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River Trip With Andrew ... Families Forced To Move ... Consider Helping Andrew ...

Dear Brethren, April 11, 2003

Andrew and I just arrived from our last mission trip. This time we were on the Moa River. We visited the works at Sao Salvador, Serra do Moa (mountains) and Nukinim Indian reservation (the name of the place is Republica) We took the boat, motor and trailer to Mancio Lima and put in there on the Japiim river. The boat was the little aluminum one with 15HP outboard. This river is narrow, winding and jammed with logs and fallen trees. It is always a fun challenge and adventure. One of those "fun" moments was when we were just about through the branches of a fallen tree. A strong vine caught the lower unit of the motor and swung us around back into the tree. The current was too strong to paddle against and the vine was stronger than the power of the outboard. We managed to pull our way inch by inch and finally get pointed the right direction. This is all sorta normal to us, but I thought you might be interested. There are always bands of monkeys in the trees that overhang the Japiim River. We rarely stop to watch them, but you can hear them screaming above the noise of the motor all along the way.

We actually visited the work at Sao Salvador on the way up river and on the way back down. They are doing well, although Pastor Moises is sick right now. They have two works up river from them. They work the full length of the Rio Azul, a tributary of the Moa. I am trying to work out a trip with them all the way to the last house some time this summer.

The work at the mountains of the Moa River is in a transition. For one thing, the congregation is inside the national park that the federal government has been trying to implant forever, but have done hardly anything other than make life difficult for everybody. The government is trying to get all the folks to move out. Five of our families have moved. Seventeen families have moved, overall. There are now only twenty-nine families left. Also, to complicate things further, our Missionary, Brother Rivaldo, has had to move down to Republica. The school at the mountain village is so weak that his kids were not learning anything. The school at Republica is much better. We have just paid for a new and faster boat for Rivaldo's work. We are also going to give him extra fuel to be able to go up every weekend to be with the congregation. The services there were really good and well attended, even though it was during the week. We ended up having a service after the regular service on Saturday night. The members wanted to talk to me and get instructions on some of the problems they are facing. We went to well after 10 o'clock that night, which is very late for them. While there, we also decided to rework their building. They had considered relocating, but decided that they would lose too much of their building materials. We are going to try to give them a new roof. Wanta help? Don't be shy!



New building at Thaumeturgo 300 miles up river from Cruzeiro do Sul, Brazil.

Our visit to the Nukinim (no relation to "nukem") Reservation was great. The old part of the village is right on the river, but the tribe is scattered in small plots all over the surrounding jungle. The Christians there have just finished their little building. It is in the middle of the biggest concentration of the population. This is however, a half a mile inland. To get there we had to go up the very high and steep bank, then cross three swamps. Fortunately they have planked the path through the swamps. They would not let us carry even one bit of our gear either, so the walk in was "a stroll in the park". There were over ninety people in both of the services that we held there. On Sunday morning the whole congregation and most of the village gathered with us back out at the river for the first baptism. I baptized eleven. Our worker and his wife came out of a Witness Lee church in Porto Velho, State of Rondonia. They were two of the eleven that I baptized. Over the last few months I have been able to sit down with him (his name is ILson) and re-indoctrinate him. He is also studying a Portuguese copy of T.P. Simmons Systematic Theology that I gave him.

On the walk back out I overheard an interesting conversation. Two little Indian girls were trading off carrying a two or three month old chubby little baby Indian girl. One of the little girls said to her friend, "She looks just like her grandmother." I chuckled and thought, "Uh..okay, if you say so."

While on this trip we were well fed. We even had fresh deer, armadillo and cavy meat. The morning we were to return it; started raining at 4:00 AM and didn't stop until noon. I didn't even get out of my tent until seven that morning. We were a few hours late getting in, but this gave me a few restful hours. It was a great trip.

If you don't mind me reminding you, Andrew was my mission partner on this, another mission trip and a huge help. He is my "Luke." Unlike Luke though, who may have supplied funds for Paul's efforts, Andrew needs support. Thanks to those who have already begun to support him and I pray that others will come of board.

God bless everyone richly and thanks for constant prayers and financial support.

In Christ,
Mike Creiglow

H. H. Overbey Scholarship Fund ...

Did you know that our missionaries' children may apply and be approved for a grant of \$1000 per school year to help them further their education beyond high school?

It is called the H. H. OVERBEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND. Anyone who knew Brother H. H. Overbey knows how much he loved to help young people who were preparing for service for the Lord. Many of you can testify to the encouragement, mentoring, and financial help he gave you. WILL YOU HELP US HELP OUR MISSIONARIES' CHILDREN?

We need you to designate funds for the H. H. Overbey Scholarship Fund. These funds are not supplied from the General Fund. When the available funds are depleted, we will have to tell the missionaries' children that we don't have it to give them. At this time, we have one church who is giving regularly to the H. H. Overbey Scholarship Fund. We need more help to keep the fund supplied.



This is Michelle Draper, Harold and Ursula Draper's daughter. She is enrolling in Paducah Community College this fall. She graduated from Carlisle County High School this spring. She is taking the general courses first-year college students take and is asking the Lord to direct her interests and gifts toward a specialized course of study and vocation.

American schools are new to Michelle. She has attended only Brazilian schools. She wanted to finish high school in Brazil, but was required to finish school here when the Drapers needed to come to the States early to seek medical attention for Ursula. So, this is a big step for Michelle. She will remain in the States when Harold and Ursula return to Brazil.

I hope you will commit to pray for her regularly. She needs and wants our encouragement and support. Perhaps some church or individual will be willing to underwrite Michelle's \$1000.00 2003-2004 H. H. Overbey Scholarship?



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Report On Short Trip To Brazil ...

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

July 4, 2003

We greet you in the Name above every Name. In today's world this name has a lot of competition in the lives and hearts of mankind. Surely our Lord is soon to come! Even so, come Lord Jesus! With this thought in mind we must not fold our arms and just wait for His return. He said, "Occupy until I come." In another place He said, "Watch and work." Let us by His grace strive to obey our Master's command.

I spent most of June in Brazil. This trip was made possible by the offering of a faithful servant who asked to not be named. We praise the Lord for how He provides our needs. I spent actually three whole weeks, plus three days travel to and from Brazil. Ursula stayed back here since she is not yet up to such a strenuous trip. Believe me, it was strenuous. I was up every day by 5 a.m. and got to bed most nights about midnight. I've been back a week and am still not entirely rested up.

In this letter I will tell about the first week's happenings. We arrived on June 7th at 4 p.m. and went immediately to the transportation office to pay the overdue taxes and license plate fees on our car. Then we went to the home of Bro. Edinelson and family and had great food and fellowship. Although we had been over 40 hours without sleep we didn't leave there until 11 p.m. On the next day, Saturday, we rested some and went to the service for young people at the Altos do Coxipo church where I preached. On this first Sunday I preached at the Altos do Coxipo Baptist Church where we are members; both services. After morning service the church had a special dinner in our honor. (Michelle and Phillip accompanied me on the trip).

Monday morning I got up early and, accompanied by one of our preachers; drove for four hours over very hazardous roads to Novo Diamantino to see about the church there. We have been without a preacher there for some months. I was blessed to find that the young preacher who is helping out there is sound and very willing to work there. After questioning him and upon the recommendation of the church members, we prayed together and we started back on the long dangerous trip to Cuiaba. We arrived after dark. Thankfully we didn't burst any tires. On Wednesday we attended prayer meeting in our church. We spent the rest of the week fixing up the old VW van so it can continue to be used in the mission work of that church. I also started negotiations to purchase a small building and lot for the 7th of May work in Varzea Grande. After having almost closed the deal, it fell through.

The Lord had something much better for us that we will tell about in next month's Mission letter. This covers the high points of the first week. May the Lord bless all of you;

Yours in Him,
Harold & Ursula Draper

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Enjoy Short Visit To States ... Thankful For Family & Friends ...

Dear Friends, June 25, 2003

There is too much to write in one letter but I will try to give you an overview and write more details later. Alta and I arrived home in Urai on June 12 after being away for almost three months. We visited my sister and her husband, Jessie and Joe Sills, and their children, Jolene and Joel, in Florida. Marcella, Alta's sister, and Kay, her niece, came to visit us at the Sill's home. In Nashville we visited with our daughter, Lynn, and Ross McGary and our grandchildren for a week. In Alexandria, Ky. we visited with my brother, Charles, and his wife, Beulah. Here we had a partial family reunion. It was a joy to visit and preach at my home church, First Baptist of Alexandria, where I was saved and baptized. We enjoyed the fellowship with the pastor Ron Duty and our friends of many years. Then we drove to Columbia, South Carolina to see my sister, Neree Wood. We also visited with Paul and Jeanette Guinn and their lovely daughters, Mia and Ariel.

Returning from Columbia, we went to Evansville where we stayed with Peggy Foster, our marvelous Bread and Breakfast hostess of many years. Thank you Falwells for the great dinner on Saturday evening. On Sunday we worshipped with the Emmanuel Baptist Church. Since our sons, Paul and John Mark, were pastors here for three and twenty-four years, respectively, this church is like home and the members have meant so much to our sons and to us.

About the middle of April we settled in at the Mission House on Balsam Drive and enjoyed being home again. While in Lexington we visited the Palomar Baptist Church with Grant and Mary Fox, the Emmanuel Baptist Church with Delbert and Margaret Carpenter, friends from College days, the Heritage Baptist Church with Ed and Jackie Overbey, the Thompson Road Baptist Church with Dave Parks and his lovely people, the Bethel Baptist Church where we enjoyed the fellowship with Pastor Larry Wilson and his dear people.

Spring Missionary Conference: Our thanks to the Thompson Road Baptist Church and to others who helped in sponsoring the Conference. I enjoyed it from beginning to end and was encouraged with the attendance, the presence of pastors, many young ones, the great messages and especially the gift of hospitality shown by the dear members of Thompson Road Church. Thanks Alta and I want to say Thank you to all the brethren who serve as directors of Baptist Faith Mission. For forty-eight years you have been the support God has used to help us at all times. We appreciate you.

In my next letter I will tell you about our cruise across the Atlantic, the blond taxi driver we witnessed to in New Orleans, our Bible Studies on the cruise, how God helped us in London, and our wonderful visit in France.

Pray for us that God will give us strength and wisdom to keep going until the end.

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Surprise Blessings ... God Is At Work ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters, July 1, 2003

This letter begins with a public acknowledgement of my ignorance. My dear father-in-law Jim Foster informed me that he is 82 years old rather than 81 as I stated in the last letter. It does one good to eat crow sometimes. It will surely do Jim good for me to eat crow!

During the past two months we have enjoyed visits from our two daughters, Lydia and Laura, as well as having Dad and Mom with us for 3 weeks. Besides family we have also enjoyed being host to Ross Overbey from Lexington, Ky and Miki Bohon from Columbia. We are already planning for the visit of the Mission Adventures group next year.

Some of the best blessings are those that catch us by surprise. And we have had some of these during the past month. You may remember that we have mentioned before baby-sitting for our German neighbors across the street. We have been praying regularly that God would enable us to give them a clear witness. God has been answering this prayer in a special way. As Ursula was on her way to Sunday worship about five weeks ago, she stopped to speak to the above mentioned neighbor lady. When she noticed that the lady was at wits end with her children, she asked if she could bring the oldest one with her to Sunday School. The little girl loved it and to our delight, the entire family showed up the following Sunday. Since they speak little English and practically no French, we had a trilingual service that Sunday. I spoke in French, Philip translated to English for those who can't understand French. Ursula sat next to our neighbors and translated for them to German. They returned three out of the last four Sundays and show a real interest. Ursula loaned them her German Bible to read. Ursula and her family will have moved back to Germany by the time you read this. Would you pray with us for three matters connected to this move? First, Ursula needs the fellowship of genuine believers in her home town. Second, we need someone who can translate to German for our neighbors. Third, we would like to see Ursula's two daughters and husband come to know Christ as Savior.

Another blessing was a nine year old child who was brought to Worship time and Sunday School by Miki Bohon. Miki, a believer from Missouri, worked as an "au pair" (nanny) for this child's family. The previous year, Allison, another Christian girl from Texas, held the same position. The parents, though atheist, did not object to the children hearing Bible stories. As a result of these girls' witness, the oldest child in the family was saved and continues to grow in the Lord. Miki came back to visit the family and the parents allowed her to bring the child to Sunday School. We are praying that the entire family will trust the Lord.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. God is at work here and we are glad to be a part of what he is doing.

In France for the glory of Christ, John and Judy



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Six Baptized ... Excited About Mission Adventures ... National Worker Requests Help ...

Dear Friends, July 1, 2003

Greetings to all from Huanuco, Peru, the city of eternal springtime! Anita and I have had another great month. I baptized six into the fellowship of our church here in Huanuco. I have spent a lot of time getting the construction underway for the Mission Work in Huariaca. The Baptist Faith Missions, Missionary Adventure's Team will be working on this project also when they arrive on the 17th of July. We are excited about their coming down to help. I also had another week long, eight hours per day, Bible Institute class two weeks ago. Thirty-eight preachers and pastors from all over Peru attended the course on Old Testament Introduction. We had a great time and always enjoy the fellowship.

The Faith Baptist Church in Hualar (Pacific coast north of Lima) continues on with their building project. I can only help them so much each month with money for building materials. They are doing all the work themselves, with no one being paid to work. They work a few hours in the afternoons and all day on Saturday. It is not progressing very fast, but they are making progress and doing a good job. Please remember them in your prayers.

Pastor Daniel Gonzales of the Jordan Baptist Church of Pucallpa (out in the jungle), has asked me to make known their need of \$1000.00 for a mission work they have started in the town of Contamana (down the Ucayali River). The money is needed to buy the property and build a simple wooden meeting house.

Anita and I love to hear from you. We have another small group coming down in November and another work team coming down next summer. We would love to have you come down and visit the Lord's work here in Peru sometime. Until next month. Serving Jesus in Peru, Sheridan and Anita Stanton



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Science Fair At School ... Thirty Chiropractors ... Judson Working With Youth Leaders ...

Dear Friends, July 1, 2003

We have had a busy month with many projects going on at the same time. The school, grades K thru 12, had their annual science fair. The weeks leading up to the fair are a busy time for teachers and students researching and putting the projects together. The most exciting days are the actual fair days. Hundreds of parents, family members, friends and students from other schools visit the expositions. We had a full house on each of the four days. The younger students worked with animals and plants. The upper grades worked with conservation of forest and water and energy. This is a great time of learning about God's great creation, plus the benefits of working together and then sharing the information with others.

We also have a team of thirty chiropractors from Palmer College of Chiropractic doing free clinic. They have examined and adjusted about 650 plus persons per day. The clinic is spread over a two week period and will see upwards of 4000 persons. The patients are glad for the relief from their pain. The reception staff and translators are volunteers from the church. As the patients wait to see the doctors the evangelism team shares the gospel through music and drama. This is a great opportunity to bring relief to body and a message of salvation to the soul.

Training is the heart beat of our ministry. This week, in the evening, Judson Hatcher is doing a modular class for youth leaders and pastors. We have 203 signed up, and the classes have been a great challenge to the leaders. As you know, Brazil is a country with an enormous teen population. We have a great opportunity to reach them at this age, and give them the joy of knowing Jesus as Lord and Savior. This gives them true value plus the bonus of helping them avoid drugs, homosexuality, sex, prostitution and so many other destructive options Satan offers to destroy their happiness and well being. We estimate there are 3, 10,000 unreached teens in our city alone, pray with us for the pastors and leaders being trained to have a greater impact in the youth community.

We thank you for your prayers and faithful support.

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Many Professions ... Blessed By Glass Visit ... Grocery List For One Day ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters, July 4, 2003

We hope that all of you are doing great. We are doing great. Things have really been busy around here. Just to give you a little idea of what we mean, we have had three weddings in one month. All the weddings were of people here from the home. One of the weddings was our daughter's. KathyLee and Daniel Vincent were married on June the 3rd. This was a special moment for us. One of the other couples that got married were two young people that came here to change their lives. The other two were Samuel and Paula. They work with youth ministry at the Garca church. Samuel has also been ordained and is one of my assistant pastors. We have had several people saved here at the home and at church. Several have been baptized. Last Sunday I had the privilege of baptizing our five year old adopted son, Titus. The school here at the home is coming to a close for a months break. This break is kind of like your Christmas break in the U.S. We have several new kids here at the home. Most of them are under the age of twelve. Of course getting new kids always upsets the basket. All the other kids get jealous and think that we might not give them the attention they need.

We had a ministry team come from Atlantic Shores. We had a great time with them. They ministered to several schools in our town and nearby cities. In some cities we had the services outdoors. Many professions of faith were made. We were able to get most of all the names so we can continue with follow up visitation. In the cities where we have mission points the names were given to the preachers so they can visit in these homes. We were privileged to have with us this week Brother Larry Glass and his son Lee. Even though we had never met they have been faithful supporters. It has been wonderful to meet them and spend some time together. Of course, our children here always enjoy having someone around and trying to speak English with them.

We want to thank all those who have been sending special offerings. Here are some of the things we have already done: Fifty new mattresses, shoes, aprons, and uniforms for kitchen workers, and we are getting the money together to buy the table top (Stainless). The closets will be also worked on this month. Lots of the little things have been taken care of. One of the things that will cost us the most is the roof. Right now it is dry season so things aren't too bad. But we really can't do too much painting until we solve some of our roof problems. Otherwise it will mess up all the paint job. Praise God for all of you. May God richly bless each of you. People always ask us about how much the kids eat and how much food it takes to feed these kids everyday. Well, here the main food everyday are beans and rice, no matter what else you may have to eat. Just for you to have a little idea if you went to buy groceries for a day this is what you would have to buy: 55 pounds of rice, 16 pounds of pinto beans, 12 chickens or 30 pounds of meat and 100 quarts of cool aid, 15 heads of lettuce and 20 pounds of tomatoes. Ready to go buy some groceries?

Thanks for all your prayers and support. May God richly bless all of you.

Love Odali & Kathy Barros, Tito, Jonas and Gabriel



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Brother Creiglow's Report ...

Dear Brethren: July 1, 2003

Betty and I had the privilege of visiting two churches this month where I presented the work of Baptist Faith Missions, and I also preached to them. On Sunday morning we were with Pastor Charles Lybrook and the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in South Shores, Kentucky. In the Sunday evening service we were with Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church in McDermott, Ohio where Brent Piatt is pastor. The fellowship was just great, and we would like to thank each of these churches for having us.

I also had the privilege of supply preaching for Pastor David Parks and the Thompson Road Baptist one Sunday morning while Brother Parks visited his family in North Carolina. It is always a pleasure to be with these brethren. They are always gracious, loving and kind. I also want to thank them for all this and more.

I also had a request for our videos from a pastor in New Mexico, which I have already sent. I send these to all who request them, and of course, with no cost to them. If you or your church would like to have them, just contact me, and I would be happy to send them to you, or I would be more than glad to come and present them to your church on the screen.

I also started teaching a Bible Survey course on Wednesday nights in our home church this past week, and according to the feedback that I have gotten, it went very well. I was told that I would need material for about forty-five people, so I made enough for fifty and did not have enough. I am thankful to my pastor, Brother Ed Massey, for giving me this opportunity. Betty and I enjoy it very much here at First Baptist, in Science Hill, Kentucky.

The Lord is blessing us, and we trust He is blessing you also.

In His Name, Bobby D. Creiglow

Baptist Faith Missions

JUNE 2003 OFFERINGS

REGULAR FUND

Battle Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY	30.00
Beath, William & Doris, Buckhannon, WV	25.00
Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil, SA	50.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, KY	130.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Willmore, KY	321.00
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC	200.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, IN	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	623.00
Bohon Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY	175.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	600.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	595.39
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY	175.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	125.00
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	128.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC	440.00
Creiglow, Bobby & Bessie, Science Hill, KY	100.00
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	70.00
Darling, Russell, Rolla, MO	100.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	637.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glenview, GA	250.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	243.31
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH	490.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	537.79
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Irvine, KY	100.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY	236.00
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY	200.00
Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Leighton, AL	100.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY	1000.00
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY	100.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	100.00
Goldfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY	30.00
Grace Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH	600.00
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Springs, MS	100.00
Gnder Memorial Baptist Church, Glasgow, KY	100.00
Harbor View Missionary Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH	115.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV	300.00
Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS	25.00
Hatcher, Laura, Hebron, KY	40.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	3150.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI	300.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculum, AL	107.05
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	51.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL	100.00
Kansas Friends	50.00
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL	100.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	820.99
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH	50.00
Matthews Memorial Church, Stevenson, AL	50.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	500.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, South Charleston, WV	75.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normantown, WV (Deacon Baptist Church)	200.00
Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, Grafton, OH	250.00
New Hope Baptist Church, South Shore, KY	100.00
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	670.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	25.00
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	60.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Perkins, WV	200.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN	100.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL	89.70
Parker, Stephanie, Millington, TN	30.00
Potters Baptist Church, Viola, AR	100.00
Purity Baptist Church, Maysville, KY	10.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	880.00
Riverview Baptist Church, Point Pleasant, WV	50.00
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	200.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV	300.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	2200.00
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	125.00
Southside Baptist Church, Fulton, MS	125.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL	150.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	1348.57
Texas Friends	600.00
24th Of March Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil, SA	400.00
Valley Drive Missionary Baptist Church, Bristol, TN	50.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	10.00
Venture Business Systems, Goldsboro, NC	125.00
Virginia Friend	1020.00
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL	50.00
Watkins, Bert & Louise, Richmond, KY	55.00
Webster Memorial Baptist Church, Lakeland, FL	50.00
Total	24,393.80

IN MEMORIAM

Overbey, Calvin & Doris, Van Buren, AR In Memory Of H.H. Overbey	125.00
York, Wallace & Doris, Princeton, KY, In Memory Of Fred Heam	50.00
Total	175.00

MISSION ADVENTURES PROJECT FUND

Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	39.00
Total	39.00

CAR FUND

Mitchell, Dr. Matthew, Fort Wayne, IN	300.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	200.00
Total	500.00

H.H. OVERBEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	50.00
Total	50.00

WEST INDIES FUND

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Sewnauth Punallal	40.92
New Hope Miss Baptist Church, Dearborn, MI, Emmanuel Jaggemauth	67.00
Total	107.92

HOME MISSIONS

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, Reinhardt	256.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH, Reinhardt	150.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI, Reinhardt	50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Reinhardt	40.92
Morris, William, Richmond, KY, Reinhardt	40.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Reinhardt	80.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Reinhardt	50.00
Total	666.92

MISCELLANEOUS DESIGNATED FUND

East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL, Save India Fund-Bibles	777.00
Jones, Bob & Sue, Harrison, TN, Save India Fund-Bibles	70.00
Jones, Bob & Sue, Harrison, TN, Mission House Upkeep	25.00
West Virginia Friends, Mission Sheet Publication	35.00
Total	907.00

MIKE ANDERSON

Bakker, Jason & Julie, Antioch, TN, Nathan Radford	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Durham, NC	95.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	100.00
Black, Gary & Sandra, Scott Depot, WV, Nathan Radford	100.00
Boukma, Joshua & Jillian, SW Wyoming, MI, Nathan Radford	100.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV, Nathan Radford	30.00
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Culloden, WV, Personal	200.00
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Culloden, WV, Nathan Radford	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV, Special	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	100.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV	121.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV, Nathan Radford	100.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH	300.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH, Nathan Radford	300.00
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV	100.00
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV, Nathan Radford	75.00
Faith Baptist Church, Wilmington, OH	50.00
Faith Missionary Baptist Church, St. Albans, WV	100.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Vienna, WV, Support	55.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary	25.00
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Salary	25.00
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	25.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH, Nathan Radford	25.00
Goshen Baptist Church, Kentucky, WV	50.00
Goshen Baptist Church, Kentucky, WV, Nathan Radford	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Lima, OH, Nathan Radford	150.00
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinville, TN, Salary	50.00
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinville, TN, Nathan Radford	50.00
Harris, Ruby, Charleston, WV, Nathan Radford	10.00
Harrison, David & Barbara, Red House, WV, Nathan Radford	20.00
Harvesters Bible Class, Point Pleasant, WV, Salary	100.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Personal	100.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	45.00
Leavittsburg Baptist Church, Warren, OH, Nathan Radford	30.00
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Personal	10.00
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Nathan Radford	10.00
Lewis, Lowell & Sue, Milton, WV, Nathan Radford	25.00
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richie, FL, Expenses	40.00
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richie, FL, Nathan Radford	10.00
Meyne, John & Kelley, Grand Rapids, MI, Nathan Radford	25.00
Mintum, Timothy, Nitro, WV, Nathan Radford	81.25
Mitchell, Dr. Matthew, Fort Wayne, IN, Nathan Radford	70.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	100.00
Mt. Hope Baptist Church, Chesapeake, OH, Salary	60.00
Pack, Joe & Frances, South Charleston, WV, Salary	10.00
Parker, Steven, Burlington, IA, Nathan Radford	10.00
Priest, K.C. & Melody, Poca, WV, Nathan Radford	40.00
Ranson, Joseph & Vinila, Culloden, WV, As Needed	25.00
Rawley, Philip & Sarah, Rockwall, TX, Salary	250.00
Riverside Baptist Church, Stanville, KY, Salary	25.00
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	50.00
Smith, WB & Anna, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	25.00
Audra Stalnaker, Normantown, WV, As Needed	100.00
Standale Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, MI, Nathan Radford	400.00
Stalnaker, Ron & Gina, Glenview, WV, Nathan Radford	100.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Nathan Radford	75.00
Thompson, Pete & Karen, Nitro, WV, Salary	20.00
Thompson, Pete & Karen, Nitro, WV, Nathan Radford	10.00
Wade, James & Linda, Abingdon, VA, Personal	100.00
Wade, James & Linda, Abingdon, VA, Nathan Radford	50.00
Westerman, P. Vernon & Sonya, Sebree, KY, Miscellaneous	75.00
Winfield Baptist Church, Winfield, WV, Support	100.00
Wright, Randy & Teresa, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	100.00
Yanck, Albert & Ruby, St. Albans, WV, Salary	10.00
Total	4,912.25

ODALI BARROS

Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Support	200.00
Bakker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY, Salary	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	191.00
Hatcher, Laura, Hebron, KY, Alpha & Omega	40.00
Joy Bells Sunday School Class, Lexington, KY, Personal	50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Alpha & Omega	58.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal	25.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Georgetown, KY, Salary	50.00
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI, Stephanie Parker	67.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Alpha & Omega	425.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN	150.00
Pine Set Baptist Church, South Pittsburg, TN, Salary	35.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Alpha & Omega	80.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Stephanie Parker	40.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Stephanie Parker	75.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	40.00
Tolson, Mary, Lexington, KY, Personal	100.00
Total	1,676.00

HAROLD BRATCHER

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	82.67
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	100.00
Bratcher, Debra, Mesquite, TX, Personal	50.00
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 & Maria, Booneville, KY, Salary	10.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glenview, GA, Salary	250.00
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50.00
Grimes, Jack & Margaret, Evans, WV, Salary	10.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, (From Sunday School Kids)	13.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH, Salary	35.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH, Personal	65.00
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL, Buildings	100.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	50.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20.00
Total	1,110.67

MIKE CREIGLOW

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	200.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, Andrew Creiglow	141.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY, Andrew Creiglow	50.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS, Food Pantry	243.31
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH	150.00
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50.00
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Columbia, TN, Personal	100.00
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL, Andrew Creiglow	20.00
King, Frances, Arcadia, FL, Andrew Creiglow	20.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Andrew Creiglow	58.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL, Salary	25.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20.00
Wood, Nerec, Columbia, SC, Andrew Creiglow	100.00
Total	1,177.31

HAROLD DRAPER

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	220.00
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Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH, Salary	65.00
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, KY, As Needed	100.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, KY, Salary	40.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV, As Needed	100.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV, New Work	1000.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, New Work	60.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN, As Needed	200.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20.00
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, KY	100.00
Total	2,005.00

JOHN A. HATCHER

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	200.00
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN	75.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	25.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN, Personal	25.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50.00
Meadow Bridge Missionary Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, WV	100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Brazilian Preachers	40.00
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS, New Work	25.00
Spicer, Hubert & Emogene, South Bend, IN	300.00
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Marie	75.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20.00
Wood, Nerec, Columbia, SC, New Work	100.00
Total	1,060.00

PAUL HATCHER

Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL, Seminary-Manaus	60.00
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Judson Hatcher	1000.00
Bruce, Christopher & Lara, Chesapeake, VA, Judson Hatcher	500.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH	150.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN, Seminary-Manaus	20.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY, Seminary-Manaus	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, Seminary-Manaus	50.00
Hatcher, Laura, Hebron, KY, Personal	40.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Seminary-Manaus	30.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20.00
Total	1,920.00

JOHN M. HATCHER

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN, Personal	560.00
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY, Personal	25.00
Gerrig, Galen & Tamara, Columbus, OH, Salary	30.00
Grace Baptist Church, Coffeen, IL, As Needed	70.00
Hatcher, Laura, Hebron, KY, Personal	40.00
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL	20.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	100.00
Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL, Salary	20.00
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	140.00
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20.00
Total	1,025.00

A.J. HENSLEY

Alexander, John & Sharon, Cedar Creek, TX, Salary	50.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	155.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, As Needed	290.00
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Support	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	50.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA	150.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA, Children's Home	62.50
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	85.00
Cornerstone Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, New Work	350.00
Edwards, Wilgus & Maria, Booneville, KY, Salary	10.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Personal	525.00
Hilltop Missionary Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY, Personal	50.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY, School	25.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal	25.00
Lynam's Creek Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY, New Work	100.00
Newman, Steve & Terry, Elgin, TX, New Work	35.00
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	100.00
Purity Baptist Church, Maysville, KY, Personal	40.00
Tolson, Mary, Lexington, KY, Personal	100.00
Total	2,302.50

SHERIDAN STANTON

Adams, W.H. & Arbia, Lexington, KY, New Work	25.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	103.33
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, As Needed	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	200.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH, Salary	65.00
Cooper, Michael & Beverly, Lexington, KY, Salary	75.00
Durum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL, As Needed	300.00
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glenview, GA, As Needed	250.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS, Personal	243.31
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH	150.00
Gilpen Masonry Construction, Inc, Lexington, KY, Personal	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Bradenton, FL, Building Fund	200.00
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinville, TN, Salary	50.00
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Wyandotte, MI, Mission Fund	100.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, As Needed	500.00
Howe, C.R., St. Augustine, FL, As Needed	150.00
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Belleville, ML, Support	100.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Georgetown, KY, Salary	50.00
Restoration Church, Dickson, TN, Personal	100.00
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	50.00
Rye Patch Baptist Church, Ludowici, GA, Salary	200.00
Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, KY	100.00
Stanton, Jeff & Martita, Merritt Island, FL, Salary	25.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL, Salary	25.00
Tolson, Mary, Lexington, KY, Personal	100.00
Victory Baptist Church, New Salisbury, IN	25.00
Total	3,286.64

BOBBY WACASER

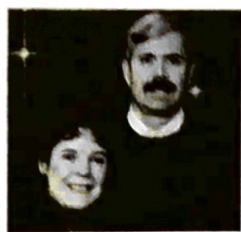
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	350.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH, Salary	50.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH	150.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA, Salary	50.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary	25.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	58.00
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	100.00
Total	783.00

Grand Total 48,098.01

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Taking The Gospel To The Pokot People ... Hope To Open New Preaching Points ...

Dear Special Friends,

July 1, 2003

Greetings from Kenya where the weather is cool and rainy. We are in the Southern Hemisphere, so the weather is reversed from that of the States. While our gardens are growing well, many people are sick with malaria and other tropical diseases, due to the change in weather. God has been so good to protect us from disease, and we thank Him for His everlasting goodness, for the many blessings of being in His will, and of serving Him here in this part of the harvest field.

In June, we saw some answers to prayers. Pam was able to go up in a helicopter twice to very distant areas inaccessible by car. She traveled to a bush area that is over eight hours from us, but an hour and a half by air. This area is very remote and mountainous. The people that live there are from the Pokot tribe and are very primitive, living in mud shacks as they have lived for hundreds of years. They grow their own food, live among the mountains, with no access to the outside world, and no roads that come into the area.

Pam and two other Kenyan nurses flew by helicopter to this area, and landed on top of one of the mountains. The clinic was held outside under the trees, and she waited for two hours for the people to come, as there is no communication except for the horn on the helicopter, to let them know about the clinic.

The people sat on the grass as they waited to be seen by the nurses. Many brought their children to be immunized against polio, Hepatitis B, measles, and TB. As the flies and other insects were flying around this remote area, the babies were weighed by a scale that was hung from a tree, and they were given their immunizations as their mothers held them while sitting on the ground.

The expectant mothers were asked to lie on the ground while the nurses listened for the babies' heart beats, and their general condition was evaluated. Pam noticed that many of the mothers were thin, and their abdomens were not big, compared to their stage of pregnancy. This is probably due to malnutrition and lack of good medical care and vitamins. One pregnant woman had only three toes on one of her feet, probably due to leprosy earlier in her life. She also had a skin ulcer on that same foot.

The ulcer was open, and flies were circling her foot while she waited to be examined. Many of the women had scars on their chest and abdomens. The Pokot tribal people scar themselves in childhood, as they think that this makes them more attractive. These people are very different from the Kenyans that we associate with everyday. Our people, although they are very poor, are exposed to much more of an influence to the modern world than the Pokot who are so remote and have no access to the outside world.

The Gospel was presented, as it is each time that a trip to the bush is made, so we know that although they are steeped in tradition, witchcraft, and voodoo, they do hear the Gospel each time, and God is able to penetrate through all of their primitive beliefs with His Word. We are asking God to enable Pam to go to these remote areas on a regular basis, so that she might be of help to these indigent people, and that I can go, too, as I want to preach to these needy tribal people and share the Good News with them. As God enables us, we hope to disciple those who profess faith in Christ, and later start New Testament Baptist churches among these tribes, if the Lord allows.

For some time now, we have been praying about branching out to new areas to start preaching points. This past Sunday, June 29th, we started a Bible study in an area that is approximately 5-7 kilometers from our present church. We have rented a mud one-room building in a residential area that is growing rapidly. Twenty-five people came to our first service, and after our time of worship, Pam and I, along with three of our teenage young men whom God has called to preach, visited in the area to witness and tell the people about this new endeavor. We took these young men with us when we



Mike, Pam and Nathan in the office of our new Mayor, Maurice Ngambo. Maurice was led to Christ by our assistant pastor, and Mike recently baptized him. He is a member of our church.

started this new ministry, as we want to give them opportunities to serve our Lord by being involved directly in the Lord's work. Now, they are going with us to evangelize and disciple, and later, we will provide them with opportunities to teach Sunday School and other youth in that area. Dennis, age 16, is one of our young men, and he is our oldest orphan. He was thrilled to lead someone to Christ recently, and is really growing spiritually. Emmanuel, age 14, has been involved in evangelism for over a year now, and has lead many people to Christ. Benson, 15, is teaching in a Bible club at his public school once a week during the lunch hour. What a thrill it is for Pam and me to see God using these teens in His service.

The prison ministry is keeping Nathan busy. He, along with Moses, our assistant pastor, is going two times each week for over three hours each time, to the main prison in Kitale to evangelize and disciple new believers. Currently, they have just finished discipling thirty new believers on the men's side of the prison. Today, they started on the women's side. Forty-five women came to this session, and after the gospel was presented, twenty of the women wanted to receive Christ as their personal Savior! Nathan bought Bibles for the women to have to start a library, and they were thrilled. God has really opened doors in this ministry. The guards and wardens tell Nathan that they have seen changes in the lives of these new believers. What a blessing it is to serve our Lord.

Lord willing, Nathan will begin to disciple the mayor of Kitale this Saturday. The mayor is a new believer who was led to Christ by our assistant pastor while we were on furlough, and I baptized him last year, but he has never been disciplined. He has come to Nathan personally twice to ask for discipleship, and Nathan has given him some books to read. He has read them, and is now wanting more help. So, we are praying for this open door, that God will use it to make the mayor strong in his faith and to influence the other government officials.

Your servants in Kenya,
Mike and Pam



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Back In States ... Note Address & Phone No ...

Dear Blessed Brothers and Sisters of the Savior: June 25, 2003
Once again we greet you from Manaus, but the Lord permitting the last time for some months. Marie and I will be coming to the States on furlough, beginning our trip, early Friday morning, with Asa Mark, and then Stephen meeting us in Tampa. We shared the details with you last month.

Notice the change of address above, where Marie and I will be living while on furlough. Let us know if we can be of service to you, pastors and churches. We plan on being there starting July 2nd.

During this MS month, May 28 to June 25, I preached five sermons at the 24th of March Baptist Church where I am the pastor.

Tonight I shall turn over the pulpit to Ediberto Ribeiro da Silva, who will be the interim pastor until we return, the Lord willing. Also, I preached at the Gileade Baptist Church at a special family night service on the 31st of May. Jair Mendonca Pereira is pastor. On the 13th of June, I preached at the Celestial Baptist Mission. Once again I heard more sermons than I preached, ten. Marie heard my five sermons and nine of the ten we heard together. Marie heard one sermon that I didn't hear. Also, we made at least one visit each week and in each home visited held a short service.



National preacher preaching at the grave of Joel Bratcher, Manaus, Brazil.

The first of the month I visited my back doctor and he released me, reducing my medication. Both of us last week visited our heart doctor. He asked for some exams, and after looking at the results, he said both of us were in good shape, but to continue taking our medications.

We thank you, pastors and churches who give to BFM, for your faithful support. The Lord bless you is our prayer. Pray for us while we are on furlough, living in Lexington, KY. Thus, "what I have written, I have written."

Yours in the Service of the Savior,
Harold and Marie Bratcher



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Sharing Christ In Schools ... Many Professions ... Thanks To Atlantic Shores Youth ...

Dear friends, July 3, 2003
What a response!!! How Awesome is the God we serve!! For the past three months we have been planning a youth evangelism revival in our town, and now listen to this; we are doing it through our school systems. Or I should say we DID it through the school system.

We organized our youth at our Church to be competent in presenting the Gospel and to be able to council with anyone who responds to the Gospel call. We also had several adult couples who willingly helped. This was a great blessing for us.

Well how did we do this? We have been planning for some time for a visit from the Atlantic Shores Baptist Church in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The pastor there is Jim Wolfgang and their administrative pastor is Rob Vincent. These two men have an awesome commitment to missions. They have a group of young people fourteen to eighteen years old, who have a commitment to present the gospel in different ways. They do this through gymnastics, songs, drama and personal testimonies. The message is then presented by a pastor or one of the youth. These presentations are inspiring and the messages presented by the youth are encouraging.

Well by now you are saying, what's the bottom line? After nine schools and one open air meeting in a public park (the mayor's park) there were over 1,100 commitments to Jesus Christ made in these services. AWESOME!!!!!!

What made this all come to such an awesome conclusion? One word—PRAYER!! Our Church and missions here have been praying for 500 souls to be saved likewise there, in the Atlantic Shores Church they have been praying for the same amount. You know that sometimes we have a tendency to limit what God can do and here is a clear example of this. God answers our prayers and gives us more than we have asked. He gave us 1,100 souls and not all of them were youth.

Some more of the story: We rented two busses with drivers for the group and you guessed it, both of the drivers accepted Christ and on Sunday night both went before the Church to publicly profess Christ as Savior.

We were not able to get in about half the schools in our city and we are receiving calls from principles to come to their school. Doors have been opened and we are trying to reach them all. Through Christ all things are possible!

Can you imagine the response when we begin the follow up on all of these names we have? This is where your work comes in. We need to be constantly held up in PRAYER because you and I know that when good things are happening Satan will begin to try to interfere. So I will thank you in advance for the support you are going to give us in the coming months and for what you are doing now. Through B.F.M. and your support we are able to see these great things happen.

One last word of thanks to the Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, pastors and youth. You have helped begin the revival of evangelism here in Caragatatuba Sao Paulo Brazil.

In His service, AJ and Barb