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Home Again, for Now by Louis Rushmore

Martha and I returned home to the USA on October 20 after two weeks in Myanmar, also known as Burma. Days after returning, we were slowly adjusting to the 10½-hour time zone difference—exchanging night for day and back again within 16 days. While abroad, I taught Bear Valley foreign extension courses and preached for a combined 60 hours or so. I taught “The Book of Job,” “New Testament Worship” and “The Cost of Discipleship.” I preached about “Bible Authority.” Martha taught ladies for about 20 hours in the jungle setting of the Bible classes, about 45 minutes from the principal city of Yangon.

Our health was good. Brethren were great, and they are precious to us as Christian friends. Martha took a tumble, falling facedown on concrete, striking her mouth. Fortunately, she escaped any serious injury with only scuffs on both knees and some temporary aches. Unfortunately, in the process of her accident, she broke the glass on her tablet, from which she was teaching.

Tentatively in the last week of January 2019, Martha and I will fly to Guyana, South America, where we expect to be for five or six weeks. We usually travel to all ten regions of the tropical country to put our workshops and seminars within reach of every church of Christ in the nation; up to 85 of the approximately 100 congregations in Guyana have participated with us in the past. Through the “workshops,” we edify brethren, and through the “seminars,” we provide more in-depth teaching to preachers, their wives and other especially interested Christians.

These programs cost about \$20,000 for the six weeks. This covers international travel for Martha and me, in-country travel for two Guyanese co-speakers and us, lodging for Guyanese coworkers and us, and food for ourselves as well as for the attendees of the programs. Looking ahead, as we plan for this mission trip, please consider participating with us financially in a timely way so we can effectively plan, plus apply necessary funds in advance (i.e., airfare, lodging reservations, etc.).

In 2018, Martha and I shipped over \$50,000 worth of literature and supplies to Guyana. About twice a year, we haul a trailer to a Caribbean Shipping agent in Nashville, Tennessee. From there, the contents travel to Miami and then on to Guyana by container ship. Guyanese brethren distribute the literature, Bibles, songbooks and communion ware to most of the congregations in the country; this requires funds to facilitate, too. (We do not provide literature to Guyanese congregations that we know personally are not using literature they already have.) We also were able to provide an ATV (Gospel chariot) to brethren in a remote, interior part of Guyana to enhance their ongoing outreach to distant villages among indigenous people.

Between foreign mission trips while in the States, we travel whereupon I make mission presentations to or preach biblical lessons for the churches of Christ. Martha and I also participate with World Evangelism team members in the production of *Gospel Gazette Online* and *The Voice of Truth International* magazines. Actually, there is a lot of behind-the-scenes activity related to mission work, and sometimes fellow Christians from various congregations come to Winona, Mississippi and help us for a day or for several days; when are you coming? 📖

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Up, Up and Away!

Martha Rushmore

Friday, September 27, Louis and I went to our daughter Rebecca's for a short visit on our way to Cleveland, Tennessee. Rebecca always has our B&B ready for us when we need it for rest or on our way to or from preaching appointments somewhere.

On **Sunday, September 30**, Louis gave a short update on our work after the morning sermon at the **Ooltewah Church of Christ** in Ooltewah, Tennessee. In the evening, he spoke at the **Central Church of Christ** in Cleveland, Tennessee. We spent the night and then headed back to our home in Winona, Mississippi.

We unpacked from our trip to Tennessee and then immediately started packing for our trip to Yangon, Myanmar. Wednesday morning, **October 3**, everything was done. The van was loaded, and we were on the road again, traveling to spend the night with Rebecca once more. She is also our taxi driver to the Memphis International Airport sometimes when we leave the USA. Remember, her prices are always right—love, hugs and smiles!

October 4, we were up early and arrived at the Memphis airport over two hours before our departure. Our first stop was Atlanta, Georgia (one hour), then onto Incheon (Seoul), South Korea (14 hours), followed by our final leg of the trip to Yangon, Myanmar (six hours). We arrived on **Friday, October 5** at about 11:00 p.m. Counting short layovers, travel time totaled over 27 hours. We got a taxi and headed for our 2-week home at the Corolla Hotel.

During our time in Myanmar, we taught at the Hmawbi Bible School, worshipped with two different congregations, worked on lessons, went sightseeing and shopped. I even was so fortunate to go to a massage therapist three times, only a short walk from our hotel. The price for the first 90-minute sessions was \$10.00 USD, while the 2nd and 3rd massages were a whopping \$6.39 each. I wish massage therapy was this cheap in the States.

I was also privileged to have two Burmese outfits made. They are beautiful. The skirts are like the wrap around ones we used to wear when I was a teen. These skirts are ankle length and are called longyis.

Louis taught for 10-days at the school and preached only once this year. He shared the pulpit with two other American brethren. I sat in on his first week of classes. He taught the *Book of Job*. **Would you believe, he even made me take the test!** Luckily, I made an "A." I think one question was a trick question. We were to name the three books of the Bible that talk about Job. The answer was Ezekiel, James

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Yes! We want to help Louis & Martha Rushmore in foreign missions to India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Singapore & Guyana.

- Here is a onetime gift of \$ _____ to be used as needed.
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- Here is my (our) gift of \$ _____ toward overseas travel & missions.
- Here is my (our) gift of \$ _____ for Hindi TV Guyana TV webpage.
- Here is my (our) gift of \$ _____ for Thomas George Paramakatoi ATV.
- I (we) plan to include the World Evangelism labors of Louis Rushmore in our will.
- The _____ Church of Christ is closing, and we wish to contribute the assets to the World Evangelism labors of Louis Rushmore.

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Son Breaks His Back & His Neck

Louis Rushmore

In late September, my adult son Raymond was mountain biking with his teenage son—as he has done many times before. On this occasion, though, Raymond slid off of and went over a rail-less bridge on the trail. He fell about 15 feet and broke his back and his neck. Initially, he lost feeling in both legs and one arm, but fortunately, feeling and mobility has returned in those limbs.



He wears a plastic turtle-shell-like back brace that wraps around his torso. In addition, Raymond is wearing an apparatus to immobilize his neck while it heals. He looks like something out of a science fiction, futuristic movie!

Raymond will be out of work for more than three months and without regular income. He is a federal policeman for a military depot, but he is not salaried. Raymond has been a policeman for municipal, county and federal agencies for 21 years. He will also be unable in the foreseeable future to function in the Coast Guard reserves. Raymond is a sergeant in both jobs.

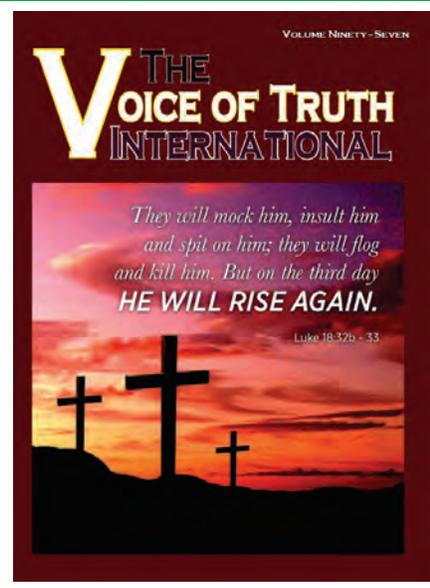
Raymond and his wife Crystal are expecting another child in January. They already have two children—one of whom just broke a rib on backyard playground equipment. Please remember them from time to time in your prayers as they struggle with these challenges. I am helping as I can, and the local church of Christ where they worship has been a wonderful encouragement to them. 📖

Publications

Louis Rushmore

Please let me send you a free copy of *The Voice of Truth International* quarterly magazine of which I'm one of the editors. Just contact me by email at rushmore@gospelgazette.com or write to make your request. I've also authored about 30 tracts and books in which you may be interested, which can be purchased online from www.WorldEvangelismMedia.com. Three books published this year are *The Cost of Discipleship*, *Job's Journey to Know God* and *James: Everyday Living for Christ*. 📖

Evangelism Fund: August—October 2018	
Income	
Book Sales	\$277.00
Literature & Bibles	\$5,820.00
Guyana ATV Fund	\$4,075.00
Contributions	\$14,700.00
Stateside Travel	\$2,774.00
Foreign Travel	\$11,955.00
Thomas George (Guyana)	\$100.00
Rebates/Discounts/Refunds/Resale	\$2.18
Total	\$39,703.18
Expenses	
Foreign Travel (General)	\$5,378.10
Salary (through December)	\$7,100.00
North India	\$3,900.00
Literature & Bibles (general)	\$3,602.72
Myanmar Seminar	\$200.00
Myanmar Literature & Bibles	\$100.00
Medical Expenses	\$4,004.35
Auto Expenses	\$1,931.23
Stateside Travel	\$919.13
Bank Fees	\$153.76
Internet (Gospel Gazette Online)	\$738.44
Office (supplies/equipment/software subscriptions/help)	\$1,638.44
Postage/Shipping	\$327.93
Housing	\$1,817.74
Teaching Materials	\$58.20
Business Telephone	\$357.72
Newsletter	\$384.24
Business Expenses	\$484.32
Total	\$33,096.12





“...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).

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and Job. Would you believe I could not think of Job? I think I had a senior moment. Ha-ha!

The next week, I taught the young ladies and a couple older ones. I taught 12 of the “Parables of Jesus,” “13 Things We Can Never Be Sorry About,” “Hear No Evil, See No Evil and Speak No Evil” and “Living as Christian Teens, Mothers and Wives.” The young girls were very interested in these lessons. The last lesson was the best because I got some interaction with the ladies. I really enjoy the questions and answers they give. I have learned so much from these Christian women and teens. They are such great friends.

I also tried different foods this trip. Some I did not know I was eating until I was done. **I had duck, shrimp, mutton, seaweed, fish and some other things I cannot and do not want to remember!** Louis and I had the best pork and gravy we have ever eaten in our lives. Luckily, I only had one very hot bite of seaweed, and that was because I was told it was not hot.

After **11:00 p.m., Friday, October 19**, we flew out of Yangon. We arrived in Memphis on **Saturday, October 20** about 2:00 p.m. Yangon and Winona, Mississippi are about 10½ time zones apart. So, our days and nights were mixed up. Just as we were starting to sleep well in Asia, it was time to come home. Now, we have jetlag again, but we hope soon to be sleeping all night in our own bed. (Funny, we left Seoul at 9:20 a.m. on October 20 and arrived in Atlanta, Georgia at 9:50 a.m. on October 20—seemingly only 30 minutes between them, but in reality, there were 14 hours of flying via a single jet airplane! Try explaining that to some school-children!)

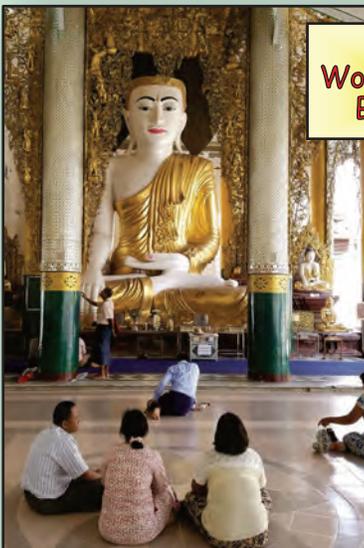
Thanks and glory be to God for us to be able to travel here in the States and overseas to do whatever God has planned for us. Always keep us in your prayers. 📖

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