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Children in uniforms paddling themselves in a dugout canoe to school in Guyana, South America

## By Proxy

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Hamstrung from our usual travels stateside and abroad, some of what we typically do overseas has been ongoing essentially by proxy. “Proxy” is defined as “the agency, function, or power of a person authorized to act as the deputy or substitute for another” (*Dictionary.com*). We were able to send funds to various evangelistic projects and brethren in India through couriers, other evangelists going to work with brethren with whom Bonnie and I also work; we are thankful to Joey Barrier and Roger Wright for carrying cash on different occasions to New Delhi.

Happily with a twinge of personal sadness for my lack of onsite participation, the *Annual Nationwide Guyana Seminars* were an outstanding success. The Lord’s humble servant, Nigel Milo, and those of his Guyanese brethren he selected to participate with him have doubtlessly made this 2015 effort the best so far. At least, this was the largest and farthest reaching single effort encompassing the entire nation of Guyana that was conducted wholly by Guyanese brethren – significant milestone!

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Funds entrusted to Bonnie and me by Christians and by churches of Christ were placed into brother Milo's hands and made the countrywide program possible. Members from 69 congregations were represented in the 15 seminars and two Gospel meetings that were conducted across the nation from coastal areas to remote jungle locations. Every Christian in the country was afforded the opportunity to avail himself or herself of good Bible lessons as the seminars were spaced throughout the 10 regions that comprise Guyana. Attendances at the sessions ranged from 14 to 142.



Bonnie and I primarily labor with foreign Christians in our mission efforts to encourage them, increase their Bible knowledge and to equip them better to evangelize their own nations. Secondly, we also have plenty of opportunity to teach non-Christians, too. This year in Guyana during the national seminars and Gospel meetings, one erring child of God was restored and several precious souls were baptized into Christ also.

To complement the ongoing evangelistic efforts and edification of brethren in Guyana, Bonnie and I hauled to Nashville, TN a van load of Christian literature to ship to Guyana. More recently, through the generosity of a congregation with an actively interested deacon of missions and his elders, \$1,200 was given for the purchase of Bibles for distribution in Guyana; the youth of another congregation prepared those Bibles for shipment by inserting inside the cover of each of the 190 Bibles a topical index and a tract. Sometime soon, Bonnie and I will make another trek to Nashville with these Bibles to place them with a shipper for Guyana.

Bonnie and I are regularly dispatching funds via registered mail or in the hands of other missionaries to pay for one of the two Hindi language TV programs that broadcasts from New Delhi. In addition, some of my tracts are being translated into a number of languages in India (i.e., Tamil, Telegu, Hindi and Oriya).

Stateside, Bonnie and I continue to work also on editions of *The Voice of Truth International*, *Gospel Gazette Online* and additional literature. We unload freightliners of incoming literature and participate in the shipping of the same domestically and internationally. There is always more than enough opportunity to serve the Lord in missions – out front in plain view or behind the scenes. Thank you for making it possible for Bonnie and me to serve our Lord and represent you, too, in this way. 📖

# Medical Update

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Bonnie continues in her valiant fight to combat pancreatic cancer. Summarized, most of the time, life for her these days is not pleasant. Every other week she continues with a powerful combination of chemo drugs and a couple of additional medicines that are likewise included in her IV. A day or so after each round of chemotherapy, Bonnie must also receive an injection to help boost her blood counts so that she can continue the chemo regimen. In between chemo appointments, Bonnie must undergo the draining of fluid from her abdomen; over the last six weeks about 15 liters have been removed. As one might expect, Bonnie is weak and tired. She has lost considerable weight, and nothing tastes good to her.

Nevertheless, my dear wife relentlessly presses forward to whatever extent she can to help me in our commitment to mission work. She still handles the finances and does layout for *The Voice of Truth International* magazine. Bonnie has not missed Sunday worship, though she does not get out for much else except for doctors' appointments. Bonnie is in the fight of her life for her life, and I am lovingly at her side. For the time being, this has precluded our foreign and stateside travel, though we remain active in all other respects. When it is feasible and I am comfortable with leaving her in the care of our daughter or others, I will resume appointments in the States and mission trips abroad. Thank you for your understanding and bearing with us through these difficult times and as we yet seek to be fruitful servants for our Lord Jesus Christ. 📖

## Postscript

By the way, I had an emergency gallbladder attack, from which following surgery I have completely recovered.



<b>Rushmore Evangelism Fund: November 2014 – February 2015</b>	
Beginning Literature & Bible Balance	\$4,903.46
Income	\$1,900.00
Expenses	-\$2,097.06
<b>Ending Literature &amp; Bible Balance</b>	<b>\$4,706.40</b>
Beginning Foreign Travel Balance	\$17,899.57
Income	\$0.00
Expenses	-\$2,083.06
<b>Ending Foreign Travel Balance</b>	<b>\$15,816.51</b>
Beginning Medical Balance	-\$4,870.66
Income	\$11,002.00
Transferred from General Fund	\$4,358.86
Expenses	\$6,065.56
<b>Ending Medical Balance</b>	<b>\$4,424.64</b>
Beginning General Fund Balance	\$5,100.11
Contributions	\$18,422.48
Stateside Travel	\$1,552.00
Hindi TV	\$5,850.00
Auto Expenses	-\$2,083.40
Stateside Travel	-\$966.59
Bank Fees	-\$68.80
Internet (Gospel Gazette Online)	-\$368.00
Office & Misc.	-\$1,544.26
Postage/Shipping	-\$319.27
Housing	-\$3,056.82
Salary (November–February)	-\$4,500.00
Business Telephones	-\$554.80
Transferred to Medical Fund	-\$4,358.86
Newsletter (printing)	-\$325.00
Hindi TV	-\$5,850.00
<b>Ending General Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$6,928.79</b>

**Thank you for your encouragement,  
moral support and financial participation.**



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Members of the churches of Christ in Guyana, South America are amply representative of the three largest ethnic or racial groups as well as additional, less numerous ethnicities or races. The East Indians (descendants of indentured servants from India to the British) are the largest racial group; they bring the menu of India to this South American country, and they dominate politics in Guyana. Second most numerous are the descendants of freed African slaves, and third most plentiful are the indigenous people, dubbed Amerindians. Virtually every congregation sports a healthy and happy mix of racial backgrounds harmoniously worshipping and serving Jesus Christ.

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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).**