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Literature, the Tireless Missionary

Louis Rushmore

Distribution of literature remains an important part of our mission efforts. Brother Latchmenarine Latchmenarine (“Joe” for short) was my Guyanese co-speaker in our month-long mission effort throughout Guyana, South America in February 2014. He lives in a remote, jungle area along the Venezuelan border. His sponsoring congregation in Florida bought and paid for us to ship down 2,700 tracts to Joe. Our Guyanese co-laborer Nigel Milo and other brethren from the Amelia’s Ward Church of Christ in Linden, Guyana sparked the fire of evangelism in the Mabaruma brethren and personally showed them how to reach their neighbors. Just in, see the exciting email received from brother Joe.

We received one box of tracts yesterday from Louis and Bonnie Rushmore and are indeed very happy. We (the Mabaruma congregation) have begun to distribute tracts with the aim of reaching our goal “tracts in every home in our sub-region.”

We had 18 persons as part of four teams in White Water last Saturday, and 11 persons forming two teams visiting the Khan Hill area Wednesday afternoon. Many are planning to go out tomorrow in the Silver Hill area.

Already we have a few studies set up. Many homes were touched with the God’s Word. We quickly realized that there are more houses than we previously thought existed and that it will take more than we anticipated to achieve our goal. Regardless, everyone stands firm that we can achieve our goal.

We have more than 20 persons in the Mabaruma congregation who are most eager to go out into the fields and share tracts, with many more persons from the other congregations around willing to join us. Currently there is great zeal and enthusiasm to go out in the fields and do the Lord’s work, especially amongst the youths; we, however, feel ill equipped. We are wondering whether we should expect another box of tracts or if this is it.

Thanks also to the brethren from Amelia’s Ward, Linden who helped to light a fire for evangelism in the hearts of many in Mabaruma. Please continue to pray for the work and workers here in Mabaruma. ~ Joe Latchmenarine, Mabaruma, Guyana, South America

Also just in, brother Joshua Gootam for whom we labor when in his area of India sent an email about literature, too. If he can come up with \$5,000 soon, he can purchase 2,000 Telegu Bibles – a savings of \$1,000! He and his brethren for whom he preaches distribute many thousands of Bibles annually. In addition, he requests funds

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Hopping Highlights

Bonnie Rushmore

I do not know how to adequately describe the last three months of activity. It seems as though we have been going non-stop since our return to the USA March 1 from our month long trip to Guyana, South America. It feels like we have been on the road more than at home in Winona.

Churches Visited

The month of March found us at the Crocket, MS Church of Christ; the Imboden, AR Church of Christ; the Old Union, MS Church of Christ; the Batesville, MS Church of Christ; and the Walls, MS Church of Christ where Louis presented a report on our work and presented a biblical lesson for the morning worship hour if we were present for morning services.

The month of April found us at the Chafee Road Church of Christ and the Riverview Church of Christ, both in Jacksonville, FL; the Farley Church of Christ and the Winchester Road Church of Christ, both in Huntsville, AL where Louis presented a report on our work and presented a biblical lesson for the morning worship hour when we were there for morning worship.

Most of the month of May found us closer to home. The Saturday morning following the *Maywood Missionary Retreat* we headed the car for our “favorite bed and breakfast” – Rebecca’s home in Collierville, TN. That afternoon I helped Rebecca make enough pizza dough for six pizzas – she chopped peppers & onions, cooked sausage and made the sauce before our arrival. We took all the ingredients to the Banton/Gaddy home for a meeting with those going to Guyana from the Collierville Church of Christ the last week of July. While we feasted on homemade pizza, Louis and I answered questions from those who have not previously made a trip to Guyana concerning what to take and what to expect culturally. Sunday Louis presented a PowerPoint on our work to the Collierville congregation. We also visited the Courtland, MS church of Christ and the Elliott, MS church of Christ where Louis preached and presented a report on our work.

We also visited the West President Church of Christ in Greenwood, MS to support them in their Gospel Meeting, as well as the Collierville Church of Christ in Collierville, TN and the Siwell Road Church of Christ in Jackson, MS when we did not have appointments elsewhere.

Each Wednesday since the beginning of December (when we have been available), Louis has been teaching the adult auditorium Bible Class at the Siwell Road Church of Christ in Jackson, MS. In addition, the Union, MS Church of Christ invited Louis to speak at the *Second Annual East Mississippi Missions Lectureship on Saturday April 26th*.

Tuesday morning April 22, with the car loaded with *The Voice of Truth International*, *Global Harvest* and foreign language books, we travelled to Florence, AL. The World Evangelism team members and Heritage Christian University cohosted the annual India Missions Conference. About 70 people who work in India attended the three-day program to discuss current work and future needs in India. It was a time of encouragement, and we were apprised of current works throughout the country of India.

The next Tuesday we journeyed to Maywood Christian Camp in Hamilton, AL for the annual Maywood Missionary Retreat, hosted by World Evangelism Team members. Several of us arrived Tuesday afternoon, while others arrived Wednesday morning, to prepare the cabins for the attendees arriving on Thursday. Unlike the previous week’s program that focused on India, this program is for missionary work anywhere in the world, including some works here in the USA. About 95 people attended the retreat. We were uplifted with biblical lessons, missionary reports and great fellowship. This is a time to “recharge our batteries” with fellow missionaries and those hoping to do mission work! Although the weather was a little cool, the peaceful, country setting made it worthwhile (the heated cabins helped).



1,820 loose copies of *The Voice of Truth International* make for a 520 lb. box. We’re not likely to do that again!

Visitors

The Winona office and our home has had a host of visitors over the last two months. Ladies from the Huntsville Church of Christ in French Camp, MS spent one morning with us preparing Betty's newsletter for mailing. Robin Dunaway stayed in our home for a couple of days as he worked with Betty on the *Into God's World* graded curriculum, and Ken Upchurch spent a few days (again in our home) to discuss the graded curriculum and the overall work. Mark and Michelle Teske stopped by the office for a tour and a short visit as they travelled to Olive Branch, MS from Jackson, MS. Mark Shiers, preacher for the West President Church of Christ in Greenwood, MS, brought Adam Miller (preacher for the Mayfield Church of Christ in Saltillo, MS) by one morning as Adam was in the area holding a meeting for the West President congregation.

Other Travels

We travelled to Nashville, TN with a 520 pound box full of *The Voice of Truth International* and six smaller boxes of 300 sermon outline books for shipment to Guyana, South America. With shipping costs skyrocketing, we are searching for alternate shipping possibilities of *The Voice of Truth International* to foreign countries. Nigel Milo in Guyana has agreed to distribute the *The Voice of Truth International* throughout his country. It is cheaper to ship one large box to one location for distribution than to ship a small box to each recipient. This allows us to ship more copies since everywhere we go the brethren are requesting more copies. One preacher is using *The Voice of Truth International* as a class study book (one article per lesson). Members of the church in Linden are frequently stopped on the street by non-Christians who ask for another issue of the magazine.

We spent two Fridays and Saturdays working in Rebecca's yard on our way to Sunday appointments. She does so much for us that we try to help her with extra chores when we can.

While we were in Jacksonville, FL we took a day and a half with our good friend Martha Noland in Ocala, FL. Her husband Bob is retiring from full-time preaching and moving to Florida. Martha was in Ocala preparing their new house for their move later this year.

Medical Update

Several friends were concerned about my health and our trip to Guyana. I did well on the trip, but I have been extra tired since our return. On Wednesday April 16th, I had a checkup with the oncologist. All blood work came back normal! A CT-scan is scheduled for June. We are truly blessed, and prayers have been answered in regard to my health. I need to remember that even though the cancer is gone, my body has been traumatized this past year with surgery and chemotherapy. It will take time to regain my strength (and I am getting older). Please continue to pray for me – pray that I will learn to slow down a little and to not push myself so hard to accomplish all that I did before my illness. Pray that I will not become discouraged when I cannot do the things I need to do in the timeframe I feel they need done. Pray for our work as we edify Christians and reach lost souls with the Gospel. 📖

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program and a website for the TV program. Incidentally, this TV program is in (British-Caribbean) English; Guyana is the only English speaking country in South America.

Bonnie and I invite your financial participation to help either or both of these TV programs reach more souls with the Gospel. Please send your gift to the Siwell Rd. Church of Christ, 4075 Siwell Rd., Jackson, MS 39212; indicate on the memo line of your check how you want the funds to be applied. 📖

Rushmore Evangelism Fund: March—May 2014	
Beginning Literature & Bible Balance	\$3,435.59
Income	\$993.32
Expenses	-\$859.75
Ending Literature & Bible Balance	\$3,569.16
Beginning Foreign Travel Balance	\$329.19
Income	\$0.00
Expenses	-\$0.00
Ending Foreign Travel Balance	\$329.19
Beginning Medical Balance	\$797.99
Income	\$000.00
Transferred from General Fund	\$2,892.76
Expenses	-\$3,690.75
Ending Medical Balance	\$0.00
Beginning General Fund Balance	\$7,875.27
Contributions	\$14,560.99
Stateside Travel	\$2,285.00
Hindi TV	\$1,200.00
Auto Expenses	-\$2,011.87
Stateside Travel	-\$2,487.56
Bank Fees	-\$4.08
Internet	-\$90.00
Office & Misc. (including repairs)	-\$3,867.33
Postage/Shipping	-\$286.98
Housing	-\$2,198.06
Salary (February—April)	-\$6,000.00
Business Telephones	-\$1,002.09
India Mission Conference	-600.00
Transferred to Medical Fund	-\$2,892.76
Newsletter (printing)	-\$525.63
Hindi TV	-\$1,200.00
Ending General Fund Balance	\$2,754.90

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for printing five titles of books in Telegu (averaging \$1,200 per title and a quantity of about 1,000 copies each).



One of the titles requested is Bonnie's book, *Living Principles*; the first printing in Telegu has been exhausted. Furthermore, brother Joshua and I are collaborating to print one of my sermon outline books in Telegu to assist Indian preachers in that language group.

Requests for literature abroad are staggering. The demand far exceeds available financial resources. There is seldom a better possible investment of the Lord's money since dozens to hundreds of people benefit from **each** piece of literature printed. Please send your gift to our sponsoring congregation: Siwell Rd. Church of Christ, 4075 Siwell Rd., Jackson, MS 39212; indicate on the memo line how you want the funds applied. 

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TV Programs Reach Millions Abroad

Louis Rushmore

Hindi TV Program

For years, a Hindi language TV program out of New Delhi has been one of several radio and TV programs sponsored by World Evangelism, through the efforts of J.C. and Betty Choate, overseen by the elders of the Liberty Church of Christ in Dennis, MS. Recently, responsibility for the funding and continuation of this Hindi TV program has passed to the administration of Louis and Bonnie Rushmore (also World Evangelism team members), under the oversight of the elders of the Siwell Rd. Church of Christ in Jackson, MS.

Speakers for the Hindi TV program are Sunny David, Francis David and Vinay David, all of whom serve the Lord's church in New Delhi, India. Louis and Bonnie hope to make value-added contributions to the ongoing Hindi TV program. This will include providing additional funds beyond the cost of the programming possibly for equipment, follow-up literature, transportation costs, a website and postage for mailing materials to contacts who respond to the program. Hindi is the official language of India and an under-served language group with the pure Gospel of Christ.

The Siwell Rd. Church of Christ already funds the work of the David's in New Delhi. Therefore, the additional attention by this stateside congregation to include the Hindi TV program is a perfect match to current efforts in New Delhi.

Guyanese TV Program

Because of our close association with brother Nigel Milo in Linden, Guyana, South America and our love for the Gospel, Bonnie and I are directing some funds to make value-added contributions to brother Milo's TV programs. We expect to provide follow-up literature, postage for the same, a cell phone for contacts to call when responding to the

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“...Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved...” (Mark 16:15-16).