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### Previous Highlights

- Local ministry in Lethem
  - Preachers seminar
  - Gospel Meeting
  - Marriage Officers meeting
  - 2 baptisms & many restorations
- July 21-28 campaign

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### Current Highlights

- Church Adoption
  - Definition & Methodology
  - 3 more churches to adopt
- Additional Lethem updates (not available in previous newsletter)
- Derek & Indranie John servant leadership

*Those who drink the water that I give will never be thirsty again (John 4:14).*

Dear Readers:

We work with 31 churches in Guyana, helping them to grow and mature. The truth of the matter is that success in this work cannot merely depend upon the direct involvement of a single individual – the US missionary, the Guyanese preacher or someone else. Rather, victory can only be achieved by building a coalition of US churches to be directly involved with Guyanese churches.

**Adopt-A-Church Ministry:** Adopting a congregation is relational more than financial and is what many US congregations long for – engaging in missions beyond just sending a check. Adoption neither creates a hierarchy nor diminishes local church autonomy. More exactly, this ministry provides opportunities for close interaction that will enhance the faith of both the US and Guyanese Christian. My role is simply that of a facilitator helping the friendship and fellowship to grow and mature.

Two Alabama churches, Ozark and Austinville in Decatur, have adopted Moco Moco Village and Katoka Village congregations, respectively. I am looking for three additional US churches who will help foreign Christians like never before. Talk to your eldership or leaders about this great opportunity and give me a call.

Nappi Village, Guyana  
Parashara Village, Guyana  
Bon Fim, Brazil



Map of Guyana with the churches that are a part of our work. Additional work done on Wakenaam Island in Essequibo County and Marurunau Village, a newly planted church in the Deep South Rupununi.



Church members (above) in Bon Fim, Brazil pose for a group selfie under their temporary pavilion; bricks (below) will provide a permanent place to worship.



Returning from Guyana on February 5, I reflect on the work that was accomplished, the opportunities that lie ahead and the obstacles we must overcome. God is greater than any hindrance we may face.

Just two weeks after my return to the States, Amerindian Missions began the spring campaign in Marurunau Village. I have always participated but 15 days in the US is just not enough to spend with my wonderful family. Moreover, we attend Challenge Youth Conference (CYC) in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee in late-February each year. These events are important as Neleah moves through high school.

Sometimes, we are asked what we do in between Guyana trips. Our pattern is to give updates in several States, arrange future foreign campaigns, manage financial budgets and activity, complete administration tasks, and spend time with family. It's ongoing and never-ending, but we cherish our part in this work and are blessed for your love and support of us.

Derek and Indranie John labor in ministry with the Moraikobai Village church of Christ in Region #5, Guyana. He has served as local Toshou (Village Captain) for a couple of terms and National Toshou for two terms. They are great servant leaders at home village and in the Amerindian Missions Effort. Their experience is vital.

Beginning in March, they will be working in Lethem for three to four weeks every quarter as the church there has been without a preacher since August. \$500 will make it possible for them to traverse Guyana to provide their rare leadership.

*David & Philena*

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