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## Never Despise the Day of the Small Things



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October 01, 2015  
Dear Friends and Co-laborers,

We greet each of you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are so thankful for God's goodness and grace. God is greatly to be praised for all His generous and gracious benevolence.

It seems that the year has flown by, October again - a great occasion to count the many blessings God has given each of us. It is great to see how God is so marvelous. September the fourteenth, mom, Alta Hatcher, celebrated her ninetieth birthday, a celebration of God's blessing to her. We thank the Lord for

the many years she has faithfully served in the mission of sharing the good news of our Lord Jesus. We thank God for the health He gives her and the joy she brings to so many. Dad and Mom were missionaries for sixty years in Brazil. Praise the Lord!

This month I was reminded of a fond memory and a great encouragement. The first church Dad established in Brazil was in a very difficult place to get to, a community controlled by the roman church. The Bible was a forbidden item - explanation for the prohibition was that the "ignorant would reap damnation for misinterpreting the Bible". A seed was planted. This was the place I attended church as a child, had friends, and joined in the visitation for Bible School and service.

The last week of September they celebrated the fifty-fifth homecoming. For many years the church struggled. God preserved it thru many difficulties; and today, they have over seven thousand in Sunday attendance and the Senior Pastor for the last few years is my youngest brother, David Hatcher, who was also part of the small church plant fifty-five years ago. Les-

son - never despise the day of the small things. Blessing - God does awesome things beyond our greatest imagination. Praise be to the Lord Jesus Christ!

Pray for the ministries in Brazil as they continue to take the gospel to the regions near and far. Pray to the Father of the harvest to send laborers into a very ripe field of harvest. We know that all the fields are not ready to harvest at the same time; however, it is always timely to sow the gospel abundantly, water generously, and, as we have witnessed, God gives the increase.

We thank you for your prayers and financial support.

We pray that our knowledge and remembrance of our Lord, the only true God, may abundantly increase in wisdom and discernment, that our 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 our every word and action, with thanksgiving to God though Jesus Christ our only Lord and Life. God bless each of you richly through Jesus Christ.

Thanks for loving us,  
Paul and Wanda Hatcher



## FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)

- "WHY DO WE HAVE A THANKSGIVING OFFERING?"**  
We have a Thanksgiving Offering because We NEED It for the coming year to supply the financial commitments we have made to our missionaries for the services and benefits we provide from the General Fund.
- "WHY IS THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING SO IMPORTANT?"**  
The Thanksgiving Offering is ESSENTIAL because it is the only source of funds for supplying our missionaries' needs during the coming year. All of the commitments we make to our missionaries are supplied from the General Fund - and the Thanksgiving Offering funds are the only available resources to provide many of those benefits.
- "WHAT SERVICES AND BENEFITS DOES THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING PROVIDE?"**  
The Thanksgiving Offering enables us to provide the services and benefits we have committed to our missionaries "as the Lord provides." These benefits include:
  - reimbursements for missionaries' Furlough (Home Assignment) airfare/transportation expenses to and from the field
  - reimbursements for their hospitalization personal deductibles for the year (their personal deductible is \$1000 and we reimburse them \$600 of that amount)
  - children's school/education expenses (if funds are available)
  - expenses for mailing The Mission Sheets (missionaries' monthly letters, reports, updates - and detailed report of all offerings given through BFM that month)
  - expenses for maintaining Stateside office for communication and daily services - there are a lot of activities that go on Stateside to keep our missionaries functioning on their fields of service
  - providing and maintaining a Furlough Home in Lexington for those missionaries who choose to use it
- "HOW ELSE IS THE GENERAL FUND SUPPLIED?"**  
The standard supply for the General Fund is from monthly offerings which are given to the General Fund. These offerings are listed monthly in the Mission Sheets under "General Fund". These monthly General Fund offerings are used to supply the "Essential Maintenance Transactions" [EMT] which we have committed to the missionaries for their standard essential monthly expenses. These include:
  - their monthly salary
  - their monthly standard housing allowance
  - their monthly standard ministry allowance
  - their monthly hospitalization premium
  - expenses for printing The Mission Sheets - their monthly newsletters, reports, and updates**NOTE: these monthly "Essential Maintenance Transactions" are not supplied from Thanksgiving Offering funds - but from the** [see FAQ page 4]

## "Founded on the Word- Focused on the World" 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Missions Conference November 9-11, 2015

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH | Dearborn Heights, Michigan  
Pastor Terry Adkins

### MONDAY Evening (November 9)

5:00 pm Dinner  
6:30 pm Music  
6:45 pm Singing  
7:15 pm Message: Pastor George Sledd  
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, FL  
8:00 pm Singing  
8:25 pm Message: Bobby Wacaser  
Missionary, Curitiba, Brazil

### TUESDAY Morning (November 10)

9:15 am Music  
9:30 am Singing  
9:45 am Message: Pastor Michael Jones  
Zion Baptist Church, Taylor, MI  
10:25 am Singing  
10:30 am Message: Pastor Doug Armstrong  
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, MI  
11:10 am Break  
11:15 am Message: Pastor Bob Hopkins  
Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Holly, MI  
12:00 pm Lunch

### TUESDAY Afternoon (November 10)

1:30 pm BFM Advisory Meeting

### TUESDAY Evening (November 10)

5:00 pm Dinner  
6:30 pm Music  
6:45 pm Singing  
7:15 pm Message: Pastor Dan Hillard  
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, IL  
8:25 pm Message: Judson Hatcher  
Missionary, Manaus, Brazil

### WEDNESDAY Morning (November 11)

9:45 am Music  
10:00 am Singing  
10:15 am Message: Kerry Smith,  
Assistant Pastor  
New Heights Baptist Church, Ringgold, GA  
11:00 am Singing  
11:15 am Message: Pastor Harold Draper  
7th Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, IN  
12:00 pm Lunch

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# Pray for Health Issues; Running Out of Room; Building Progress



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October 9, 2015  
Dear friends and family,  
Well I have a lot to catch you up on about our ministry here in Caraguatatuba, Sao Paulo. To start with, I had to let Mrs. Barb go home to help with her mother. Mrs. Reba fell and broke her hip on the 28th of July and had to be hospitalized for surgery. We could only get tickets for her to arrive two days after the surgery. After the time of recuperating from the surgery, Mrs. Reba was moved to a rehab and for the most part was an uncooperative patient. She was sent back to the hospital because she could not keep food down. During this time she almost passed two times, but she managed to spring back enough to be dismissed from the hospital and was sent to another rehab facility.  
During these two months Barb was also having various tests done. She was having numbness and loss of use in her hand and arm. After numerous tests and a stint in the hospital they think that they have determined the problem. They think that it is a deteriorating cervical disk c4—c7. The treatment is traction two times. Dur-

ing this time she was also scheduled for outpatient surgery and in the surgery room she became very sick and the surgeon wrestled that surgery. She will come home in December and will have the surgery then. So please put her on your prayer list.  
Now just go ahead and throw me into the health issues also. My test for prostate problems came back with numbers very high. I was put on medication for one month and after that I will go to a doctor here to have the PSA numbers checked again. If they remain high I will return to the States for the next step in this process. So the three of us have health problems but we know who is in control. Just keep us on your prayer list please.  
Now enough about medical problems, let's talk about ministry issues. How AWESOME is the God we serve!!!! With the growth, we are experiencing space problems—not enough room for Sunday School and not enough room for our regular church services not enough chairs for the people that are coming. You name it, we are experiencing it.  
Do not think that we have a perfect ministry here, no our Church is full of problems. That is because our Church has sinners like you and I in it. But what an AWESOME task-blessing, to be right where you feel God wants you to be and doing what He wants you to do. Thank you Lord for allowing me to be a Missionary here in Brasil and doing that in retirement.  
Here is what has been going on in these last two months: lots of remodeling and construction. You see we have purchased an

AWESOME building right beside where we are renting. We looked at many areas, buildings and land and God is almost ready right beside where we are congregating. I hope you are following our remodeling progress on Facebook. The roof is now on and construction in front is progressing well. We have built two bathrooms and a new entry for the church. With help of many young people from the States and here we have removed all the columns and partitions inside the building and have made an AWESOME assembly area for the church. Upstairs will be great for Sunday school rooms and with a kitchen (all good Christians have to have a place to cook and eat).  
As you can see the ministry is growing and the construction is continuing so these areas also need your prayers. We will be moving into the new building before it gets completed because money will run out before it gets completed. Don't worry this is not uncommon here. God is in control!! Here is where faith comes in. Also what would you all do next year when you come down if we were able to complete everything?  
AWESOME is the God we serve. All this in reality is a miracle which I will go into in our next month's letter. Stay tuned for building and ministry progress. AWESOME AWESOME!!!!  
Even though we are working a lot that does not mean that we do not have time to turn your bed down if you want to come and participate in what God is doing here in Caraguatatuba.  
In His service,  
AJ and Barbara



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Dear friends,  
This last month has passed so quickly.  
**FAMILY**  
Our kids are doing well in school. Their greatest difficulty is still the English language, but they are committed to learning. They regularly bring books home from the school's library and we take them once a week to the public library. Bedtime is a hard time for me, as I have to insist they stop reading and turn off the bedroom lights. I am grateful for their desire to read in English. The kids are doing well socially too, as friendship comes easy to them. I would

# Kids Adjusting to American School; Mentoring Students

be harder on us as parents if they were having difficulty making friends. Raquel is doing great, she participates in a women's midweek Bible study and is connecting well.  
**TEACHING AND NETWORKING**  
I am enjoying my time at Liberty University as an adjunct professor. Teaching and mentoring is part of my DNA and I feel at home engaging with students. The Lord is giving me the opportunity to connect and network with new pastors at existing churches around the Virginia and North Carolina region. The opportunities to work with Dr. David Adams at the School of Divinity in the Pastoral Leadership Program and with Dr. Matt Willmington

at Thomas Road Baptist Church is never boring. This experience is also a great learning opportunity for me. I do stay busy, but that is part of my life's routine anyway.  
**UPCOMING**  
This coming weekend we plan to participate in the "Testify to the Gospel Conference" at Grace Baptist Church in Fairborn, OH where my dear friend, Mark Pyles is pastor. The following week I will participate in the Refuel Conference at Thomas Road Baptist Church, where Jonathan Falwell is senior pastor.  
Our **PRAYER REQUESTS** are as follows:  
1) Our finances.  
2) Our children's education and English language.  
3) Expanding our support base network.  
4) For our unsaved neighbors.  
Grateful, Jud Hatcher



Jesus always gives us a reason to smile as a family.



School of Divinity faculty meeting with Dr. Ed Hindson.



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October 4, 2015  
Dear Friends,  
Charlene and I just returned from a two week trip to Brazil. We had to count on family members to cover for us taking turns caring for my ailing father. While in Brazil we were able to have a meeting with our evangelism ministry, Projeto Vida, and make plans for the next few months of outreach efforts.  
My young replacement at my former church, Alek Rossi, has been doing a great job. Everyone we talked to about how the church was doing gave excellent reports on how well he is pastoring the flock and teaching. We saw several new families attending and the church is still baptizing new members. Alek asked me to preach on the Sunday that we were present. It was

# Projeto Vida Ministering in Schools; Church Thriving Under Alek's Leadership

a welcome privilege to be in my former pulpit teaching God's word and seeking to make Him known to the lost. It was clearly evident that the members have truly embraced Alek and his wife as their leaders. It was also clear that the members have embraced the responsibilities of caring for their facilities. Actually, I got a little ironic laugh out of seeing how well they have done that. For 4 years I sought to transfer to the members the importance of attending to the small details of cleanliness and upkeep of the grounds while they also gave loving attention to the other members and visitors. As soon as we drove onto the property we saw that loving care had gone into the upkeep of every little detail. I want to think that my constant example and drilling the members finally took hold, but it would have been nice if they had shown that while I was still there. I love them anyway!  
While I was meeting with the Projeto Vida leaders they shared how the Lord has been blessing this year. They

still have two more months to work in the public schools this year, but already they have been in 6 states, taking the gospel to over 30,000 students and teachers. We also made preparation for hosting and training missionary volunteers in the upcoming months. There will be two international volunteers arriving early next year who will work and travel with the teams in active training. Also, we will coordinate the partnership with a group of nearly 50 youth who will share the gospel in some public schools and parks.  
It has been many years since we have been able to participate in the Missions Conference on behalf of Baptist Faith Missions in Dearborn Heights, MI. We are really excited about being there again in early November. We hope to see many of our old friends there and are looking forward to making new friendships as well.  
Thank you for your prayers and support,  
Bobby and Charlene Wacaser



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live with us last October. We just celebrated Chloe's first birthday back on September 17th but unfortunately the Kenyan government's moratorium on foreign adoptions is still in place. Thus, in the meantime, because we are not able to proceed with formal adoption plans, we thought it a good idea to obtain some more legal and permanent recognition of our status with her. So, for the past few months we have been in the courts here in Kitale trying to obtain legal guardianship for Chloe. This isn't adoption, but it is an extremely important legal proceeding for us. In granting us guardianship the court would in essence be recognizing us as her legal parents and no one would be able to take her from us without a court order from the same court granting us guardianship. In other words, it legally places her in our family and gives us legal parental rights to her. However, up to today we have faced many delays and postponements in this legal process. Countless times we have thought we would receive the ruling only to be delayed again. We've jumped through all the hoops only to be postponed again. Today, finally, we have received the ruling from the court - We have been granted legal guardianship of Chloe! We are thanking God for this ruling and for placing Chloe into our

# News for Chloe; Teaching Pastors

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Hello Friends.  
I am in an especially happy mood right now as I sit down to write this update. As you know, we have been wanting to adopt Chloe since she came to

family and now pray that the government will open up the adoption process to us as well. She is a precious blessing to us and in light of the recent and horrible discoveries about Planned Parenthood we are blessed and pleased to be able to care for and love one of God's "little ones". Lord, help each of us to be as concerned as you are about your "little ones" and all those in this world who are weak and helpless.  
In other news, I also just finished teaching a week long class at a local Bible college just outside of town here in Kitale. The class I taught was hermeneutics (or, how to interpret Scripture). The class was all day, every day from Monday to Friday with the final exam on Saturday morning. I was excited about being invited to teach this class at the Bible college because one of the best ways to see the Kingdom of Christ grow and spread here in Kenya is to help, teach and disciple the pastors of the country—and what better topic to teach them but how to properly interpret God's Word. I found out how important it was to teach my students this topic as throughout the week I found out that their favorite method of interpreting the Scriptures was to allegorize the text (ie, replacing the original, intended meaning of the author with fanciful and imaginative substitute meanings). It was a grueling and tiring week but my eleven students were very bright and I grew to appreciate them all very much.  
Finally, I want to give you my latest



Chloe

Pokot news. In my last newsletter update I reported my desire to visit a certain remote village in the bush in Pokot and to take the gospel of Jesus there to those isolated people. Since my last report I was actually able to meet with my contact and we had solidified my plans with actual dates and an itinerary. However, later that very day all my plans came crashing to the ground. I will not go into all the details but let me just say that it was obvious that God himself was closing all the doors for me to make this trip. We can have our own plans but ultimately God is in control and when He shuts the doors it is wise that we not try to force them

back open. In fact, it appears that God has completely shut the ministry doors to Pokot to me, at least for the time being. I still desire to minister and share the gospel with these remote people and we will see how God opens things up and allows me to minister there, but for now I have no immediate plans to go. This makes me very sad but I comfort myself with the knowledge that the Apostle Paul also had certain ministry plans and had intentions on going to certain cities when God suddenly directed him to another city and gave him alternative plans. Again, I will try and trust in God and do all that He asks me to do. In the meantime I will pray for an opening up of the ministry back in Pokot.  
Until next month, beloved.  
May God's peace and joy be with you.  
For the glory of God in East Africa.  
Roger & Julie Tate  
(Emily, Amy, Josiah & Chloe)





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The Gospel of Jesus Christ has been preached for twenty centuries. Is it necessary to ask now what missions is all about? The question must be asked and

# The Challenge of Missions: Chapter One

it demands an answer. The work of missions is like the sun. Though it is the same every day, yesterday's sun-shine will not serve for today. For men to live, the sun must shine day after day. Missions is spreading the message of the "Sun of Righteousness" and must be done day after day, generation after generation.

The psalmist stated this need in Psalm 22, verses 27 to 31: **27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before Thee. 28 For the kingdom is the LORD'S: and He is**

**the governor among the nations. 29 All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before Him: and none can keep alive his own soul. 30 A seed shall serve Him: it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation. 31 They shall come, and shall declare His righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that He hath done this.**

"The Sun of Righteousness" with healing in His wings (Mal. 4:2) must arise through the work of missions for the healing of needy dying men.

## MISSIONS IS LOVING.

It is the result of God's love for sinners; it is the love of saved men for their Lord and for the lost. We love because He first loved us and His love is shed abroad in our hearts. From Genesis to the Revelation the Scriptures declare the eternal love of God—of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. From the book of Acts to the Revelation the Bible tells of men who were transformed by the Grace of God into the image of God's Son, and who were able, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to love God with all their soul and body and their fellowmen as them-

selves. The book of the Revelation concludes the story of missions by showing the final victory and eternal glory of Jesus Christ. All His redeemed children—co-laborers and joint heirs from every time and clime will join together to praise Him with a new song.

(to be continued...)

-J.A. Hatcher

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October 1, 2015  
Dear praying friends,  
It is now the month of October, and near the end of the year. Hard to believe that we will soon be going into the holiday months of Thanksgiving and Christmas. We wish you all a great holiday season ahead and thank you so much for your interest in missions in Kitale, Kenya. Last month was a sad one for our family, as one of our main guard dogs, Snickers, passed away. She had some sort of serious illness that was above the care of the veterinarians here. We did our best to treat her, but she eventually passed away. Guard dogs are necessary as they are one of the main deterrents to incidents on compounds. So, we were sad, and still miss Snickers, but we were glad that God provided another good guard dog soon after. This puppy is a rare breed for this area of Kenya, as he is half boxer. We named him Reese and he is now around 5 months old and growing quickly. We are thankful for the protection that the dogs provide. Ultimately, our safety is completely in God's hands and we trust Him for our security. God watches over and protects us and we trust Him with our safety.

## Answered Prayers!

I love 2 Samuel 22:4 which says "I will call on the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies."

The ministry in the village of Robinson is continuing along. My partner Roger Tate and I have been faithfully sharing the Gospel, teaching the Word of God, and trusting Him for the results. We have also been doing visitation in the area and meeting many people in the community. I feel this time



Nathan with their guard dogs.

of visitation is very important, for we get the opportunity to share with the people the Gospel, invite them to the teachings, and pray over any needs or issues that they may have. Currently, I have been teaching in the book of Matthew. I recently taught on Matthew 4 and we saw how the Lord defeated Satan during His time of temptation. We saw the importance of memorizing and using the Word of God when we are tempted and also the importance of the Word of God in our lives. Matthew 4:4 says "But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." We will keep you updated on this ministry.

My wife has been enjoying the hospital ministry. We are thankful to each of you who donate to this ministry and are prayer partners. She

got her work permit, which we trusted God to provide, and goes regularly to help the abandoned babies and give needed supplies to the mothers. There have been so many mothers and children that the supplies are now depleted more quickly than in times past. Please pray that these women and children would see the love of Christ, and with the Lord's help, we would be able to reach many more in the future. We thank you so much for your interest

in this ministry. My wife also began a new home-schooling year with our girls. McKenna is now in 2nd grade

and Camille is in preschool. They are both learning quickly and enjoy their school time. It has been exciting to watch them grow in their knowledge and abilities. I am thankful for this time that my wife has to teach our children. The girls also have made friends with a couple Kenyan girls from a local children's home who come over on Saturdays to play. We are thankful that our girls have this down time with friends and that they have this much needed time to play together.

We will be sure to keep you updated. Thanks again to each of you who prays, gives sacrificially, or writes letters of encouragement. We appreciate each of you so much and thank the Lord for you.

Until next month,  
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October 7, 2015  
Dear Brethren,  
Bev and I spent 10 days in southern Brazil on vacation. This was all the time I could get off, but it was enough and it was relaxing. Pastor Pedro and his wife were in Florianópolis, Santa Catarina. He was there finishing up his masters degree, so we met up in Rio Grande do Sul for the short vacation. We have had a very busy time since then. I have been helping two of our missionaries work through some problems. Bev and I have been meeting regularly with our missionary at Guajará, Amazonas. He and his wife have got out of control with their finances, so we are walking them through the process of getting out of debt and restoring his testimony in the community. The other missionary has been working at Profeta on the upper Jurua River for 5 years. He has been struggling since the beginning of the year with deep spiritual and mental frustrations. The congregation there just sees him as their "hired hand". They refuse to help with anything. They won't

## Work Continues on New Property; First Baptist Will Miss Faithful Members, More Added

even help with the spreading of the Gospel. Now some of you pastors are saying, "Well, what else is new?" To me this is NOT normal and I would go crazy, too, if my church did not pull their load with me. So pray for Antônio. We have brought him in from the field for treatment and possibly deploy him to a new field.

As some of you may recall, First Baptist Church bought 18 acres of land for expansion in the near future. It is about a mile past where we live. On one of my evening runs I decided to swing in there and check up on things. I discovered that a man had just cleared about 3 acres of land on our neighbor's ranch and planted some new manioc on his place and in ours, too. The rancher paid the guy some cash to get him out of his hair and not



A few of the men from church who showed up to fence.

have to take him to court. Since the church doesn't feel that it would be appropriate to pay the man, we have decided that now is the time to get all of our fences and gates up to par. I have been working out there for several

days now. Several of our men have taken time to help out, also. We have been cleaning out brush, did some plowing and fencing. I could tell you more, but let me just say: September and October are our hottest months of the year. This afternoon I decided to sit in the AC of my office and write you. Thank you very much for stopping my machete!

We have been having huge crowds at church for weeks now. We have actually had 48 more in September on average over August in our evening services. The morning services added another 146. We have had 3 people saved in each evening service for the past 5 weeks (all of September and the first Sunday of October). We have had several more requests for baptism. Of course several have moved away, too. Levi and Eliane just retired from Bank of Brazil and moved to Curitiba, Paraná to take care of her elderly mother. Levi was still single when I became pastor. He married a Presbyterian, who I baptized many years ago. Hard to lose such faithful people. He was one of those original 40 members that I had when I became pastor 37 years ago. Thanks for all of your prayers and support. God bless you as much as He has us.

In Christ,  
Mike Creiglow

## Trip to USA Filled with Opportunities to Help Family

trip to the United States. A good part of this time was spent helping David and his wife Dulce following the birth of their 4th child, our 12th grandchild. The oldest child in their family is 7 years old. We were glad to be able to help them with the newborn Lua and others as the school year started. We were also able to spend some valuable time with our daughter Lydia and help them with their four children ages 2 months to 6 years old as Adam, our son-in-law recovered from surgery. The same day that Adam had surgery in Chicago, Judy was in Cincinnati to help our oldest daughter Laura who was having a serious

surgery to place a plate in her forearm to correct damage caused by an accident the week before. We were glad to be able to be of assistance.

On the very day the surgeries were taking place up north, September 14, I was in Cincinnati, FL with Mom and Dad, Paul (my brother) and Wanda and Kathy (my sister) celebrating Mom's 90th birthday. The week spent with them was very enjoyable as I also got to spend time with many other friends and family members. We enjoyed a wonderful meal with many on September 15th to again

celebrate Mom's birthday. This allowed us to spend some quality time with Doug and Ramona King our long



Celebrating Alta Hatcher's 90th birthday! (From left: John & Alta Hatcher, Paul Hatcher, Kathy Barnes, John Mark Hatcher)

term friends and supporters. I thoroughly enjoyed speaking at Hope Baptist Church in the Cincinnati

area on September 6 and was blessed by the great hospitality of Steve and Debbie Hall and their family while in their home. Their heart to share the love and Good News of Christ to those in need is evident. We anticipate what God will be doing through this young church.

While in Evansville, IN for a few hours Judy and I were able to visit great friends and fellow servants whom we had the privilege of working with for a quarter of a century, Jim and Carolyn Evans and Frank and Sylvia Schofner. They still are on the front line serving the Lord in Evansville and

they faithfully support our ministry in France. While we were rushing around the US, Judy's dear sister shuttled us, loaned us her car and did many other things to help us as she always does. She also continues to be active daily in reaching others for Christ and discipling believers. God has blessed us far beyond our ability to enumerate.

Meanwhile, things are going well at the church in Tournefeuille and we restart all of our other Bible studies this coming week.

Thanks for your faithful support and prayers. Sharing the Good News in France,  
John and Judy Hatcher



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October 2, 2015  
Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
Hope this finds you enjoying the Fall colors of our Father's creation and many other blessings. Judy and I have been home for just a few hours from a month long

# October 2015 Offerings

## GENERAL FUND-OCTOBER 2015

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	200.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH (Auditorium Class).....	126.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH (Berean Class).....	60.00
Alava BC, Plant City, FL.....	100.00
Alexander, Denzel, Melbourne, FL (Giving Friends).....	50.00
Anonymous.....	22.00
Antioch BC, Ona, WV.....	200.00
Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY (Giving Friends).....	50.00
Beech Grove BC, Frametown, WV.....	100.00
Berea BC, Haddenet, NC.....	575.00
Berry Baptist Church, Berry, KY.....	400.00
Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV (Giving Friend).....	100.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	1,376.00
Bible BC, Portage, IN.....	200.00
Black, Gary & Sandra, Scott Depot, WV (Giving Friends).....	340.00
Bohon Road BC, Harrodsburg, KY.....	400.00
Calvary BC, Hurricane, WV.....	360.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY.....	1,849.00
Carver, Louise & Mary, Simpsonville, SC (Giving Friends).....	75.00
Canada, Mark & Sheryl, Manhattan, KS (Giving Friends).....	100.00
Cedar Creek BC, Cedarville, WV.....	100.00
Conner, Samuel & Martha, Cannelton, IN (Giving Friends).....	30.00
Crooked Fork BC, Gassaway, WV.....	140.00
Dobbins, Wesley & Janis, Gassaway, WV (Giving Friends).....	40.00
East Keys BC, Springfield, IL.....	725.00
Elgin BC, Rogersville, AL.....	290.58
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH.....	250.00
Emmanuel BC, Irvine, KY.....	200.00
Fairview Missionary BC, Willow Wood, OH.....	300.00
Faith BC, Kiskadee, MO.....	290.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL.....	400.00
First BC, Science Hill, KY.....	150.00
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV.....	100.00
First BC Of Niles, Niles, IL.....	127.00
Foster, Peggy, Evansville, IN (Giving Friend).....	50.00
Friend In Virginia.....	610.00
Goldfoss BC, Winston-Salem, NC.....	25.00
Goodsprings BC, Rogersville, AL.....	1,345.00
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
Hendley, A.J. & Barbara, Casper, WY (Giving Friends).....	60.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY.....	1,358.00
Libell Chapel BC, Tuscumbia, AL.....	85.00
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
King, Doug & Ramona, Arcadia, FL (Giving Friends).....	180.00
Lake Road BC, Clio, MI.....	275.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV.....	135.00
Manfield Baptist Temple, Manassas, VA.....	50.00
Matthews Memorial Church, Stevenson, AL.....	50.00
Morris, Byron & Alma, Wichita, KS (Giving Friends).....	100.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV.....	700.00
Mt. Pisgah Missionary BC, Grafton, OH.....	200.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normantown, WV (Donor BC).....	230.00
New Hope BC, Dearborn Heights, MI.....	550.00
New Life BC, Lexington, KY.....	575.00
Park Ridge BC, Gotha, FL.....	1,046.53
Redding, Warren & Barbara, Cumming, GA (Giving Friends).....	200.00
Rightway Drywall Inc, Macon, GA.....	1,600.00
Rocky Springs Missionary BC, Gray, TN.....	100.00
Rosedale BC, Rosedale, WV.....	2,000.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN.....	120.00
Thompson Road BC, Lexington, KY.....	805.00
Union BC, Russell Springs, KY.....	50.00
Valley View BC, Richmond, KY.....	10.00
Watkins, Bert, Richmond, KY (Giving Friend).....	130.00
Whaley, Lois, Winston-Salem, NC (Giving Friend).....	210.00
Wood, Nere, Columbia, SC (Giving Friend).....	200.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$26,165.11</b>

## IN MEMORIAM in memory of:

Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY.....	Howard Wilson Jr.	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, KY.....	Carol Card	113.00
Hamm, Kay, Southpoint, OH.....	George Foster	25.00
Orrick, Jim, Pewee Valley, KY.....	Irene Orrick	50.00
Orrick, Jim, Pewee Valley, KY.....	L.E. Crum	25.00
Overbey, Dale & Doris, Valparaiso, IN.....	H.H. & Grace Overbey	100.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$413.00</b>

## BIBLES FOR INDIA (Louis A. Maple Memorial Fund)

Buly, Gregory & Elaine, Harrison, TN.....	10.00
Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY.....	20.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI.....	50.00
New Hope BC, Dearborn Heights, MI.....	30.00
Ojibwe BC of Rosebush, Rosebush, MI.....	35.00
Reese, Patty Lou, Mount Vernon, KY.....	80.00
River City BC, Louisville, KY.....	50.00
Weitz, Michael & Linda, Cincinnati, OH.....	30.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$305.00</b>

## ODALI BARROS

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	100.00	
Baker, Karl & Rebecca, Georgetown, KY.....	Personal	50.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed	226.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	As Needed	80.00
Harmony BC, Frankfort, KY.....		100.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY.....	A&O	15.00
Hillcrest BC, Winston-Salem, NC.....		50.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV.....	A&O	25.00
Trumbo, Floyd & Flora, Upton, KY.....		200.00

## MICHAEL CREIGLOW

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	New Work	100.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN.....		325.00

Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed	200.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	Andrew Creiglow	176.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY.....	Andrew Creiglow	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	As Needed	80.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS.....	Food Pantry	234.46
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH.....		50.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL.....		200.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL.....	Special Offering	300.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH.....		50.00
Pleasant Ridge BC, Lexington, KY.....	Personal	300.00
Proctor, Evelyn, Clermont, FL.....		50.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN.....		50.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$2,215.46</b>

## JOHN A. HATCHER

Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	As Needed	80.00
Friendship BC, Bristol, VA.....		50.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$230.00</b>

## PAUL HATCHER

Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	Seminary Manum	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
Trinity-Northbrook BC, Cincinnati, OH.....		40.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$620.00</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
Gerrig, Glen & Tamara, Columbus, OH.....	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
Trabant, Michelle, Chandler, IN.....	Personal 130.00
Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN.....	50.00
Webb, Norma, Newburgh, IN.....	Personal 50.00
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,360.00

## JUDSON HATCHER

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	70.00
Friendship BC, Bristol, VA.....	50.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH.....	100.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>220.00</b>

## AJ. HENSLEY

Calvary BC, Shreveport, LA.....		200.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed	50.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	As Needed	80.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS.....		234.46
Fujikawa, Rocio, Novo Hamburgo, RS.....	As Needed	4,073.00
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
Leaz, Margaret, Lexington, KY.....	Personal	25.00
Mt. Eden BC, Hawesville, KY.....		150.00
Pleasant Ridge BC, Lexington, KY.....	Personal	300.00
Rightway Drywall Inc, Macon, GA.....	Personal	600.00
Second BC, Warner Robins, GA.....		200.00
Suburban Christian Church, Virginia Beach, VA.....	Special Projects	416.00
TOTAL.....		\$ 6,498.46

## NATHAN RADFORD

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	100.00	
Anonymous.....	300.00	
Bible BC, Belva, WV.....	40.00	
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed	76.00
Black, Gary & Sandra, Scott Depot, WV.....	500.00	
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY.....	As Needed	50.00
Calvary BC, Hurricane, WV.....	Special Offering	360.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	As Needed	80.00
Cullen, Tom & Laura, Letart, WV.....	50.00	
Elizabeth BC, Bancroft, WV.....	200.00	
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH.....	100.00	
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV.....	100.00	
Faith BC, Wilmington, OH.....	133.33	
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV.....	60.00	
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV.....	75.00	
Grace BC, Lima, OH.....	500.00	
Grace Missionary BC, Surgoinsville, TN.....	50.00	
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI.....	150.00	
Harper, David, Concord, NC.....	25.00	
Harrah, Tryone & Loretta, Cross Lanes, WV.....	50.00	
Hernandez, Paul & Anne, Youngsville, PA.....	50.00	
Huguenin, Ben, Mt. Airy, MD.....	40.00	
Jordan BC, Sanford, FL.....	200.00	
Kibbey, Bart & Frances, Pittsfield, PA.....	150.00	
Kincaid, John & Jane, Scott Depot, WV.....	50.00	
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	
Loosenott, 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, Oosian, IN.....	150.00	
Nizio, James & Victoria, Dearborn, MI.....	35.00	
Parker, Steven, Burlington, IA.....	10.00	
Phalen, Larry & Naomi, Concord, NC.....	As Needed	200.00
Rawley, Philip & Sarah, Rockwall, TX.....	300.00	
Ripley Tabernacle BC, Ripley, WV.....	100.00	
Rollins, David & Patricia, Hurricane, WV.....	50.00	
Sahlberg, William & Janet, Coopersville, MI.....	Gift	50.00
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
Wright, Randy & Teresa, Hurricane, WV.....	138.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$5,657.33</b>

## SHERIDAN STANTON

Concord BC, Leesville, SC.....	As Needed	80.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS.....	As Needed	100.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$180.00</b>

## ROGER TATE

ROBERTA	
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	100.00
Anonymous.....	Personal 200.00
Avram, Sharon, West Branch, MI.....	30.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed 100.00
Black, Gary & Sandra, Scott Depot, WV....	500.00
Calvary BC, Piqua, OH.....	50.00

Calvary BC, Hurricane, WV.....	Special Offering	360.00
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.....		560.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH.....		500.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH.....	As Needed	80.00
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.....		50.00
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.....		100.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$4,265.00</b>

## BOBBY WACASER

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH.....	100.00
Bell Shoals BC, Brandon, FL.....	New Work 500.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL.....	As Needed 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
Flores, Esther, Valrico, FL.....	Projeo Vida 25.00
Friendship BC, Bristol, VA.....	50.00
Lazzara, Richard, Valrico, FL.....	50.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV.....	100.00
Renckens, Kevin, Brandon, FL.....	Projeo Vida 200.00
Richland BC, Livermore, KY.....	As Needed 150.00
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,788.33

GRAND TOTAL.....\$50,763.69

"...for all things come from You,  
and of Your own have we given You."  
- 1 Chronicles 29:14 -

Thank you for giving.

## FAQ (from page 1)

monthly offering given to the General Fund.  
NOTE: For detailed explanations of how our missionaries' ministries are funded, please access our two brochures "Baptist Faith Missions" and "Caring for those who care for the world" on our website (baptistfaithmissions.org), click on FaithWorks Blog and open the thumbnail brochure icons on the right margin.

5. "WHY IS THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING GIVEN AT THE THANKSGIVING SEASON?"  
► The BFM Thanksgiving Offering began many years ago in conjunction with the annual Thanksgiving Missionary Conference in the Detroit-area and has continued that way to this day.  
► Also, the Thanksgiving season is good reminder of the thanks we owe God for His Indescribable Gift in Jesus Christ-and our Thanksgiving Offering is a good way to express that thanks.  
► And, the Thanksgiving season and Offering is a good occasion for us to give missionary offerings so others, also, may hear the blessed Good News of salvation through Christ...and, in this way, MULTIPLY STILL MORE THANKSGIVINGS TO GOD.

6. "HOW CAN I GIVE MY THANKSGIVING OFFERING?"  
If your church receives a Thanksgiving Offering for the missionaries supported through BFM, then we encourage you to give your offering through your church. Most of the Thanksgiving Offerings which are given by churches are made up by the voluntary offerings of individual members who give to the Offering. Pastors, we encourage you to give your church the opportunity to contribute to our BFM Thanksgiving Offering.

7. "WHAT IF MY CHURCH DOES NOT RECEIVE A BFM THANKSGIVING OFFERING?"  
If your church does not participate in the Thanksgiving Offering, you may send your personal gift to the Treasurer of BFM and designate it "Thanksgiving Offering." (Baptist Faith Missions / Pastor George Sledd, Treasurer / P.O. Box 471280 / Lake Monroe, FL 32747-1280)  
You can also give online at [baptistfaithmissions.org](http://baptistfaithmissions.org) and click on "Donate/Support" and designate for "Thanksgiving Offering."

8. "CAN I GIVE MY THANKSGIVING OFFERING ONLY AT THANKSGIVING...OR DURING NOVEMBER?"  
No. Most churches and individual Friends of BFM give on or around Thanksgiving Sunday (either the Sunday before or after Thanksgiving Day). However, offerings continue to come in to the Treasurer during the month of December, and sometimes on into the next year. You can give your Thanksgiving Offering any time. But, all offerings designated "Thanksgiving Offering" go toward the same collective Offering for that year.

9. "HOW IS THE 'EVERY FRIEND A GIVING FRIEND' PERSONAL GIVING MINISTRY PERTINENT TO THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING?"  
We introduced the "EVERY FRIEND A GIVING FRIEND" ministry and plan during the 2003 Thanksgiving Conference. "Every Friend a Giving Friend" encourages each of our missionaries' friends to personally participate in regular giving to the General Fund. This plan is nothing new or unique; it is just another way to express and ar-

# Correspondence

All correspondence concerning BFM or any of the missionaries, or requests for BFM brochures for distribution should be addressed to:  
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All offerings should be addressed to:  
BFM, c/o George Sledd  
P.O. Box 471280  
Lake Monroe, FL  
32747-1280

You can also contribute online at [www.baptistfaithmissions.org](http://www.baptistfaithmissions.org) 'Donate/Support' tab.  
If it is for a specific missionary or project, it should be so designated.  
The greatest need each month is for the General Fund.

All correspondence concerning address changes, address additions, questions, and other information about mailing should be addressed to:  
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If making a change of address, please include the old address along with the new address.

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If you were on a foreign mission field, would you live any differently than where you are now?

Live on mission. Everywhere.  
- Parsons -

tulate what the Friends of BFM have been doing since the inception of the Mission.

It is also patterned after the instructions Paul gives us in 2 Corinthians 8 and 9: that is,

1. to purpose in your heart to give an offering (9:7)  
2. to give as generous an offering as God enables you (8:1-3 & 9:6)

3. to ask God - and trust Him - to supply you with the funds you will need to give the offering (9:8)

4. to plan and begin preparing even a year ahead of time (as Paul instructed the Corinthians and the other churches to do) (8:10-11 & 9:2)

5. to give your offerings to the Lord and to the Lord's missionaries willingly and cheerfully (9:7)

6. to express your love and obedience to the Lord (8:8 & 9:13)

7. to give as your response to Jesus Christ's grace and gift of Himself to you (8:9 & 9:15)

We encourage every Friend of BFM to be a Giving Friend and give a personal Thanksgiving Offering to help supply our missionaries' needs which are met through the General Fund.

"EVERY FRIEND A GIVING FRIEND" also challenges each Friend of BFM to personally participate in missions by giving monthly offerings over and above the regular tithes and offerings you give to your church to meet the needs of your local church's ministries. We encourage each Giving Friend to make a personal commitment to either begin giving or increase your giving each month to the General Fund.

10. "WHY DO YOU SET GOALS FOR THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING?"

We set goals because the goal amount is keyed to the projected needs we expect to meet for the coming year of missionary ministry. And, when we increase the commitments, services, and benefits we need to give our missionaries so they can fulfill their ministries, our needs for the necessary funds increase also. And, please remember with us that we cannot approve and commit to increasing the modest support we give our missionaries unless we believe the Lord will supply those funds through your giving.

OUR 2015 THANKSGIVING OFFERING GOAL IS \$55,000.00.

Would you please pray and ask the Lord of the Harvest what He would have you give to this year's Thanksgiving Offering? And then ask Him also to supply you with that gift from his inexhaustible resources of Grace!

Thank You, GIVING FRIENDS!