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Maintaining Foreign Commitments in 2022

Louis Rushmore

With your prayers, moral support and financial participation, Martha and I hope to maintain our foreign commitments in 2022. Since the pandemic began nearly two years ago, our expenses exceed monetary gifts from both individual and congregational donors. Of course, we cannot continue to spend more than we receive, but we view 2022 with a measure of optimism.

Circumstances abroad, sadly, sometimes hamper *business as usual*. Covid-19 resurgence in overseas nations, as well as in the USA, necessitate a constant vigilance and flexibility. **India** is beginning to open itself to foreign visitors in stages with restrictions. **Myanmar** is crippled with not only Covid-19 but nationwide demonstrations and civil unrest following the military overthrow of the democratic government in February 2021. American missionaries are traveling now to and throughout **Guyana** (South America). India, Myanmar (historically visited each year in the fall) and Guyana (usually visited annually in the winter) are the countries Martha and I have visited most often. We sometimes worship with and participate in Bible classes with brethren in **Singapore**. In addition, I have traveled in the past to **Sri Lanka** and worshipped with brethren there.

Our 2022 Goals for India

- Continue to facilitate funds for one **Hindi language television program** broadcast from New Delhi; provide for follow-up **literature and postage**: \$20,000.
- Continue to provide funds for the **printing and distribution of Telugu language literature**, as well as for the purchase of **Telugu Bibles**: \$5,000 (considerably less than in previous years).

Our 2022 Goals for Guyana

- Continue funding the **nationwide workshops** to prepare Guyanese brethren to be better able to both edify themselves and to evangelize their own country: \$22,000.
- Continue funding and perhaps to expand the reach of a **Guyanese television program**: \$5,000.
- Continue **shipping and distribution of literature and Bibles**: \$4,000.

Our 2022 Goal for New Printing

- **Preaching the Whole Counsel of God to the Whole World, volume 5**, will be ready for publication in 2022. This series represents sermons I preached over nearly 50 years. Like topics appear together in the volumes (unlike, of course, the way in which they were presented over five decades). Full-sentence outlines with ample Scripture references permit readers to know clearly the lesson at hand and where to find the biblical evidence. This is particularly useful for brethren in some overseas places who may have little Bible background but find themselves called upon to preach and teach God's Word: \$3,500.

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Income for our program of media and missions in **2020** was **\$145,303**, which was \$16,000 less than in 2019. **Expenses** in **2020** were **\$138,389.62**, which was \$6,913.28 less than the income. **Income** for **2021** through November 9 was **\$115,328.33**, whereas **expenses** were **\$129,008.69** or \$13,680.36 more than was received. Every gift is greatly appreciated, and if a gift is stipulated for use in a certain way (e.g., Guyana television or Telugu Bibles), that is precisely to what it will be applied. Otherwise, we will apply financial gifts as needed. We covet your prayers and encouragement. We appreciate your generous donations. **No gift is too small to make a difference** – and no gift is too large to be useful in God's work through our hands.

Martha and I tentatively plan to be a part of the nationwide World Evangelism Media & Mission Workshops **February 2022 in Guyana**. We need your financial participation to permit that to occur. **Logistics and corresponding funds need to be in place on the ground in Guyana not later than January**. Perhaps your holiday gift-giving might extend to foreign evangelism, too. 📖

Eleven States in Fourteen Days

Martha Rushmore

We left Ocala on Monday, September 20th about 2:00 in the afternoon for a two-week combination vacation of sorts and visiting supporters. We traveled through Georgia and spent the night in South Carolina. Up early on Tuesday, we traveled through North Carolina, Virginia and then to South Charleston, West Virginia, where we spent the night with my brother Eddie and my sister-in-law Barbara Cooper.

Wednesday, September 22nd, we were on the road again about 9:30 a.m. to meet my brother-in-law Randy Noland for lunch at Cracker Barrel in Mineral Wells, West Virginia. After lunch, we drove to Marietta, Ohio to the home of my brother-in-law and sister J.D. and Denise Conley. Louis taught class for the Harmar Hill Church of Christ, presenting his PowerPoint about our last trip to Guyana, South America. That same evening, J.D. had an appointment at Hopewell, Ohio to speak in the church there for its summer series. This was good timing as in J.D.'s absence, he did not have to find a teacher for the Wednesday evening class. We had an enjoyable, howbeit short visit after services.

About 10:30 a.m. Thursday, September 23rd, we left Marietta for Chester, West Virginia and had a short visit with our friends Buck and Vera Groves. I had Louis stop for a few minutes so I could visit with Stan, Peggy and Rick Williams. The Groves and Williams are very good friends of mine.

Then, we went to Calcutta, Ohio, where we went to my late husband Bob's grave. The marker was very dirty and overgrown with grass, and so, we cleaned it and cut the grass. I put a small bouquet of flowers at the top of his marker. I only get to visit Bob's grave once a year at best. In December, Bob will have been gone six years. He left this evil world for a grand life. I miss him so very much. This in no means takes anything away from Louis, as he is the love of my life now.

We then met my son, Bryan for lunch. Of course, we had a short but good visit. I sure do miss seeing my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Most of them I did not get to see because it was a weekday.

It was about 4:00 p.m. before Louis and I headed to Jamestown, Pennsylvania. We visited with Martin and Mary Rushmore for a short while. We made plans for Thursday to go to Jamestown, New York to visit Louis and Martin's brother Larry.

The following day about lunchtime, we picked Larry up, and he guided us to a small hometown restaurant. The company and the food were great. We visited for about two hours before returning to Pennsylvania.

That afternoon on the way back from New York, we visited the gravesite of Louis' father. He died two years previously, but the pandemic prevented a funeral, and this was the first time Louis had been able to visit the grave.

Later that day, Martin, Mary, Louis and I visited with their other brother Michael and his wife Donna, who live outside of Jamestown, Pennsylvania. We had a good visit and, of course, it was a short visit, too. Michael is bedfast. It was then back to Martin's. We visited for a short while and went through some photographs and mementos Martin had saved for Louis after their dad's passing. Then, we went back to our motel.

The four of us made plans to go to the Linesville Spillway on the Pymatuning Reservoir the next morning. Martin and Mary's daughter Sammie came with us. We took lots of bread to feed the fish, the ducks and the seagulls. It was an enjoyable time. If you throw pieces of bread into the air, the seagulls catch it while in flight.

Not far from there, we all visited the Linesville Cemetery, where Louis showed his brother Martin and us various sections in which Rushmore ancestors are buried. Martin was



unaware of this part of their family history – and so close to them, too.

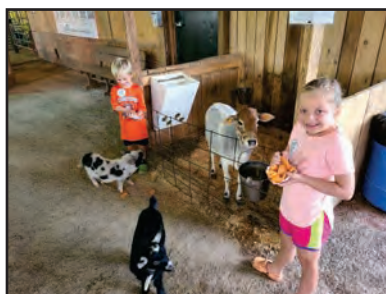
It was lunchtime, so we went to a country restaurant before parting from Martin and Mary. The food at this little family restaurant, out from town and surrounded by fields and woods, was very good. We were all surprised to find such a jewel in the middle of nowhere and virtually empty.

We were off again, and this time we went to the home of Ron and Janie Beadnell in Kensington, Ohio. They were our *bed and breakfast*, so to speak. On Sunday, Louis taught class and preached for the Hanoverton, Ohio Church of Christ. After church, Ron, Janie, Louis and I went to the Class of 50's diner in Minerva, Ohio. As usual the food and company were great.

Then, we were off on another leg of our trip to the home of my son Bob and his wife Sharon for supper. The best thing about going there, I got to see and play with my two-month-old great granddaughter. She is so adorable. We took a picture of the four generations. What a great time I had with such a sweet bundle of joy. This is not to say that I did not enjoy seeing my children and grandchildren, because of course I did.

Next, we were off to Newark, Ohio to spend time with Louis' son Raymond, his wife Crystal and three of our grandchildren. Our visit was bad timing as they were in the process of moving to another house on the other side of town. On Monday, the two older children went to school. Emmy is almost three, and she stayed with us. She was the little queen. We tried to clean the house into which they were moving, but it seemed like the more cleaning we did, the more there was to do. Back to the other house for supper and to get ready for bed.

Tuesday morning, Louis and I took Elaina (7) and Bryson (5) to Amish Country around Millersburg, Berlin and Sugarcreek, Ohio. We went to the Hershberger's Farm & Bakery. They had a small petting zoo of calves, piglets, llamas, goats, chickens and a walk-through bird aviary; we also



Evangelism Fund: August 2021 – October 2021	
Income	
Foreign Travel	\$1,000.00
Rebates/Refunds/Discounts/Resale	\$496.65
Contributions	\$27,765.00
Total	\$29,261.65
Expenses	
Guyana Literature & Bibles	\$820.00
Literature	\$2,045.94
Medical Expenses	\$2,463.53
Auto Expenses	\$3,281.07
Stateside Travel	\$1,780.67
Bank Fees	\$9.16
Internet (Gospel Gazette Online)	\$687.04
Office (supplies/equipment/software subscriptions/help)	\$2,584.71
Postage/Shipping	\$83.00
Housing	\$14,723.38
Business Telephone	\$274.56
Newsletter	\$810.19
Total	\$29,563.25

saw a giant horse and an equally giant cow, too. Outside the barn, there was a conveyor belt to take cones of food to goats that were on the roof of the building. We had let the grandchildren feed the animals inside the barn, and we let them also feed the goats that were on the roof. The goats were so funny, fighting over the cones as they reached the top of the conveyor belt. I do not know who enjoyed the animals more, the children, Pawpaw or Mawmaw. What a wonderfully fun day it was! When we

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.
- ☐ I (we) plan to send a monthly gift of \$_____ beginning _____ (month).
- ☐ Here is my (our) gift of \$_____ for English language literature & Bibles.
- ☐ Here is my (our) gift of \$_____ toward overseas travel & missions.
- ☐ Here is my (our) gift of \$_____ to print foreign language literature.
- ☐ Here is my (our) gift of \$_____ for ☐ India TV ☐ Guyana TV & Internet.
- ☐ 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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"...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).

got back to Newark, Raymond, Crystal and the three children were ready to go eat. We followed them to a Mexican restaurant. We had a great day, especially with Elaina and Bryson. We have beautiful and priceless memories to treasure.

On Wednesday, we left for Lexington, Kentucky. Louis presented his PowerPoint of our trip to Guyana, South America. We gave away newsletters, *The Voice of Truth International* magazine, other literature and ink pens (with our names and contact information on them). The brethren were happy to see us and gave us much encouragement.

Louis was going to take me to Gatlinburg, Tennessee for a couple of days just for us. We were both very tired, and I suggested to him, that if he didn't mind, we could just rest and work on *Gospel Gazette Online* instead of going to Tennessee. He was agreeable to stay in Lexington until Friday. It was a well needed rest. We spent most of our time in the motel. We did go out for lunch, and we went to a shop or two. These were the easiest and most restful two days of our trek across the states.

On Saturday morning, we drove to Cleveland, Tennessee. Louis was to show our PowerPoint for the morning adult Bible class at the Central Church of Christ. In the afternoon, we went to the Ooltewah Church of Christ to be with the brethren for evening worship. It was a good day to be with Christians.



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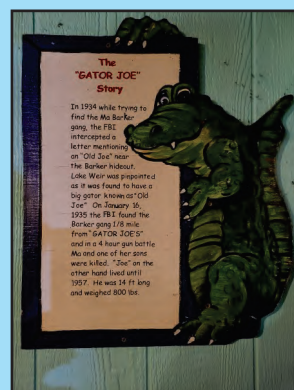
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We spent the night in a motel, snacked in the room and relaxed to be ready for our trip. We slept in – what a good feeling! Everything was ready to be packed in the car, the room straightened, and we were on the road again. This time we headed to our home in Ocala, Florida. We enjoy visiting family and Christian friends, but there is **no place like home!** 📖

A Week of Fun!

Martha Lynn Rushmore

On Saturday, October 30th, my sister Denise Conley and my niece Shalyn Conley came to visit. There's no room here to say much, but see my Facebook page.



Among other things, we did eat out.