

September – October 2017 Volume 4 Number 5

## **Previous Highlights**

- Teaching trip at GCU
  - Success
  - Suspension (temporary)
  - Sickness
- Campaigns in Moruca & Wakenaam
  - Moruca church strengthened
  - Wakenaam church stirred to action
  - o Two baptisms

## **Current Highlights**

- Continued funds for expanding work
- My Sept. 20 Oct. 25 trip
  - Lethem campaign (Oct. 2-16)
  - Follow up teaching & seminars
- Special Need: Seeking the lost
- Wakenaam Building update
- December January Campaign
- 2018 preview

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



David, Philena, Neleah & Felicity Paher

Dear Readers:

Many Guyanese churches need help, instruction, and guidance, which brings me to Guyana for the fifth time this year. (By contrast, five trips are usually made over twelve months.) The number of visits is not because of excess funds: I'm not sure what that looks like. The truth is that while you read this news, the funds run critically low. But, with our hand to the plow, we trust in the God who provides the ram in the bush. Now is a great time to get involved in this ever growing, quickly expanding evangelistic mission effort. Satan is strong, and the work is tough, but "greater is He who is in us, than he who is in the world."

**Campaign Preview:** In a few weeks, twelve Christians from the US will travel to Lethem, Guyana for a ten-day crusade. This effort will build upon past work for this newly restored church. In truth, Lethem is "Plan C." As much as we are really needed again in Lethem, two other locations – Kroudar and Maruranau villages – are young and struggling and were the focus of our attention. Both groups meet in homes as there is no regular preacher or public building. Limited efforts have been made previously, so we greatly anticipate the day when we can bring a full campaign in both of these areas. Pray for opened doors!

For those familiar with these campaigns, we conduct Bible studies each day and conduct nightly crusades. I will be directly involved and remain until October 23 when I will begin my trek homeward. Eleven days before that team arrives, I will travel to Guyana for follow-up work in additional areas. I will revisit Wakenaam and Mourca briefly and conduct a day seminar along the Pomeroon River. As you can tell, "To the work, to the work...."

Special Need: One of our very best local evangelists left his post for home. We have not heard anything from him, and don't know if he is dead physically, spiritually, or emotionally. For nearly two years, I have intended to pay him a visit at his home in Mabaruma since we cannot get ahold of him, but the funds to travel there have impeded my ambition. However, since I will be half the distance to Mabaruma during this upcoming trip, I can continue on for what I may anticipate to be about \$500. Of the 20 Guyanese preachers I could name, he is easily among the top three for his knowledge, enthusiasm, and personality. Add to that, wherever he has been located (Lethem, Monkey Mtn., Sand Creek, Moruca, Karaisabai), he has been very effective and well-liked. Moreover, we have lost a few good preachers to death or desertion. Will you help me procure a great preacher for this work? I'm ready to depart.



Culvert City members, GCU students & US helpers

**Wakenaam Building Update:** Because of your generosity, we now have \$7,223.00 towards construction of a new building. As we approach 40% towards our goal, I continue to work with island saints to maintain a healthy attitude about our aid.



Nicodemus Joseph crafted a Noah's Ark display from the native rubber-like balata tree sap. Expect its use in a sermon for my next visit to you.

Winter break trip: The time to commit to the Dec/Jan trip is now. Check archived 2017 newsletters (but especially the <u>Mar/Apr one</u>) for specific information on this trip. You won't want to miss this one, but you must <u>email</u> me today! Are you in?

Budget season: I am attaching a letter for your consideration of funds. If you believe in what we are doing, please support financially. If you have never given or haven't given in a while, please consider partnering with us regularly. Please give this newsletter and the appeal letter to your and/or missions deacon for elders consideration in the 2018 budget. If you sending money regularly and/or are periodically as you are able, then please continue to do so. Cutting back would greatly hinder our work We cannot do this without all of you!

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