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"Let Every One Of You Lay Something Aside..."

By Brother Dave Parks

Dear Friends of Baptist Faith Missions,

By the time you receive this issue of the Mission Sheets, our Thanksgiving Offering will be less than one month away. Of course, you don't have to give the Thanksgiving Offering on Thanksgiving Sunday, or even during the month of November. Thanksgiving is just the traditional occasion when we have emphasized and gathered this offering.

What better time to thank God for His indescribable Gift (2 Corinthians 9:15); return a thanks offering to God for all His Gospel benefits toward you; and express your thanksgiving and love for our faithful missionaries.

The Thanksgiving Offering is urgently essential to the continuation of the financial support of our missionaries' ministries. The Thanksgiving Offering is gathered before the upcoming ministry year to supply the monthly deficits between what we receive monthly for the General Fund and the standard disbursements we give our missionaries to supply their financial needs. The General Fund supplies our missionaries' salaries, housing allowances, standard ministry expense allowances as well as the benefits we have committed to give our missionaries, such as hospitalization, publishing and mailing their newsletters and updates in the Mission Sheets, providing a furlough home for those visiting in the States, and maintaining daily correspondence connections for matters needing to be taken care of Stateside.

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CONFERENCE

The forty-ninth annual Thanksgiving Conference in the interest of Baptist Faith Missions will be November 24-26, 2003 at the New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, Michigan. Services begin with dinner in the church fellowship hall at 5:00 p.m. and ends with lunch on Wednesday. This will give everyone time to get home for Thanksgiving with their families. We encourage all who can to attend. Churches are encouraged to pay their pastor's expenses to the conference. For more information call Pastor Marvin Summers (313) 562-5579.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

Monday, Nov. 24, 2003	12:00 Lunch	
5:00 Dinner	1:30 Advisory Meeting. All invited to attend and offer advice or ask questions about work of BFM	
6:30 Music		
6:45 Singing	5:00 Dinner	
7:15 Message: David Parks	6:30 Music	
Lexington, KY	6:45 Singing	
8:00 Singing	7:15 Message: David Pitman	
8:25 Message: Cecil Fayard	Cincinnati, OH	
Elliott, MI	8:00 Singing	
Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2003	8:25 Message: Pete Thompson	
9:15 Music	Nitro, WV	
9:30 Singing	Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2003	
9:45 Message: Harold Bratcher	9:45 Music	
Missionary to Brazil	10:00 Singing	
10:25 Singing	10:15 Message: Greg Waltermire	
10:30 Message: Douglas Armstrong	Lexington, KY	
Clio, MI	11:00 Singing	
11:10 Break	11:15 Message: George Sledd	
11:20 Message: Harold Draper	Sanford, FL	
Missionary to Brazil		

Sheridan and Anita Stanton

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Sheridan and Anita Stanton don't have a letter in this issue because they are experiencing an electricity outage in Huanuco, Peru, and couldn't send his letter electronically. When he called on Tuesday, 9/30, they had been without electricity since the previous Friday, 9/26. It looked like it might be that way for several more days.

They were preparing to go to Luitos, where Sheridan had a previously scheduled teaching Institute.

The power grids in that part of Peru are deteriorating, and there is talk that the government may have to start rationing electricity availability and usage. Other than that, he says that things are going well in the ministry and with them. (He is seriously looking into the possibility of buying and hooking up some gasoline generators, though.) Pray for them.



Building going up in Huanuco, Brother Stanton's work.

We also provide our missionaries with furlough transportation expenses for their scheduled furloughs and give each of them an \$8000.00 Automobile Allowance every 4 years.

There is not a month that goes by but that we incur a deficit ranging from \$5000 to \$8000 - depending upon the offerings received for the General Fund and the total disbursements made from the General Fund for the missionaries' needs. In addition to the standard disbursements we make every month just to maintain the on-going ministries of our missionaries, we have disbursed during 2003 at least \$7500 in Furlough Travel Expenses for our furloughing missionaries, and \$24,000 in three 4-year Auto Allowances.

WE SUPPLY THOSE DEFICITS FROM THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING. God has always supplied our needs, and we trust Him BY FAITH to continue to do so. But, we need your faithful prayers to God and personal, continued diligence in giving.

We are urging every friend of Baptist Faith Missions to participate in the Thanksgiving Offering. And, we need you to prayerfully consider increasing your participation if you are already giving to this special offering.

We are offering these concrete and practical plans to help make the 2003 Thanksgiving Offering the largest ever - and to establish a giving precedent that will continue to motivate and energize for the coming years.

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Four happy faces at Alpha and Omega.



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New Mission Organized ... William's Essay ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

October 4, 2003

We are so thankful for all the things that God had done in our lives and ministry. We want to thank all of you who have been our faithful financial and prayer supporters. Also we want to thank those who write us letters of encouragement. A special thanks to the directors of BFM. A special thanks to Bro. Parks for his help and being available regarding his area of duty. May God richly bless each of you. We thank God for giving us good health and supplying our needs.

We were privileged to organize one more mission point in the city of Marilia. The organization service was Sunday afternoon, Sep-

tember the 21st. There were people from many churches and from many different cities. We had the privilege of hearing Bro. John Hatcher preach. There was a full house. Actually it was overflowing. Many people had to stay outside. There is a lot of work to be done in that city. There are four big universities in Marilia. What a mission field. We are praying about doing more ministering in that city. In a city of 200,000 there are only about 10 Baptist churches. Pray with us that God will lead us about were to start this new work.

Our school is doing fine. Trying to reach the hearts of these kids is sometimes a mystery. We always ask God to give us new ways to touch their lives. They have given up on themselves and they don't understand God's love. So through lots of love, time and attention they start to understand that God does exist and that He does love us. I want to share with you an essay that one of the boys here wrote. He writes poorly and has a real hard time in school. His name is William and he is 15 years old in the 5th grade. His life is full of hate, killing and rejection by his family. He always believed that he would never be anything. Now we see a light at the end of the tunnel. This is Williams essay. The essay title was this: *Reason For Being thankful.*

"I would like to thank God for dying in my place. God, thank you for taking me off the streets and from my death. I would like to see You in heaven one day and thank you for all the things you have done for me. God thank you for giving me a bed to sleep in every day, and for bringing me to the Alpha and Omega home. Here I am changing my life. God, I know that you took me off the streets because you have an objective for my life. God I want to ask you to forgive me for letting Satan use my life. I want to change my life. I want the people that were scared of me to be

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Kentucky we are scheduled to go to Wichita Falls, Texas where I will be speaking for Brother Carver and his church in a four day meeting.

While in Texas we also want to spend a few days with my Brother Hugh and his family, who live in Chandler Texas.

Brother Creiglow's Report . . .

Dear Brethren,

October 1, 2003

This month I have had the privilege of supply preaching for my pastor, Brother Ed Massey who had to be away on business. I also taught my weekly Bible Survey class, sometimes on Wednesday and at other times on Sunday night. From the feedback I have received this class has gone very well, at least I have enjoyed it.

Betty's health has not gotten any better, but if it does improve a little we plan to attend the Mission Conference of Richland Baptist Church where Glenn Archer is pastor, in October. From Livermore,

In His Name, Bobby D. Creiglow



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Brother Bratcher's Report . . .

Dear Blessed Brothers and Sisters of the Savior, Sept. 26, 2003

On September the 23rd at around 6:30 a.m., Summer ended and Autumn began, reminding us (Marie and me) that we have lived for years in Brasil, "the land of eternal summer."

During this Mission Sheets month, August 26th to September 26th, I preached 5 sermons in 4 different Baptist churches and heard 9 sermons in 7 different Baptist churches. Marie and I heard one funeral sermon in a funeral home in Louisville, KY. It was the funeral of Lewis Malen Bratcher, Jr.'s widow, Mrs. Edith Bratcher, 89 years of age.

On the 31st of August, Sunday morning, we (Marie and I - Marie heard every sermon I preached and every sermon I heard) attended and I preached at the Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville KY, where Willie Laswell is the pastor.

On Sunday morning, the 14th of September, I preached at the Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster KY, where Allen Keith is the pastor. Brother Keith was not able to attend because of health problems. Let us pray for him.

On Sunday morning and afternoon, September 21st, I preached at the Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond KY, where Bobby Greene is the pastor. That night I preached at the Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles KY, where David Fee is the pastor.

I am still receiving spine or back treatments from Dr. Mark Miller of Winchester, KY.

The Lord has been so good to us that we feel like traveling on until that blessed Heavenly home we see, we'll continue working for Jesus, our Savior, until He comes.

We are grateful for three brothers in the Lord and one sister in the Lord who are always taking us to church or other places where we need to go. Also Charles, my brother in the flesh and in the Lord, and Reva his wife, have been especially good to us.

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, and if the Lord leads you, invite us to preach in your church. We will rejoice with you if you do.

Yours in the service of the Savior.

Harold and Marie Bratcher

BARROS

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proud of me. I love you Jesus Christ from the bottom of my heart. I'm going to be your servant. I'm going to forget all the sadness and not look back." William

What a love letter to our Savior. William's heart is so simple. But God has touched him. Pray that God may keep us simple that we may never take God for granted. Pray for him and all the other's that God has placed in our hands. You have a part in this blessing.

Love,

Odali & Kathy Barros, Tito, Jonas and Gabriel

PARKS

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1. EVERY PASTOR OF A SUPPORTING CHURCH WILL ENCOURAGE AND LEAD YOUR CHURCH TO GIVE AN OFFERING TO THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING.

a. Inform your church of the on-going, urgent need. b. Ask each member to participate and give a personal offering to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and world-wide missions. c. Allow your members to give personal offerings designated to BFM Thanksgiving Offering through their church.

2. EVERY MEMBER OF EVERY SUPPORTING CHURCH WILL MAKE A DELIBERATE COMMITMENT TO GIVE A PERSONAL OFFERING. a. You need to assume personal responsibility to give an offering over and above your regular giving to your own church's ministries for world-wide missions. b. Give this offering in addition to offerings that your church body may vote to give from your church's treasury — GIVE PERSONALLY! c. If you are not already giving to the Thanksgiving Offering, and if you are not already exceeding this small, first-step rule, WOULD YOU CONSIDER BEGINNING TO GIVE TO THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING BY GIVING AT LEAST THE EQUIVALENT OF A DAY'S WAGE? If every friend of BFM in our churches would begin by giving at least ONE DAY'S WAGE, that would go a long way toward supplying our missionaries' needs TO DO THEIR DAILY WORK.

Paul established this rule of PERSONAL PARTICIPATION when he exhorted the Corinthian church (and all the other churches also) to "let EACH ONE OF YOU LAY SOMETHING ASIDE, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come" (1 Corinthians 16:1-2). In other words, (1) Determine to give; (2) Commit to give; (3) Plan your giving; (4) Prepare it ahead of time.

And again, in 2 Corinthians 9:5, "Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren to go to you ahead of time, and prepare your bountiful gift beforehand, which you had previously promised, that it may be ready as a matter of generosity and not as a grudging obligation." Don't give according to a moment's whim, or whatever spare cash or change you may have on you when the giving opportunity presents itself. Give personally, deliberately, and purposefully.

And again, 2 Corinthians 9:7, "So let EACH ONE GIVE as HE PURPOSES IN HIS HEART, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver."

These giving exhortations certainly apply to our regular giving to our local church's ministries, but Paul is emphasizing GIVING TO THE SPECIAL MISSIONS OFFERING.

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Nathan's Report . . .

Dear praying friends,

October 3, 2003

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the exciting things that God has been doing here in Kitale this past month. There have been many things to report on, so I will do my best to mention every important aspect of the ministry and the growth that I have seen this month.

We have just finished the teachings of the evangelism classes in both the church and the prison. I will comment first on the church evangelism ministry. I announced that I would be teaching a second class on evangelism several weeks ago, and many were interested in the teachings, which was a big encouragement to me. As I began teaching the class, even more joined, and when we were finished with the teachings, seventeen received the lessons and are now trained and equipped to go and start sharing their faith. One section of the class that really surprised me was all of the young people who were involved. We had at least six to seven young people who were trained in this class, and they are some of the better students! Praise the Lord! I am always so excited to see young people take an active interest in the Lord's work and to see them being used in His service. Please pray for not only the young people, but all involved, as they will be taking their final examination in two weeks, and also as they will begin evangelizing in the near future. With the first class that I trained earlier in the year, and this class, we should be averaging around fifteen to twenty who go out every Sunday to share their faith. Also, please pray for each of the students and their continued growth and knowledge of the Word of God. It is truly exciting to see such active involvement in going to reach the lost.

Concerning the prison ministry, I continue to be impressed with what God is doing in the women's section of the prison. The assistant pastor and I go and teach them twice a week, and earlier this week, we had around forty that came to the classes. The numbers are growing, as many are announcing to others concerning our classes and there is even more interest. Many of the women prisoners have also asked about our church, and attending our church, after they are released. We plan to start teaching them the evangelism program as well. There were around fifteen who showed an interest when I announced it recently. Also, there is interest in many other programs, so please continue to pray for them and their spiritual growth as well.

I also just finished teaching the evangelism program that I taught in the church to a group of men prisoners. It was very challenging to keep track of everything as I was teaching two evangelism classes at the same time, but I have been very pleased with how well the students in the prison have done. Nearly every one of them passed the final exam, and also, at least two of them have already begun sharing their faith. It is a requirement in my classes to not only take the exam and pass it, but also to do "role-plays" for several days to get used to the process. We were in the process of "role-plays" this week, and many of the prisoners did exceptional. We have also made it a rule that those who finish the course and pass the exam do not get an official certificate until they have shared their faith with at least ten different people. The reason for this is so that they not only receive the training, but also are able to regularly use the training that they have received. Everyone was in agreement with these regulations, and they will begin in the near future with sharing their faith. Please pray for all that have been trained, both in the church and the prison, and for wisdom as they now begin sharing what they have learned. We pray that God would do great things through their obedience to Him with going out and witnessing.

That is all of the current news from here. Thank you for your prayers, letters, emails, and encouragement. God bless you.

Until next month,

Nathan

John 15:5

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Kathy Shares Blessings At Alpha And Omega . . .

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

September 4, 2003

Greetings! We are having nice cool weather. It has been unusually cool for this time of year. Sounds like you folks there in the States could use some of our weather. Hope all of you are doing fine. We are doing great here. Odali is in Manaus visiting the Alpha and Omega Home there. Things there are doing fine. We are building a little at a time. Paulo and Brenda are the couple that works there. Paulo lived with us for many years. He came to live with us when he was about 11 years old. Brenda met him at our home on a mission trip. Please pray for them. They have three kids that live with them. Brenda is a real blessing. To many, Brenda would never make it. I guess people thought she was a city girl. Well to everyone's surprise she has proved her love for God and what He called her to do. She lives pretty much in the middle of the jungle, although I'm not sure that I would live there myself. God has been good to them and now they have lights and a pretty nice house. Blessed are those who are faithful in the small things and hard things. God will surely reward her faithfulness.

God is certainly on the throne even though some times we act as if He wasn't. The state official that caused us a lot of problems has lost his job. The new man takes office this week. Pray that God will lead us in the things we should do so that we might always do our best.

The kids are doing great, and a little excited. We have some new kids who have arrived. That makes the kids jealous of each other. The older kids don't like it when the new kids come and hug and kiss us. Lives are being changed and that makes it worth all the efforts and difficulties.

We are still working on the things that need to be done here at the home. We have bought the rest of the mattresses. Thanks to those who have donated for this. We still need to repair the roofs and replace the glass in the windows. The tabletop in the kitchen still needs to be bought. It has to be stainless, so it will cost a bit more than Formica. Formica can be used but it won't last with things being cut on it. We really want to thank all of those who have been so gracious in giving to the needs of the home. The classes in the Bible institute have started back, and this semester we started an extension in the city of Marilia. This month the Mission point in Marilia will be organized. The city of Marilia has 150,000 inhabitants. There is a need for more churches there. There are four universities there with many students. A Bible study has been started at one of the universities. We are praying about starting a new mission point there. Please pray with us about this.

May God's blessing be with you.

Love, Kathy

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

Odali and Kathy Barros

IN PERU:

Sharidan and Anita Stanton

IN KENYA:

Mike and Pam Anderson

IN FRANCE:

John M. and Judy Hatcher

Baptist Faith Missions SEPTEMBER 2003 OFFERINGS REGULAR FUND

Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY	25
Battle Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY	30
Beath, William & Doris, Buckhannon, WV	25
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, KY	30
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY	174
Bell Missionary Baptist Church, Iuka, IL	50
Beres Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC	200
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY	50
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN	275
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL	903
Bobow Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, KY	175
Bratcher, Harold & Marie, Lexington, KY	200
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV	100
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV	600
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	780.39
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY	175
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	125
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX	80
Charity Baptist Church, Wilsie, WV	300
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC	440
Cornerstone Baptist Church, McDermott, OH	50
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV	70
Darling, Russell, Rolla, MO	100
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL	923
East Maine Baptist Church, Milledgeville, IL	400
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA	250
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS	254.31
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH	308
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN	546.40
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Irvine, KY	100
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY	382
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY	200
Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Leighton, AL	50
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY	1000
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY	100
First Baptist Church Of Sitom, South Shore, KY	532.57
First Baptist Church, Somerset, KY	100
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH	100
Golfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	25
Goodsprings Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL	200
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH	600
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Springs, MS	100
Grimes, Melvin & Margaret, Evans, WV	10
Harbor View Missionary Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH	117
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV	300
Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS	25
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	3150
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riversview, MI	300
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculum, AL	138.16
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC	51
Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA	50
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL	100
Keyes, Stanley & Emily, Valparaiso, IN	100
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL	100
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	1188.40
Lock, George & Judith, Lakeland, FL	60
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH	50
Mathews Memorial Church, Stevenson, AL	50
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV	500
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normantown, WV (Dawson Baptist Church)	100
Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, Grafton, OH	250
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI	790
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Southshore, KY	100
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY	25
Norris, William, Richmond, KY	60
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Perkins, WV	100
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, TN	100
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL	97.55
Potters Baptist Church, Viola, AR	100
Purity Baptist Church, Maysville, KY	10
Rausch, Heather, Crescent Springs, KY	100
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY	880
Riverview Baptist Church, Point Pleasant, WV	50
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	200
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV	300
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC	1100
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS	125
Southside Baptist Church, Fulton, MS	125
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL	150
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	1472.42
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL	40
Texas Friends	600
Valley Drive Missionary Baptist Church, Bristol, TN	50
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, KY	10
Virginia Friends	510
Watkins, Bert & Louise, Richmond, KY	55
Webster Memorial Baptist Church, Lakeland, FL	50
West Virginia Friends	20
York, Wallace & Doris, Princeton, KY	50
Total	25,238.20

IN MEMORIAM

Overbey, Calvin & Doris, Van Buren, AR, In Memory of Sidney Fisher	125
Total	125

CAR FUND

Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	200
Total	200

H.H. OVERBEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI	40
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH	50
Total	90

WEST INDIES FUND

Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Sewnath Punallat	67.95
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Dearborn, MI, Emmanuel Jaggernauth	79
Total	146.95

HOME MISSIONS

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, Reinhardt	280
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Reinhardt	150
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI, Reinhardt	50
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Reinhardt	67.95
Norris, William, Richmond, KY, Reinhardt	40
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Reinhardt	80
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Reinhardt	50
Total	717.95

MISCELLANEOUS DESIGNATED FUND

Brattin, Ronald & Cynthia, Lexington, KY, Save India Bibles	300
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY, Richard Turner Medical	100
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL, Save India Bibles	105
Jones, Roberts Sue, Harrison, TN, Upkeep Mission House	25
Ladies Missions Class (South Leighton Bapt Church, Leighton, KY), Save India Bibles	100
Total	630

MIKE ANDERSON

Baker, Jason & Julie, Dallas, TX, Nathan Radford	50
Bible Baptist Church, Durham, NC	95
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	100
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV, Nathan Radford	30
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV, Special	100
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	100
Campbell, Juice, Pelon, SC, As Needed	50
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV, Support	182
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV, Nathan Radford	125
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Salary	250
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Nathan Radford	100
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV, Salary	400
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV, Nathan Radford	375

Faith Baptist Church, Wilmington, OH, Support	50
Faith Missionary Baptist Church, St. Albans, WV, Support	50
Fellowship Baptist Church, Vienna, WV, Support	55
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary	25
Gaa, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Salary	50
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	50
Gentry, Randy & Kristi, Grand Rapids, MI, Nathan Radford	27.79
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, OH, Nathan Radford	25
Goshen Baptist Church, Kentuck, WV	50
Goshen Baptist Church, Kentuck, WV, Nathan Radford	25
Grace Baptist Church, Lima, OH, Nathan Radford	150
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinsville, TN, Salary	50
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinsville, TN, Nathan Radford	50
Harris, Ruby, Charleston, WV, Nathan Radford	10
Harris, Ruby, Charleston, WV, Nathan Birthday gift	20
Harrison, David & Barbara, Red House, WV, Salary	20
Harvesters Bible Class, Point Pleasant, WV, Salary	100
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Personal	100
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, SC, Support	45
Leavittsburg Baptist Church, Warren, OH, Nathan Radford	30
Leavittsburg Baptist Church, Warren, OH, Christmas Bonus	80
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Personal	10
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Nathan Radford	10
Lewis, Lowell & Sue Ellen, Milton, WV, Nathan Radford	25
Matheny Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL, Expenses	40
Matheny Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL, Nathan Radford	10
Mintum, Timothy, Nitro, WV, Nathan Radford	85.42
Mitchelt, Dr. Matthew, Fort Wayne, IN, Nathan Radford	70
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, South Charleston, WV, Nathan Radford	75
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	100
Mt. Hope Baptist Church, Chesapeake, OH, Salary	60
Pack, Joe, South Charleston, WV, Salary	10
Powers, Robert & Kathleen, Grandville, MI, Nathan Radford	30
Riverside Baptist Church, Stanville, KY, Salary	25
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	50
Smith, W.B. & Anna, Hurricane, WV, Nathan Radford	25
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV, As Needed	150
Stalnaker, Ron & Gina, Glenview, WV, Nathan Radford	100
Standate Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, MI, Nathan Radford	400
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Nathan Radford	75
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	40
Thompson, Peter & Karen, Nitro, WV, Salary	20
Thompson, Peter & Karen, Nitro, WV, Nathan Radford	10
W.K. & W. Richmond, KY, As Needed	25
Wade, James, Abingdon, VA, Personal	100
Wade, James, Abingdon, VA, Nathan Radford	50
Westerman, P. Vernon & Sonya, Seebree, KY, Miscellaneous	75
Winfield Baptist Church, Winfield WV, Support	100
Yanak, Albert & Ruby, St. Albans, WV, Support	100
Total	4,800.21

ODALI BARROS

Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY, As Needed	75
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	215
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV, Alpha & Omega	233.80
Hill, Brnt, Stevenson, AL, Roof	100
Joy Bells Sunday School Class, Lexington, KY, Personal	50
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Alpha & Omega	75
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal	25
Mackey, Ralph & Merle, Scottsboro, AL, Vilmar-College Fund	50
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, MI, Stephanie Parker	795
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Alpha & Omega	40
Oliver, C.H. & Joyce Stevenson, AL, Roof	100
Pine Set Baptist Church, South Pittsburg, TN, Salary	35
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Alpha & Omega	80
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Stephanie Parker	40
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Support	50
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Stephanie Parker	75
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	40
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL, Roof	100
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL, Alpha & Omega	100
W.K. & W. Richmond, KY, As Needed	25
Total	1,952.80

HAROLD BRATCHER

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	82.67
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	100
Bratcher, Debra, Mesquite, TX, Support	50
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY, Poverty Relief	100
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY, Personal	75
Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY, Poverty Relief	100
Edwards, Wilgus & Maria, Booneville, KY, Salary	10
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glenview, GA, Salary	250
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC, Salary	100
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH, Salary	35
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, OH, Personal	65
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, FL, Buildings	100
Total	1,117.67

MIKE CREIGLOW

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	200
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, Andrew Creiglow	165
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY, Andrew Creiglow	50
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS, Food Pantry	254.31
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Salary	150
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Columbia, TN, Personal	100
King, Frances, Arcadia, FL, Andrew Creiglow	20
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL, Andrew Creiglow	20
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Andrew Creiglow	75
Lock, George & Judith, Lakeland, FL, Andrew Creiglow	40
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL, Salary	25
W.K. & W. Richmond, KY, As Needed	25
Total	1,174.31

HAROLD DRAPER

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	220
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH, Salary	50
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, KY, As Needed	100
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, KY, Salary	40
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	50
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV, As Needed	1100
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC, Salary	100
Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA, As Needed	50
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, New Work	122
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV, As Needed	500
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV, As Needed	100
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, KY, Support	100
Total	2,582.00

JOHN A HATCHER

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	200
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN, Support	75
Brown, Margaret & Adams, Carol, Lookout, WV, As Needed	30
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL, Support	50
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary	25
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, New Work	50
Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA, As Needed	30
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI (From SS Kids), Support	26
Meadow Bridge Missionary Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, WV, Salary	100
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Brazilian Preachers	50
Spicer, Hubert & Emogene, South Bend, IN, Support	300
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Marie	75
Wood, Nerec, Columbia, SC, As Needed	150
Total	1,161.00

PAUL HATCHER

Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL, Seminary-Manaus	60
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Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN, Seminary-Manaus	20
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Salary	150
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY, Judson Hatcher	50
Grace Baptist Church, Detroit, MI, Seminary-Manaus	50
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Seminary-Manaus	61
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	157
Smith, Darwin & Cathy, Lexington, KY, Judson Hatcher	50
Spicer, Hubert & Emogene, South Bend, IN, Judson Hatcher	100
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20
Trinity Northbrook Baptist Church, Cincinnati, OH, Seminary-Manaus	30
Total	748

JOHN M. HATCHER

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN, Personal	650
First Baptist Church, Grayson, KY, Personal	25
Gerrig, Galen STamara, Columbus, OH, Salary	60
Grace Baptist Church, Coffeen, IL, As Needed	75
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL, Support	20
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	100
Mundy, BillieS Evelyn, Godfrey, IL, Salary	20
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY, Personal	130
Sims, James & Elizabeth, Hattiesburg, MS, New Work	25
Sledd, George & Pam, Sanford, FL, As Needed	30
Wood, Nerec, Columbia, SC, As Needed	50
Total	1,185.00

A. J. HENSLEY

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	155
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, As Needed	250
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Special Project	2000
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	50
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA, Support	150
Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA, Children's Home	62.50
Central Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, TX, Support	54
Cornerstone Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, New Work	350
Edwards, Wilgus & Maria, Booneville, KY, Salary	10
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Personal	525
Hilltop Missionary Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY, Personal	50
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY, School	25
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal	25
Lynam's Creek Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY, New Work	100
Newman, Steven & Terry, Elgin, TX, New Work	70
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Special Needs	100
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	100
Purity Baptist Church, Maysville, KY, Personal	40
Tenney, James & Patsy, Ocoee, FL, As Needed	20
W.K. & W. Richmond, KY, As Needed	25
Total	4,161.50

SHERIDAN STANTON

Adams, W.H. & Arbia, Lexington, KY, New Work	25
Applied Water Technology, St. Augustine, FL, As Needed	150
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Salary	103.33
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, As Needed	50
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	200
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, OH, Salary	50
Cooper, Michael & Beverly, Lexington, KY, Salary	50
Durrum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL, As Needed	300
Ella Grove Baptist Church, Glennville, GA, As Needed	250
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS, Personal	254.31
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Salary	150
Grace Baptist Church, Bradenton, FL, Building Fund	200
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinsville, TN, Salary	50
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Wyandotte, MI, Support	100
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, As Needed	500
Kentucky Friend, Personal	50
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Belleville, MI, Salary	100
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN	50
Rye Patch Baptist Church, Ludowici, GA, Salary	200
Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, KY, Support	100
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL, Salary	25
Victory Baptist Church, New Salisbury, IN, Support	25
W.K. & W. Richmond, KY, As Needed	25
Total	3,007.64

BOBBY WACASER

Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed	350
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH, Salary	50
Emmanuel Baptist Church Of Centerville, Bellbrook, OH, Salary	150
Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA, Salary	50
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary	75
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI, Support	25
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV, Salary	100
Total	800

Grand Total	49,838.23
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"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: 'He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor, His righteousness remains forever.' Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God..." (2 Corinthians 9:8-12).

Grace to you all, and "see that you abound in this grace also" (2 Corinthians 8:7).



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Helping Mary And Juliana ... Churches Doing Well ... Mission Adventures Coming In 2003 ...

Dear Special Friends,

September 30, 2003

September has been a month of trials and blessings. We have seen God answer many of our prayers, but Satan is not happy about what God is doing here, so we have had an unusual amount of struggles and trials this month. Sometimes it gets so discouraging as this culture is so different from ours, and what the Bible says is sin is tolerated, and not even considered sin. Occasionally, we try to get away to be able to objectively evaluate the different ministries and see the overall picture.

This helps us to keep our focus on God and not on the many problems that we are facing.

We have mentioned before about two of our church members who are teens, and were verbally and physically abused by their step-mother, and were thrown out of their home. This happened in March of this year and the courts put them back in that situation, and they were abused again and thrown out again just this month. We found them crying in town one day and have been trying to help them. They had not eaten for two days and were heart-broken. Their father has not paid any school fees this year, and refuses to help in any way, and is content to let them be on the street to try to fend for themselves. We had to practice church discipline on him and withdraw fellowship, due to his lack of concern for his family and his bad testimony in the community. Our Swahili language teacher is a very dedicated Christian and is married with five children of his own. His wife is expecting another child. But, Daniel has a heart for abused children and he and his wife took the girls into their home and have been providing for them. The girls are in our evangelism class learning how to share the gospel as is the daughter of our language teacher, and he is thrilled with the changes that he is seeing in his own daughter, who is almost the same age as the girls. But, Pam and I have had to help Daniel to support the girls as his own family is so large. We have paid the entrance fees, tuition fees (public schools are not free in Kenya), and bought their school uniforms. Uniforms of the particular school are required by law to be worn and regular clothes are not permitted. We also have helped with food and medical needs. This has cost us over \$300 just this month, so we have had to use our money that was set aside for car repairs, our house insurance money, and other personal money in order to do this. The father and stepmother have been reported to the Children's Officer in Kitale where we live, but the father has such a bad reputation for stealing money from his employers, that he is working now to pay off a big debt, so is not getting paid more than the equivalent of \$2.00 per week. We love Mary and Juliana, and both of them are saved and really love the Lord and want to serve Him. Would there be 4-5 people out there that could send \$25-\$30 per month to help us to keep them in school, feed them, and provide for their needs so that the burden would be shared? We are praying toward this end as this is the start of our second orphanage.

The father of the pilot of the helicopter that Pam uses to go into the bush died last week, so the pilot and his family are in Germany for the funeral at this time. So, this has put the bush clinics on hold until he returns, so Pam may not go out into the bush in October. She really enjoys these trips, and has seen many interesting diseases, but most of all, she enjoys helping those who would otherwise have no medical help at all. The Gospel is presented at each clinic, so the people are helped spiritually as well as physically. She went out 3 times this month to help in the clinics and I was privileged to go out one time. I preached a message on the four soils from Matthew and many responded. We are praying for the time to come when we can go out on our own to do clinics where people have never heard of Jesus. Both of us have a real heart for the unreached and want to help where we can.

Our two churches are growing. We had our highest attendance at Imani Baptist, 44, just this past Sunday. That doesn't sound like much, but the church is only three months old now so we feel that this is good growth. The good thing is that all of them came for Sunday School instead of just coming for church. God is blessing our efforts along with the efforts of our national pastor and two of our preacher boys. Every Saturday they go out to witness and disciple new believers, and then on Sunday, Pam and I go too. Sometimes we are able to go on Saturday as well. At Calvary, Nathan said that the attendance has been consistent, around 140, but only fifty or so are coming for Sunday School and the rest just came for church. Our goal is to have everyone come for Sunday School and church. So we are encouraged. Imani Baptist is growing slowly but surely and soon we will have to get more pews made as it is getting crowded now. Another good thing is that we have more adults in Sunday School than little children, so that is a plus. Usually there are more little children than adults. Also, our teen class is growing. Our Men's and Women's Bible study was just started this month and is growing, too. Pam taught nine women last Thursday evening, and taught for an hour in Swahili. I taught eight men, so this is a good start for mid-week Bible studies, as last week was only the second week. We are doing studies on what God's Word says about how to have a Christian family and the people seem to really enjoy the studies.

The evangelism class that Nathan was teaching finished recently, so all that remains is for them to take the final test and then they start going out. Seventeen people were taught how to lead someone to



Pam with some Sambury warriors.

Christ, and six of those taught were teenagers. As a requirement for getting a certificate we have decided to require them to go out for ten weeks, and do the presentation at least one time each week, in order for them to qualify for a certificate. This way, it will be very familiar to them, and they can use it in their everyday lives as they have opportunities to witness. We decided to do this as there were fourteen in the last class, and only six or seven are going out each week. So, we are hoping that as they have to witness ten times before getting a certificate, maybe they will continue and not drop off as so many have that were trained before.

I had the opportunity two weeks ago to baptize fourteen. Many of them were new believers that had been led to Christ by our evangelism team. This is the first time to baptize some from our second church, so we are thankful to God for all of His many blessings.

Nathan took a college level test in Swahili, the national language of Kenya, last Friday. He received the results today and he made a 99%! He does so well in the language and is fluent. His language teacher tells us that he knows between 3,000 to 4,000 words of Swahili. Mike and I just don't come close to this, but we are so glad that he is doing so well. Some Kenyans have told us that they can't understand him sometimes, as he speaks better Swahili than many Kenyans, as he speaks on a college level, and they can't understand him. So, this is a big compliment, and we are proud of him.

His prison ministry continues to thrive, and he has trained thirty prisoners how to lead someone to Christ, and he says that they are doing very well with this. He is also working with the women prisoners and is excited about their interest. Four Catholics professed faith in Christ this month from the prison.

Nathan and I were encouraged with the increase in the number of students this month in our Bible Institute. We had eight students, which has been our highest number. I taught a class on the cults, and



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What To Do When Homesick ... Building Needs ... Visa Problems ...

Dear friends,

September 30, 2003

Today I was feeling somewhat melancholy-yes missionaries sometimes do get homesick. I was just sitting and listening to some country gospel music and it brought back memories of home, family and Church there in the States. Then I took a look around here and saw all the work that is to be done, and I am consumed physically and spiritually, and I feel overwhelmed. At this time I know that it is time for me to PRAY. Sometimes here and in the States too, we get too busy to talk to our Heavenly Father. When we get in this condition we have to get things back into perspective and this is how we can do it—get our prayer life right!!!

We have been very busy doing visits, training for evangelism and training new Sunday school teachers. Our Sunday school has more that doubled in the past months and not only do we have problems with having enough teachers but we also have SPACE problems. And yes I am going to have to use the dressing rooms for the baptistry to have adequate class rooms. Here maybe a good suggestion for all who are going into a building program-make your changing rooms for the baptistry a little bit bigger.



A. J. working with boys in woodshop.

I know that I told you about the group from Virginia Beach that came down and the decisions that were made for the Lord. We are doing the follow-up on all of these decisions that were made. Here is what happened last week on one of these follow-up visits. We visited a teenage girl and she confirmed her commitment to Christ, her response was a very positive one. She said "Yes! I really accepted Him as my personal Savior." How AWESOME is the God we serve. While we were in her home her mother offered us coffee and in the course of the visit we were able to present the gospel to the mother. Yes, to your question, the mother accepted Christ also. So what am I saying here? Here is a country that is more than 80% Catholic and have many other religions that are Satanic, but they are totally open to the gospel and we, the States, are more than 80% evangelic and are almost totally closed to the Gospel. We have a vice-principal who is trying to get us to do a regular Bible study in his school every month. We could sing hymns, read the Bible, and present the Gospel. This principal sees the need of Christ in his student's lives and how it can change them completely. By the way, until now this vice-principal is not a Christian. We will be working on this and who knows, maybe we can change his life also with Christ.

At this time our school project of training the young men is progressing. We are praying now for a particular piece of property and the ability to purchase this property. It is actually two lots together which would serve for a wonderful place to start the vocational school. We could purchase this property for \$50,000.00 US dollars. Join together with us and pray that the Lord will supply the needed funds.

In the past month and this month the boys have been making folding wood chairs. We have been donating these to one of our mission points. To date they have given 27 chairs. One of the boys, Marcelo, nicked the tip of his finger with a shaper saw and Eder has two black thumb nails. Sometimes learning is painful. We talk about safety in the workplace every day, but as all carpenters know, accidents happen. Thank God that they are just little ones. The boys have also been helping get the bus ready to paint and also getting one of our mission points ready for the preacher to move in and start the work. As you can see, even though we don't have the building yet, there is no lack of work and training for them. Please remember to pray for these young men while they are training that they will learn more than they need to be good servants for God. Pray also for us that we will be able to give them the help and training that they need to go forward in their life.

The boys are also showing signs of spiritual growth. Both are singing in the choir and one is training in the sound booth. Yes, we have a sound system thanks to the "as needed" offerings and the help of the Atlantic Shores Baptist Church.

Talking about money, I think all of us have a reluctance to discuss financial matters, but in reality, money is a necessity in our work to carry the work forward. Here is where B.F.M. is an indispensable part of this mission work. Through B.F.M. we are able to live and work for the Lord here on this foreign field. And through B.F.M. we can make our needs known to each and every one of you. Yes you are the integral and indispensable part of this work also. So thank you for your giving and thank you for your concern and thank you for your prayers.

Our last paperwork for our visas was denied, so what does that mean? We are back at square one. We will have to begin at the beginning with all of the paperwork again. And to do this we have been advised to go to Paraguay to the Brazilian Consulate, so I guess we will have to take a little trip this month. So be in prayer for our new paperwork and for our trip. Our God is in control and He has a plan for our lives; we just have to be ready to do His will. We are ready and willing to follow His bidding.

In His service, A. J. and Barbara

how to study, and Nathan continued teaching his discipleship course, plus Experiencing God. We are seeing the students use what they have learned to teach others. Moses, one of our national pastors and a student in the Institute, helps Nathan in the prison and he wants to teach what he has learned on the cults during their time in the prison. So, we know that training national leadership to know what they believe and why is so very important.

We would like to invite anyone who would want to come, to come to Kenya next summer with the Mission Adventures team to see what God is doing here. My brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Randy and Barbara Jones, head up the Mission Adventures team and they want to expose as many as they can to the mission field in the hopes that God will call some to minister in various places in our world. Randy wants to do a project that would benefit us here, so we have asked him to help us to build one of our churches. Currently, our second church, Imani Baptist, is made out of mud, so we would like to have a more permanent building, if God wills. But, more important, we would love to show you what God is doing and have you to meet some of those who are so dear to us. Why don't you plan now to go to France and see what God is doing there and then come on down to visit us? Your life will be changed. If you are interested, please contact Randy at jonesr@bfmma.org. or call him at 1-606-739-4833, and he will be glad to come to your church and talk to you about these upcoming trips.

May our Lord bless each of you who "hold the ropes" there so we can minister here. We would love to meet many of you here in Kenya. Thanks for your prayers, support, and encouragement to us. We need the prayers of God's saints to be victorious, so thanks for all that you do to help us to proclaim His Word to those who are lost and dying in their sins. May God's blessings be yours.

Your servants in Kenya, Mike and Pam