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Previous Highlights

- Summer 2014 campaign results:
 - Nearly 200 studies conducted
 - 25 baptisms
 - 35 restorations
- Four villages visited
- Follow up visit to Moruca
- Mora councilman baptized
- Preaching experience at public school
- Next trip is Oct. 6 through Nov. 3

Current Highlights

- Fall 2014 campaign results:
 - Nearly 300 studies conducted
 - 16 baptisms
 - 20 restorations
 - 4 weddings
- Follow up visit in Nappi Village
- Taught Acts and Personal Evangelism in the Guyana Christian University

Pray for your fellow-laborers in the Lord's harvest (Luke 10:2).

Dear Readers:

This newsletter is being prepared from the mission field. God willing, I return from Guyana to the States on Nov. 3. A great campaign was conducted in the three villages of Nappi, Parishara and Hiowa. Additional evangelistic efforts were done in Karasabai and Katoka. **Nearly 300 Bible studies yielded 16 baptisms, 20 restorations and four weddings.** God has blessed the labors of tireless workers in spite of hot days. And I am thankful to be a part of this amazing work. Travel to these remote parts is difficult and costly; but I come because many here are very receptive to God's word.

During the campaign, I was able to go again into the local school and teach Bible. Several on the team came also; a former youth minister led songs. Tooth brushes and school supplies were distributed. The head master of the school visited our services the next night; she was also the wife of the pastor for the Christian Brethren Church. Only God knows the outcome.

Follow-up visit: After the campaign was over and the team returned to the States, a Guyanese family brought me back to Nappi Village, since I was staying in country for nearly a month. I brought two special lessons on Saturday evening to give attention, encouragement and direction to the brethren, some of whom were newly converted or newly restored Christian brothers and sisters. After sleeping in a hammock and eating peanut butter crackers and water for breakfast, I rose to preach on Sunday morning. One person was restored from that lesson.

My skilled driver returned me safely to Lethem though his car broke down twice.



David gives devotional in the local school



David teaching in preaching school

Important point: The most important aspect that I wish to highlight is that the nature of this work is not *hotel evangelism*. By this term, I mean to say that I do not stay in a comfortable hotel each night in order to evangelize during the day. Rather, I sleep in a tent (during this trip, in a net-covered hammock) and bathe with a washcloth from a bucket. The running water—from the well or otherwise—is not drinkable, not even for the toothbrush. There is little or no contact to the outside world. And the roads are dirty, even filthy.

During this trip, I fought a bat; killed a scorpion; sprayed for ants, roaches, spiders, fleas and bed bugs; and doused myself in deet to ward off the mosquitos and carbora flies. But I gladly accept these conditions in order to preach the gospel.

Objectives Achieved: I have stated that there are three purposes to my work among the Amerindian people in Guyana. This trip has given me opportunity to achieve all three objectives. First, I traveled with other Americans to participate in Bible studies and to preach and teach. Second, I was able to return to the same village one week later and to do some follow-up work. Third, I taught in the Guyana Christian University for the last two weeks. (Tom Holland is the President of this school.) My subjects were the Book of Acts with special emphasis on Personal Evangelism. I want to repeat these trips in the future, for sure!

Here is a sample of things that have kept my attention during early fall in between my two trips to Guyana:

- We prepared to sell our MI home
- We visited the Deep South for four weeks, reporting on our work.
- Our Michigan house went pending.
- We moved our contents to Kentucky, near our sponsoring church.
- We found a house in Kentucky.
- Our Michigan buyer walked away.
- I left for Guyana for four weeks.

Now, our Michigan house is empty, our contents are in Kentucky storage, we live with family and out of suitcases, and funds are limited. We are determined to see this through, but please consider the urgent letter of appeal.

Thank you for your prayers and for your financial assistance.

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