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CONFERENCE OFFERING: The Conference Offering will be designated for "Missionaries' Car Fund/Auto Allowances."

Please bring as generous an offering as you can with you when you come. Grace to you all!



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Still In The States ...

Waiting For Test Results ...

Hello Fellow-saints, March 9, 2009

I am writing this letter a couple of days later than I usually do. The reason is that I am anxiously waiting for the test results to come in for the candidates in our family who can possibly give a bone marrow transplant to my sister Una Richards. I mentioned her in my last letter. She has bone cancer and is being treated so she may possibly survive with this transplant.

Up to this moment I am the only one who has been a match. Hopefully we will receive in the next two or three days the test results from the other three members of the family who have been tested. If only one of them is a match, I will be put on standby status. If two of them are matches, I will be free to return very soon to Brazil. If I am the only one who matches I will be her only hope. If I turn out to be the only match or the standby, I will be put on quarantine and will not be able to go to Brazil until after the bone marrow transplant. Who would have ever thought of something like this? I realize the Lord knew it was in the future. I'm glad we don't always know things too far ahead of time.

The work in Brazil is going well. Souls are being saved and the saved added to the churches. I called Pastor Miqueas the other day to check on his wife who has been battling cancer. He was rejoicing in the news that the cancer in her left lung has seemingly gone into complete remission. We praise the Lord for this. She has had a long struggle with this illness and has been so faithful in spite of it.

It is looking more and more like I will have to wait to go back to Brazil until after the Spring Conference. I have been forced to put my trip on hold due to these unforeseen circumstances. Of course, by the time you read this letter we will know much more about the situation. We appreciate so much your support. Let us all pray for our nation as we go through this difficult time. Our Lord is still on the throne. As Sister Treza Santos who has suffered so much with cancer is always saying, "I am His child and He will take care of me." Lord help us to remember that.

In Him, Harold & Ursula Draper



Brother Draper hard at work installing chalk boards to the Jardim Fortaleza Baptist Mission.

AUTO RESCUE PLAN

Everyone one here in the U.S. knows all about the current "bailouts" or "rescue plans" proposed for the automobile industry. Many of you are personally involved and affected by all those plans. These are tough times for everyone in our present economy, and we are trusting God and praying for us all.

BUT, OUR MISSIONARIES HAVE A DIRE NEED FOR AN "AUTO RESCUE PLAN" ALSO. We have committed to each of our missionaries an Auto Allowance of \$8000.00 to be given to them every four years, as the Lord provides.

Our missionaries need their automobiles. They cannot function without them. But, not only are their cars exorbitantly expensive to buy and maintain on each of their fields of service, but they also wear them out much more quickly due to the rough driving conditions and the continual use.

WE ARE WAY BEHIND IN GIVING SOME OF THESE FOUR-YEAR AUTO ALLOWANCES. In past years, if we didn't have the funds available, and if a missionary didn't have the immediate, desperate need to buy or trade for another car, he would tell me to defer paying his Auto Allowance for a future year. But, then, when the future year or years arrived, there would be additional allowances due for that year, and we might not have those funds, either.

And so, over a very few years, we have had several of these allowances accrue on top of each other. THE MISSIONARIES UNDERSTAND THAT IF WE DON'T HAVE THE FUNDS, THEN WE DON'T DISBURSE THE AUTO ALLOWANCE.

At the present time, including the allowances which are due again in 2009, WE ARE TWELVE [12] ALLOWANCES IN ARREARS. That is \$96,000.00 TOTAL. Again, if we don't come up with the funds, then we can't disburse these allowances. BUT, WE CAN'T PERMIT OUR MISSIONARIES TO DO WITHOUT THEIR CARS, NO MORE THAN YOU OR I WOULD ALLOW OURSELVES TO BE WITHOUT OURS.

I HAVE ASKED THE MISSIONARIES TO TELL YOU THEIR STORIES AND THEIR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS. For example, Bobby and Charlene Wacaser have sold both of their cars to raise money for property purchases. Mike Creiglow's \$10 pickup is worn out, and he needs a more durable and economical Jeep to maintain his ministry activities. And, these are just two examples. Every one of our missionaries has his own story to tell.

WILL YOU HELP US BEGIN TO MAKE UP THIS DESPERATE NEED BY DESIGNATING OFFERINGS TO 'CAR FUND' OR 'AUTO ALLOWANCE'?

H. H. OVERBEY SCHOLARSHIP

The H. H. Overbey Scholarship Fund was established several years ago in honor of H. H. Overbey who loved helping young preachers and the children of missionaries continue their higher education and preparation for giving their lives in service to Jesus Christ. The H. H. Overbey Scholarship Fund is supplied only by contributions designated specifically for it. No General Fund offerings go to this fund. You enable us to give children of our missionaries \$1000.00 per school year toward their post-secondary education by giving to the HHO Scholarship Fund.

Dear BFM Family,

My name is Jessica Wacaser, daughter of Bobby and Charlene Wacaser. I'm seventeen years old and starting a new phase in my life including a new country, a new home, new friends, new EVERYTHING!

I can't say it's easy to leave my home country of Brazil, but I know that God has me here in the USA for a reason and I'm ready to be a servant wherever I am!

The reason that I'm here in the USA is to start college, but most of all, to increase my experience and prepare myself for greater service to the Lord.

I am presently in the process of registering at the Hillsborough Community College in Plant City, Florida.

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BROTHER BRATCHER'S MANAUS HOME VANDALIZED

Harold and Marie Bratcher received a call from Manaus on Saturday evening, March 14th, that their home in Manaus had been broken into, vandalized, and burglarized. Thieves took the front security gate off its hinges, broke into their home, and stole their refrigerator, kitchen range, clothes dryer, and other appliances and personal belongings which were loose. They also tore up doorways to get the appliances out of the house quickly and did other substantial damage and trashing to the house.

WILL YOU GIVE SOME SPECIAL OFFERINGS TO HELP THEM MAKE THE NECESSARY REPAIRS TO THEIR HOME AND REPLACE THEIR APPLIANCES? Designate your special offerings "BRATCHER NEEDS" and we will know what it is for. We would like to help them get everything back in order before they return to Manaus in June.



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Pam Returning To Kenya For Nursing Conference ... So Thankful For Support ...

Dear Praying Friends,

March 3, 2009

We hope that spring will have sprung by the time that you receive this prayer letter. I think that all of us are tired of winter, but thankful for the snow that kills insects and protects our gardens, and ways that God cares for us each day. Soon, we will be celebrating the resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ, and this is always a big reason to rejoice in His sacrificial gift to us. May we never forget His suffering and death so that we can live eternally, if we have been saved by His precious blood. I Corinthians 15:57-58. These verses should inspire us to be more diligent for our Lord because of what He did for us at Calvary.

Pam has returned home. She went to see our daughter and son-in-law and our grandchildren for a few weeks to help them as they packed up their things to move to Kenya for a year. Graig and Sara are campus missionaries at the University of Michigan and have brought four teams over the past four years to Kenya to see what God is doing cross culturally. While they were there on their first trip a few years ago, God burdened them with the suffering and needs that they saw in the orphans there. They decided to adopt two Kenyan children and it has been almost five years since they first decided to make a difference in two little girls' lives. There have been many setbacks and disappointments over the years, but God is finally opening the door for these adoptions, so Graig and Sara and their two daughters will be leaving on March 16th to spend several months to a year in Kenya adopting the precious ones that God is giving them. Pam really enjoyed her time there caring for Melia and Kailyn, our two granddaughters, while her mom and dad packed. Kailyn was born three months early in 2007, but is a healthy eighteen months old now and all of us rejoice at God's miracles in her life.

Pam will be leaving on Thursday to go to Kenya for a nursing conference. The Lord provided the money through two supporters. This conference is held every two years in Kenya, and she will be able to get her required continuing education hours to stay registered as a nurse in West Virginia, as well as in Kenya. The conference is sponsored by three Southern Baptist universities in Texas and the instructors spend their spring break going to Kenya to teach in this conference. The diseases covered are what she sees in Kenya, so it is very relevant. There are many nurses who come from all over the continent of Africa as well as from the Middle East. The instructors are from the States as well as practicing missionary doctors on the mission field. At this conference they will lecture on diseases such as TB, malaria, AIDS, nutrition in third world countries, parasites, pediatric dermatology, suturing techniques, and many more topics. There are very reverent worship services each evening, so she is challenged spiritually as well as intellectually. It is a well rounded conference and she enjoys meeting new friends who are practicing on the mission field from many countries. They can share ideas and learn so much, so she always looks forward to this beneficial conference.

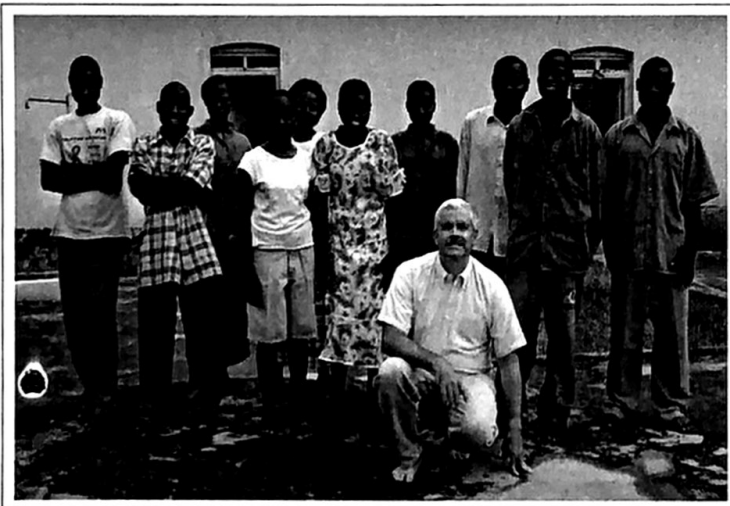
Lord willing, following the conference, she will go to Kitale where we live to see Roger and Julie Tate, as they are continuing the ministry with our people and churches. Also, she will see Nathan and Carrie, our son and daughter-in-law, as well as our newest grandchild, McKenna, who will soon be a year old. She is so excited to be returning to the land and people that we love.

I am going to a conference in Texas that deals with conflict resolution called "Peacemakers" for a few days while Pam is gone. I am really looking forward to studying this practical subject so that it will help me to deal with conflict resolution and counseling on the mission field.

Pam's eyes are the same. The Botox is wearing off that she had injected in December, but God gives grace. She has had some abdominal pain, but the tests have shown that it is a female problem, but of no real concern. I have been having some digestive problems and will be getting some tests for these ailments soon. Thanks so much for your prayers and interest in us.

God continues to teach us many things since we have been on this sabbatical. We deeply appreciate your love and concern and prayers for us during this time of reflection. May our Lord bless each of you for your concerns. To those who have continued to support us while here on sabbatical, we say "many thanks." May our Lord richly bless each of you who love and pray for us. As we see the economy declining and the days becoming more evil, we are aware of the overwhelming need to be about our Father's business while we still have our freedoms. You all are deeply appreciated, and we pray that our Lord will make Himself known to each of us in a more intimate way as we serve Him. Ephesians 5:15-16

Many Blessings, Mike and Pam



Some of the many people that have been baptized in our churches.

JESSICA

(From Page One)

I know that starting a new life without my parents around will be hard, but God is with me at all times and I'm ready to see what He has in store for me.

Through this letter I am asking for the financial assistance that's available to missionary children for this purpose from the H. H. Overbey Scholarship Fund.

I understand that these designated funds come from people who love God and the missionary work and want to help the missionaries' children.

I'm very grateful to those who have given to make these funds available.

Gratefully yours, Jessica Wacaser



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Back In Peru ... Busy With The Various Works ...

Dear Friends,

March 10, 2009

Anita and I arrived back in Peru and are staying busy getting things back in order. Anita has learned to pace herself and not over exert herself physically; she still gets fatigued easily and her doctors said she would need at least a year to recuperate her full strength. For those of you that know her, you know that she works hard and long hours and won't rest until "the work" is done. But as I said, she is learning to pace herself and rest when necessary. Thanks again to all of you for your prayers for her during the past year. The Lord has been merciful to us! If you need to contact us please use our field address and phone number listed above.

Upon arrival back in Peru, we had a great reception at the airport in Huanuco by about twenty dear friends that came out to greet us. It was quite a surprise. Then when we got to the church (we live in an apartment by the church building) there was another great group to greet us. It was a wonderful "welcome home" for us.

Four days after unpacking and getting a lot of things put away we left for Lima again. This time to meet a small group from Tri-Cities

Baptist Church of Johnson City, Tennessee. We took them to Cusco and then on to the Mission Hospital "Diospi Suyana" in Curahuasi. We are supporting, Silvia Rojas, a young lady from our church there as a medical missionary. We had a great visit and then we traveled back to Cusco in order to spend time with missionaries, Jason and Rebecca Reinhardt, and the twins, Neomi and Natali. (These are the twins we took care of for seven months a few years ago). They sure love to see their "Nene and Papaw" come to visit!!



The Stanton's and the Reinhardt's.

My Monday night Bible classes have resumed and I am enjoying them very much. Anita will soon start teaching her literacy classes again. She is very anxious to get back into that area of her ministry.

We are back working with the Calvary Baptist Mission here in Huanuco once again. Our first service back they also surprised us with a welcome back party. The Minix family, Jayson and Andrea, have done a wonderful job working in this new mission. They are now back in the States on furlough and presenting their children, Austin and Lauren to their supporting churches. Both children were born here in Peru during their first term. The work is doing well. We had one young man accept Christ as his Savior on our second Sunday back in Huanuco. Our great God continues to bless and bless!

Thanks to the Mount Calvary Baptist Church of Charleston, West Virginia, we were able to purchase a new motorcycle for Pastor Carlos Gonzales for use in his work in Oxapampa, Peru. He was overjoyed with the new motorcycle. Thank you pastor Mitchell and saints of Mount Calvary Baptist. Until next month.

In Him by His grace,

Sheridan and Anita Stanton



Carlos Gonzales with his motorcycle.

Visit From Son, Asa Mark ... Second Surgery on Eyes ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Blessed Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ:

March 9, 2009

This Mission Sheets month began February 10th and ends today, March 9th. During this period, I preached one sermon, March 1st, at Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, Kentucky, where Bradley Johns is pastor. During the same period, I heard eighteen sermons preached. Eleven of the sermons I heard were heard at the Porter Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, on March 23rd and 24th, during the 2009 Evangelistic Conference. Dr. Hershael York was one of the speakers.

We were blessed by a nine-day visit, February 11th-19th, by our son, Asa Mark Bratcher from Manaus, Brazil. Marie had consultations with three different doctors during this period. Nothing serious as far as we know.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: It will have already happened, Lord willing, by the time you read this letter, but please help us pray for my speedy recovery from the surgery we have scheduled on March 23rd to remove the second cataract [this time from my left eye - we had the right eye surgery on 9/11/2008]. My surgeon, Dr. Mark Simon, told me that the complications I had with the first surgery on my right eye is very uncommon. We hope and pray that this second surgery will be more successful than the first one.

Once again, we are grateful to Steve and Eva Blake, Charles and Reva Bratcher, Lewis Marcum, Dave Parks, Stephen Bratcher, and Dr. Walter Fox for their help and assistance with all our needs. We are grateful also to Mrs. Deane Cruse and we request prayer for Deane's health. Please pray for Mrs. Ella J. Casey's health. She is now at her home in Richmond after spending eight days in the hospital.

Please pray for Harold and Marie Bratcher that the Lord will be pleased to permit us to return to Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil, South America, to continue serving Him there. Pastor Mickey Hyder of David's Fork Baptist Church is planning a special service for us on Sunday, June 28th, 2009. You are invited to attend. We, with Asa Mark's assistance, will leave on the first flight available.

Pray with us and contribute with us to the BFM's General Fund. May the Lord bless us all is our prayer.

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



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Visiting Works . . . Funds Needed For Autos . . .

Dear Brethren,

March 2, 2009

Last month you were probably overloaded with letters and news from me. This month there is a whole lot more. I will try to cram in as much as possible without blowing any fuses. The first week of February I visited the works at Sao Salvador (Jurua River not Moa River) and Novo Horizonte. These are about five hours upriver with my 60HP outboard (30MPH). At Sao Salvador where we have a good group of believers. I took more time for teaching about the church and baptism. Novo Horizonte is a new work and so preached the gospel. We had good crowds although it rained most of the time. The river bank was very steep and slick, but thanks to the successful knee surgery I am now back to my OLD self.

Here at our home church all is well. We had a couple of families to move away to other cities. This happens almost on a monthly basis. Even though it hurts, I am conformed to the idea that one of First Baptist's ministries is to supply other churches with quality members. We are still growing though. Last Sunday we had over 500 in Sunday school. Even though it was raining in the evening we still had a packed house. There were two more saved. We have a steady number of people saved almost every week. This month I baptized nineteen.

There were ten women and nine men. That is a pretty good balance. I have been preaching an average of twice daily for a couple of weeks now. The youth asked me to speak to them on a Saturday night. It had been a long time. They said they had 298 present. Since Bev and I are still very young, I say we had 300 young people!

A few days ago Bev and I went to the city of Tarauaca. This is the third largest city in the state. We participated in a project that our church has been doing for eight years. We take a large team to a city to do the following activities: doctor's visits, dental care, nursing, dental hygiene, teach hygiene, hair cuts, arts courses, distribution of dental kits, free medicine, distribution of food to the poor, clothing for the needy, children's programs, door to door gospel preaching and services at night time. Our five doctors and dentists treated over 1,500 people. Over 3,500 heard the gospel in the door to door witnessing. There were several professions of faith. We had an average of 250 people in the evening services. One young lady trusted Christ on the last night.

Our team is all from First Baptist Church. There were seventy-seven of us in all. Each of these projects costs over \$10,000.00. All of these funds are raised right here on the field.

Tarauaca is 160 miles east of here. We were able to drive there in the month of February. That still doesn't seem real to me. We still don't have many roads around here. If someone had told me ten years ago that I would be able to drive there any in the middle of the rainy season, I would have thought them a greater optimist than me. They say that as of this summer the road to Rio Branco will be open year round. I am an incorrigible optimist, but I still don't believe that story!

A friend of ours who has an apartment in Tarauaca let us stay there while he was on holiday during Carnaval. Oh, but little did we know that the stage for the Carnaval partying was set up less than one hundred yards from our building. We didn't get much sleep as the wildness and extremely loud "music" went on every night up to 4:00 a.m. There is only one small Baptist church there and not doing much. Pray that they will wake up and start winning their city for Christ.

Now, before I close let me thank all of you who have given more than the usual amount to make our mission trips and work possible. Several have given generous special offerings. God bless you. Also, let me add one more request. BFM and the missionaries have not said much about this, but we depend on you for the cars that we drive here on the field. Our salaries are perhaps the most frugal of any mission supporting process. BFM has a policy of giving each missionary a special offering of \$8,000.00 every four years to help buy or keep a car. Since the general fund has been running very low for the past few years, it has become almost impossible to keep this project funded. Several missionaries have postponed getting a newer vehicle. Bev and I are still driving the same \$10 pickup that we bought eleven years ago. Even back then we were forced to buy a truck that does not have four-wheel drive or a diesel engine because of the initial cost. Many times I have had to return from the middle of a trip because the road was too muddy to get through with the \$10. Also, gas is much more expensive than diesel fuel here in Brazil. For the past seven years we have been praying for a Brazilian made jeep called Trailer (check it out at www.troller.com.br). Since the dollar has gone up lately and there are now several tax incentives, the car is a little less expensive. Last year it was still costing \$60,000.00. Right now it is about \$39,000.00. It is still the cheapest four-wheel drive diesel vehicle in this country. Two years ago I started building a boat to sell to go as a down payment. Last week I sold that boat for \$23,000.00! That is great, but with Brazil having the highest interest rates in the world, I still can't afford to finance the remainder. The Lord will provide. All this to say, please give regularly or a generous one time gift to the missionary vehicle fund. You don't have to designate for my jeep. Others have the same need, so even though times are very tough, please give.

Thanks for all of your prayers and support. God bless you as much as He has us.

In Christ, Mike Creiglow



Visiting the work at Sao Salvador.



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Satan At Work In Kenya . . . Enjoy Visit From Parents . . .

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

March 5, 2009

You know that you're not in the United States anymore when you find yourself possibly dealing with witchcraft and also worrying about one of your pastors being poisoned. But these are indeed problems that occur in Africa and, in fact, have been issues I have been dealing with over the last couple of weeks. Let me attempt to explain.

First, we have a young Kenyan boy living on our compound who has been sick and we have been trying to care for him. He has been having stomach problems and has even been passing out, sometimes for thirty minutes at a time. In the United States and in our culture our initial and only thought is that there must be a physical problem. We never think of anything else. However, the family of this boy is convinced, based on an accusation from an outside source, that an mganga (witch doctor) and witchcraft are the cause. Of course, as an American who has never dealt with such a thing, I dismissed this cause immediately. Now, I'm not saying the boy's problems are demonic. However, the more I hear from different people here, the more I realize this really is a serious issue that cannot be overlooked or immediately dismissed. For generations Satan has worked in strange and powerful ways on this continent and in ways I have been mostly sheltered from all of my life. We need the power of God and the power of the gospel to move mightily in this place.

Second, one of the village churches I work with here has had some conflict between the members. There have been power struggles where members are striving with the pastor. These are completely common things that happen whether you live and attend a church in Kenya or live and attend a church in America. The difference comes in this way: If you were a pastor would you worry or even think



Visiting with a family in their home.

twice about eating something a church member offered you while you were in their home? This pastor does. It is a common enough occurrence here in Kenya that someone gets poisoned when there is a conflict. This pastor is being very careful not to eat food offered to him or even to walk alone after dark. We have been working through these problems in order to strengthen the church and to see it grow into maturity, but again, Satan has a powerful foothold in this place and the light of the gospel needs to dispel the darkness here.

On a less serious note, we thoroughly enjoyed our first visitors to Kenya from the United States. My parents came and spent most of the month of February with us, visiting the ministries and getting an idea of African living. We enjoyed the time with them and we miss them already. I trust they returned to the States with a different perspective on missions and the world. May God's peace and joy be with you.

For the glory of God in East Africa,

Roger & Julie Tate (and Emily, Amy, & Josiah)



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New Contact Number . . . All Works Going Well . . .

Dear Friends,

March 7, 2009

Let me draw your attention to our new telephone number above. While in the USA recently we acquired a Vonage telephone account which uses a US area code. For those who desire to call us there is no need to dial the Brazilian country code any longer. Calls can be made to us the same as making any US call using the (813) area code of Tampa, Florida. As posted, our new number is (813) 436-9980.

Next week, Brother David Hatcher and I will be working to disciple a recent convert from Santiago, Chile. This man's name is Alejandro and he is a lawyer who lives in that country's capital. While on a visit there a few months back God placed us in contact with this man at an opportune time for Him to be open to the gospel. He accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and has been growing steadily since. Brother David and I invited him to Brazil to spend ten days with us in intensive training in his spiritual walk. It is our prayer and goal for Alejandro to return to Chile prayerfully seeking an open door for us to begin home Bible studies that may eventually turn into a new preaching point and possibly a church start.

Alejandro is able to speak fluent English, so we will be able to communicate easily with him. For us to begin Bible studies in Chile with others, though, I will need to learn Spanish and I plan to start that immediately. It will be a challenge, but I pray for God's grace and help.

Our Project Life teams are back on the highways; or should I say "the water" again, for another season of outreach. I say "water" because their first trip actually takes them to the coastal islands of our state reaching the fishing villages that are located along the coast. The Alpha and Logos teams will be working among these remote villages throughout the month of March. There are several thousand inhabitants in these locations and almost no local churches.

Our "missions school" has grown considerably. Last month we had around thirty new students attending beyond our thirty-six returning team members. Pastor Paulo and I are developing a strategy for training these students both theologically and practically so that they may gain a deeper understanding of the Scriptures while, at the same time, be involved in fruitful outreach. This approach is proving to be both effective and exciting to these young men and women.

It is tough, but we trust that God will lead Jessie on to greater heights. We left our seventeen (almost eighteen) year old daughter in the USA ready to begin her college studies and her new life outside the nest. We miss her terribly, of course, but we believe that we have done what is

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Brother Creiglow's Report...

Dear Brethren,

March 3, 2009

I do not remember what I wrote last month, so if I repeat myself, just remember, I am an old man, and old men get that way sometimes. Old men get slower also, and I am so there.

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Here at First Baptist Church where I serve as associate pastor, I still teach every Sunday night in the worship service. I hope the congregation is learning from it, but even if they do not, it has been very good for me. I give my outline to all that want them. I have all week to prepare the lessons, but there are times that I wish there was another day in the week.

I had been taking Betty to the Alzheimer's Center, where they took very good care of her for six days each week. Several months ago I told the nurse that if there came a time that I needed to make other arrangements, to please let me know, even if I did not recognize the need. A little over two weeks ago she informed me that her illness has advanced to the point that we needed to make the change. She is now back home with me and I am caring for her along with help from the ladies of the church. The Center does send a lady each Friday to take care of her for six hours, giving me time to do what ever I need to do. Betty's main diet is now Ensure. Things are pretty much routine with us and we are doing very well, with the Lord blessing us, in so many ways.

In His Name, Bobby D. Creiglow



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Finish Bible Studies... Reaching Souls One At A Time...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

March 4, 2009

As I write this, I just finished having the Bible studies in Spain and Portugal. It is impossible to express the great joy of discussing the word of God with those who are saved and growing in the Lord. Ana Paula is being used greatly by God in communicating the Gospel in Porto, Portugal. In addition to our discussions of where she is personally studying the Word of God, she also updates me on her studies with those she meets with weekly in her home. She expressed her expectation that we will return to Portugal to baptize those who have been saved through her witness of the Word of God. God is always at work, but sometimes the evidence of what He is doing is more visible than it is at other times. This month has been one of those months.

The first weekly study in Mazere was very encouraging. We had twelve present including five who were there for the first time. This Bible study meets in the apartment of a young lady that we met when we first arrived here in our area. There are no Bible teaching churches in this community or even near it. This is a good time to once again mention that there are 36,000 communities in France and just a few more than one hundred Baptist churches. These communities ("commune" in French) are actually the smallest division of the National Government. Each is governed by a communal council and a mayor chosen by them. Some of these communes are made up of several small towns. The work to be done is enormous. Thanks for helping and praying.

Our outreach is on a personal level. Each person needs to hear the Gospel. Each person needs to receive sufficient communication from the Word of God to be able to understand the Gospel. Here is an illustration of the need and how God works: Each week Remain, a nineteen-year-old young man who lives across the street from us comes over to practice English with me. My desire is to use this encounter to communicate the Gospel. About three weeks ago we were practicing asking questions in English. First, I asked him questions and then I suggested he ask me questions. His first question was, "When did you have faith?" My answer was, "When I was about seven years old." I then asked him, "What is faith?" He answered, "Jesus lived... His mother was the earth." I then said, "Would you like to know about my faith?" After he answered in the affirmative, I spent a lengthy amount of time giving a summary of what the Bible teaches. My explanation of faith: that God is the only uncreated being - that He created all - that man disobeyed and is alienated from God - that the eternal uncreated God entered His Creation to solve mankind's problem, etc. What a glorious privilege to share the Gospel. He and I have had several good discussions this past month.

This is one of several great opportunities this past month. About two weeks ago, one unsaved man, who has been attending on Sundays for a long time, asked, "What is basic faith? What is essential for us to believe?" To answer this question, I made a copy of all the verses where God gives a promise connected to faith. In these texts it tells us exactly what we must believe. There are about fifty texts. We are reading and discussing these on Sunday mornings.

That is how they are reached - one at a time. Our goal is for each of those who trust the Lord to also continue living and offering the Gospel.

The Lord willing we will be at the Spring Conference and be able to speak in churches for several weeks following the Conference and before our return to France. We would love to visit your church to tell what God is doing here and to encourage you.

In France for Christ, John and Judy Hatcher

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Baptist Faith Missions FEB. 2009 OFFERINGS

GENERAL FUND

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH.....100
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL.....100
Aldridge, Randy & Melody, Morton, IL
(Giving Friends).....75
Amazing Grace Baptist Church, Palmyra, TN..20
Baker, K & B.....25
Beech Grove Bap. Church, Lancaster, KY...355.77
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC.....400
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY.....400
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN.....1,475.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL.....1,538.00
Bible Baptist Church, Portage, IN.....150
Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY
(Giving Friends).....25
Bohon Road Bap. Church, Harrodsburg, KY...250
Brook, Douglas & Sharon, Dayton, OH
(Giving Friends).....100
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV.....100
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV.....550
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY...1,701.63
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY.....100
Casada, Mark & Sheryl, Manhattan, KS
(Giving Friends).....100
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, WV..100
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC.....850
Creiglow, Bobby & Betty, Science Hill, KY
(Giving Friends).....300
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV..70
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL.....975
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV.....266
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN.....351
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Irvine, KY.....200
Faith Baptist Church, Kirksville, MO.....499
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY.....500
Faith Missionary Bap. Church, Leighton, AL..200
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY.....1,000.00
First Baptist Church, Science Hill, KY.....75
Friends Of Baptist Faith Missions.....500
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV
(Giving Friends).....25
Gilreath, Brad & Kathy, Taylorsville, NC
(Giving Friends).....75
Godbey, Wayne & Louise, Waynesburg, KY
(Giving Friends).....50
Goldfloss Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC..25
Goodsprings Bap. Ch., Rogersville, AL...1,039.70

Grace Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY.....50
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Springs, MS.....200
Grant & Mary Ann Fox
Charitable Fund.....10,000.00
Grimes, Melvin & Margaret, Evans, WV
(Giving Friends).....100
Guthrie, Larry, Athens, GA
(Giving Friend).....100
Harbor View Missionary Baptist Church,
Harbor View, OH.....42
Hardman Fork Baptist Church,
Normantown, WV.....1,500.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Marengo, OH.....30.00
Hatcher, John & Alta, Urai, Brazil
(Giving Friends).....30.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY...1,000.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, MI.....500
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, AL..65
Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA
(Giving Friends).....100
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL.....160
Joy Belles Sunday School Class, Lexington, KY
(Heritage Baptist Church).....25
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL
(Giving Friends).....160
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI.....423.67
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY
(Giving Friend).....55
Lock, George & Judy, Lakeland, FL
(Giving Friends).....1,210.00
Logan, Ronald & Judith, Lexington, KY
(Giving Friends).....1,200.00
Lumpkin, Ron & Mary, Palmyra, TN
(Giving Friends).....30
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH.....50
Maple, Grace, Niles, IL
(Giving Friend).....100
Matthews Memorial Church, Stevenson, AL.....50
Morris, Byron & Alma, Wichita, KS
(Giving Friends).....30
Mount Calvary Bap. Church, Charleston, WV..700
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normantown,
WV (Liberty Miss Baptist Church).....100
Mt. Pisgah Miss. Bap. Church, Grafton, OH..500
New Life Baptist Church, Lexington, KY.....585.5
Oak Grove Bap. Church, Normantown, WV...200
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL.....79.63
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL
(Conference Offering).....340
Proctor, Evelyn, Clermont, FL
(Giving Friend).....55

Redding, Warren & Barbara, Atlanta, GA
(Giving Friends).....200
Riverview Baptist Church, Apple Grove, WV..400
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church,
Piney Flats, TN.....250
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV..1,000.00
Rosemont Bap. Ch., Winston-Salem, NC...1,100.00
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC
(Giving Friend).....275
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL..175
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV
(Giving Friend).....50
Stalnaker, Judith, Normantown, WV
(Giving Friend).....300
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church,
Ironton, OH.....2,781.01
Texas Giving Friends.....700
Thompson Road Bap. Church, Lexington, KY..519
Turner, Richard & Lisa, Forest, VA
(Giving Friends).....150
Union Baptist Church, Russell Springs, KY.....50
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, KY.....10
Vaughan, James & Carol, Richmond, KY
(Giving Friends).....700
Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL.....50
Watkins, Bert & Louise, Richmond, KY
(Giving Friends).....60
Wood, Neree, Columbia, SC (Giving Friend)
(In Memory of Lynn McGary).....100
York, Wallace & Doris, Princeton, KY
(Giving Friends).....300
Total..... 43,606.91

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

Wannville Baptist Church, Stevenson, AL..250.00
Total..... 250.00

IN MEMORIAM

BratCher, Harold & Marie, Manaus, Brazil
In Memory Of Glenna Leach.....100
Bratcher, Harold & Marie, Manaus, Brazil
In Memory Of Lynn Hatcher McGary.....100
Carver, Louie & Mary, Gurnee, IL
In Memory Of Marvin Summers.....50
Turner, Lisa, Forest, VA
In Memory Of Richard A. Turner.....150
Total..... 400

BIBLES FOR INDIA (In Memory Of Louis Maple)

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH.....135
Crabtree, Nina, Wichita Falls, TX.....10
Morningstar Bap. Church, West Chester, OH...15
Ojibwe Baptist Church, Rosebush, MI.....40
Ojibwe Baptist Church, Rosebush, MI.....40

Reese, Patty Lou, Mt. Vernon, KY.....190
Total..... 430

H.H. OVERBY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church,
Ironton, OH.....100
Total..... 100

NATHAN RADFORD

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
Carrie Radford.....25
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH,
Support.....100
Anonymous, Salary.....300
Anonymous, As Needed.....1,145.00
Bakker, Jason & Julie, Chambersburg, PA, Salary..50
Bible Baptist Church, Belva, WV, Support.....50
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..42
Brook, Douglas & Sharon, Dayton, OH
Kenya Children Fund.....100
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV, Salary....60
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY
As Needed.....50
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV.
Special Offering.....150
Cullen, Tom & Laura, Letart, WV, Salary.....40
Danielson, Betty, Titusville, PA, Salary.....20
Elizabeth Bap. Ch., Bancroft, WV, Support...100
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV, Salary.....100
Faith Bap. Church, Wilmington, OH, Support...100
Floyd, Billy & Sharon, Letart, WV, Salary.....100
Floyd, Billy & Sharon, Letart, WV
Hospital Fund.....100
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Salary.75
Gibbs, Rolland & Constance, Letart, WV, Salary..50
God's Lighthouse Ch., Cross Lanes, WV, Salary..50
Goshen Baptist Church, Kentuck, WV, Salary..25
Grace Baptist Church, Lima, OH, Salary.....250
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinville,
TN, Salary.....50
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV
As Needed.....100
Harper, David, Concord, NC, Support.....25
Harris, Ruby, Charleston, WV, Salary.....10
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..65
Hernandez, Paul & Anne, Youngsville, PA
Salary.....100
Kibbey, Bart & Frances, Pittsfield, PA, Salary..150
Kincaid, John & Jane, Scott Depot, WV
Support.....50
Lauffenburger, Fred & Mary, Youngsville, PA
As Needed.....200

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Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Salary.....	10
Lewis, Lowell & Sue, Milton, WV, Salary.....	25
Loosenort, Kurt & Virginia, Grand Rapids, MI, Salary.....	100
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL, Expenses.....	30
May, Brian & Janet, New Haven, WV., Support..	75
Minturn, Timothy & Jody, Winfield, WV Prison Ministry.....	175
Mitchell, Matthew & Holly, Fort Wayne, IN Salary.....	100
Mitchell, Matthew & Holly, Fort Wayne, IN Hospital Fund.....	50
Nizio, James, Dearborn, MI, Salary.....	30
Nizio, Victoria, Dearborn, MI, Salary.....	10
N.S. Community Outreach Ministries Houston, TX, Support.....	70
N.S. Community Outreach Ministries, Houston, TX, Outside Prison Ministry.....	100
Parker, Steven, Burlington, IA, Salary.....	10
Phalen, Larry & Naomi, Concord, NC, Support..	25
Ripley Tabernacle Baptist Church, Ripley, WV Support.....	50
Rollins, David & Patricia, Liberty, WV, Salary..	50
Russell, Anthony & Amy, Fort Worth, TX Hospital Fund.....	50
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN As Needed.....	100
Sheriff, Richard & Laurie, Clarendon, PA Support.....	100
Smith, Doug & Anna, Hurricane, WV, Salary.....	30
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV, As Needed..	100
Stalnaker, Ron & Gina, Glenville, WV, Salary..	200
Stalnaker, Ron & Gina, Glenville, WV Hospital Fund.....	100
Teays Valley Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV Support.....	100
Victory Baptist Church, Cross Lanes, WV Support.....	200
Wade, James, Abingdon, VA, Salary.....	50
Winfield Bap. Church, Winfield, WV, Support..	145
Winfield Baptist Church, Winfield, WV Special Offering.....	100
Wright, Randy & Teresa, Hurricane, WV Support.....	138
Total.....	6,155.00
MIKE ANDERSON	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Support.....	100
Anonymous, As Needed.....	675
Ayers, David & Betty, Knoxville, TN, Support..	100
Bible Bapt. Church, Creedmore, NC, Support....	285
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	100
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY, Salary....	50
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV Special Offering.....	150
East Nitro United Baptist Church, Nitro, WV Support.....	25
Elizabeth Bap. Ch., Bancroft, WV, Support....	119
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV, Salary.....	100
Faith Bap. Church, Wilmington, OH, Support....	100
Faith Missionary Baptist Church, St. Albans, WV Support.....	100
Fellowship Bap. Ch., Vienna, WV, Support....	100
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary..	50
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Salary.	75
Goshen Baptist Church, Kentucky, WV, Salary..	50
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Surgoinsville, TN, Salary.....	50
Harris, Ruby, Charleston, WV, Salary.....	10
Harvesters Bible Class, Point Pleasant, W (Main st. Baptist), Salary.....	100
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	65
Hodge, Joseph & Frances, Rockledge, FL As Needed.....	25
Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA As Needed.....	25
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Salary.....	10
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL Expenses.....	40
Minturn, Timothy & Jody, Winfield, WV Medical Missions.....	125
Mount Cal. Bap. Ch., Charleston, WV, Salary..	100
Mt. Hope Bap. Ch., Chesapeake, OH, Salary....	60
Neidlinger, James & Ann, Nitro, WV, As Needed.	25
Pack, Joe, South Charleston, WV, Support.....	10
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Lawrenceville, GA, Support.....	25
Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Tornado, WV, Salary.....	50
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Riverside Baptist Church, Stanville, KY, Salary.	25
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN, Support.....	50
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN As Needed.....	50
Smith, Richard & Marcelyn, Ripley, WV Bible College.....	25
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV, As Needed.	100
Tyler, Ken & Jay, Greer, SC, Gift.....	25
Wade, James, Abingdon, VA, Personal.....	100
Winfield Bap. Ch., Winfield, WV, Support.....	135
Winfield Baptist Church, Winfield, WV Special Offering.....	100
Total.....	3,584.00

ODALI BARROS	
Addyston Bap. Ch., Addyston, OH, Support..	100
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Support.....	200
Baker, K& B, Salary.....	25
Battlecreek Independent Baptist Church, S. Pittsburg, TN, Salary.....	100
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	407
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Alpha & Omega.....	140
East Maine Baptist Church, Niles, IL Alpha & Omega.....	100
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS, Support..	180.6
Grant & Mary Ann Fox Charitable Fund Alpha & Omega.....	1,000.00
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	90
Midkiff, Geneva, Boonville, IN Alpha & Omega.....	60
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normatown, WV (Liberty MBC), Alpha & Omega.....	25
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN Alpha & Omega.....	100
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Wannaville Bap. Ch., Stevenson, AL, Support..	50
Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN Alpha & Omega.....	50
Total.....	2,727.60
HAROLD BRATCHER	
Addyston Bap. Ch., Addyston, OH, Support..	70
Ashland Av. Bap. Ch., Lexington, KY, Support..	75
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	100
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Poverty Relief.....	100
Calvary Bap. Ch., Uniontown, KY, Personal..	100
Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Poverty Relief.....	100
Edwards, Wilgus & Maria, Booneville, KY, Salary.	10
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS, Support....	100
Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church Oldtown, KY, Salary.....	100
Grace Bap. Church, Fairborn, OH, As Needed....	50
Grant & Mary Ann Fox Charitable Fun Brazil Mission Work.....	2,000.00
Hambrick, Mrs. Horace, Georgetown, KY Personal.....	300
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	65
Hillcrest Bap. Ch., Winston-Salem, NC, Salary..	100
Hilltop Miss. Bap. Ch., Beattyville, KY, Personal.	100
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Total.....	3,470.00
MIKE CREIGLOW	
Addyston Bap. Ch., Addyston, OH, New Work..	70
Bible Bap. Church, Clarksville, TN, Boat Gas..	50
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	200
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL Andrew Creiglow.....	142
Bible Bap. Church, Hendersonville, TN, Salary..	25
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Andrew Creiglow.....	100
Creiglow, Mr. & Mrs. Harold, Chandler, TX Andrew Creiglow.....	50
Elliott Bap. Ch., Elliott, MS, Food Pantry..	180.6
Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Leighton, AL Personal.....	200
Grace Bap. Church, Fairbom, OH, As Needed....	50
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	15
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL Andrew Creiglow.....	20
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI Andrew Creiglow.....	50
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Personal.....	300
Proctor, Evelyn, Clermont, FL, Support.....	55
Riverview Baptist Church, Apple Grove, WV As Needed.....	50
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL, Salary..	75
Total.....	1,657.60
HAROLD DRAPER	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH New Work.....	70
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.....	30
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Charleston, WV Support.....	50
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS Personal.....	180.6
Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY, Salary.....	100
Grace Bap. Church, Fairborn, OH, As Needed....	50
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV As Needed.....	1,100.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Support.....	15.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC Salary.....	100.00

Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA As Needed.....	25.00
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Belleville, MI Support.....	100.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV As Needed.....	300.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN As Needed.....	150.00
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL Support.....	125
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV As Needed.....	100
Victory Bap. Church, Wickliffe, KY, Support..	100
Total.....	3,065.60
JOHN A HATCHER	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Building.....	70
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL As Needed.....	200
Bible Bap. Church, Kingsport, TN, Support....	125
Emmanuel Miss. Bap. Ch., Oldtown, KY, Salary..	100
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary..	50
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY, Support....	30
Grace Bap. Church, Fairborn, OH, As Needed....	50
Grant & Mary Ann Fox Charitable Fund Brazil Mission Work.....	2,000.00
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	15
Jenkins, William & Sonora, Appling, GA As Needed.....	25
Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL, Salary....	15
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Spicer, Hubert & Emogene, South Bend, IN As Needed.....	600
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Ironton, OH, Marie.....	150
Wood, Neree, Columbia, SC, New Work.....	100
Total.....	3,555.00
PAUL HATCHER	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Seminary-Manaus.....	100
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL Seminary-Manaus.....	60
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	100
Bible Bap. Church, Hendersonville, TN, Salary..	25
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN Seminary-Manaus.....	20
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	15
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV Mission Team.....	100
Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL, Salary....	15
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Trinity-Northbrook Baptist Church, Cincinnati, OH, Seminary-Manaus.....	30
Total.....	490
JOHN M. HATCHER	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Support.....	70
East Keys Bap. Church, Springfield, IL, Salary..	25
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN Personal.....	585
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA, Salary..	50
Gerg, Galen & Tamara, Columbus, OH, Salary..	30
Grace Bap. Church, Fairborn, OH, As Needed....	50
Grant & Mary Ann Fox Charitable Fund Mission Work.....	2,000.00
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	20
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL, Personal..	20
Mount Cal. Bap. Ch., Charleston, WV, Salary..	100
Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL, Salary....	35
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Riverview Bap. Ch., Apple Grove, WV, As Needed.	50
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25.00
Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN, As Needed.	50
Total.....	3,185.00
A.J. HENSLEY	
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Support.....	181.67
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Support.....	100
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	50
Calvary Bap. Ch., Shreveport, LA, Support....	150
Edwards, Wilgus & Maria, Booneville, KY, Salary.	10
Elliott Bap. Church, Elliott, MS, Support....	180.6
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	90
Hilltop Missionary Bap. Church, Beattyville, KY Personal.....	100
Immanuel Bap. Church, Monticello, KY, School..	50
JBF Enterprises, Virginia Beach, VA Special Project.....	250
Joiner, Charles & Kandace, Bonaire, GA Vocation School.....	50
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal.....	25
Mt. Eden Bap. Ch., Hawesville, KY, School....	150
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Personal.....	300
Poe, Dane & Connie, Lexington, KY AJ's Mission.....	50
Riverview Baptist Church, Apple Grove, WV As Needed.....	50
Suburban Christian Church, Virginia Beach, VA Special Project.....	400

Thompson, Paul & Virginia, Winchester, KY Feed The Children.....	100
York, Hershael, Frankfurt, KY, New Work.....	100
Total.....	2,387.27
SHERIDAN STANTON	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH New Works.....	70
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Building Fund.....	70
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Support.....	130
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL As Needed.....	200
Durrum, Anthony & Linda, Winter Springs, FL As Needed.....	100
Elliott Bap. Church, Elliott, MS, Personal....	180.6
Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY, Salary.....	100
Gilreath, Brad & Kathy, Taylorsville, NC, Personal.....	75
Grace Bap. Church, Fairborn, OH, As Needed....	50
Grace Baptist Church, Oneco, FL Building Fund.....	200
Grace Missionary Bap. Church, Wyandotte, MI Mission Fund.....	125
Heritage Bap. Church, Lexington, KY, Support..	90
Kentucky Friend, Personal.....	50
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Belleville, MI Support.....	100
Old Mount Zion Church, Wayne City, IL Property.....	450
Restoration Church, Dickson, TN, As Needed....	100
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Piney Flats, TN, Support.....	50
Rye Patch Bap. Ch., Ludowici, GA, Personal....	200
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mims, FL, Salary....	75
Victory Baptist Church, New Salisbury, IN Support.....	25
Total.....	2,540.60
BOBBY WACASER	
Addyston Bap. Ch., Addyston, OH, Support..	70
Bell Shoals Bap. Ch., Brandon, FL, Support....	200
Bible Bap. Church, Harrisburg, IL, As Needed..	350
Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH, Salary.....	75
Fellowship Bap. Church, Brinson, GA, Salary..	50
Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA Salary.....	50
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Support.....	65
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV Salary.....	100
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Riverview Baptist Church, Apple Grove, WV As Needed.....	50
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Total.....	1,110.00
ROGER TATE	
Addyston Bap. Ch., Addyston, OH, Support....	70
Anonymous, Personal.....	100
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV, Salary....	60
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV Special Offering.....	150
Calvary Baptist Church, West Branch, MI Support.....	300
Covenant Bap. Church, Dayton, OH, Salary....	300
Emmanuel Bap. Ch., Bellbrook, OH, Support....	710
Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church, Oldtown, KY, Salary.....	100
Franklin St. Bap. Ch., Hamilton, OH, Support....	50
Gagnon, Larry & Joyce, Davison, MI, Salary....	25
Geister, Robert & Marian, Alger, MI, Personal..	25
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Normantown, WV As Needed.....	200
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Support.....	65
Kahut, Donald & Cynthia, Xenia, OH, Personal.....	100
Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV Salary.....	100
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normantown, WV, (LibertyMBC), Salary.....	25
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Rosedale Bap. Ch., Rosedale, WV, As Needed....	300
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN As Needed.....	100
Skidway Lake Baptist Church, Prescott, MI, Salary.....	50
Union Bap. Church, Englewood, OH, Salary....	100
Total.....	3,005.00
JUDSON HATCHER	
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Personal.....	200
Calvary Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV Special Offering.....	150
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY, Support..	50
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY, Support.....	15
Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL, Salary....	5
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC, Support.....	25
Total.....	445
Grand Total.....	82,164.58



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Please Pray For Us... Funds Needed For Prison Ministry...

Dear praying friends, March 4, 2009
We hope this month finds you all doing well in service for our Lord. The time has really passed quickly this year and we want to make the best use of the opportunity that the Lord gives us here to serve Him. This update will share current ministry updates as well as prayer requests.

I have greatly enjoyed my involvement with the pastors of the churches here in Kitale. The time I have been with them has shown me many of the struggles that they face here, even within their own culture. It has been a good learning experience and I have benefited from it greatly. I also have greatly enjoyed the Bible Institute that is held monthly. Roger Tate, myself and the pastors, have all been gleaned much from the Word of God. I thank the Lord for these times when we can really inspect the Word of God and its application to the ministry in Kenya. Proverbs 23:12 states, "Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge." Please pray for us all here, that the Lord would continue to instruct and teach us in His Word, in relation to the churches here in Kitale.

Attached is a recent photo of me during church visitation. I have been going out weekly with the pastor of Bethel Baptist Church. It has been so good to get to know the members better, pray for them, and share prayer requests. You can see some of the poverty from the building behind us. The building is made of mud walls as well as other materials. Kenya is considered third world and there is a great difference among other more developed countries. Psalm 103:2 says, "Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits." I have been challenged with this verse and need to remind myself often of the benefits of the Lord.



Nathan Radford with the pastor of Bethel Baptist Church.

In closing, there is a current ministry need. The Annex prison is expanding and receiving many more prisoners from other areas of Kenya. This will limit space for wards, etc., for the prisoners. There is a need of a building where we can have our ministry. I have discussed it with the chaplain who is in charge of this section of the prison, and he has been very cooperative, for which I am thankful. The uses would mainly be for the teaching and also a service for the inmates, Lord willing. There could also be further uses in the future as the Lord leads. We will need around 3,000 dollars for this project. We are hoping to have the project completed as soon as the Lord provides the money.

This would be a great blessing to the prisoners and you would certainly have a part in the ministry in Kitale Annex prison. If the Lord would burden you to be a part of this project, please either email me or send a donation to Baptist Faith Missions and write on the check "Annex Building Project." This way it would get to the correct designation. Hebrews 11:1 says, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." By faith we believe the Lord will provide for this, and many prisoners will be benefitted from this building. We truly appreciate your love and concern for us. We ask you to pray that the Lord would keep us healthy and safe as we serve Him here in Kitale. God bless each of you.

In Kenya, Nathan and Carrie Radford

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.

Please Consider Increasing Your Offerings

PRAY FOR YOUR MISSIONARIES...

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Michael and Beverly Creiglow
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Harold and Ursula Draper
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Judson and Raquel Hatcher

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A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO PASTOR MARVIN SUMMERS

by Pastor Doug Armstrong

PRESENT WITH THE LORD - "Absent from the body...present with the Lord..."

On February 16, 2009, a dear friend and fellow pastor passed from this life into heaven; Brother Marvin Summers is now present with the Lord. I have known Brother Summers since the late 1950s. He and I were both members of Bible Baptist Church of Clarksville, Tennessee. He has been a great blessing to me both in my personal life and my ministry. We were called to preach at about the same time. I was first to surrender to the call, and just a few weeks later Brother Summers surrendered. If I remember correctly, it was in the year 1961. Brother Marvin (as I knew him) was faithful to the call that the Lord gave him. In Bible Baptist Church he first worked closely as an assistant to our pastor, Brother Elton Wilson. While there, he performed various jobs that Brother Wilson assigned to him as the Lord was preparing him for his future ministry.

Then at the Lord's calling, Brother Summers became pastor of the Fairview Baptist Church of Dickson, Tennessee. The Lord used him greatly there. He was still maintaining his duties at Bible Baptist Church to help in the office and bookstore. After his ministry in Dickson and Bible Baptist, the Lord called Brother Marvin to the Newby Baptist Church in Kentucky. He again was used to be a blessing in this church. Finally, he received a call from the New Hope Baptist Church in Dearborn Heights, Michigan. He was the pastor of this church over thirty years. God blessed his ministry there at New Hope, and I have heard him say many times what a beloved people they were to him.

In 1982, while at New Hope, Brother Summers received an invitation to serve as a Director of BFM. He accepted and served faithfully until his death. He loved BFM and its missionaries. It was during this time that the Thanksgiving Conference was in a position of losing its sponsoring churches. Brother Marvin led New Hope Baptist Church to be the sponsoring church for the BFM Thanksgiving Conference and the church is still sponsoring the Conference at this time. It has been such a blessing to our missionaries.

Brother Summers leaves behind his wife Jeannette and his two sons, Mickey and Steven, and three grandchildren, Jordan, Cassie and Brantley, and two sisters and a brother. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, and a brother. He will be missed by a host of friends and fellow pastors. In his later years Brother Marvin suffered from a number of physical ailments, but he bore them cheerfully and bravely. I think we can say about him that, "...to be with Christ...is far better."

One of the verses quoted at his funeral aptly describes him: "And the king said unto his servants, Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day...?" (2 Sam. 3:38 AV). He will be missed, but I think that Brother Marvin would say to us: "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord" (2 Co. 5:8 AV).

A Memorial Service was conducted for Pastor Summers on February 19th in Waverly, Tennessee, by Pastors Terry Adkins and Bobby Greene. BFM Directors who were able to attend were Terry Adkins and his wife Judy, Bobby Greene and his wife Sandra, Doug Armstrong, Steve Wainright, and Dave Parks. Bob and Sue Jones also attended.

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best for her and for God's kingdom. The internet and a Vonage phone make her absence more bearable. My hat is off to those of you who went through this procedure in the day before these amenities.

I wanted to give an update on the "boy-genius," Guilherme. At the age of thirteen, he scored the highest grade in the country on his university entrance exams. He was interviewed on national television and will begin his studies later this month at the state university. As mentioned in previous letters, I am very concerned for Guilherme because of the strong evolutionary (anti-God) worldview taught in our universities. He is extremely intelligent, and we have taught him from the Word of God, but he will be circled by humanistic teaching for several hours per day. I have received numerous letters of interest and a few love offerings to help get Guilherme to visit a couple of strongly Bible-centered scientific research centers in the USA.

Guilherme has already professed Jesus Christ as his Savior and Lord. He has also shown a precocious ability to preach the Word of God. It is my prayer and aim to strengthen him to face the ungodly assaults he will certainly encounter in his academic studies. If you too, would like to help this thirteen year old warrior prepare for the battles that he will be facing, label your gift "Wacaser - Guilherme," and we will do our best to get him exposed to science taught from God's worldview.

In Christ's love, Bobby, Charlene and Breannen Wacaser