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PLEASE HELP US WITH AN IMMEDIATE URGENT NEED!

We stand in an IMMEDIATE, URGENT NEED of offerings for our GENERAL FUND! I know you have heard that before, but it was true before - and it is still true now.

I hope you will bear with me while I explain WHERE WE ARE, WHAT WE NEED, WHY WE NEED IT, and WHAT EACH OF US CAN DO TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS GREAT MISSION ENDEAVOR!

HOW OUR OFFERINGS WORK

WHAT THEY DO: First of all, you know that ALL OF THE COMMITMENTS WE MAKE TO OUR MISSIONARIES COME FROM OUR GENERAL FUND. We make the same equitable commitments to every one of our twelve missionary families. Those commitments include the standard disbursements we make to them each month [salary, standard housing and ministry expense allowances, hospitalization premiums, Mission Sheets printing and distribution for their monthly updates and reports], and also the other benefits we provide for them throughout the year when they are due or needed: [support services, furlough transportation, children's education assistance allowances, etc]. All of these disbursements come from your offerings to the General Fund.

The offerings you designate for their special projects and requests are not used for the standard commitments we have made to them. You have already 'pre-addressed' your designated offerings for those specific projects, and we forward them on to the missionaries per your designation.

WHERE GENERAL FUND MONIES COME FROM

Second, we have two sources for GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS. [1] We have the MONTHLY OFFERINGS YOU GIVE FOR THE GENERAL FUND. [2] We also use the annual THANKSGIVING OFFERING to make GENERAL FUND disbursements throughout the year.

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HOW THESE OFFERINGS ARE ALLOCATED

Now - let me explain again HOW WE DIVIDE THOSE GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS INTO TWO CATEGORIES OR 'TIERS' [as we call them]. We have 'TIER 1' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS and 'TIER 2' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS.

'TIER 1' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS[AND SUPPLIES]: We also call these 'TIER 1' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS by another name. We call them 'EMT' DISBURSEMENTS. In our common usage, 'EMT' stands for 'Emergency Medical Technician'. When you need life-saving or life-sustaining services, you call the 'EMT'. So, we call the most essential sustaining services we provide for our missionaries 'Essential Maintenance Transactions'. These are the monthly transactions that keep our missionaries going and provide for their essential needs to keep them functioning daily on their fields of service.

These TIER 1 [EMT] disbursements are: [1] salaries: currently \$20,426.00 per month; [2] standard housing and ministry expenses allowances: currently \$10,950.00 per month; [3] hospitalization premiums: currently \$9,944.12 per month; [4] Mission Sheets printing and distribution: currently \$1,622.50 per month. These are the monthly standard disbursements we make to our missionaries FROM THE GENERAL FUND each month just to maintain them and keep them functioning.

MONTHLY GENERAL FUND SOLVENCY

You have frequently heard us appeal for funds to make our MONTHLY GENERAL FUND SOLVENT. Here's what we mean by that, and how that works: the current monthly total for the above EMT disbursements is \$42,942.62. These TIER 1 [EMT] disbursements must be supplied from our monthly GENERAL FUND offerings. This is what we mean by 'MONTHLY GENERAL FUND SOLVENCY'.

PLEASE NOTE: If our monthly GENERAL FUND offerings don't meet these needs, then we have no other option but to PROPORTIONATELY DEDUCT A PORTION FROM EACH MISSIONARY'S MONTHLY DEPOSIT TO MAKE THESE TIER ONE [EMT] DISBURSEMENTS BALANCE WITH THAT MONTH'S GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS.

Here's the exception to that rule: If some month's GENERAL FUND offerings EXCEED that month's 'EMT' disbursements, then we carry over that excess, and it will supply that much deficit we may incur in another month. Our missionaries will receive the benefit of ALL MONTHLY GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS, either in the month they are given, or in another month when they are needed to make up that month's deficit.

'TIER 2' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS[AND SUPPLIES]: Now, the other GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS which are not included in the TIER 1 [EMT] are called 'TIER 2' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS. We give them also another name. We call them 'PRN' DISBURSEMENTS. 'PRN' is another medical term which means 'AS NEEDED'. We make these 'PRN' GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS as they are needed throughout the year.

For example: Furlough transportation expenses, children's education assistance

allowances, providing and maintaining a furlough house in Lexington, subsidizing 60% of their personal hospitalization deductible, and all the other support services we provide to take care of their needs.

FOUR-YEAR AUTO ALLOWANCES

I should also note here that their four-year \$8,000.00 Auto Allowance is another TIER 2 [PRN] DISBURSEMENT when we have sufficient funds to give it. Most of the time, we do not have sufficient funds, so we can't honor that commitment.

THESE 'TIER 2' [PRN] GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS COME FROM THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING. When we have a generous Thanksgiving Offering, we can supply these commitments. If our THANKSGIVING OFFERING does not supply those commitments over the course of the year, then we won't have the funds to make those disbursements.

WHERE WE ARE

Now, that brings us to WHERE WE ARE right now. We have just completed the first quarter of 2011. We have already made some significant disbursements from the Thanksgiving Offering we have given. We have given \$60,000.00 toward our 2010-11 Thanksgiving Offering. [Just by way of immediate comparison, we gave \$92,000.00 for our 2009-10 Thanksgiving Offering. This year's offering is obviously 35% less than last year's.]

So far this year, we have already disbursed \$9,500.00 toward furlough transportation expenses, and we will disburse more before 2011 is over. We have disbursed \$4,000.00 toward our missionaries' children's education assistance allowances. We have disbursed already \$2,400.00 toward hospitalization personal deductible reimbursements. Those items alone already total \$16,000.00, and there have also been additional monthly 'PRN' GENERAL FUND disbursements we have made from the current Thanksgiving Offering. **AT THE CURRENT RATE OF DISBURSEMENT, THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING 'TIER 2' SUPPLIES WILL NOT CARRY US THROUGH THE REST OF THE YEAR.** In fact, to be precise, we have already disbursed \$25,600.00 of that \$60,000.00 Thanksgiving Offering during this first quarter of 2011. [Last year, our total TIER 2 General Fund disbursements was \$87,962.34.]

WHAT WE NEED: [1] We need an IMMEDIATE, URGENT offering from each one of us to AT LEAST replenish these funds we have already disbursed. We need AT LEAST that much to help us make the remaining funds last through the next three quarters of the year. And - WE WILL NEED ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS TO SUPPLY THE REMAINING 'TIER 2' DISBURSEMENTS UNTIL THE NEXT THANKSGIVING OFFERING. [2] We need an IMMEDIATE, URGENT increase in our MONTHLY

GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS. Our missionaries' TIER 1 [ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE TRANSACTIONS] require consistently-increased MONTHLY GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS to balance these standard monthly disbursements SO WE WON'T HAVE TO MAKE THOSE DEDUCTIONS FROM THEIR MONTHLY DEPOSITS!

WHAT EACH OF US CAN DO

I must thank each one of our Giving Friends for the offerings you have given and are giving. YOUR GIVING TO THE CURRENT THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS - AND YOUR MONTHLY OFFERINGS TO THE GENERAL FUND IS WHAT KEEPS US GOING AND SUPPLIES OUR MISSIONARIES' MINISTRY NEEDS. We can't thank each of you enough. We lay out your offerings each month before God and thank Him for each of you.

But, here's what EACH ONE OF US CAN DO IMMEDIATELY! Will you make a commitment right now that beginning this month, YOU WILL GIVE AN ADDITIONAL \$10 OFFERING TO THE GENERAL FUND? I know that many of you are already giving very generously and sacrificially. We bless God for you. Will you make a personal \$10 increase in your offerings?

IF YOU ARE NOT GIVING A MONTHLY PERSONAL OFFERING TO OUR GENERAL FUND, WILL YOU BEGIN WITH A COMMITMENT OF A MONTHLY \$10 PERSONAL OFFERING TO THE GENERAL FUND?

[1] If your church is sending offerings to the BFM GENERAL FUND, you can give it through your church's offering and ask your church's treasurer to add it to the existing offering.

[2] You can send it directly to our BFM Treasurer: Pastor George Sledd | PO Box 471280 | Lake Monroe FL 32747-1280. [3] You can go to our website www.baptistfaithmissions.org and contribute via check.

You will not find more faithful, productive, and effective missionaries than these twelve missionary families whose financial support are administered through Baptist Faith Missions. EACH OF OUR MISSIONARIES SERVES BY THE AUTHORITY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SENDING CHURCHES - and they are establishing Baptist churches among the nations of the world.

- GIVE in obedience to Jesus Christ to 'GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE'.

- GIVE to supply our missionaries' ministry needs.

- GIVE to increase many more thanks to be given to God.

- GIVE for the salvation of many more.

- GIVE because you love Jesus Christ.

- GIVE TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

1 Samuel 25:17 Now, therefore, KNOW and CONSIDER WHAT YOU WILL DO...

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2010-11 THANKSGIVING OFFERING - GOAL: \$100,000.00

2010-11 THANKSGIVING OFFERING GOAL: \$100,000.00 As of the end of March, we have given \$59,727.82 to the current THANKSGIVING OFFERING. Last year, we gave \$92,264.30. I have averaged the Thanksgiving Offerings from the last ten years, and the average

offering is \$73,000.00. Please read the accompanying article and ask the Lord what you can do - and should do - to help us with the present needs to increase all General Fund offerings supplies. THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING IS ALWAYS OPEN!

Building Going Up Quickly ... Evangelistic Outreach Group Of 97 ...



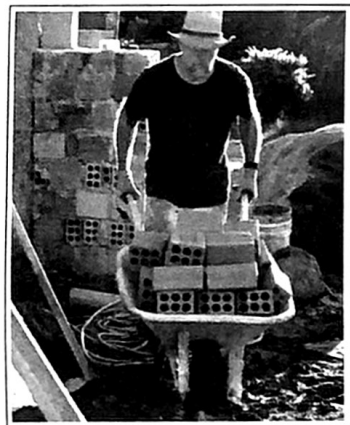
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Dear Friends, April 11, 2011

Again I have come running in from the construction site to write to you about the progress of the work. Many of our neighbors have commented on how amazed they are with the speed at which the new building is going up. Our bricklayers told us this past week that they have never laid so many bricks in one week. In this part of Brazil, large red brick is used in the place of concrete blocks in the most construction projects. The brick is later plastered with a cement based coat and smoothed for painting. All of our ministry team has volunteered many hours to mix the cement for laying the brick and has poured the columns and beams. It is heavy work, but they have been real troopers, not only doing great work, but doing it with great attitudes.

Our meetings are being held within the bare walls and with no roof. We still have to raise the exterior walls another ten feet in order to build our trusses and then place our roof. The folks attending don't seem to mind walking on packed dirt floors and sitting on plastic stools and our times of praise and study of God's word are sweet.

Last night, one man who attends regularly told me that I was stepping on his toes in my message. I wasn't aware of any specific area in his life which I should target, but it is evident that the Lord knows what



he needs to hear and applied the message appropriately. I am praying that he will surrender his life completely to Christ to be saved shortly. He, his wife and their daughter have attended nearly all our meetings since the beginning of the work back in January. Pray that they will all come to Christ as His word is preached and lived before them by us.

The week after Easter we will be coordinating the evangelistic outreach of a group of ninety-seven people made up of a youth group from Brandon, Florida, their leaders, twelve translators and forty-five missionaries from our Project Life ministry. We will be working in two small towns an hour and a half's drive from our home. We all will be staying at a camp for a week, going out each day to public schools and parks to share the gospel through drama skits, testimonies, music and preaching. These two towns have recently suffered some major devastation from mudslides and flooding. Our prayer is that these disasters may be used of the Lord to impress upon the lost in these towns how much they need Christ as Savior and Lord. Please pray that God will honor Himself and bless the efforts to reach these folks with the Gospel. We also hope to see many of the volunteer youth discovering God's call upon them to use their lives for ministry from having participated in this week of service.

Thank you for your loving prayers and support. May you too be blessed in your sphere of service to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

In Jesus' love,

Bobby, Charlene and Brennen Wacaser



Brother Creiglow's Report ...



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Dear Brethren, April 6, 2011

For the past several weeks, Pastor David Parks and Thompson Road Baptist Church have been very busy getting ready for the annual Spring Conference, that is held in interest of Baptist Faith Missions. Of course, by the time you read this, it will already be history. Nevertheless, we hope that by the time you do read this we will

have had the privilege to fellowship with you during the conference. With the preparations that are being made, we believe it will be the best ever.

As many of you know, I became very sick and in the hospital for six days with a kidney stone that caused an infection that got into my blood stream. The stone was removed and the infection treated. I was sent home only to have to return to the ER two days later for more treatment. I am home now and well on the road to recovery, but the doctor told me that it may take a month to get my strength back. During my illness many of you were praying for me and I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you. The Lord was very good to me because of your praying. During all of this, the Lord gave me the opportunity to witness to a couple of people, that I may not have had, had I not been sick and in the hospital.

In His Name, Bobby D. Creiglow

Thanks To All For Well Wishes ... Traveling And Sharing The Ministry ...



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Dear praying friends, April 7, 2011

Another month has come and passed, and we are now into the month of April. Time goes so quickly, and may we ever be mindful of our opportunities to serve the Lord. One quote that has always challenged me says: "Only one life will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last." May we be committed to serving the Lord and using our time to bring Him glory with our lives. This update will share current prayer requests, as well as other items.

Thanks so much to each one who has sent cards, gifts, finances, or supplies to help with having Camille, our second daughter. We appreciate so much each one who has reached out to us. Having two children is a special privilege and responsibility we have as parents. Please pray that we would be the example that we need to be before our children. A quote I read recently on parenting that I thought was good said it this way: "The best inheritance a parent can leave is a Godly example." What a tremendous statement. What kind of example are we setting for our children? Are we the Godly parents that we need to be before our children who watch us each day? What a sobering thought. Proverbs 22:6 says: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." May this truly be our desire as parents to teach and train our children in the ways of the Lord. Please pray for Camille and her health at this time, as it is easy to get sick, and also for McKenna,

as she is learning and adjusting to her new role as the big sister. We appreciate so much your prayers for our family.

This past month was busy with traveling and sharing the ministry in Kenya with churches, and I still have availability to come through July to early August of this year, Lord willing. If anyone would be interested in contacting me in regards to coming, I can be reached at: 814-688-4703 or through email at naterad@yahoo.com. Thanks again to each one who has shown interest in the work in Kenya, come out personally to visit, prays for us and the work there, or sacrificially financially supports the work. You are a big part of the work in Kenya and we could not do it without your help. You all are such a blessing to us and thanks for being "missions minded."

Please pray for the ministries in our absence, for the hospital ministry, the prison ministry, and the church planting ministry in Rafiki. We covet your prayers for these ministries, and also for the nationals who are continuing the ministries in our absence. Please also pray that the people would trust the Lord exclusively for their needs, and not anyone else. Psalms 118:8-9 states "It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes." What tremendous verses these are for all of us, to put our trust in the Lord and watch Him provide for the needs of our lives. We can trust in the promises of the Lord day by day and what a blessing and comfort this is.

I will leave you with this thought: "God's promises have no expiration date." So many things in our lives expire - food, car insurance, driver's license, etc., but what a comfort to know that God's promises do not expire and we can trust Him and His promises each day of our lives. May the Lord bless you as you serve in the United States and we serve in Kenya.

Until next month, Nathan, Carrie, McKenna, and Camille Radford

Hope Conference Went Well ... Celebrate Birthday And Anniversary ...



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Dear Brothers and Sisters, April 11, 2011

Though it will be history by the time you read this, we are praying today for you to have a good conference in Lexington. We are very interested in the welfare of the churches and believers in the United States, especially those with which we are acquainted. We thank God for your support and we pray that the Lord will open doors around you for the progress of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Today is Judy's birthday. Last month, we completed thirty-eight years of marriage. Judy is truly God's gift to me and I cannot thank the Lord enough for giving her to me. He certainly knew what I needed. Not only is Judy a wonderful companion to me, she is also a committed, tireless and wise fellow laborer in the work of the Lord.

One of the outstanding blessings of the past month is that most of the adult believers have decided to read their Bibles daily for fifteen minutes. This will enable

them to completely read through the Bible in less than a year. They are expressing the joy they are receiving from this time in the Word of the Lord and telling of the things they have learned. My mother and father strongly encouraged us to read through the Bible regularly and helped me establish this practice in my life. It has been passed on to our children and many others. If you haven't read through your Bible recently, why not start today?

The Lord has given many opportunities to witness to folks who really show an interest this past month. The believers are showing signs of spiritual growth and some who attend, but have not made professions of faith, indicate a concern for spiritual things.

Saturday, a week ago, we had another youth meeting. We read and discussed the parable of the rich fool recorded in Luke chapter twelve and the request of the brother that led to Jesus telling the parable. We had more questions and discussion than we had time for. Afterward, they wanted to sing and we did that for quite some time. Finally, a mother of a couple of the boys said, "I have got to get their friends home or their mothers will wonder what happened to them." The teenagers who come to services from time to time brought a number of friends. We are delighted at the way God is at work in these young people.

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

Witnessing for Christ in France,
John and Judy Hatcher

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Longest Mission Trip Ever ... Coming Home For Short Furlough ...



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Dear Brethren, April 11, 2011
Hudson, Eliesio and I just returned from our longest mission trip ever. It wasn't our longest in time (sixteen days), but beat all records in distance. We traveled over 3,000 miles going to and returning from the mouth of the Jurua River.

Before I tell you a little about this trip, here is some background. In 2006 and 2007 we preached the gospel in every house on twenty-two rivers and streams up stream from Cruzeiro do Sul. In 2009 we turned our sights toward the lower Jurua. The first step was to gather as much info on the section of river between Cruzeiro do Sul and Eirunepe.

Since then our guys have preached house to house on all two hundred and sixty



miles of river. They also established four permanent works. We also were able to get the churches at Ipixuna and Eirunepe to participate in the mission effort.

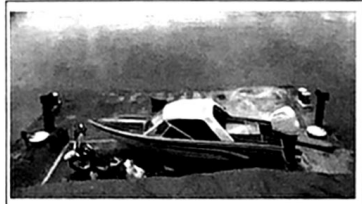
This last trip to the mouth of the Jurua River was to gather data for the next phase. I put my boat on a barge and the three of us went along to save on the gas cost. It took us ten days to reach the mouth where the river flows into the Amazon. That was over 1,500 miles downstream from Cruzeiro do Sul.

During the trip I was able to repair the engine of the tug boat that was pushing us along, help transfer cargo to another barge and help with some of the regular duties on board. We had great opportunities to witness to the crew members.

Once we finally reached the mouth the next stop was seen miles down the Amazon to a village called Itamamnicoa,

where we unloaded my boat and got ready for the long trip back up stream. We left the same day and it took us six days to make it back to Cruzeiro do Sul.

It had been right at fifty years since I saw the mouth of the Jurua River for the first time. I was just thirteen years old at the time and was on a paddle wheel steamboat. Our family had left Manaus on the fifty day adventure that finally took us to Cruzeiro for the very first time. Although the river is 2,000 feet wide, it seemed then and now to be no more than a small creek compared to the Amazon River. Seeing it and being there again was an emotional experience. Back then it was just adventure, but now it is a missions adventure!



On our way back up river we gathered info on the number of houses, villages and towns along the whole section as far as Eirunepe. There are not nearly as many people on this section of river as there are up stream. However, we counted 1,085 houses, eighty-five villages with ten or more households and three cities. All three towns have Baptist churches, but none of them are doing any mission work along the river. We have good contacts with the leadership of these churches now and they have shown interest in helping out in our effort to get the gospel to every person on the whole length of the river. The culture and lifestyle of the folks on the lower Jurua is quite different from our stretch. The poverty is much worse and fishing is all the talk. There is little or no agriculture or ranching.

I piloted my boat the whole distance back home. It seems almost unreal to think that I have now driven my boat all the way from the mouth of the river to the last indian village on the Peruvian side: 2,100 miles! Well I needed to give you this general report, but I sure wish there was time and space to share some of our great experiences from this trip.

In three weeks Bev and I will be leaving Brazil for our short furlough. Hope to see you then.

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

In Christ, Mike Creiglow

Pastor Recovering Well ... Celebrate 40th Wedding Anniversary ...

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Dear friends, April 10, 2011

Let me update you on the progress of our pastors' health. Pastor Nildo is recovering well from the heart attacks. Exams revealed that he has a congenital problem in which the veins around the heart are very, very small. With medication, his blood pressure has been reduced to around 100 over 50, which has made him very sluggish. Pastor Michael is recovering from back surgery; he is doing physical therapy, has been able to be up and around some, and is encouraged by his progress.

March 13th, we celebrated our fortieth wedding anniversary. Our church couples did a nice party for us. Last September we

also completed thirty-six years as missionaries with BFM in Brazil. We continue to be excited with the opportunity that the Lord has given us to reach people with the gospel and start churches. We are grateful for your lifting us up before the Lord and for your support all these years.

We are, at this moment, in Lexington for the mission conference and looking forward to seeing friends and sharing what God is doing with us in Brazil. We are staying with Jud and Raquel at the mission house in Lexington and enjoying our three grandchildren. Wanda's mom is with us and planning to go back home with us for a couple of months at the end of April.

May God bless you richly. We send you our love and thanks.

Paul and Wanda Hatcher

Expecting Fourth Child ... Church Planting In America ...



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Hello my friends! April 10, 2011

We have some great family news, a personal missions challenge and an awesome encouragement to share regarding what we have seen in the States. I sure love Jesus, don't you? Read on!

Pregnant with 4th Child: This week we discovered we are expecting our fourth child. It was interesting to see our children's response when we announced the big news to them. Sarah (six) was upset, she expected the "surprise" to be an actual present she could unwrap and play with. Laura (4-1/2) was happy with eyes full of glee as she smiled and suggested we call the baby "Emily." (It is too soon to know if we have a boy or a girl. But, we told her it was a good suggestion). Benjamin (three) excitedly grinned, yet slightly confused, since he could not "see" the baby. Children are a blessing from God and we are ecstatic to receive God's special gift to us. Pray for Raquel and our baby during the prenatal.

Spokesperson for the "Navy Seals of World Missions": Since August of last year we have visited so many churches, seen good friends and met several new ones. It is truly a delight for us to connect with great folks. I also enjoy meeting with pastors who have not heard or are yet familiar with Baptist Faith Missions. Most people do not know that BFM's financial effectiveness in missions is unsurpassed. As I've had the chance to converse with missionaries linked with other organizations I am made fully aware of the great blessing we have through Baptist Faith Missions. I encourage you to continue giving faithfully to the General Fund. Speaking of which, I have a special request.

Can you think of a church/pastor that has not heard of BFM and the missionaries it serves? Now, ask the Lord to give you an opportunity to excitedly share about Baptist Faith Missions. Tell them why they should participate in missions giving, praying, attending the missions conferences and going on mission trips through BFM Mission Adventures. I know it sounds like I am asking you to give a "sales pitch." Yet, it is not about a "sales pitch!" It is about the Gospel being spread, people being reached and churches being planted. In actuality, I'd like you to be an enthusiastic spokesperson. Baptist Faith Missions is one of the most effective local church partnerships existent in world missions today. Dollar for dollar, there is none like it. The integrity and organization of the board of directors is amazing. The passion and ministry results of the missionaries is astounding. BFM missionaries are known as the "Navy Seals of World Missions." For these and many other reasons a grassroots missions mobilization is underway and you should join. Here is your missions challenge: to be a Missions Spokesperson for BFM missionaries. Post on your Facebook or Twitter why you pray and support BFM. Invite a friend for dinner and tell them all about it. At your child or grandchild's basketball game share this opportunity with those around you. Let all fifty states (and beyond) know about the efficacy of Baptist Faith Missions, tell them why and how every Christian should become personally involved.

Church Planting in America: We have journeyed as far North as Flint, Michigan, westward to Kirksville, Missouri, eastbound to Virginia Beach, Virginia, and reached down to Gotha/Orlando, Florida. Throughout our travels we are encouraged by the many new churches and church plants in America. Christ's message flourishes in the hearts of new believers through local churches passionate about Evangelism and Discipleship. What a joy this has been to our hearts! We are encouraged! Thanks for all you do!

Grateful always,

Judson, Raquel, Sarah, Laura and Benjamin

PERSONAL NOTE OF APPEAL

From Giving Friends Who Wish To Remain Anonymous

To All Churches and BFM Contributors:

The Lord has laid this burden on our heart. We appreciate all the support the churches and individuals do for the missions. But we are asking each church and individual to go \$1.00 farther—that is—on a weekly basis add this \$1.00 more to your mission contribution. If a church with fifty members would do this, it would mean \$200.00 more per month and \$2,400.00 more per year.

Imagine what this would mean to the General Fund if sixty, seventy, eighty or one hundred members added the extra \$1.00 each week: **OUR GENERAL FUND COULD GROW BY \$120,000!**

Please pray and try to meet this goal over what you now contribute. If we each sacrifice something small, then God can do something mighty.

\$50,000.00 MONTHLY GENERAL FUND GOAL

Please continue to concentrate your giving to the General Fund which supplies the monthly commitments we have made to our missionaries. Without sufficient General Fund offerings, the base support for our missionaries' essential needs is deficient.

PRAY FOR YOUR BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS

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2010-11 THANKSGIVING OFFERING GOAL: \$100,000.00

Please give as generously as you can to help us reach our goal of \$100,000.00 for our 2010-11 THANKSGIVING OFFERING. We recognize that many of you are still giving or sending your Thanksgiving Offerings. We thank you each one for remembering our missionaries' on-going needs.

Baptist Faith Missions MAR. 2011 OFFERINGS	
GENERAL FUND	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH...	100
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL.....	100
Aldridge, Randy & Melody, Morton, IL (Giving Friends).....	80
Baker, David & Leota, Simpsonville, SC (Giving Friends).....	35
Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY (Giving Friends).....	150
Beech Grove Baptist Church Crab Orchard, KY.....	30
Beech Grove Baptist Church Lancaster, KY.....	948.49
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, NC.....	425
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY.....	400
Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV (Giving Friend).....	1,000.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN.....	475
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL.....	808
Bible Baptist Church, Portage, IN.....	150
Bluegrass Baptist Church, Lexington, KY.....	25
Bohon Road Baptist Church Harrodsburg, KY.....	350
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV.....	100
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY.....	1,550.55
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, KY.....	317.40
Carver, Louie & Mary, Simpsonville, SC (Giving Friends).....	25.00
Casada, Mark & Sheryl, Manhattan, KS (Giving Friends).....	50.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church Cedarville, WV.....	100.00
Charity Baptist Church, Frametown, WV.....	450.00
N.S. Community Outreach Ministries of Texas Houston, TX.....	100.00
Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church McDermott, OH.....	65.50
Crooked Fork Baptist Church Gassaway, WV.....	70.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL.....	540.00
Elgin Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL.....	510.68
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN.....	255
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Irvine, KY.....	200.00
Faith Baptist Church, Kirksville, MO.....	504
Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY.....	500
Faith Missionary Baptist Church Leighton, AL.....	200
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY.....	45
First Baptist Church, Science Hill, KY.....	75
Giving Friends.....	1,920.00
Goldfloss Baptist Church Winston-Salem, NC.....	25
Goodsprings Baptist Church Rogersville, AL.....	572.03
Grace Baptist Church, Beattyville, KY.....	50
Grace Bible Mission, Crystal Springs, MS.....	110
Grimes, Melvin & Margaret, Evans, WV.....	100
Hardman Fork Baptist Church Normantown, WV.....	1,800.00
Hatcher, John & Alta, Urai, Brazil (Giving Friends).....	30.00
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY.....	1,060.00
Hunter, Ada, Coffeen, IL. (Giving Friend).....	40.00
Immanuel Baptist Church Riverview, MI.....	500.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church Tuscumbia, AL.....	70.00

Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL.....	60.00
Keen, Victor & Leanore, Chester, NJ (Giving Friends).....	400.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI.....	395.76
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY (Giving Friend).....	35
Liberty Missionary Baptist Church Mt. Zion, WV.....	100
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH.....	50.00
Mathis, Vernon & Lois, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends).....	100
Matthews Memorial Church, Stevenson, AL.....	50
Morris, Byron & Alma, Wichita, KS (Giving Friends).....	100
Mount Calvary Baptist Church Charleston, WV.....	700
Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church Grafton, OH.....	500
Oak Grove Baptist Church Normantown, WV.....	200
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, FL.....	788.08
Redding, Warren & Barbara, Atlanta, GA (Giving Friends).....	200
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV.....	1,600.00
Sheriff, Richard & Laurie, Clarendon, PA (Giving Friends).....	100
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC (Giving Friend).....	250
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, FL.....	90
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV (Giving Friend).....	100
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church Ironton, OH.....	2,924.84
Texas Giving Friends.....	2,000.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church Lexington, KY.....	570
Thompson Road Baptist Church Lexington, KY.....	652.74
Union Baptist Church, Russell Springs, KY.....	50
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, KY.....	10
Virginia Giving Friend.....	410
Watkins, Bert & Louise, Richmond, KY.....	60
Wood, Neree, Columbia, S (Giving Friend).....	50
York, Doris, Princeton, KY (Giving Friend).....	225
Total.....	29,783.07
THANKSGIVING OFFERING	
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN.....	9
Total.....	9
IN MEMORIAM	
Myers,, Pastor & Mrs. Don, Hurricane, WV In Memory of Marie Bratcher.....	25
Orrick, Jim & Irene, Ironton, OH In Memory of Adam Kuehne.....	25
Overbey, Dale & Doris, Van Buren, AR In Memory of H.H. & Grace Overbey.....	250
Total.....	300
BIBLES FOR INDIA (LOUIS MAPLE FUND)	
Barnett, Clarence & Oletta, Flat Rock, MI.....	25
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, KY.....	40
Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY.....	25
Kreger, Mike & Kathy, Pleasant View, TX.....	50
Ojibwe Baptist Church, Rosebush, MI.....	120
Potluri, Mr. & Mrs. Kildare, Ireland.....	140
Reese, Patty Lou, Mt. Vernon, KY.....	80
Warren Missionary Baptist Church Warren, MI.....	65
Weitz, Michael & Linda, Cincinnati, OH.....	30
Total.....	575
CAR FUND	
Branson, Daniel and Patricia, Allen, KY.....	20
Total.....	20

H.H.OVERBEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND	
Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church Ironton, OH.....	100
Total.....	100
NATHAN RADFORD	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Support.....	100
Anonymous., As Needed.....	100
Anonymous., Salary.....	200
Bakker, Jason, Chambersburg, PA, Salary.....	50
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV Support.....	60
Bible Baptist Church, Belva, WV, Support.....	100
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL As Needed.....	55
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY, Personal.....	50
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY As Needed.....	50
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY, Salary.....	50
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC As Needed.....	77.27
Cullen, Tom & Laura, Letart, WV, Salary.....	50
Danielson, Betty, Titusville, PA, Salary.....	20
Danielson, Rodney & Anne, Piano, TX Support.....	75
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, WV Support.....	100
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV, Support.....	100
Faith Baptist Church, Wilmington, OH Support.....	100
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV, Salary.....	75
Grace Baptist Church, Lima, OH Salary.....	250
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Rogersville, TN Salary.....	50
Hanbrick, Patricia, Belva, WV, Support.....	308
Harper, David, Concord, NC, Support.....	25
Harrah, Tryone & Loretta, Poca, WV, Salary.....	50
Harrell, Kent, Winston-Salem, NC Support.....	25
Hernandez, Paul & Anne, Youngsville, PA Salary.....	100
Kibby, Bart & Frances, Pittsfield, PA, Salary.....	150
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV, Salary.....	10
Lewis, Lowell & Sue, Milton, WV Support.....	35
Lloyd, Billy & Sharon, Letart, WV Salary.....	100
Lloyd, Billy & Sharon, Letart, WV Hospital Fund.....	100
Matheny, Charles & Betty, New Port Richey, FL Expenses.....	40
Minturn, Timothy & Jody, Winfield, WV Prison Ministry.....	175
Mitchell, Matthew & Holly, Ossian, IN Support.....	150
Nizio, James & Victoria, Dearborn, MI, Salary.....	30
Parker, Steven, Burlington, IA, Salary.....	10
Ripley Tabernacle Baptist Church, Ripley, WV Support.....	50
Riverside Baptist Church, Stanville, KY Support.....	25
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN Salary.....	100
Smith, Doug & Anna, Hurricane, WV, Salary.....	30
Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV As Needed.....	100
Standale Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, MI Support.....	600
Stoia, Michelle & Marcel, Leroy, WV Support.....	200

Teays Valley Baptist Church, Hurricane, WV Support.....	100
Wade, James, Abingdon, VA, Salary.....	50
Wells, James and Jill, Nitro, WV Where Needed.....	25
Wright, Randy and Teresa, Hurricane, WV Support.....	138
Total.....	4,438.27
ODALI BARROS	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Support.....	100
Adams, W.H. & Arbia, Lexington, KY As Needed.....	50
Atlantic Shores Baptist Church Virginia Beach, VA, Support.....	200
Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY Salary.....	25
Battlecreek Independent Baptist Church S.Pittsburg, TN, Salary.....	100
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL As Needed.....	205
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Alpha & Omega.....	140
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC As Needed.....	77.27
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS Salary.....	193.98
Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Alpha & Omega.....	15
Liberty Missionary Baptist Church Mt. Zion, WV, Alpha & Omega.....	25
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY As Needed.....	75
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN Alpha & Omega.....	100
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Alpha & Omega.....	10
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Alpha & Omega.....	90
Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN Alpha & Omega.....	50
Total.....	1,456.25
HAROLD BRATCHER	
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH Support.....	100
Alexander, Denzel & Weda, Melbourne, FL Love Offering.....	100
Anonymous., Personal.....	500
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY Support.....	150
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL As Needed.....	100
Bratcher, Debra, Mesquite, TX, Personal.....	50
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Poverty Relief.....	100
Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY Poverty Relief.....	100
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC As Needed.....	77.28
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS Salary.....	100
Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church Oldtown, KY, Salary.....	100
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY Support.....	30
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH As Needed.....	50
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC Salary.....	100
Hilltop Missionary Baptist Church Beattyville, KY, Personal.....	100
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Langford, Timothy, Hickman, KY, Personal.....100
 Porter, Bob & Ina, Columbia, SC
 Personal.....100
Total.....1,957.28

MIKE CREIGLOW

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 New Work.....100
 Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN
 Gas.....55
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 Andrew Creiglow.....155
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....200
 Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY
 Andrew Creiglow.....100
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.28
 Elizabeth Baptist Church, Charleston, WV
 Support.....50
 Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS
 Food Pantry.....193.98
 Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Leighton, AL
 Outreach Expense.....325
 Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH
 As Needed.....50
 Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI
 Andrew Creiglow.....31.73
 Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY
 Personal.....300
 Proctor, Evelyn, Clermont, FL, Support.....50
 Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN
 Salary.....50
Total.....1,737.99

JOHN A. HATCHER

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Building.....100
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....100
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.28
 East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL
 Salary.....25
 Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church
 Oldtown, KY, Salary.....100
 Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA
 Salary.....50
 Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH
 As Needed.....50
 Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL
 Salary.....20
 Spicer, Hubert, South Bend, IN
 As Needed.....300
 Storms Creek Missionary Baptist Church
 Ironton, OH, Marie.....150
 Wood, Neree, Columbia, SC, As Needed.....150
Total.....1,122.28

PAUL HATCHER

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Seminary-Manaus.....100
 Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, FL
 Seminary-Manaus.....60
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....100
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 Seminary-Manaus.....77.27
 Guthrie, Larry, Athens, GA
 Michael Samples.....100
 Life Church Of Athens, Athens, GA
 Michael Samples.....250

Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV
 Mission Team.....100
 Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL
 Salary.....10
 Trinity-Northbrook Baptist Church
 Cincinnati, OH, Seminary-Manaus.....40
Total.....837.27

JOHN MARK HATCHER

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Support.....100
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.27
 Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, IN
 Personal.....475
 Gerig, Galen & Tamara, Columbus, OH
 Salary.....50
 Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH
 As Needed.....50
 Kutilek, Doug & Naomi, Clearwater, KS
 French Bibles.....100
 Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV
 Salary.....100
 Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL
 Salary.....35
 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY
 As Needed.....75
 Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN
 As Needed.....50
 Webb, Norma, Newburgh, IN, Salary.....65
Total.....1,177.27

A.J. HENSLEY

Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY
 Support.....333.34
 Atlantic Shores Baptist Church
 Virginia Beach, VA, Support.....100
 Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY
 Salary.....25
 Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV
 Construction.....500
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....50
 Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, LA
 Support.....150
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.27
 Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS
 Salary.....193.98
 Giving Friends, As Needed.....100
 Heritage Baptist Church, Lexington, KY
 Personal.....15
 Hilltop Missionary Baptist Church
 Beattyville, KY, Personal.....100
 Holbrook, Timothy & Sherry, Winchester, KY
 For Edson.....50
 Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, KY
 School.....60
 Joiner, Charles & Kandace, Bonaire, GA
 Vocational School.....50
 Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal.....25
 Moore, Nathan & Linda, Paris, KY
 Personal.....500
 Mt. Eden Baptist Church, Hawesville, KY
 School.....150
 Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, KY
 Personal.....300
 Poe, Dane & Connie, Lexington, KY
 New Work.....50

Second Baptist Church, Warner Robins, GA
 Support.....65.87
 Suburban Christian Church, Virginia Beach, VA
 Special Projects.....325
 Thompson, Paul & Virginia, Winchester, KY
 Feed The Children.....100
Total.....3,320.46

SHERIDAN STANTON

Adams, W.H. & Arbia, Lexington, KY
 As Needed.....50
 Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 New Work.....70
 Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Building Fund.....70
 A Good Word Inc. Marietta, GA
 New Work.....100
 Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, KY
 Support.....250
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....200
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.27
 Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, MS
 Personal.....193.98
 Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church
 Oldtown, KY, Salary.....100
 Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH
 As Needed.....50
 Grace Baptist Church, Oneco, FL
 Building Fund.....150
 Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Wyandotte, MI
 Mission Fund.....125
 Kentucky Friends, Personal.....50
 Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Belleville, MI
 Support.....100
 Old Mount Zion Church, Wayne City, IL
 New Work.....200
 Restoration Church, Dickson, TN
 As Needed.....100
 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY
 As Needed.....100
 Rye Patch Baptist Church, Ludowici, GA
 As Needed.....200
 Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, KY
 Support.....50
Total.....2,236.25

BOBBY WACASER

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Love Offering.....200
 Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Support.....100
 Bell Shoals Baptist Church, Brandon, FL
 Support.....300
 Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV
 New Church.....500
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....250
 Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH
 Salary.....50
 Clark, William & Jennifer, Brandon, FL
 Project Vida.....25
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.27
 Fellowship Baptist Church, Brinson, GA
 Support.....50
 Flores, Esther, Valrico, FL
 Project Vida.....25
 Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA
 Salary.....50
 Lazzara, Richard, Brandon, FL, Support.....21
 Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, As Needed.....25

Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV
 Salary.....100
 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY
 As Needed.....100
Total.....1,873.27

ROBERTA TATE

Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, OH
 Support.....100
 Anonymous, Personal.....100
 Anonymous, U.S. Housing.....100
 Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, IL
 As Needed.....100
 Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, WV
 Support.....60
 Calvary Baptist Church, Piqua, OH
 Salary.....50
 Calvary Baptist Church, West Branch, MI
 Support.....250
 Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC
 As Needed.....77.27
 Cornerstone Baptist Church, Columbus, OH
 Support.....100
 Covenant Baptist Church, Dayton, OH
 Support.....300
 Emmanuel Baptist Church, Bellbrook, OH
 Support.....970
 Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church
 Oldtown, KY, Salary.....100
 First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY
 Love Offering.....292
 Geister, Robert & Marian, Alger, MI
 Personal.....25
 Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, OH
 As Needed.....50
 Hardy, Ola, Guntown, MS, Support.....50
 Kahut, Donald & Cynthia, Xenia, OH
 Personal.....100
 Liberty Missionary Baptist Church
 Mt. Zion, WV, Support.....25
 Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Charleston, WV
 Salary.....100
 Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, KY
 As Needed.....100
 Robishaw, Eugene & Eleanor, Prescott, MI
 Personal.....25
 Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, WV
 As Needed.....300
 Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN
 Salary.....120
 Skidway Lake Baptist Church, Prescott, MI
 Salary.....50
 Stalnaker, Audra, Normantown, WV
 As Needed.....100
 Union Baptist Church, Englewood, OH
 Salary.....100
Total.....3,744.27

IUDSON HATCHER

Atlantic Shores Baptist Church
 Virginia Beach, VA, Personal.....200
 Friendship Baptist Church, Bristol, VA
 Salary.....50
 Giving Friends, As Needed.....100
 Mundy, Billie & Evelyn, Godfrey, IL
 Salary.....10
 Smith Brother Electric, Lexington, KY
 Salary.....25
Total.....385

Grand Total.....55,072.93

Update On Danny Luz ... Need To Increase Giving To General Fund ...



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Dear friends and family, April 10, 2011

Today, April 10th, is Presidential Election Day in Peru and there are no church services anywhere in Peru during the morning hours. Elections are always on Sundays and one of their election laws prohibits any type of public meetings during voting hours, so we have church services in the evening after the polls are closed. The voting process requires that they dip the tip of their index finger into a bottle of permanent purple dye; this avoids allowing people to vote more than once (very practical) and for a week or so after the election everyone walks around with a purple finger! Another election law is that all Peruvians of voting age must vote or pay a heavy fine. As a result of this law the Peruvian people take their politics seriously. Peru has numerous political parties ranging from the far left to the far right and all sorts of ideologies in between. This also creates a lot of travel for these dear folks because they have to vote wherever they were last registered. Since registering to vote in a new town is a bureaucratic process and takes money, the majority of the people just travel back to wherever they came from in order to vote. The bus lines always take advantage of this and raise the price of bus tickets; so is life during election time, heavy traffic on the roads and purple fingers! Anita and I have lived in this country for twenty-eight years and it has always been this way; life is interesting on the mission field!

Each month I ask you to continue to pray for our son, Captain Joshua Stanton, USAF. He proudly serves our country as an Air Force pilot overseas. He has a wife and two small, precious, little girls waiting for him back home. We also ask you to continue to remember my father, Ralph Stanton, in your prayers; he is battling with prostate cancer, and is back in the hospital again in Dickson, Tennessee, with a kidney infection. He is also having tests done for Alzheimer's and dementia while being treated for the kidney infection. This ordeal has been understandably hard on my mother, she needs our prayers also. Mom and Dad have been married for sixty-three years now, truly an example and inspiration to all of us. Anita and I will be traveling back to the States for four weeks from the middle of May to the middle of June. We plan to see our grandkids (one we've never seen and she will soon be a year old!) but we plan to spend most of the time with my mom and dad. Thank you so much for your prayers.

Do you all remember the young lady, twenty-three years old, Dany Luz Presentation? Many of you helped her financially back in the fall of last year when she was going through chemo therapy for ovarian cancer. She also had open heart surgery when she was sixteen years old. Well, she is doing great now; finished her college degree in elementary education and recently got a job teaching in a private school here in Huanuco. Danitza is one of many young folks that are like sons and daughters to Anita and me. She came by the house the other day to visit and show us how much her hair has grown back; so I had to take a picture and show you this radiant trophy of God's mercy and grace! We thank all of you again that had a part in helping us to help this fine and faithful young Christian woman.



Sufficient funds have come in to help the Cayumba Grande Baptist Mission with the purchase of their property in Tingo Maria. Thanks to those of you that had a part in this project.

We still need more funds to help with construction for the Calvary Baptist Mission I pastor here in Huanuco. Anita and I hope to have something built and secure by the time we leave for the States the middle of May. This work has grown numerically and matured spiritually during this past year and it is time for us to move to a larger location. The property has some old, adobe mud structures that will be torn down so we can build to suite our needs. We know our heavenly Father will provide the funds; maybe He will use you to help with this project.

Another matter of prayer is the need to increase giving to the General Fund of Baptist Faith Mission. BFM has financially aided Anita and me since 1983. We work under the authority of our home church, Jordan Missionary Baptist Church, of Sanford, Florida, but Jordan Baptist is not large enough to support us full time, and thus, BFM helps our home church with the funds to keep us on the field in Peru. The Mission provides excellent medical insurance, monthly stipends for housing, transportation cost and other expenditures necessary to live in a foreign country. The directors of BFM have calculated that if each household and church that supports the General Fund of BFM could increase their giving by \$10.00 more per month, the financial needs would be met. Pray about it and give as the Lord leads you. If you would like more details of the financial workings and situation of BFM you can go the webpage: www.baptistfaithmissions.org or the BFM blog at: www.faith-works.blogspot.com.

Thanks again for all the prayers and support. We look forward to seeing everyone next year (2012) when we come to the States for furlough. Until next month.

In HIM by HIS grace,
Sheridan and Anita Stanton

Church Adds More Members ... We Are Grandparents Again ...



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Dear friends,

April 11, 2011

The Lord really knows how to bless a church—adding more members. We have had another baptism with five participants. Within this group was a couple who realized that they were not saved when they were baptized before, so we were able to counsel them and they asked for official baptism. So Pastor Jay and I were to baptize them together and at the same time. What a beautiful picture of their love for each other and their love for God. We have been making visits and this week has been no exception; the only difference this week was that we lost the truck. What I mean is that as we were making our way to the home we were visiting we were going in the rain and were able to dodge most of the potholes filled with water until we came to one that stretched across the entire road. I looked at Barb and asked, "You reckon which side do you think we should take?" When she gave no answer I made an executive decision and took the middle ground. MISTAKE. The truck was lost in this gigantic abyss. We were up past the running board and the truck would not climb out of the hole neither forward or backward. So we called the couple that we were going to visit and asked for help. After about an hour and help from people and another car we were able to get the truck out of the puddle. The visit, although late, was AWESOME.

We have AWESOME news—we are grandparents again. Our daughter, Mary, gave birth on the 25th of March to a bouncing baby girl. Her name is Ashley. This is the second child for Mary and her husband Walmir. Mother and baby are both doing well, "looks like grandpa (lol)."

Other news about our daughter and her husband—they have accepted an invitation for Walmir to become the pastor of the Good News Baptist Church about nine hours from Caraguatatuba. Pray for them as they move after the 15th of May to this new location to serve the Lord. It really hurts to see them go-but it is

AWESOME knowing that they are doing the Lord's will.

We are planning a pastor's conference in November 2011. We will have two pastors from the States to bring the messages and teach at this conference. Our team will be, "Rescuing our Happiness to Serve." We are anticipating around one hundred pastors to be present. Our goal is to encourage our native brothers in preaching the word. Pray for this congress of pastors. This will be our churches first major "out-reach."

Our church has had continual, gradual growth. This past month we were in the low 90's-how AWESOME is our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!!! As with all growth there are some "growing pains." Some examples — we need more Sunday School space, more teachers and lastly there is the great need—a BUS!! For our people to get to church they would have to pay \$16.50 per week to ride the public bus. Per month that would be \$66.00. Knowing the minimum wage here you could see how it would be impossible for them to spend that much money on bus fare. So therefore the need for a bus. A couple of weeks ago the van arrived at church with thirty-four people aboard. (This is a sixteen passenger van). Pray with us and for us for our transportation needs.

We have been very busy at the vocational school this month, building and working in the shop. We have also found someone to live in the house where Mary and Walmir live. He is retired and is excited about taking care of our tools and teaching the vocational students. It seems that the Lord is putting everything in order. It looks like we will get the dormitory ready for tile before the groups start to come in June. If you would like to help with the tile work come on down. But if you can't come, send your offerings to buy the tile and we will find someone to do the work. Pray for the school and the students that the Lord will send there.

We spoke of the groups that are coming this summer. If you are a part of one of those we are anxiously awaiting your arrival. If you are not part of those groups, think about coming on a mission trip. Here in Caraguatatuba Barbara and I would like to show you how your mission dollars are being spent and we would be happy to let you do some back breaking work also.

In His service,
A. J. and Barbara Hensley

