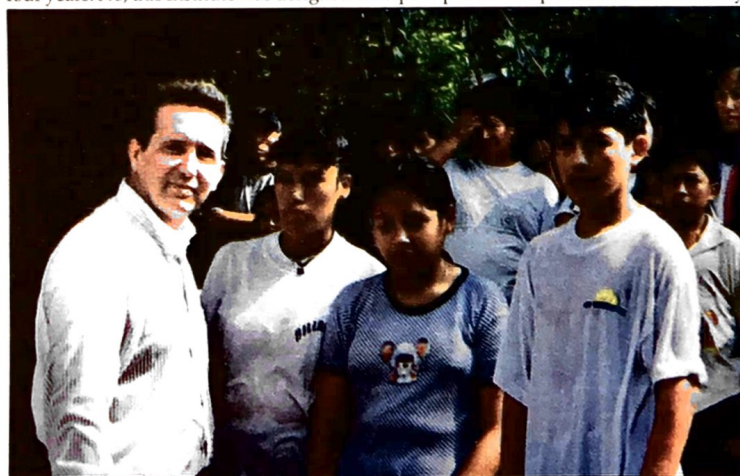
Huanuco. Here in Huanuco I am helping out the Central Baptist Church as Pastor. We have an average attendance of about 220 on Sunday mornings. They are a great and loving group of God's choicest Saints. Anita and I love them dearly. We are in the midst of an extensive building program here with the construction of two new two story buildings to be used for

Sunday School and Church fellowship building. As funds come in we hope to finish it by the time we come home for furlough in October of this year. At present the work is stopped for lack of funds.

Chasqui. This is the newest mission work we are involved with. It is about three hours from Huanuco up in the Andes Mountains. It is a village of folks that are mainly poor potato farmers. But we've seen the Lord working in this area. I've already baptized thirteen and have about ten more waiting for baptism. The mission pastor there is Brother Marcelino Cierito. He is from our church here in Huanuco. He and his wife (Cunicunda) are two very dedicated saints of the Lord. The construction there is much cheaper than in the cities. We build with adobe (mud) bricks made at the construction sight. However, we do need help for the roof, floor, doors and windows. I calculate it will cost around \$2000.00 to get this work into their building. They need help and I'm sure the funds will come in to help with this construction project.

Huaral. This is the mission work out of my home church the Jordan Missionary Baptist Church of Sanford, Florida. Pastor George Sledd. Brother Carlos Gonzales is the mission pastor and doing a great job. I am financially supporting him until the work can be independent. We are also in a huge building project there. Last year the Lord provided the funds for us to buy the lots for the new work and one lot for a parsonage. This work is using a temporary structure now for a meeting house; dirt floor, with the roof and walls made of straw mats. The parsonage is under partial construction. I wanted to build the parsonage first so we could have someone living there to oversee and protect while we build the meeting house. I am planning a large building for this area. It should be able to hold about 400 to 500 when it is finished. At present the work runs a little over 100 in attendance. I try to give them a least \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) each month to help with the construction, but some months it is less.

Baptist Institute of Biblical Studies. This is the Institute that I started several years ago. It is not a "normal" center of Studies where young people come to live and study for three or four years. No, this Institute was designed to help the pastors and preachers that are already



Three more Baptists in Huanuco, Peru, baptized by Missionary Sheridan Stanton.

in the ministry to have the opportunity to study. The majority of these men never had the opportunity to study in a Bible college or Seminary. I have found such great acceptance for this work. At present I have 140 pastors and preachers participating. We have classes three to four times each year. I have two locations where I hold the classes: one is here in Huanuco with men coming from all over Peru (Cajamarca, Lima, Tingo Maria, Pucallpa, Yurimaguas, Huaral, Jauja, and of course Huanuco). We study for one week, eight hours each day. It helps these Men of God to strengthen their own beliefs and pastoral skills and provides an excellent opportunity for them to fellowship with each other. I've seen our fellowship of churches grow stronger as a result of these times together. Anita and I provide the meals and lodging and materials for each class. The men that study pay for their transportation to and from. This is a real financial sacrifice for so many of them.

The other location for classes is in the North Jungle town of Iquitos (where the Amazon begins). This is my largest class with about 80 to 85 men coming for studies. Iquitos is where BFM started years ago in 1935 with Missionary Hallum. Directly or indirectly through the efforts of BFM we have churches and missions all up and down the rivers for hundreds of miles around Iquitos with about twelve different churches in the city itself. I have men that paddle canoes for three days just to get to study in these classes. Some times I have men from the United States come down and teach classes as I translate for them. It's very tiring but also very rewarding. Please remember the Institute in your prayers. It takes a lot of time to prepare the courses and print the materials, but I've seen great progress in many of our churches as a result of the teaching and materials.

Hope this report will help you to be able to pray more effectively for the Lord's work here in Peru. Until next month.

Serving Jesus in Peru, Sheridan and Anita Stanton

Preaching To Large Crowds ... Young Preachers Open New Preaching Points ...



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Dear Brethren,

January 9, 2001

The rainy season has been slow to take hold. This has been good for our attendance here at First Baptist Church. There have been at least 3 services that it was necessary to open up side rooms for overflow. This is in addition to the already expanded seating capacity (160) in the balcony. Even so, there are always a few standing too. There have been 23 professions of faith and 19 baptisms.

Two of our churches out of town have had special meetings. One week I was with Bible Baptist at Igarapé Pentecostes. The building there holds about 200, but there were probably that many outside too. The pastor there is Brother Osias Moreira. He has been the pastor since the organization 16 years ago. It has been a privilege to be involved in starting the mission there



Service at Penal Colony, Cruzeiro do Sul, ACRE.

(20 years ago), organizing the church, ordaining the pastor, performing baptisms and building the new brick church building.

A few days later I visited First Baptist Church of Assis Brasil. Their building can hold as many as 700, but there were over 830 present on Sunday night. There were many standing and many in the windows, too. The pastors there are Valdir and Oseias. This church was organized by my Dad in 1962. The original location was by a little lake on the Moa River. We went there by canoe. There were only a handful of folks present for that service, which was held by the dim light of a kerosene lamp. The music back then was extracted (painfully) from my accordion. Now the church has a big brick building on terra firma. They have over 300 members, 2 pastors and help support some of the local missions efforts. The music has really changed though. They have some young folks who play acoustic, electric and bass guitars, keyboards and drums. What with all those people, all that music, all that electricity lighting up the building and all those cars out front, I must say that things have really changed!

Our new batch of young preachers have started preaching points in several parts of town. We rented a failed dance hall in one section on the west side. The guys have been having between 50 and 70 in services there. Bev and I went to be with them one Tuesday night. It rained the first time we tried to visit them and the water and mud kept folks away. We went back again the next week. It rained again, but we still had 25+. This kind of work is going on in 5 different parts of town.

Thanks to all who faithfully support this work in prayer and finances. May God bless you.

In Christ, Mike Creiglow

— ANNOUNCEMENT —

Mike and Beverly Creiglow will be in the States for a short furlough, the middle of May through December. They will be able to visit churches as time permits. If you are interested in having them visit your church, contact them as soon as possible. Their e-mail address is found in their mission letter.

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Brother Creiglow Visits Many Churches And Presents The Work Of BFM . . .



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Dear Brethren:

March 31, 2001

After our trip to Florida last month we spent four days at home catching up on correspondence and bill paying before leaving for Alabama.

On March 3, we traveled to Stevenson, Alabama where we were welcomed into the home of Pastor Larry Glass. Brother Glass had it all set up for us to be in three churches on the following Sunday. Saturday night we took Brother Glass' television to the Wayneville Baptist Church, where he is pastor, and then took my equipment and set it up in The Mathews Memorial Baptist Church where Joe Blackman is pastor. In the early service on Sunday, I presented the work of BFM in the Wayneville church and then rushed to The Mathews Memorial Church to present the work in their second service of the morning. This is the church where Missionary George Bean pastored before his going home to be with the Lord. That night we presented the work and also preached for the Pine Set Baptist Church in South Pittsburg, Tennessee, where Jeff Nelson is Pastor. This church and Pastor said they were going to start supporting Baptist Faith Missions, starting with the Hensleys. It was great for Betty and me to be in the home of the Larry Glass family and to get to know all the brethren of these three churches, and our thanks goes out to all of them.

From Stevenson we went to Leighton, Alabama to the home of Phillip and Nancy Potter where we stayed for the next ten days while visiting churches in that area. While in their home we shared many things with them, even our intestinal virus. We arrived on Monday, Betty got Sick on Tuesday afternoon, I that night, Kevin their son on Thursday, and Phillip the following day. The following Sunday we were with South Side Baptist Church in Fulton, Mississippi where Bobby Amos is pastor. The following Wednesday night we were with Elgin Missionary Baptist Church in Elgin, Alabama where Brother Kieffer serves as pastor. These two churches have supported Baptist Faith Missions for many years. The following Sunday morning we presented the work and preached at the Faith Baptist Church in Leighton, and this church has CO-pastors, Phillip Potter and Truman Kimbrough. That Sunday night found us with Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, where Gene Franks has been the pastor for many years. This church also has supported BFM for many, many years.

One evening we were invited into the home of Mrs. Elise Amos for supper. Her Grandson, who is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Littleville, Alabama was also invited. During our conversation plans were made for us to be in his church the following Tuesday night. This church has had seventy additions in the past year, and although it was not a night for regular service, they packed out the house. They also showed a lot of interest in the work of Baptist Faith Missions. Our last church to visit on the trip was the Goodsprings Baptist Church in Rogersville, Alabama where Bobby Walton is pastor. This church has been faithful in support of BFM for a long time.

One Thursday we attended a fellowship meeting of a group of Sovereign Grace Baptist churches that meet every month in different churches. We were introduced to these churches by Brother Bobby Amos and his wife June.

We were gone three weeks on this trip and as always we had a great time of fellowship with the Alabama brethren, and we would like to thank all of these brethren. A special thanks for the hospitality of those who had us in their home, The Larry Glass home, the Potters, the Kimbroughs, the Waltons, and Mrs. Elise Amos. And I hope I have not missed anyone.

In Christ,

Bobby D. Creiglow

Charlene's Mother Passes Away . . . Prayers Answered . . . Lifestyle Evangelism . . .



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Dear Friends,

April 5, 2001

I looked at the letter I wrote last month and realized much depends on the Lord. I mentioned in that letter that I and a group from our church planned to go to Rio de Janeiro to a leadership conference and to do street evangelism. As it turned out, the dates that we would have been in Rio were spent in Waycross, Georgia. Charlene's Mother passed away and the family asked me to officiate at her funeral. Charlene's Mother, Evelyn Dean Johnson, had come to know Jesus as her personal Savior and Lord and we are comforted with the truth that today she is in Paradise. Charlene was very close to her mother, so it has been tough to adjust.

I wanted to share some good news and try to do some explaining at the same time. Last month I shared a heart-breaking situation concerning a ten year old girl named Hialle. I used a term that may have left some wondering what I actually meant. I said that her mother was "putting her away" due to requirements of the cult in which she is involved. That "putting away" meant - to give away, or to put into an orphanage. It did not mean to put her to death as I may have unintentionally led some to understand. Thanks, readers, for bringing that detail to my attention. The good news is that many of you prayed and God heard your prayers for Hialle. At the orphanage she became very sick and could not seem to get well until she was returned to her mother. I'm not thrilled that she is with her mother (some mother, huh?), but that she is back close to our church and can return to our Bible school. Continue to pray for her and her mother, Terezinha.

We are getting a wonderful opportunity for sharing the gospel very close to home. In fact, fleshly speaking, too close to home. We have new neighbors. They are two very young couples with babies. We hardly come home that we don't have them waiting at the gate to ask us to "loan" them something. I read John and Judy Hatcher's letter about "lifestyle" evangelism and saw a great opportunity for us to reach these young folks. They have hardly anything: refrigerator, pots and pans, etc. We want to use the contact and opportunity before us, not to just meet their material needs (which we will do, too), but to develop a genuine relationship of caring and love and share the gospel with them. I am ashamed to admit that another couple lived in the same house for several months and I never went beyond being hospitable to them. I didn't know that they would be leaving soon, but I know that is not a valid excuse. I just don't want to blow it with these folks. I have been pleased with our own church

Back In France . . . Report On Judy's Health . . . Thanks For Prayers . . .



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Dear Fellow Laborers,

March 30, 2001

We are delighted to be back in France. Thank you for your continuous prayers concerning Judy's health. You who bravely shared their own stories of battles with cancer, thank you. It reminds us that "our brothers (and sisters) in the world are undergoing the same afflictions." Following her surgery for breast cancer in January, Judy underwent six weeks of radiation therapy. The therapy was primarily a precautionary measure. The surgeon found no cancer in the surrounding tissue but studies have shown that the radiation therapy reduces recurrence.

Judy had her post-op and post-therapy appointment with the surgeon and radiologist on March 26, and we departed for France on March 27. Several people in France volunteered to meet us at the airport in Toulouse. We accepted the offer of Martine Rasselet our friend and former neighbor. Would you stop now and pray for our continued witness to her and her family? The neighbors across the street where we live presently cared for our home and plants while we were away. When we returned, we found food for our first meals in the kitchen waiting for us, a gift from Claire, who looked after the house. Pray for our witness to this family and all the others in our neighborhood.

Another couple, who are believers, paid our rent and utility bills for us in our absence advancing the money freely from their own funds until we returned. The ladies at Emmanuel Baptist, our home church in Evansville, were very generous in their special gifts to Judy as were others of you. We cannot begin to express our thanksgiving to our heavenly Father who "daily cares for all of our needs."

As we reviewed the mail that had arrived during our absence, we found a card and note from our former next door neighbor here in Tournefeuille. She had written to explain that she and her children had moved back to the Paris area. She had been living with a man here. She asks us to pray for God to give her light and direction (exactly what we have been praying for in her regard). Pray that God will enable us to continue our contact with her and that she might truly see the Light!

We are thankful for the fellowship with a number of believers and churches while in the U.S.A. Our sending church, Emmanuel Baptist Church, met the cost of this trip and expressed their love in many tangible ways. We had the opportunity of speaking at Emmanuel Baptist Church of Evansville, Storms Creek Baptist Church, Emmanuel Baptist Church of Oldtown, KY, East Maine Baptist Church and Richland Baptist Church. Thanks, David Parks, for your careful service on our behalf and thanks also to the Archers and the Orricks for your care and concern. How encouraging it is to be serving with Baptist Faith Missions whose directors are genuinely concerned and who have such servant hearts. I (John) got to spend a significant and enjoyable amount of time with Tim Doss, one of our pastors, as we worked together on some projects. Thanks Tim, for the enjoyment and blessing this provided to me.

It was delightful to get to spend a lot of time with our four children and to observe them joyfully serving the Lord. And, God gave us the unexpected delight of being in the U.S. when our first (and gorgeous) granddaughter, Abigail Monique Hatcher was born to Philip and Amanda Hatcher. Among parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, great aunts and uncles, great grandparents and a great-great grandmother, this child will not lack for attention! We anticipate getting to have her near us when Philip and Amanda move to France to work with us. Pray for God's provision and guidance as they prepare to do so.

Well, I can see that this letter has moved into the lofty height of grandfatherly babbling, so, I had better stop. May God's beautiful and bountiful grace be obvious to you today.

Full and overflowing in France,

John and Judy

PRAY FOR YOUR MISSIONARIES . . .

IN BRAZIL:

John and Alta Hatcher
Harold and Marie Bratcher
Michael and Beverly Creiglow
Paul and Wanda Hatcher
Harold and Ursula Draper
Robert and Charlene Wacaser
A. J. and Barbara Hensley

IN PERU:

Sheridan and Anita Stanton

IN KENYA:

Mike and Pam Anderson

IN FRANCE:

John M. and Judy Hatcher

members. They show evidence of spiritual growth. Though we have no one who is financially "well-off," we saw genuine Christian love in practice recently when a new couple came into our neighborhood and were in dire straits. The folks went out of their way to donate household goods and food and to make encouraging visits. The man of the house is not saved and his wife has told us that he would never go to church with her in their home state before coming to Curitiba. Now that he has seen such love poured out on them by our church people he has started coming to church and is overwhelmed with how they are being treated. We pray that God will open his (Marcos) heart to accept Christ as Savior and Lord soon.

One more marvelous message I want to share is that God brought back our brother, Eder, who was walking in rebellion. His spirit was broken when he saw that the whole body of believers loved him too much to act like it was okay to let him continue in sin. He had sought to make "friendly visits" into the homes of some sympathetic members without showing repentance for the carnal behavior he was practicing. The members felt for him, knowing that he was lonely, but knew that his re-acceptance was conditioned on a changed heart and attitude. He called me a couple of weeks ago to tell me that he was tired of walking outside of the fellowship with God and with the church and that he was resolved to obey the Lord and forsake his sins he was committing. He shared his repentant condition with the whole church and was at once received back with joy! Our Father was so kind in letting us experience the renewed fellowship with a truly loved brother. God's Word is true and faithful. We do well to trust it and obey it.

Thanks to all who have sent cards of comfort to Charlene during her time of bereavement.

In Christ's love,

Bobby, Charlene, Jessie and Brennen Wacaser

Baptist Faith Missions MARCH 2001 OFFERINGS

REGULAR FUND

Adkins, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert, Tulsa, OK	20.00
Battle Baptist Church, Mackville, KY	30.00
Beathe, Mr. and Mrs. William, Sr.	25.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, KY	250.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY	108.88
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC	200.00
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY	400.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, IN	132.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN	275.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	525.00
Bohon Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY	175.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV	100.00
Burleson, W. T., Knoxville, TN	150.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	600.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	829.45
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY	125.00
Campbell, Julie, Pelion, SC	25.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarsville, WV	125.00
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	213.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC	300.00
Crestline Friend	160.00
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	70.00
Darling, Russell & Ruth, Mount Horeb, WI	60.00
Dawson Baptist Church, Glenville, WV	400.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	476.20
East Main Baptist Church, Niles, IL	420.00
Elgin Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL	216.30
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	250.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	197.38
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	290.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	819.49
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY	226.00
Faith Baptist Church, Kirksville, MO	100.00
Faith Baptist Church, Leighton, AL	550.00
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY	350.00
First Baptist Church of Littleville, Russellville, AL	252.47
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY	100.00
First Baptist Church, Siloam, KY	480.15
Friends	300.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	75.00
Goldfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	25.00
Goodsprings Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL	300.00
Goodsprings Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL	167.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY	20.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH	600.00
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Spring, MS	225.00
Grier Memorial Baptist Church, Glasgow, KY	100.00
Hallum, Marguerite, Hammond, LA	50.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH	125.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV	300.00
Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS	25.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	3,165.21
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	35.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI	300.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, AL	83.19
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	50.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL	100.00
King, Pastor Doug & Romona, Arcadia, FL	100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	1,031.92
Lessley, Jim and Becky, Alma, AR	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Morgantown, WV (Mt. Pisgah Assoc.)	75.00
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH	50.00
Mount Cavalry Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	500.00
Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, Grafton, OH	250.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	520.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	25.00
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	60.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Perkins, WV	100.00
Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Paul B., Tuscumbia, AL	100.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN	80.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	750.00
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	45.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	270.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL	150.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	1,581.33
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	45.00
Texas Friends	600.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	120.00
Twenty-fourth of March Baptist Church, Brazil	200.00
Valley Drive Baptist Church, Bristol, TN	50.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	10.00
Virginia Friends	655.00
Waller, Rosemary, Ashland, KY	200.00
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL	50.00
West Virginia Friend	20.00
West Virginia Friends	100.00
Total	25,584.97

CAR FUND

Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	200.00
Total	200.00

WEST INDIES

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Sewnauth Punallal 24.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Sewnauth Punallal 49.74
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	Emmanuel Jaggemauth 52.00
Total	125.74

OVERBEY FUND

Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	50.00
Total	50.00

ODALI BARROS FUND

Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 41.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	A-O Home 49.74
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	150.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	Odali Barros 50.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	Odali Barros 20.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	Family 30.00
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 50.00
Total	490.74

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
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	Poverty Relief 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY	Personal 75.00
Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	Poverty Relief 100.00
Edwards, Wilgus and Maria, Booneville, KY	Salary 10.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	Salary 250.00
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
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH	Salary 35.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH	Personal 65.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	As Needed 130.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL	Building 100.00
Total	1,471.67

HENSELY FUND

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 625.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Personal 400.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV	Work Fund 1,000.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA	Salary 91.67
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA	Alpha & Omega 62.50
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	142.00
Edwards, Wilgus and Maria, Booneville, KY	Salary 10.00
Friend	A-O Home 2,500.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Personal 525.00
Hilltop Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY	As Needed 50.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY	Alpha-Omega Home 25.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	A-O Home 30.00
Joy Belles S.S. Class, Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	A-O Home 50.00
L. M. P.	Alpha-Omega Home 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	A-O Home 45.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Alpha-Omega 150.00
Purity Baptist Church, Maysville, KY	Personal 30.00
South Carolina Friend	Alpha-Omega Home 50.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	A-O Home 194.11
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 50.00
Total	6,080.28

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
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 197.38
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	General 150.00
Grace Baptist Church, Columbia, TN	Personal 100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 50.00
Total	837.38

DRAPER FUND

Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL	65.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 250.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH	Salary 70.00
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, KY	As Needed 95.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, KY	Salary 40.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV	As Needed 100.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 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 62.00
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, KY	100.00
Total	1,132.00

JOHN HATCHER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Building 65.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 120.00
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN	Salary 65.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	Salary 50.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA	Salary 25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	New Work 50.00
Jenkins, William and Sonora, Appling, GA	As Needed 30.00
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, WV	Salary 100.00
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	Maria 25.00
Total	855.00

PAUL HATCHER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Seminary 100.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL	Seminary 60.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, TN	Salary 25.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	General 150.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	Baptist Seminary 20.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, MI	Seminary 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Seminary 31.00
Trinity-Northbrook Baptist Church, Cincinnati, OH, Baptist Theological	30.00
Total	466.00

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 100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	As Needed 200.00
Burroughs, Mr. and Mrs. Charles, Bristol, TN	Carlos Fund 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH	Salary 70.00
Cooper, Michael and Beverly, Lexington, KY	Carlos Azena 10.00
Durrum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL	Personal 200.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	Personal 250.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	Salary 197.38
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	General 150.00
Gilpin Masonary Construction, Inc., Lexington, KY	Personal 50.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Personal 500.00
Howe, Brother and Mrs. Raymond, Jr., Saint Augustine, FL	Personal 150.00
Ohio Friends	Relief Fund 50.00

Restoration Baptist Church, Dickson, TN	Personal 200.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	25.00
Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, KY	Salary 100.00
Tenney James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	Salary 20.00
W. K. J., Lehigh Acres, FL	Personal 50.00
Total	2,969.05

WACASER FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Salary 65.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH	Salary 35.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	General 150.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA	Salary 75.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA	Salary 25.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	Salary 100.00
Rosemont Ladies Fellowship, Winston-Salem, NC	Charlene Personal 100.00
Tenney, James and Patsy, Ocoee, FL	Salary 15.00
Total	565.00

MISCELLANEOUS

I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	Administrative Costs 6.00
Total	6.00

HOME MISSIONS

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	Reinhardt 41.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	Building 90.00
Campbell, Julie, Pelion, SC	Reinhardt 25.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, OH	Reinhardt 150.00
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY	Reinhardt 50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	Reinhardt 94.74
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	Reinhardt 104.00
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	Reinhardt 40.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	Reinhardt 75.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	Reinhardt 100.00
Total	769.74

IN MEMORIAM FUND

Matthews Memorial Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL	George Bean 50.00
Overbey, Dale & Doris, Van Buren, AR	Bro. Z. E. Clark 125.00
Total	175.00

MIKE ANDERSON FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH	Salary 65.00
Bible Baptist Church, Durham, NC	85.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	Special Project 100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV (Youth Group)	20.00
Campbell, Julie, Pelion, SC	As Needed 200.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV	Personal 129.00
Fairview Baptist Church, Letart, WV	100.00
Faith Baptist Church, St. Albans, WV	50.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Vienna, WV	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
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	Salary 50.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	35.00
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
Pack, Joe L., South Charleston, WV	Salary 10.00
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	50.00
South Carolina Friend	As Needed 75.00
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV	Personal 100.00
Stuck, Louise, Scott Depot, WV	Personal 25.00
Wade, Dr. & Mrs. James, Abingdon, VA	Personal 100.00
Westerman, Vernon and Sonya, Sebree, KY	Personal 45.00
Winfield Baptist Church, Winfield, WV	Salary 100.00
Yanack, Albert & Ruby, St. Albans, WV	Salary 10.00
Total	1,774.00

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 671.97
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY	Personal 25.00
Geric, Galen and Tamara, Columbus, OH	Salary 30.00
Grace Baptist Church, Coffeen, IL	Where Needed 60.66
Illinois Friends	As Needed 1,500.00
King, Pastor Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL	20.00
Lessley, Jim and Becky, Alma, AR	For Judy 50.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	Salary 100.00
Mundy, Mr. & Mrs. Billie, Godfrey, IL	Salary 10.00
Total	2,582.63

TOTAL - ALL FUNDS 46,135.20

DON'T FORGET THE WORK HORSE FUND

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



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Dear Friends,

March 30, 2001

As you on your side of the world anticipate spring and better weather, we on this side of the world are heading toward cooler, rainy weather. It has just finished raining hard for the past 2 hours, so the plants in our garden should really grow well, and we are thankful for the rain that the Lord sends. Many people here have plowed and planted their gardens in anticipation of a good crop later on. Kenya is an agricultural country, and so many people's livelihood depends on their crops.

March has passed so quickly. We began our Bible Institute this month with 5 students, three of which are some of our church deacons. I taught a Bible survey course on the New Testament, and a course on the gospel of Mark. The students (all men) really seemed to enjoy the courses, and I hope to teach a course on Baptist foundations and what we as New Testament Baptists believe, and also finish the study in Mark next month.

Because of the way that people in the ministry have to have another source of income besides the church, as the people here are so poor, and their tithe will not support a pastor and his family, the Bible colleges here meet one week per month. This way, the pastor or church leader can have another source of income for his family, and still be taught in a Bible Institute. Many employers will allow their employees to miss one week a month if it is for Bible training. We are really excited about the possibility of training those whom God has called to preach, and also training Sunday School teachers, and anyone who would like to have more Biblical knowledge.

Also, this month, we started a Bible Club in a nearby public school. We go there with two of our church leaders every Wednesday afternoon as soon as school is dismissed. We have just finished the study of the Wordless Book in order to share the gospel in a simple but clear way with the students. We are teaching students in grades 6-8, and have 55 of them attending. They also memorize Bible verses, and we finish by playing a short game of volleyball with them. This is an area that has only a Pentecostal church for the whole area, so as we get better acquainted with the students, we hope to visit in their homes, and if there is an interest, we will begin a New Testament Baptist church there, possibly next year, Lord willing.

Recently, we had mentioned a problem with one of our church leaders. The problem concerned the issue of adultery, and we asked him to step down from leadership until we could talk to the people who were accusing him, and also, obtain more information. He denied these charges anytime that we confronted him. We presented this problem to our church deacons, after confronting him first, and then later, the problem was presented to the whole church. No one came forward with any concrete evidence. After much research, it has become evident that there are many gossips that are jealous of him, and we think that our former pastor who is suing us, was directly involved in trying to discredit him. This church leader has worked with us in giving up his leadership position willingly, and has been very cooperative and was ready to meet with his accusers. We prayed much for wisdom, and are thankful that things have been made right, and he has been restored. Issues such as this are common here, but we are thankful to the Lord that we were finally able to discover the truth, and that we know that Satan stands ready always to accuse the brethren.

My New Believer's Sunday School class has been growing in number. We continue to go on church visitation each Sunday afternoon, following our morning church service, and God has blessed with souls being saved and these new believers being disciplined as we study the foundations of our precious faith. Also, during the week, we are visiting, as well as some of our church leaders. We are going out at different times and days, and God is blessing this outreach.

Our next court date is April 12th. We were to have gone back to court this month, but on the day of the hearing, the judge's mother died, so our case was postponed again. Please continue to pray for this case that it can be settled quickly, and in a Biblical way.

Lord willing, we are scheduled to come to the States for furlough in July. We should be available to visit churches starting in August. We want to take some time to construct a video presentation to show to churches from the videos that we have filmed of the ministry here. If you would like for us to visit your church and tell of what God is doing in Kenya, please contact us soon, either by E-mail or our phone number here. We will try to get to as many churches as possible.

We have a very urgent need. While we are in the States from July until January 2002, we are praying that God will burden someone, or even a couple or a family, to live in our house here, and to oversee the work here. The ministries should run by themselves, as we are training our Kenyans to do the ministries of the Bible clubs, Ladies and Men's Bible studies, Sunday School, visitation, etc. If the person or couple could continue to teach one week per month in the Bible Institute and be available to supervise the ministry, that is all we ask. Swahili is the language of the people here, but you can get by with speaking English, because it is a second language and is taught here in the schools. Our church leaders all know English and would be glad to help you. We are continually learning Swahili because many of our members are uneducated people who do not know English, and Swahili is the national language of the people, so we feel that it is necessary to know in order to work with them closely. If you would be interested in donating some of your time to minister here, we would be glad to talk to you about it. We are praying that possibly a retired couple who would like to feel needed would be willing to come out. Please pray about this very urgent need. We are out here by ourselves, so there is no one to take over for us. During our last furlough, unpleasant things happened, and now, we are in a lawsuit.

Thanks so much to each of you who pray for us. We cannot be here doing the work of God unless those of you who are so precious to us hold the ropes in prayer and support. We look forward to seeing many of you during our furlough. May our Lord richly bless each of you, as you, too, labor for Him in your harvest field.

Many blessings, Mike and Pam

Four Years In Brazil ... Preaching To Farm Workers ... Goals ...



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Brothers and Sisters in Christ

March 27, 2001

We began to serve the Lord in Brasil in 1997 through the support of various Churches there in the States. That year was one full of many trials, the main one being the lack of finances. When we returned home after 6 months, we approached BFM about being supported by them. We were interviewed, accepted and back on the field by May 1998. Though 4 years does not seem like many compared to the number of years other missionaries have spent on the field, we feel as much a part of Brazil as does one who has been here for many more years.

When we came to Brazil our plans were to help build the Alpha and Omega Children's Home and to assist Odali and Kathy Barros in any way needed. Now things have taken another direction. The need to build the Lord took care of. He put in front of us a building larger than we could have ever hoped to build, and we are purchasing that building a piece at a time. Isn't it amazing how when you say "Lord, what is it you want me to do" He will show to you His plans for your life. Now not only do we help with the maintenance of the building but we have a family of 17 boys to care for and work in the carpentry shop. But the other work He has given for me to do is an everlasting one, Soul Winning.

Presently I lead the ladies visitation group on Monday nights, the men's visitation on Thursday nights and Church-wide visitation on Saturday mornings. I also have discipleship classes with the new converts on the other free nights. Also another member of our central Church and I have begun another type of visitation on Saturday afternoons. We are doing evangelism on the farms in our surrounding area. This has been a longtime goal of mine, and I have found another man who has the same goal. We hope to visit all the farms here in this area and present the gospel to all the workers there. You see, the farms here are large and there are many workers on each one of them. I feel that our work has been concentrated on the city and we have overlooked the farms. We started this farm visitation four weeks ago and have only begun to see all of the people on this farm. This gives you an idea of how large these farms are. I hope to complete this farm in two more Saturdays. This will only finish the visitation part, then we will have the discipleship part to begin after that. There have been 14 of those farm workers who have accepted Christ as their personal Savior and will need discipleship. This work is turning into a real blessing and the future for it is unbelievable. One of the farm owners has asked us to come one Saturday and have a full day of services there. This is a first as the farm owners are Catholic and usually won't let you on their farms to evangelize. Pray for us as we try to arrange this day to praise our Lord.

When someone accepts Christ we try to leave a Bible with them; this is different from the other religions as they try to sell them something. We also use this as an illustration for receiving eternal life. The gift of the Bible cost nothing and the gift of eternal life also cost them nothing. The cost was paid on the cross by our Lord and Savior. We are in constant need of Bibles in Portuguese and also the book of John and Romans in Portuguese. Both of these, when we leave them at the homes where we visit, leaves them with something to study for better understanding and growth.

Here our goals are simple (1) Purchase, maintain and give a good Godly home to the street children; (2) Educate and train our Church members to be evangelistic; (3) Reach our community for Jesus Christ.

It is simply amazing how our work here with the Children's Home helps to enhance our evangelism efforts. Because the people know of the work we are doing with the street kids, we are welcomed into more homes. When we are received into the homes we can tell them about Christ and how they can have eternal life.

The words "Thank You" never seem enough, but they are all we have to show our appreciation to all of you who support us through Baptist Faith Missions. Please continue to pray for the work here and for us as we work to do the will of the One who sent us. Because of you we are able to serve more effectively here in Brazil.

In His service, A. J. and Barbara



Barbara Hensley in the kitchen with some of "her boys."

Barbara writes about work, retirement and vacations ...

Friends: When A.J. told me he was called to Brazil to work with Odali and Kathy Barros I was ready to go. But to tell you the truth, if he had asked me a month or so before, I would have been very reluctant to comply. You see, God's timing is perfect. I cannot tell you what happened to change my mind. I can only say God did it.

I have told you before about my job here as mother; well, this has not changed. The only thing that changes about that is the number we have. We have 17 boys now, but today another one came. He went to another corridor, but first, pastor thought about putting him into our corridor. He decided to put him in the corridor that had only 12.

One of the other things that I do is take care of the clothes that are given for the children. We have two rooms with shelves, and we try to keep the clothes sorted according to the size, and one room is for boys and the other is for girls. There are two young ladies that help me one or two days per week sorting and arranging. When someone needs clothes we can go to the rooms and get what is needed with little effort because they are in order.

My greatest joy is working with my boys. When you can sit at the table and help with their homework or just talk about their day, or help with their problems, then you know that you are in the place where God wants you.

So, ladies, if your husband is retired and you are looking for the right place to spend your retirement, ask God where he wants you to serve. Because retirement is not a release from your work for God. It just gives you more time to serve God.

Also, if you are looking for a place to spend your vacations, here in Brazil we have the perfect weather, the perfect accommodations and the perfect way to relax, (working for the Lord). So think about visiting us this year or next year and see what your mission dollars are doing here at the Alpha and Omega Children's Home.

Working for Him, Barbara

★ ★ ★ BULLETIN ★ ★ ★

In January Brother Harold Bratcher caught a virus called Dengue Fever. Before he was completely well he made a trip into the interior. He returned feeling very weak and complaining with chest and stomach pains. The doctor immediately started medication and said that he would have to be admitted to the intensive care unit as the illness had resulted in pneumonia and had weakened his heart. Although he was not admitted to the ICU, he did spend a week in the hospital. He is now home taking six kinds of medication and will soon undergo treatment for his heart condition.

We request that you remember to pray for both Brother and Sister Bratcher. Cards can be sent to them at: Caixa Postal 227 69-011 Manaus Amazonas, Brazil South America. Phone 011-5592-611-2331