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# Shared Mission Story With German Class ... Pray For Preacher With Malaria ... In Brazil For Thirty Years ...

Dear Fellow-saints, June 4, 2007 Greetings in the Name above every name. We trust that you are enjoying His presence and peace. We have traveled many miles since our last letter. We came through the States and went on to Germany. It is cheaper that way than going from Brazil to Germany. Also Ursula needed to see her doctor and I must go tomorrow to sign up for Medicare. I can't believe that I'm so old that our health insurance plan refuses to insure me and advised me to sign up with Medicare. How life flies by when you are busy!

We had an interesting trip to Germany. My German is getting much better but still has a long way to go for me to be able to preach in it. I once visited Bolivia and was able to preach in broken Spanish due to the similarities with the Portuguese language, but not so with German. It is a very rich and complex language. My brother-in-law, Heinz, got us a sleeping room about a block from his house and we were thrilled to find out that the owner of the house was a Baptist. They were thrilled to have us also. A week later we went to an English class and helped teach. The teacher of this class is the mother of the present Prime Minister of Germany. Her name is Anglea Merkel. Her mother who befriended us two years ago at a church in Northeastern Germany is a charming eighty-four-year old sister in Christ. The class was a question and answer session. The teacher asked in English for us to explain in English what we do as missionaries in Brazil. It was a great opportunity to get in the gospel message in a subtle way. I know she did this on purpose. She is a former pastor's wife who labored under the Communist regime for many years. It seems that our Lord has a few of His saints scattered around the world. I bought a small book while in Berlin on its history and found out that three hundred years ago one in every five Berliners were Hugenot Baptist who had come there a hundred years ago to you. We had our picture made with the Prime Minister's mother but she asked us to not give it to the press. So we will honor that request and not send it to the Mission Sheets. You will see her in heaven and I will introduce you to her (if necessary).

I ask that you pray for our preacher and his family up in Novo Diamantino. I just found out that he is down with malaria really bad. He has had it for some time and hasn't taken care of himself. He is only twenty-nine years old, but is very sick. His family has really suffered the past two months. His name is Edvan Cegueira dos Santos. He and his wife have two precious children; a boy six and a girl four, who is sick also with dengue fever. By the time you read this I hope they will be well on the road to recovery.

I want to correct a minor mistake from last month's Mission Sheet. We have been in Brazil for thirty years and not nineteen. We have been in Central Brazil for the past nineteen years. We have been missionaries with Baptist Faith Missions since July 1, 1977. God has blessed us with faithful supporters like you. Only because of His sustaining power and grace have we been able to continue on for this long. May God bless each one of you. We welcome the Tate family into our fellowship. May the Lord give them a long and prosperous ministry.

Yours in Christ, Harold and Ursula Draper



Harold Draper performing "25th Anniversary" wedding vows of young preacher and wife who were saved under his ministry.



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Stolen Computers And School Olympics ... Two College Groups Here For Spring Break ... Preacher Loses His Son ...

Dear Brother and Sisters, May 28, 2007 Hope that as you are reading this letter you are enjoying the peace and blessings of our Lord and Savior. We are all doing great here. So many things have happened in the last few months. Stolen computers to school olympics. Things have been so busy it is hard it believe that it is already June.

e-mail:kathy@dataplacecom\_br web:www.AlphaOmegaBrazil.com We found out that they had stolen the computer. There had been two boys that had run away from the home and we found out that they had stolen the computer. Our son, Joshua, took his Dad's computer to put together a video of the Alpha Omega Home for us. Well, it also got stolen.

We had two college groups here for spring break. That is always a fun time for the kids. We have had many of the older kids to leave and have received many new ones. When we get new kids that is always a challenge and interesting time also. It is curious to watch the kid's reactions to being loved and cared for.

The kids are doing well in school. Many of the kids have needs that need to be met. They are so behind in their studies. To many of them studying is a waste of time. We have to remind the teachers constantly that to the kids, if life is not worth living, why study. For us that have a good life and know that



Iuldren left to right: David, Lidia and Gabriel. I baptized the mother and father of David, Solange and Alex nother and father of Lidia, Sonia and Valdir; and the mother and father of Gabriel, Carol and Marcio.



# John And Alta Hard At Work ... Report From Some Of The Mission Works .. Dear Friends, June 1, 2007

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Here is the old man again. Just think, he has written a mission letter to you two months in a row. His mind must be getting slower in forgetting or he must be remembering faster. Alta and I are doing fine and we desire to see you face to

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e-mail: jhatcher@uol.com.br face, but our encounter will have to wait a while. Today we went to Cornelio Procopio to buy some groceries and eat lunch out. Alta keeps busy with all her house work and cooking along with story preparation for herself and other teachers. She also prepares handwork for other teachers.

I teach seminary classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from eight until eleven a.m. All the students are busy; one couple works in the mission at Ranco Alegre, and two young men work in the Sussumu Mission along with the pastor Marcio and his wife, Carol. This young couple are dedicated and busy. Carol is teaching four young people in the church to play the keyboard. WORK REACHES OUT IN MARILIA: Last month we were invited to attend the dedication

WORK REACHES OUT IN MARILIA: Last month we were invited to attend the dedication of the rented church building formerly a Protestant church building. This work is in the city of Pompei, forty miles from Marilia, and is part of the mission work of Faith Baptist Church where Gilberto Stefano is pastor and is also where Maria works. This is their second permanent mission. They have a special service on Saturday afternoons for children. On their third Saturday the number present was one hundred fifty-three.

The first mission started was Antonieta where we helped the Marilia Church buy a building. Here a young married couple takes care of the work and lives in a small house on the church property. Antonieta is a large residential area on the outskirts of Marilia.

ASSAI SUNRISE: After almost one year the city of the sunrise is still in darkness. We are still there and next week will try to make a new rent contract for one year. We are sure that the Light that shined in Galilee of the Gentiles will shine in Assai

shined in Galilee of the Gentiles will shine in Assai for the glory of God. Matt. 4:16. The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up. Thanks for your prayers and support for all the years. Pray for us.

With love for the lost, John and Alta Hatcher

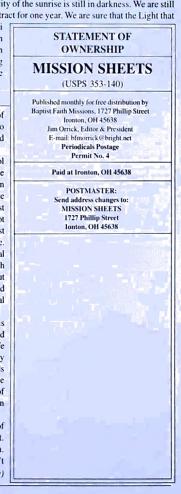
God loves us, it is hard to understand that way of thinking. We have several that are between ages ten to sixteen that can barely read. Pray for the teachers and for the kids not to get discouraged.

for the kids not to get discouraged. This year for the first time the city had school Olympics. We participated in many of the games. The night we received the medals was really neat. We won several medals. We also won several trophies. There was a special trophy given to the school with the most participation. To our surprise we were the ones that got it. To me, that was special because we are the smallest school in town. The kids really enjoyed the experience.

The church is doing well. We have done several mission trips. We have been doing different projects each month. The month of April pamphlets were handed out in all of Garca and for the month of May we encouraged family devotions. Each month we are having special emphasis to encourage each other.

I was able to visit the home in Manaus this month. There was a very cheap rate which allowed me to go. The home in Manaus is doing well. We have a couple from here that went there to help. They were married here at the home. There are twelve kids there. The home in Manaus has two houses. We have lots of things that still need to be done there. Four of the workers in that home are people that lived here in the home in Garca.

This week one of our preachers from the city of Vera Cruz lost his son. Things happened very fast. The little boy had a high fever and had a convulsion. His parents took him to the hospital and they didn't (Please See Odali Page Three)



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June 3, 2007

# Unrest In Peru . . . Works Going Well . . . Dear Friend

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May has been the month of protests and strikes all over Peru. I tried twice during the month to travel out to the North Jungle town of Iquitos to take care of some mission business and check up on some of the building projects going on there. But, the Lord had other plans. The coca growers from the jungle areas blocked the highway between Huanuco and Lima and demanded the government allow them to grow more coca. Coca is the leaf that the drug cocaine is made from. Twice I lost plane tickets trying to get to Iquitos. Now I am to travel out to Iquitos in a few days and I hear the teacher's association has declared

an indefinite strike out there and will be blocking the airport and roads. I am hoping it will be over with before I need to travel! Making travel arrangements is sometimes quite a challenge in Peru.

All of the national mission works that we help support are doing well. Most of the missionaries call me each month or send letters and their reports are encouraging with news of souls trusting in Christ and many baptisms. Some are going through difficult times but have shown that their faith remains strong. Brother Carlos Gonzales' wife, Maria, seems to be getting worse by the day. I asked prayer for her a few months ago because she had been diagnosed with cancer of the stomach. She cannot eat and as a result is getting thinner and weaker by the day. Please remember her and this family in your prayers. Thank you.

At this present time Anita and I are enjoying a visit from her sister, Wanda, and her husband Charles Leffler, of Raleigh, North Carolina. We have had a great time with them and hope they will be able to come back again sometime soon. It is always a joy and an encouragement to have visits from family and friends. Anita and I hope many more of you will take the opportunity to come and visit us here in Peru. Write or call when you can. Until next month.

Serving Jesus in Peru, Sheridan and Anita Stanton



# Month Of Studying And Planning . . . Hosting Group From Virginia Beach ... Sharing Gospel With Public Schools ... Dear Friends June 7, 2007

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This month has been a month of studying and planning. My son-in-law, who is in charge of the mission points, had to go cover for one of our missionaries as his mom took sick and George wanted to go see her. So, Walmir and Mary went and stayed in Natividade de Serra for two weeks. This gave me the opportunity to fill in for him here in Caraguatatuba. I got to preach in three of our mission points and this was good as I got the opportunity to reconnect with these people.

We are also in a planning time for the month of June as we are expecting great things. We are hosting a group from Virginia Beach and there is always a time of seeing God work in the lives of our people and in the lives of the youth from Atlantic Shores Baptist Church. For example, just this month, we have in our home a young man from Atlantic Shores Church visiting for six weeks. He has been here several times with his church and this time he has come back searching God's will in his life. He is feeling the call of God for the mission field. Would that God would work in many more hearts in this fashion, because the fields are ripe unto harvest and the workers are few. So if you pastors are thinking about a way to strengthen your youth, why don't you plan a mission trip and see what God will do in your young people.

We have told you all before about how we are able to get into the schools here to present the Gospel. Well it is no different this year as we are planning various presentations in the public schools. But the big news this year is that we will be getting into one university and one school that had been shut to us before. Continue to pray that God will be glorified in all that we do. The biggest ministry will begin when they (the group) go home and we will begin to reap the harvest of their labor. Just their presence here opens many doors for us that have been closed before.

If you are thinking of a mission trip, let me just encourage you to come on down. Whether it be an evangelistic trip or just a back breaking work trip or just door-to-door visiting, your presence here makes a difference.

The day-to-day work on the Vocational School continues. We are completing many little projects around the Director's home and are getting ready to begin to build the office space. This space will be a multifunction space, class room, study room, and office. The construction of this office space will cost around \$2,500.00, and we are going to use our Income Tax money to start this project. Also, we are looking at pouring the footer for the dormitory. We have the money given for the footer by one of our churches there in the States and we have not poured the footer because we have not gotten any more on the actual dormitory. We also got an opportunity this month to buy many of the supplies for the key classroom and these supplies run about \$2,000.00. This would greatly aid in the training of our young men. If you would like to donate to either of these three projects just mark your gift, "A. J's projects."

Folks, it starts with you and it ends with you. This ministry is here because of you. I just want to thank you for your prayers and your giving. I get to work, play, minister and see God do miracles because you care. How AWESOME it is to get to do all of this on a daily basis.

If this sounds like fun and something you would like to do, come down and see what it is like. Your room is ready and the bed just needs to be turned down. Give us a few days notice and we will be ready to show you some of God's miracles here in Caraguatatuba, Brazil.

In His service, A. J. and Barbara

# **DON'T FORGET THE** WORKHORSE FUND

This is the General Fund. Out of it comes the missionaries salaries, expenses, travel, medical, cars, etc. It has not kept pace with rising costs.

<u>Please Consider Increasing</u> Your Offerings



# Continuing To Share The Good News ... Vacation Bible School A Blessing . . . Pastor Visits ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your prayers and regular support. Your giving keeps us here and God answers your prayers as He promises to do. Yesterday we were very encouraged when at the close of service Joachim suggested

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that we could give to make it possible for a particular missionary to return to the field. We had not made any suggestions to this effect. He had already considered what he could give. Grace overflows. The book of Acts illustrates this as well as Paul's letter to the Philippians. We praise God for this evidence of His Spirit at work in the life of believers here.

We are also thankful for the evidence of God's Spirit drawing unsaved people to Christ. A few weeks ago as I was walking away from the ATM where I had just withdrawn cash I came face to face with our neighbor and her son. We have asked you to pray for Jean-Luc and Mireille and their two sons. Mireille said, "It is good that we ran into you as Romain has something to ask you." Romain, her son then said, "I was wondering if you had an extra Bible that you could loan me. I am interested in reading it." This, of course, delighted me and the next day I crossed the street to their house to give Romain a Bible. I began by explaining to him how the Bible is arranged and ended by being able to share the Gospel with Romain and his mother for two hours. Mireille, to whom witnessed several times, does not believe God exists. Her confidence is in mankind. Pray for us as we continue to witness in actions and words to this family.

The Vacation Bible School went well. Through stories and songs the children heard and had the Good News reinforced. As they sing at home the songs they have learned and show and tell about their crafts, they also pass the Gospel on to their unsaved parents. It takes a lot of work to get all of this together, but the ladies enjoy it and it is an excellent way to share the Gospel.

We were blessed during the month of May to have Tom and Lisa Fallwell visit us. They are the parents of our daughter-in-law who serve with us here along with Philip. Tom is also one of the pastors of our sending church. Tom always encourages me by asking what they can be doing for us and insisting that we let them know of any needs that we have. We are very thankful for the faithful service of John Newland and Tom Fallwell, our pastors, and the commitment that Emmanuel Baptist Church of Evansville, Indiana, displays in their service and giving to us.

Our various Bible studies are going well and the Lord continues to give us more contacts where we can show and speak of Christ.

Your partners in service for Christ, John and Judy Hatcher

# Interesting Letter From Pam Anderson ...

#### Dear Praying Friends,

We just thought that we would send an update from this side of the world. We hope that each of you are enjoying spring and the new flowers, trees budding, etc.

It has been great having our daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter, plus their team from the University of Michigan, visiting with us. They arrived earlier this month and will be with us for six weeks. There are seven young ladies and one young man. Kyle, the guy, is engaged to Meghan, one of the young ladies. Some are still students, but most graduated last month from University of Michigan. They are adapting well to the culture here. They have done de-worming clinics in the villages with us, have worked in our Bible clubs, worked with the children who live on the street, and Graig, our son-in-law, and Kyle, will be helping in our Bible Institute next week. Their favorite thing seems to be visiting in the homes of people who live in the villages around our newest church. Each of them has a great attitude and have been a blessing to us. It is refreshing to see young people who want to serve our Lord and get involved in His work

Melia, our four-year-old granddaughter, is adapting so well and is learning some Swahili, the language spoken here. Graig loves to use his Swahili when talking to people and Sara is busy cooking for this group. The girls are a big help to her, but it is still a lot of work to buy the food and cook from scratch, especially when two of the girls have problems with gluten. She needs to rest a lot, as she is expecting our second grandchild in November, so all of us are thrilled about this

Mike and I went to a conference on building interpersonal relationships earlier this month, too There were missionaries from Ethiopia and Tanzania as well as Kenya there. We feel that these skills will be a big help to us as we manage conflicts, deal with stress, learn to listen more effectively. build trust, etc.

Our newest mission in an outlying village is going well. Mike and I were there this past Sunday and had over forty-five in church. We have rented a mud building in the village and Graig's team has been going there twice a week to visit people in the area and to work with the youth. This has really helped the attendance.

Our second church, Imani Baptist, really needs prayer. This is the church where the former pastor left last year and split the church. He took the majority of the members with him and then started another church less than a kilometer from Imani. Fred, our pastor now, is doing a good job, but this church has not recovered from the split and needs good leadership among the members. Also, we can't seem to get children and youth to come to Sunday School, although we have visited and visited in this area. Please help us to pray for Imani. In all of our churches it is difficult to get adults and children to come out for Sunday School.

Corruption remains a big problem in this country. We have had our phone line cut three times in the past three weeks which has interrupted our phone service. The government allows scrap metal to be sold, so thieves cut out large amounts of the main phone lines during the night and sell the copper inside of the lines as scrap metal. Also, our electricity comes and goes at a whim so we can be without electricity for eight or more hours at times. There is no schedule so this can be frustrating. Even though I am complaining, Mike and I would not want to live anywhere else as this is where God has called us and we love the people and the work here. Frustrations are just a part of life, but God gives grace and it is worth all of the frustration when someone receives Christ as their personal Savior. God is so good to us and all around us we see His handiwork in this beautiful country.

Thanks so much for your interest and prayers for us and the Lord's work here. To know that you care and are praying means so much. Your e-mails of encouragement are a blessing to us. Please know that we appreciate you and your intercession for us. May our Lord bless each of you. It is our privilege to be your representatives here in Kenya. Let us know how we can pray for you. Love in our Lord, Mike and Pam

## BRATCHER

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When he gave the invitation, two ten-year-old girls responded by making their profession of faith. They used happiness both on the earth and in heaven. Pray for Diana da Costa Freitas, born June 18, 1996. and Palomma Soares de Kspirito Santo, born July 10, 1996.

Also, please pray for the Igreja Batista Belo Jardim - Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, pastor and people. This church sends in regular offerings to Baptist Faith Missions. We thank all of you who contribute to the regular fund and offerings designated to us. May the Lord bless us all!

Yours in the Service of the Savior,

Harold and Marie Bratcher

#### June 2007

# **Baptist Faith Missions** MAY 2007 OFFERINGS

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#### MIKE CREIGLOW

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#### HAROLD DRAPER

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#### PAUL HATCHER

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Heights, MI, Judson Hatcher... Park Ridge Bap. Ch., Gotha, FL, Michael Samples 20 Reynolds, Aaron & Janis, Athens, GA, Michael Samples...100 Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support..... Symphonic Wind, Norfolk, VA, Judson Hatcher 50

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JOHN M. HATCHER Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH, Support... East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL, Support... Emmanuel Bap. Church, Evansville, IN, Personal... Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary.... nal 515 Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH, As Needed... Ladies Bible Class, Coffeen, IL, As Needed...... Kissner, Janet, Wayne City, IL, Salary..... .50 42

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BOBBY WALASER Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH, Support....70 Bell Shoals Baptist Church, Brandon, FL, Support...100 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed.....350 70

#### ROGER TATE

Grand Total...

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find any thing. Well he had more fever and another convulsion and went into a coma. After five days the doctor took him off the machine. The little threeyear-old went to be with the Lord Sunday morning. Please pray for the parents and the brothers and sister. The parents asked to have two services because there were lots of lost friends that would be there.

We want to thank all of you who pray for us and give to the ministries that God has given us to do. Don't forget to check the website for continual updates (www.aohome.org). May God's richest blessing be on each of you.

In Christ, Odali and Kathy

The wrong picture was used in the May issue of the Mission Sheets for John and Alta Hatcher's letter and the editor would like to ap them and to John and Judy Hatcher.



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# Telephone Lines Cut ... Mass Wedding ... Coming For Short Furlough . . . Dear Praying Friends, June 3, 2007

Our winter is here and we are in the rainy season. It is getting cooler and we are having frequent periods of rain. We understand that those in the U.S. need rain. Come over and see us and get wet! We have plenty!

Mike and Pam Anderson P. O. Box 4150 ale, Kenya 30200, East Africa Phone: 011-254-54-31765 Our daughter, Sara, son-in-law, Graig, and granddaughter, Melia, Mobile: 011-254-725-140-125 n@africaonline.co.kc

plus their team of eight from the University of Michigan, have been with us since May 5th. It has been great having them here to see what we do and to experience life on the mission field. We have really enjoyed fellowshipping with our family and spending time with them Graig and Sara have such a big heart for the Kenyan people and they love to bring groups here to

introduce them to what God is doing. Speaking of our family, we have a new one with us for awhile. Nathan and Carrie are doing foster care with a four-month-old baby boy who was abandoned and brought to the hospital where Pam and Carrie minister twice a week. I am sure that Nathan will tell you about him in their letter. They have named him Isaiah and he has been a blessing to us all.

Being in a third world country has its aggravations and this month was no exception. Our phone line was cut four times in over three weeks, so we had no phone service for several days each time. In this country people are able to sell scrap metal, so thieves can cut the main phone lines and sell the copper inside. This was very frustrating, as they cut the lines during the night when we would be planning to send e-mails or to make a call and there was no dial tone. The pho ne company has had to replace the line four times and they have told us that they are going to catch the thieves. We are hoping that they do. We have many times when there is no electricity so we are challenged, but thankful to God for His faithfulness and for calling us here



Six couples who were involved in the mass marriage ceremony at Bethel Baptist Church

Graig's team has been visiting and doing community projects in Kiminini, the area of our newest preaching point and the attendance there has been growing. There has been a good response from the community and we have been asked to go into one of their schools to minister, so we are excited about this. Please help us to pray for this new endeavor, as well as for Imani Baptist, our struggling church. Fred, our pastor there, has been doing much visiting and we have two Bible clubs in the area, but the children do not come to Sunday School and we are in need of faithful church leaders. Attendance is poor, so we are asking our other church leaders to help us by fasting and praying for this church, as we need to see God work in hearts. This is the church that had a split over a year ago. We have been working with it for a long time and desire to see God bless this church.

The highlight of our month was a mass wedding which took place this weekend. Many of our church pastors and leaders had never had a church wedding, as there is a dowry system that requires the man to pay a certain number of cows to the bride's parents before he is given permission to marry her. The amount required depends on her education, ability to work, etc. Since each cow costs the equivalent of over \$ 100, and the parents usually require two to three cows or more, the perspective husbands cannot afford to pay this. So the couples have a traditional marriage and are not married in a church. Pam and I felt that it was important for our pastors and church leaders to be married in a New Testament Baptist Church if they were to ministry effectively and to be blessed by God. So, Graig's team helped us by making a wedding cake and decorating Bethel Baptist Church for the six couples that got married this past Saturday. The girls on the team brought their old dresses that they had worn to festive occasions and these served as wedding gowns. They also took pictures of each couple. It was a thrill to us to see our members from our churches working together to provide the food and all were excited at this happy event. I was thankful to our Lord for the opportunity to unite these couples in wedlock as they start their lives by following God's plan for marriage

Lord willing, we are planning to return to the States about mid-August to visit our supporting churches and to see our family. We will be in the U.S. until mid-January, so if you would like for us to visit your church to tell about the work, please contact us soon. We are planning to do a video of the ministry here and will be available to visit churches after September 1st. We deeply appreciate each church and individual who prays for and financially supports us, so we want to see you in person to say "thanks." Please know that we could not be here to work for our Lord without your help. You are a vital part of the work here, so thanks so very much for your prayers, encouragement and love. May our Lord bless your labors for Him there and we look forward to seeing many of you later on this year. Many Blessings in Christ, Mike and Pam

# PRAY FOR YOUR MISSIONARIES...

# IN BRAZIL:

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

**IN PERU:** Sheridan and Anita Stanton

IN KENYA: Mike and Pam Anderson Nathan and Carrie Radford

**IN FRANCE:** John M. and Judy Hatcher



# **Looking Forward To** Mission Adventures . . . **Find Baby Beside** Railroad Tracks ...

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Dear praying friends, June 5, 2007 Another month has come and passed so quickly and we have many exciting aspects of our ministry to report this month. We praise

the Lord for good health, ministry opportunities, and for those in the States who pray for us and give so that the ministry here in Kenya can continue. This update will share current progress of the ministry, as well as prayer items. Lord willing, a team will be coming later this month with my uncle and aunt, Mr. and. Mrs.

Randy Jones. This team has many exciting ministry opportunities for their trip, including visiting the hospital ministry and providing a building for the women's ministry, which my wife, Carrie, leads. They will also be assisting my parents with their various ministries. We thank the Lord for this team and are praying for their arrival, along with the many ways that the Lord will use them while they are here. We hope to soon provide a photo of the new building of the women's prison, which my wife will use as her place of holding her weekly Bible studies with the women prisoners. How we thank the Lord for the generosity of donors in the States, both in prayer and finances. We appreciate their spirit of servant hood and know the Lord will use them greatly while they are here. (Matthew 16:25).

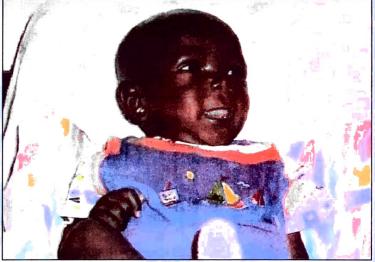
This past month, the Lord brought an exciting opportunity our way to care for an abandoned baby. As you know, my wife recently began a ministry at the district hospital which cares not only for babies with mothers, but also babies that have been abandoned. This past week, a baby boy, four months old, was left along the railroad tracks without any food or clothing very early in the morning. The night he was left on the tracks it rained very hard so he was out in the pouring rain the entire night. The next morning people who were on their way to work discovered the child on the tracks and brought him to the district hospital to be cared for. My wife was burdened to help this child as the nurses were so busy with all the other babies they had to care for. To our surprise, we received permission from the hospital to take the child in our home for a period of fostering until a good home for him can be found. We were so excited to have this opportunity to gain valuable experience to care for a Kenyan child in our home who was abandoned. We named him Isaiah and he has truly been a blessing to us while he is with us.

By Kenyan law, we must return him to the Children's Welfare Office when a good home is found, but it has been a joy to care for him during this intermediate time. We thank the Lord for the donors who give to this ministry and allow us to minister to abandoned babies such as these and also babies at the hospital who have very limited and basic care. We are praying that the Lord would provide more funds so that we can do even more to help these very needy children. A photo of Isaiah is attached to this prayer letter so you can personally see him.

The Lord has truly burdened us to provide and care for children in these very harsh circumstances. In Deuteronomy 10:18, we see God's care for orphans: "He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loves the stranger, in giving him food and clothing." Psalms 68:5 states, "A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in His holy habitation." What is our responsibility for babies such as these? Isaiah 1:17 states clearly, "Learn to do well: seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow." In these verses, we see not only God's care for bildran feing particular income the states of the states children facing perilous circumstances, but also our responsibility to them. My wife and I believe strongly that it is our responsibility to provide what we can for children in dire circumstances such as the one we have chosen to foster presently.

We would like to do even more based on the funding that we receive in order to help many more children like Isaiah to have a future. Would you pray and honestly ask the Lord what role He would have you serve in to assist these children? If anyone receiving this letter would like to join with this ministry fund so we can do more, please contact us by e-mail at: naterad@yahoo.com, or send financial support through Baptist Faith Missions. May God bless you and we hope you are busy serving the Lord in the States as we serve here

In Kenya, Nathan and Carrie Radford



Four-month-old baby found abandoned on railroad tracks that Carrie and I are taking care o



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sermons; seven at the 24th of March Baptist Church where 1 am the pasto The other sermon I will write about later in this letter. During these days I heard a total of seven sermons preached. Marie and I were blessed by the three sermons that co-pastor Ediberto Ribeiro preached and the one that deacon Antonio Oliveira delivered at the church. I heard a Harold\_Bratcher@yahoo.com interest of World Missions. We also were blessed hearing a sermon by a lay preacher at the church.

This Mission Sheets Month began May 6th and finished today, June

Yesterday morning I preached at the 24th of March Baptist Church to forty-six people present. Last night, eighty were present and we heard a gospel message by Pastor Raimundo de Oliveira. Brother Raimundo is completely blind and has an incurable disease. He has a wife and an eight-year-old daughter who were with him. He is the brother of Pastor Sebastiao de Oliveira who is blind also. He told us that he has fooled his doctors by still living when they told him he would soon be dead. He sang four hymns (Please See Bratcher Page Two)