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"And...they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how He had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles." -Acts 14:27

## Praise God For Those Who Donated For Chairs ... Please Pray For The Starting Seminary Classes ...



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Friends and family, May 11, 2015  
It has been good visiting churches and meeting new friends. We have been in Western Kentucky with Pastor Foy and in the Perryville Baptist Church where we met new friends.

We met with Pastor Dan Russell and the seniors at Immanuel Baptist Church and were able to tell them about God's work here in Brasil. We also were at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, this is where Barb's mom is a member, and they gave a generous offering to buy more chairs for our mission church. Thanks to them and First Baptist Church in Bastrop, Texas, who also gave for the chairs. We will be able to purchase more than anticipated. It is good to have these kinds of problems. Not having enough chairs for the people to sit.

On our return to Brasil my car was a little sick. It did not want to start, oh well you know, a new battery. We then proceeded to go to the mall to pay some bills and after taking care of business we returned to the car. Guess what, the car would not start. So the battery was not the problem. After an hour of trying to start the car, raising the hood and looking (oh by the way that also did not help), I called a tow

truck. Three days later the mechanic called and said that my car was ready. It was an electric problem, about the size of your thumb. This would not have been to big of a problem except that Barbara's car was also in the shop and had been for about six weeks. Oh well, all's well that ends well. We got both cars back the same day. God is good—and all the time. Or as I say AWESOME!!!

While we were home we were able to remodel Barb's mom, Mrs Reba's, bath room and bedroom. This was accomplished with the help of my brother Ralph from Paris and John Greatbatch and Barb. A real family effort. THANKS friends and family.

While we were in the States our Sunday School almost doubled. Another reason why we are in need of chairs and tables. As you know that we feed the children on Sunday mornings and some of those children do not have a place to sit. I am not complaining just relaying the AWESOME blessing.

We were in Garca Sao Paulo two weeks ago with the Seminary and after the classes we were able to attend a pastors conference there. There were around five hundred pastors in attendance. It was very encouraging to see so many people interested in God's Word. We were able to tell them about our seminary, Caragua Baptist Seminary, and created a great deal of interest among those five hundred.

Hopefully next semester some of them will attend there in Garca. This semester we had fifteen students in attendance. We were planning to have classes in three different locations. However, things changed due to circumstances. You guessed it, car problems. We were in two cars because of all the luggage we had due to two weeks on the road. Also we had books for the three classes, about one hundred twenty-five books.

We were using two cars, mine and a rental. As we were leaving Garca the rental car overheated. Cracked radiator. It was just a pin hole but it rendered the car unusable. You would think, rental car, no problems—but these things happen. We lost over a day and this caused us to not have enough time for our Sao Paulo classes. We had to reschedule these for August or September. Then we moved on to Orlandia where we had forty-three students. It was a great class and good fellowship.

Our thanks to Dr. Edge from 1st Baptist Church in Bastrop Texas for the wonderful instruction on the Old Testament Survey.

In closing we are asking for the prayer warriors to put our prayer request on your daily prayer list. Sunday School, cars, church growth, seminary, and music leaders in the church. And oh! by the way, my car tires have no more tread, so I guess I need new tires. Pray for our needs and the wonderful people we encounter here in Brasil.

In His Service,  
Aj and Barbara Hensley

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- **BOBBY & CHARLENE WACASER:** PRAISE GOD for protecting Alysson during the earthquake! PRAY for God to open doors for him. PRAY for the Wacasers as they are taking care of his dad and adjusting to challenges in the States.

## Pray That God Would Open Homes ... Pray For Odali As He Becomes Pastor This Month...



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Greetings, to all our friends that are great prayer partners and supporters:

We pray that all of you are well and enjoying the blessing from our Lord. We are all doing great. Things have been a little different this last month while Kathy is in the US visiting her parents and also seeing our children.

Things here are doing well. This month I will become the pastor of the Living Rocks Baptist Church, where have been attending. It is twenty miles after you cross the river from Manaus. The bridge that we cross to go to Manaus is almost two miles long. The view is beautiful. Since the bridge was built it has made life much easier for those who lived on the other side. Before I was married and worked with Paul Hatcher at Tabernacle Baptist Church, I went across the river almost every day. It sure took a lot longer to get across besides all the waiting time for the barges. So praise God for this wonderful bridge! Also they have more roads that take

us places that you could only go by boat a few years ago. On these roads there are many small dirt roads that end up in small communities. There are many of them. These are the places that we are visiting to see which ones might have a Baptist work. Pray for us as we reach out to these places and that God will open home where we can start.

Kathy told me about the conference and how great it was. She was really excited and rejoicing in how every one was enthused about missions and just having wonderful fellowship. We praise God for that and pray that our love will grow more and more each day. Sounds like, Kathy is having a great time with family and friends.

We have had several friends that came to see us here at our place. Friends that we have known since we were single and then worked with some of them when we were all young married couples. Some have just found out that we are back in the Manaus area. It has been great to see them again and have fellowship with them.

Pray for us as we take on the leadership of this church. Many of the members have not been involved in any kind of ministry before. We want to teach them the importance of serving in the church and help them find an area that they can serve.

Thanks for you love and support! God bless each of you.

Odali and Kathy Barros

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## Praise God For Ninety Years Of Life ... Wonderful Spring BFM Conference ...



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Dear Brethren and Friends: May 15, 2015

This past month has been one of many special blessings of the Lord. To celebrate my birthday of ninety years our children planned a four day cruise. It was a marvelous four days of loving fellowship with our children and their spouses. God has given us a wonderful family and we praise Him.

**GREAT SPRING BFM MISSION CONFERENCE:** We thank God for the wonderful BFM Mission Conference at the Thompson Road Baptist Church. The love shown in your fellowship, the messages, and the food and hospitality made it one of the best Conferences I have ever attended. Thank you Pastor Dave Parks and People!

**TIME FOR A SMILE:** The life of a missionary is not always easy, but Jesus is

always with us and gives us time for a smile from time to time. Sometimes these smiles come from the differences in the languages we learn. The other day I was in the line at an Hamburger shop waiting to make my order. I was about the sixth in line. The lady behind me sneezed. I turned and said "Gazuntight", that I thought meant, "Bless you!" "Thank you very much," she replied, as she moved to the front of the line. "Oh, well," I thought, "you cannot win every time."

Another smile was caused by a missionary who needed the toilet. The door was closed and he knocked lightly and a voice replied, "I am using the toilet. Will be out in a minute." The missionary meant to say, "Me desculpe," (Pardon me, I am sorry.) But he answered, "Da-licensa!" (Let me come in.) He erred slightly in his new language.

Then there was the foreigner who was learning to speak English. Doing something that he asked permission to do. ("Excuse me.") However, he said "Exqueeze me!" "Thank you, Lord, for the little smiles that You permit to come our way."

Sincerely In His Name,  
John and Alta Hatcher

## Pray For New Baptismal Candidates ... Thankful For The Blessing Of Packed Church ...



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Dear Brethren, May 6, 2015

We just got our first update on the new work and missionaries at Jordão. As you may recall, we just sent them to the city of Jordão a couple of months ago. Idevaldo tells us that they have already had 9 professions of faith.

Bev and I visited the church at Santa Rosa this past weekend. They had a weekend meeting to celebrate their 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It doesn't seem possible that it has been that long. They went through some really tough times, but now are doing extremely well. We gave them one of our home grown and trained guys, Guima to be their pastor. He is doing a great job. They have a big piece of property on the main street. Their lots are even bigger than the Catholic church property. The building is bigger, too. They had the building packed out all three nights. On Sunday night there were well over 200 inside and I could see that outside there were probably that many, too. The building is fixed up real nice and even has air conditioning! Guima was still at home at First Baptist when we had our 80<sup>th</sup> celebration. We baked eighty cakes for the party. He did that with his folks at Santa Rosa on Sunday: sixteen cakes. Bev and I stayed over for a late dinner with them after church. We got home at 11:30 PM. Good stuff.

Things continue to go well at our home church, too. Attendance has been growing month after month. We grew another fifty overall in April. We averaged 1,031. We were over 1,000 every Sunday.

This was a first for this year. Nice and even, but building each of the four weeks. There have been thirteen people saved since I wrote you last. Last Sunday (May 3rd) we had baptism and the Lord's Supper. I baptized twenty-one new members. This time all of these were teens and adults, which is a little unusual. We usually have at least a few children.

On Thursday night we started a new, more rigorous candidate's class for those who had asked for baptism. For some time we have been concerned with the quality of the teaching given to the candidates. Also, we have been really concerned about the number of folks who have been baptized and not attending regular services. Last year we gave our chapels (eight of them scattered around town) permission to hold Sunday night services. We noticed that instantly those folks dropped out of sight. Not good. They need to be in church on Sunday morning, when much of the teaching happens. Anyway, I taught this new candidate's class, all two hours and twenty minutes of it. All of our pastors and chapel pastors were present. We had forty people take the class, but only twenty-one were baptized. That tells me a lot. I will teach it again next month, but after that the other pastors will take their turns.

We are really building up our training, course studies and disciplinary actions. We are already seeing results. Dauro had a weekend retreat with all of his youth leaders. I had one with all the adult leaders, too. We have unified the materials used in the small groups. For now I am producing the lessons. Also, I make up a daily meditation sheet for the whole church. This contains weekly Scripture memorization, daily meditations and daily Bible readings to read through the whole Bible in the year. If your Portuguese is up to it, you can follow on Facebook, "Meditando na Palavra".

Andrew is recovering. Any gifts are still in order. Thanks for all your prayers.

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

In Christ, Mike Creiglow

## Pray For Peace In Kenya ...

## Thankful For Doctor's Who Helped Camille ...



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Dear praying friends, May 5, 2015

Another month has come and gone, and there is much to report about.

The ministries are continuing along, and I will be sure to give you regular updates through the year, but I thought this month I would focus on things that have been happening in Kenya recently, as well as share family requests.

As many of you know, a few weeks ago, in a town called Garissa, a terrorist attack took place at the university. I am not familiar with this area of the country, as it is on the other side of Kenya, but it was shocking to watch the events unfold and the news reports. Terrorists stormed into the university in the early hours, executing around 147 people total. The siege lasted for several hours before the attackers were subdued. I read stories of students who hid in closets, or wherever they could, until the attack was over. This attack follows the attack at Westgate Mall in Nairobi a few years ago. Please pray that these terrorists would be caught, brought to justice, and for the peace of Kenya. We know the Lord is in control, sovereign, and we trust Him through all situations. A verse that comes to mind is John 14:1, which says, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." Please pray for all the families affected by this act.

Also, in Kitale town, as I mentioned recently, it has become much more difficult to drive. The main bus/van stage has moved from another part of town to an area close to downtown, right where all the traffic must pass. Of course, when this happened, there was a lot of frustration, as traffic is much more congested and it is more challenging to drive and pass. At one point, when this first happened, we stayed home for a day as they were sorting out the problems in

town. There were trees cut down and laid in the road, some riots broke out and other things were going on. The situation was brought under control the next day or so and things seem to back to normal. My understanding is that the new stage will only be in this location for a year or so until a new stage is built. Please pray for the safety of the missionaries as they have to pass through this area, and also that there would be no more problems among the council people and van drivers. We trust the Lord for all these things.

In closing, it has been quite a last few weeks for our daughter Camille. What a blessing she is to our family and she has been through it recently. She kept complaining of stomach aches and so we took her to two different medical offices about it here in Kitale. She was given medicine each time and the problem temporarily went away. However, the stomach pains would return after a few days, so it was very puzzling and frustrating as the doctors in Kitale were unable to find the root of the problem. Yesterday we felt it best to go to Mediheal hospital in Eldoret, about an hour and a half from Kitale. The pediatrician there seemed very qualified and did a thorough examination. He explained that although some of the amoeba was gone from her previous infection, there were still cysts from the host that had not been removed. They had a very good lab and were able to discover this. We have started her on a different medicine and she seems to be improving. Praise the Lord! Medical care here is such a challenge and we would really appreciate your prayers for our health as a family, as it is so easy to get sick, and as in Cami's case, it takes a while to get solid answers. Health here is a daily battle and we do our best to stay healthy, but sometimes these things happen and when they do, it can be difficult to find the root problem. A comforting verse through times like this is Psalm 46:1, which says, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." What a great God we serve.

We appreciate you each so much and will keep you updated.

Nathan and Carrie Radford

## Praise God For Protecting Alysso ...

## Pray For The Wacasers While In The States ...



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Our young missionary to the Muslim culture was greatly shaken upon his arrival to the field in more ways than one! Shortly after he arrived at the airport in Nepal, a major earthquake occurred. There was chaos everywhere, as most of you already know from news reports. Alysso was there and he and many others were stranded in the airport for four days without any way to continue on their travels. Soon the food in the airport ran out and his only intake was water and some candy for a couple of days. We are very thankful, though, that he was not injured, or worse, and now he has moved on to his field of ministry.

Although the earthquake itself was not a good thing, we can already see how the Lord used it for His good purposes. Because of the disaster and despair that followed, the people are now much more open to outsiders coming in with whatever help they bring. The people are open to have their more important spiritual needs addressed also. Alysso is struggling to communicate the love of Christ to a people

who have never heard of Jesus Christ amidst many physical and spiritual challenges. We are praying for him and supplying him with whatever physical needs that we can.

During the last month our Projeto Vida buses were working together with the group of youth that comes each year from Brandon, Florida to spend a week evangelizing in the city parks and public schools. This year there were 48 people in the group and the Lord used them greatly. They spent one day ministering to a group of over 200 adults of street dwellers, homeless folks who meet at a city park each week to receive a hot meal, are loved on, receive counseling and hear the gospel preached. The youth group performed skits which clearly communicated the love of Christ and several of those folks surrendered to Christ. As an extra blessing, the young people who ministered were also touched by the Lord as they learned just how greatly the Lord could use them when they are willing to step outside of their comfort zones.

Since my mother's passing away, I have been trying to help my family in the care of my aging father. Our return was unexpected, so my family and I are attempting to adjust to some challenges here in the US. My son's schooling situation is one of our greatest difficulties because of all the red tape involved, but I think we are finally getting somewhere.

Charlene and I had the wonderful privilege of attending the annual Baptist Faith Missions Conference sponsored by the Thompson Road Baptist Church this past month. We were so well received and taken care of by the good people of the church and

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## Please Pray For Kenya After Attacks ... Praise God For Questions Being Asked ...



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Last month I mentioned a tragic event that occurred in Kenya, namely, the attack by the Muslim terrorist group Al Shabaab (based in Somalia) against an innocent school in the town of Garissa. Gunmen stole in at night while the students slept and murdered nearly 150 people. The carnage and the terror it caused was heard in news reports around the world. In my newsletter I mentioned that this terrorist event didn't effect us too much because it was in a different part of the country from which we live. It turns out that I was wrong in that assessment. That event actually has effected the whole country in ways similar to the ways the whole United States of America was effected by the September 11 attack on the World Trade Centers. I'm sure it will be easy to think back 14 years and remember the ways that attack impacted our own country. Then you will be able to understand how the attack in Garissa effected Kenya.

First, do you remember the initial fear that the 9/11 attack caused? I remember watching the TV with shock and fear and thinking "how could this happen"? At the time I was working at the Wright/Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio and shortly after the attacks I watched out the window of my office and saw the command center plane took off and fly away. Do you know the command center plane? It's the one that can launch all our nuclear weapons and control total annihilation all from the air. I couldn't help thinking "we're all going to die". Well, similar reactions occurred here in Kenya after the Garissa attack. I just talked with a young man this week who told me that his entire school refused to sleep in the dorm after the attack because they were afraid of being sitting ducks in their rooms. They all slept outside or hid in places where they thought would be safer. People everywhere were concerned that

subsequent attacks would take place and that they were all at risk.

Second, do you remember the anger that followed up the initial fear after 9/11? There was anger toward Muslims in general. There was outrage that innocent people were killed and that our way of life was altered. We went to war, we heightened security at the airports and we spew out vitriol against anyone we thought was an enemy. The same occurred here in Kenya after the Garissa attack. The government looked to close the border between Kenya and Somalia. Then there were loud calls to move the IDP camp (Internationally Displaced People) where thousands of displaced Somalis live. Kenyans didn't want that camp to be located in Kenya anymore and demanded that the United Nations move it to another country. Security was beefed up as well, at schools, shopping centers and government offices. Most Kenyans were angry that so many students had been killed. They felt violated.

Third, do you remember the questions that resulted from the 9/11 attacks? People started asking questions like, "Why did this happen to us?", "Where is God in all this?", and "How could people be so evil?". For a long time people were more interested in spiritual things. Churches had more people in them. More people prayed. People thought more about their eternal destinations. The questions that resulted here in Kenya after the Garissa attack were a little different however. I had people ask me questions like, "What should we do if a terrorist holds a gun to my head?", "Should I lie about being a Christian?" and "Should I pretend to be a Muslim to protect my family?". One person in one of our groups asked me if it was OK to memorize a few passages from the Koran so that if he were threatened by a terrorist he could quote them, pretend to be a Muslim and live to see another day. Because of questions like these I have been addressing these issues in my teaching to the groups. You can look up what the New Testament says about these things on your own, but, in short what I've been trying to teach them is that the cost of following Jesus can be high and that they need to count the cost. I've tried to teach them that if they put their hands to the plow they should not look back. I've shared with them that if they gain the whole world and lose their own souls they have gained nothing and lost everything. I've

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## Praise God For Refreshing Time With Family ... Pray That God Works In Heart Of Young Lady ...



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Dear Brothers and Sisters, May 7, 2015

During the month since I last wrote you we have covered a lot of miles and seen evidence of God at work in the USA as well as in France. We arrived home last Saturday night after being away for 13 days. The Tournefeuille church meets in our home so we couldn't sleep in on Sunday morning! It was good to be back with our church family here in France.

The return trip began in Lexington where we participated in two important events. Both of which were a delight and the cause of much thanksgiving on our part. The first of these was the Spring Conference hosted by Thompson Rd. Baptist Church.

It had been six years since we last attended this conference. The fellowship was great, the singing was great, the food was great, the messages were great! The theme: Knowing Christ and Making Christ Known was aptly addressed and we are encouraged by what God is doing.

As we were waiting for the beginning of the first service just inside the entrance to the church's home we were nearly knocked off our feet by the surprise (to us) arrival of Mary and Vince Watson, faithful members of Emmanuel Baptist Church during the last 10 years or so of our ministry there. Words can not describe the delight this evoked in our hearts. I had also noticed that Pastor Steve Hall was to speak. This intrigued me for two reasons: First, I didn't think Steve was in the loop of Baptist Faith Missions, and secondly, I didn't know he was a pastor! As it turned out, it was the Steve Hall I we knew who was at the Conference with his lovely wife, Deb (formerly Terrell). We were able to renew our acquaintance and review what God has done and is doing. And, these two couples were just four among many wonderful friends in the family God that we were able

## Praise God For Forty Years At Tabernacle ... Thankful For Encouraging Conference ...



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Dear Friends and Co-laborers,

We greet each of you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are thankful for God's goodness and grace this new month. Praise God the Father for providing unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. He supplies our every need and much more; and we are so grateful to our God.

The first weeks of April, Wanda, Willa and I were in Manaus. It was great to see all our friends and co-workers. It was also a time of rejoicing and celebration of all that God has done and is doing in the gospel ministry in Brazil. Forty years have gone by quite rapidly, that is how long we have been serving in Brazil through the Tabernacle Baptist Church. Our ministry as senior pastor has been to reach people with the good news of Jesus Christ, baptize, teach them the teaching of Christ, train and equip the saints. The church has prayed and sent many to the mission fields to reach people with the gospel and start churches. I terminated my service as senior pastor; and the church unanimously called a new pastor, Pastor Michael Samples, who had served as coordinator of our training program for eight years. The church continues to grow and be enthused regarding the spread of the gospel to all Brazil.

We continue to serve out of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, our sending church to continue to do missions in Brazil. I am so grateful for all God's blessings and

to visit with. Time was just too short! Thanks Thompson Rd. Church and all the others who worked so tirelessly to be the conduit used by God to provide all of these blessings.

The other great event we celebrated in Lexington was Dad's 90th birthday. He was born in Alexandria, KY, just a bit north. What a delight to be there for this wonderful occasion and to review with family the innumerable blessings that we have received from our dear Heavenly Father. We were able to visit with many family members from four generations that we had not seen in a long time. During two weeks I was able to visit with my parents and all of my siblings who are still on earth. What a feast and foretaste of heaven! I am including a picture of the birthday celebration.

We hit the ground running here in France. There have been services and Bible studies every day since we returned and each day has been packed with other things that needed to get done. The list is still not exhausted, but this helps us not notice the jet lag so much.

While in Lexington, we received the message that a young lady, who is in the same community choir as I, came on Sunday bringing her two children. I have had the opportunity to talk about the Lord to her and she seems quite interested. She said she enjoyed the meeting and said she would be back.

Thank you for your participation in our lives and ministry.  
Rejoicing in France,

John and Judy Hatcher

grace. In God's plan some give, some plow, others sow and others reap - it is always God that gives the increase. The results sometimes are visible and we rejoice in the Lord; and we are glad because you are partakers also with us. The increase God is giving will be motive for much rejoicing in eternity to come.

I want to personally thank those of you who support the ministry with your prayers and your financial generosity. Those who hear the gospel are also eternally grateful that you prayed and that you gave.

Wanda and I are currently in Florida, caring for senior missionaries - my dad and mom, John and Alta Hatcher who served 60 years in Brazil and my mother-in-law, Willa, the widow of Wilford McGary, missionary to Appalachia for 35 years. All of them will celebrate or have celebrated their ninetieth birthday this year. Wanda and I consider it a privilege and joy to be with them and care for them. The 30th of April we celebrated Dad's 90th birthday in Lexington, the day after the Baptist Faith Missions conference. It was good to be with the family for this wonderful occasion. Certainly God is gracious beyond measure.

The Annual Baptist Faith Missions Spring Conference was a great encouragement. The encouragement from the word of God was great. "To Know Christ - And To Make Christ Known!" was the theme. I always enjoy seeing supporting pastors and friends and fellow missionaries serving on the field. Thanks to Pastor Dave Parks and the Thompson Road Baptist Church for your hospitality and love. You are great hosts; may God richly reward you. We pray for you that your knowledge and remembrance of our Lord, the only true God, may abundantly increase in wisdom and discernment, that your trust and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ may be steadfast always, and that the love of his Holy Spirit may fill and overflow in your every word and action, with thanksgiving to God though Jesus Christ our only Lord and Life.

Love, Paul and Wanda Hatcher

## Pastor's Gathering A Success ... Home For Furlough In July ...



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May 15, 2015

**AMIRACLE BABY-**A few weeks ago, a family in the church (Dyego, Thamires and their fourteen month old son) found out the she was twenty weeks (five months) pregnant. The following week the mother had complications and the doctors suggested an abortion. The baby was expected to die before completing full term. While at the hospital, the mother went into labor and the baby was born prematurely at twenty-one weeks. Baby Laura Victoria was born with twenty-two ounces. Twice, she had resuscitated procedures within the first twenty-four hours of life out of the womb. Uncertain if the baby's vital organs were developed to survive without the breathing machine, the doctors gave no hope. One doctor stated, "At this point, we literally need a miracle for her to live. Her lungs are not developed". Well, guess what, she is alive and well. She is now three weeks old, all of her organs are perfectly formed, is breathing on her own and is gaining weight.

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## Baptist Faith Missions

### APR. 2015 OFFERINGS

#### GENERAL FUND

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH (Auditorium Class)	128.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH (Berean Class)	42.00
Ahava BC, Plant City, FL	100.00
Alexander, Denzel, Melbourne, FL (Giving Friend)	50.00
Anonymous	535.00
Beech Grove BC, Crab Orchard, KY	120.00
Beech Grove BC, Frametown, WV	100.00
Berea BC, Hiddenite, NC	425.00
Berry BC, Berry, KY	400.00
Bethesda BC, Palm Bay, FL	1,000.00
Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV (Giving Friend)	100.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN	275.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	1,118.00
Bible BC, Portage, IN	175.00
Bohon Road BC, Harrodsburg, KY	400.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY	2,065.14
Carver, Louie & Mary, Simpsonville, SC (Giving Friends)	50.00
Casada, Mark & Sheryl, Manhattan, KS (Giving Friends)	100.00
Conner, Samuel & Martha, Cannelton, IN (Giving Friends)	25.00
Cornet, Johnathan, Shoals, IN (Giving Friend)	50.00
Crooked Fork BC, Gassaway, WV	510.00
East Keys BC, Springfield, IL	850.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	350.00
Emmanuel BC, Irvine, KY	200.00
Estes, Jason, Fort Myers, FL (Giving Friend)	50.00
Fairview Miss. BC, Willow Wood, OH	300.00
Faith BC, Kirksville, MO	431.00
Faith BC, Kirksville, MO	709.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL	200.00
First BC, Lucasville, OH	1,000.00
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV	100.00
First BC Of Siloam, South Shore, KY	605.85
Foster, Peggy, Evansville, IN (Giving Friend)	50.00
Friend In Virginia	610.00
Giving Friend	110.00
Goldfloss BC, Winston-Salem, NC	25.00
Grace BC, Beattyville, KY	100.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH	100.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI	500.00
Hardman Fork BC, Normantown, WV	1,800.00
Hatcher, Philip, Newburgh, IN (Giving Friend)	300.00
Hatcher, John & Alta, Clermont, FL (Giving Friends)	30.00
Hensley, A.J. & Barbara, Caraguatuba, Brasil (Giving Friends)	60.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY	1,358.00
Immanuel BC, Riverview, MI	250.00
Isbell Chapel BC, Tusculumbia, AL	80.00
Jones, Michael, Cincinnati, OH (Giving Friend)	50.00
Jordan BC, Sanford, FL	60.00
Kahut, Donald, Xenia, OH (Giving Friend)	100.00
Keen, Victor & Leanne, Chester, NJ (Giving Friends)	250.00
Kentucky Giving Friends	850.00
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL (Giving Friends)	180.00
Lake Road BC, Clio, MI	525.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY (Giving Friend)	50.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV	125.00
Mansfield Bp. Temple, Mansfield, OH	50.00
Matthews Mem. Church, Stevenson, AL	50.00
Morris, Byron & Alma, Wichita, KS (Giving Friends)	125.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	700.00
Mt. Eden BC, Hawesville, KY	150.00
Mt. Pisgah Miss. BC, Grafton, OH	200.00
New Hope BC, Dearborn Heights, MI	610.00
North Carolina Giving Friends	200.00
Oak Grove BC, Normantown, WV	200.00
Park Ridge BC, Gotha, FL	1,308.14
Redding, Warren & Barbara, Cumming, GA (Giving Friends)	200.00
Rocky Springs Miss. BC, Gray, TN	100.00
Rosedale BC, Rosedale, WV	2,000.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN	120.00
Sims, James, Rock Hill, SC (Giving Friend)	500.00
Storms Creek Miss. BC, Ironton, OH	4,476.57
Tabernacle BC, Mims, FL	400.00
Union BC, Russell Springs, KY	50.00
Valley View BC, Richmond, KY	50.00
Watkins, Bert, Richmond, KY (Giving Friend)	130.00
Whaley, Lois, Winston-Salem, NC (Giving Friend)	210.00
Wood, Nerec, Columbia, SC (Giving Friend)	100.00
York, Doris, Princeton, KY (Giving Friend)	400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,516.70</b>

#### IN MEMORIAM

Ahava BC, Plant City, FL	
In Memory Of Jane Wacaser	145.00
Orrick, Jim, Pewee Valley, KY	
In Memory Of Irene Orrick	50.00
Overbey, Dale & Doris, Valparaiso, IN	
In Memory Of Del Mayfield	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>295.00</b>

<b>H.H. OVERBEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND</b>	
Storms Creek Miss. BC, Ironton, OH	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>

#### BIBLES FOR INDIA

(Louis Maple Memorial Fund)	
Bader, Ronald & Michal, Fairborn, OH	100.00
Beech Grove BC, Lancaster, KY	60.00
Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY	40.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI	50.00
Ojibwe BC, Rosebush, MI	87.50
Ransom Baptist Mission, Richmond, KY	30.00
Reese, Patty Lou, Mount Vernon, KY	80.00
Weitz, Michael & Linda, Cincinnati, OH	30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>477.50</b>

#### ODALI BARROS

Adams, William & Arbia, Lexington, KY	
As Needed	50.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	210.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY, A&O	140.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Harmony BC, Frankfort, KY	100.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY	
Alpha & Omega	15.00
Hillcrest BC, Winston-Salem, NC	50.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV	
Alpha & Omega	25.00
Trumbo, Floyd & Flora, Upton, KY	
As Needed	200.00
Young At Heart SS Class, Cecilia BC, Upton, KY	
As Needed	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>980.00</b>

#### MIKE CREIGLOW

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Anonymous, Andrew's Medical Exp	500.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN, Boat Gas	50.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	200.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Andrew Creiglow	160.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY	
Andrew Creiglow	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS, Food Pantry	113.57
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	50.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL	200.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL	
Special Offering	200.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH	50.00
Pleasant Ridge BC, Lexington, KY	
Personal	600.00
Polley, Ray & Brent, Princeton, KY	100.00
Proctor, Evelyn, Clermont, FL	100.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,653.57</b>

#### JOHN A. HATCHER

Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
East Keys BC, Springfield, IL	25.00
Friendship BC, Bristol, VA	50.00
Spicer, Keith & Dee, Matthews, NC	100.00
Storms Creek Missionary BC, Ironton, OH	
Maria	150.00
Wood, Nerec, Columbia, SC, Personal	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>605.00</b>

#### PAUL HATCHER

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	
Seminary-Manaus	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	
Seminary-Manaus	80.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	50.00
Guthrie, Larry, Athens, GA	
Michael Samples	100.00
Life Church Of Athens, Athens, GA	
Michael Samples	250.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	
Mission Team	100.00
Spicer, Keith & Dee, Matthews, NC	100.00
Trinity-Northbrook BC, Cincinnati, OH	
Seminary-Manaus	80.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>860.00</b>

#### JOHN MARK HATCHER

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Anonymous Giving Friend, Personal	50.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Emmanuel BC, Evansville, IN, Personal	450.00
Evans, James & Carolyn, Evansville, IN	
Personal	100.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH	50.00
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL	
As Needed	20.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	100.00
Shofner, Frank & Sylvia, Evansville, IN	
Personal	180.00
Spicer, Keith & Dee, Matthews, NC	100.00
Trabant, Michelle, Chandler, IN, Personal	130.00
Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,410.00</b>

#### JUDSON HATCHER

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	70.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Friendship BC, Bristol, VA	50.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH	100.00
Spicer, Keith & Dee, Matthews, NC	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>400.00</b>

#### A.J. HENSLEY

Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	50.00
Calvary BC, Shreveport, LA	135.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS	113.57
Gerth, Arthur & Brenda, Versailles, KY	
As Needed	30.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY	15.00
Immanuel BC, Monticello, KY, School	75.00
Joiner, Charles & Kandace, Centerville, GA	
Vocational School	50.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY, Personal	25.00
Pleasant Ridge BC, Lexington, KY	
Personal & 15 Chairs	1,425.00
Poe, Dane & Connie, Lexington, KY	
New Work	50.00
Rightway Drywall Inc, Macon, GA	
Personal	600.00
Second BC, Warner Robins, GA	
Bus Repair	200.00

Second BC, Warner Robins, GA	8.82
Suburban Christian Church, Virginia Beach, VA	
Special Projects	416.00
Thompson, Paul & Virginia, Winchester, KY	
Feed The Kids	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,373.39</b>

#### NATHAN RADEFORD

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Allbritton, Tommy & Barbara, Scott Depot, WV	60.00
Anonymous	300.00
Anonymous	600.00
Bader, Ronald & Michal, Fairborn, OH	
Hospital & Prison	200.00
Bakker, Jason, Chambersburg, PA	50.00
Bible BC, Belva, WV	100.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	60.00
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY	25.00
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY	
Personal	25.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Cullen, Tom & Laura, Letart, WV	50.00
Danielson, Betty, Titusville, PA	20.00
Elizabeth BC, Bancroft, WV	200.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	100.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH, As Needed	100.00
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV	100.00
Faith BC, Wilmington, OH	133.33
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV	60.00
Furnas, Grant & Linda, Crestwood, KY	80.00
Gerst, Kenneth, Wapello, IA, Gift	600.00
Grace Missionary BC, Surgoinsville, TN	50.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI	200.00
Harper, David, Concord, NC	25.00
Harrah, Tryone & Loretta, Cross Lanes, WV	50.00
Hernandez, Paul & Anne, Youngsville, PA	200.00
Huguennin, Ben, & Lisa, Mt. Airy, MD	40.00
Johnson, Danny & Cathy, Deland, FL	20.00
Jordan BC, Sanford, FL	200.00
Kibby, Bart & Frances, Pittsfield, PA	150.00
Kincaid, John & Jane, Scott Depot, WV	50.00
Lauffenburger, Fred & Mary, Youngsville, PA	150.00
Leavittsburg BC, Warren, OH	165.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY	25.00
Lemkuhl, Louise, Scott Depot, WV	10.00
Lewis, Lowell & Sue, Milton, WV	25.00
Lloyd, Billy & Sharon, Letart, WV	200.00
Lloyd, Billy & Sharon, Letart, WV	
Hospital Fund	100.00
Lloyd, J.T. & Heather, New Haven, WV	220.00
Loosenort, Kurt & Virginia, Grand Rapids, MI	100.00
Matheny, Charles, New Port Richey, FL	
Personal	40.00
Matheny, Charles, New Port Richey, FL	
Hospital Fund	10.00
Mitchell, Matthew & Holly, Ossian, IN	150.00
Nizio, James & Victoria, Dearborn, MI	30.00
Parker, Steven, Burlington, IA	10.00
Phalen, Larry & Naomi, Concord, NC	200.00
Rawley, Philip & Sarah, Rockwall, TX	300.00
Ripley Tabernacle BC, Ripley, WV	50.00
Rollins, David & Patricia, Hurricane, WV	50.00
Sahlberg, William & Janet, Coopersville, MI	25.00
Sahlberg, William & Janet, Coopersville, MI	
Gift	25.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN	50.00
Sheriff, Richard & Laurie, Clarendon, PA	100.00
Smith, Doug & Anna, Hurricane, WV	30.00
Teays Valley BC, Hurricane, WV	100.00
Victory BC, Charleston, WV	100.00
Wade, James, Abingdon, VA	50.00
Wells, James & Jill, Nitro, WV, As Needed	50.00
Wickman, Robert & Cleona, Cincinnati, OH	100.00
Wright, Randy & Teresa, Hurricane, WV	138.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,631.33</b>

#### SHERIDAN STANTON

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH, New Work	70.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>120.00</b>

#### ROGER TATE

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Anonymous, Personal	200.00
Anonymous	600.00
Avram, Sharon, West Branch, MI	30.00
Bethany Regular BC, McDermott, OH	50.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	100.00
Calvary BC, Piqua, OH	50.00
Calvary BC, West Branch, MI	375.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Cornerstone BC, Cincinnati, OH	100.00
Covenant BC, Dayton, OH	300.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	500.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH, As Needed	280.00
Emmanuel Missionary BC, Oldtown, KY	
Personal	100.00
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV	60.00
Geister, Robert & Marian, Alger, MI	
Personal	25.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH	50.00
Hillcrest BC, Winston-Salem, NC	50.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV	25.00
Messer, Jason, Dayton, OH, Personal	100.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	100.00
Richland BC, Livermore, KY, As Needed	100.00
Rosedale BC, Rosedale, WV, As Needed	400.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN	120.00
Skidway Lake BC, Prescott, MI	50.00
Union BC, Englewood, OH	200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,145.00</b>

#### BOBBY WACASER

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	100.00
Bell Shoals BC, Brando, FL, New Work	400.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL, Personal	250.00
Calvary BC, Piqua, OH	50.00
Christmas, Bruce, Lithia, FL	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC, As Needed	80.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	50.00
Fellowship BC, Brinson, GA	83.33
Friendship BC, Bristol, VA	50.00
Lazzara, Richard, Valrico, FL	50.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	100.00
Perkins, Thomas & Janelle, Valrico, FL	
Projeto Vida	40.00

Renckens, Kevin, Brandon, FL	
Projeto Vida	200.00
Richland BC, Livermore, KY, As Needed	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,703.33</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>56,270.82</b>

## JUDSON

(From Page Three)

Praise the Lord! Please, pray for this little baby and the family.

**MOTHERS' DAY CELEBRATION**-Last Sunday, Dyego (baby Laura Vitoria's father) invited all of his extended family to come to Mothers' Day service to give thanks and celebrate the baby's life. Four generations of the family were present and one of the uncles surrendered to the Savior. I believe there are still more to surrender as well. Pray for salvation decisions.

**PASTORS' NETWORK**-This month's pastors' network gathering was a great success. Each month we meet at a different church and this time we held it at "Life Seed Baptist Church". My brother-in-law was the guest speaker. We discussed a church planting strategy used in China, India, Kenya and Honduras.

One of the churches in the network is in the process of relocating to a better location within their neighborhood. We took up an offering and began a fundraising campaign amongst the sister churches to come up with the \$50,000 to purchase the property.

I am in the process of passing the leadership "baton" of the Pastors' Network to another pastor. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, May 26. Pray with us regarding these matters.

**PASTORAL TRANSITION**-The pastoral leadership at our church plant "Ativa: uma Igreja Batista" (Active: a Baptist Church) is well underway. The pastor and his wife were received with open arms by the church and are excited about the future. Everyone is enthusiastic with the Evangelism and discipleship strategies for reaching new people. This next Sunday's baptisms will be under the new pastor's leadership. In June, we will finalize the legal transition necessary with government offices. Pray for us as we work through this process.

**RETURN TO THE STATES**-In July, we return to the US for a one-year State-side assignment and plan to live in Lexington, KY. You can reach us at (859) 544-9040. Let us know how we can serve you and your church.

Grateful always, Jud Hatcher

## WACASER

(From Page Two)

it was a joy to be able to fellowship with so many of our missionary brothers and sisters who were in attendance. We also had the privilege of renewing old acquaintances and making new friends with pastors and members from other supportive churches. We thoroughly enjoyed our time there.

Thank you for your continued prayer and support.

In Christ's love,  
Bobby and Charlene Wacaser

## TATE

(From Page Three)

shown them where Jesus says that if we seek to save our lives we will lose them and if we lose our lives for his sake we gain eternal life. They've seen also that Jesus says if we love father or mother or children or nations more than him then we are not worthy to be his followers. These are all hard sayings indeed but they apply just as much to Christians in Kenya in the 21st century as they did to the first century followers that Jesus was talking to.

How would you react if you were put in the same situation? 9/11 was worse by far that the attacks in Garissa in Kenya. But it didn't take long for those effects to fade away in our country. I wonder how long it will be before people stop thinking much about it here too. I pray that we Christians here in Kenya and you brothers and sisters in the States as well would be totally devoted and committed to following our Lord Jesus Christ with all our hearts, souls, minds and strength. And even with our lives.

Until next month, beloved. May God's peace and joy be with you.

For the glory of God in East Africa,  
Roger, Julie, Emily, Amy, Josiah & Chloe