



*And the King will answer and say to them,
"Truly, I say to you, to the extent that you
did it to one of these brothers of mine, even
the least of them, you did it to me."
Matthew 25:40*

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Dear Friends and Partners of GO:

It is truly a time of Thanksgiving and Praise for what our Lord has done through you in Guyana. Amidst this season of hardship for many of us, whether it is through loss of job or a loved one, sickness and other reasons, God has used you to further His Kingdom work in Guyana. A solid foundation is now laid at our new location at #71 Village. GO's "Tent" is being used by other ministries and the community. Psalm 27:6 *"...And I (we) will offer in His Tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I, (we) will sing, yes I (we) will sing praises unto the Lord."*

The Board of GO joins me in thanking and praising God for you and your faithful commitment and contribution to this recent mission trip. God knows you, each one of you by name, and to the extent you have helped with the cost. We pray abundant blessings to you as you have enabled me to be in Guyana from July 23 and returned on October 26.

Upon my arrival there, I was privileged to witness GO's "Tent" being used by one of our satellite locations that has our reading program, for evangelistic services (crusade). It was truly a blessing to observe people on the streets, listening and looking into the "Tent" while a team from the U.S. worshipped in Praise and brought the Word. Many people went up for prayer while some accepted our Lord Jesus.

It was also an awesome experience to worship at this same satellite church, where by 33 adults and children were prayed for during the service, and that afternoon they were water-baptized on the Corentyne River. GO was blessed to have given to this church, some bibles, that were sent through Henry and Sheila Weber from Hope Lutheran Church. The bibles and books were very timely.



Evangelistic Service in the "Tent"



Worship Service at the Satellite Church



Prayer before the Water Baptism

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This mission trip was very successful, but not without many challenges, which were used to yet bring me to a deeper level of trust and obedience even when I did not understand. *“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your path straight.”* Proverbs 3:5-6.

As I sought the Lord, there were quite a few projects to be done in order to have the “Tent” ready for present and future services. Amidst the many questions and struggles in my mind, realizing the difficult state of the economy here at home and the cost involved, we yielded to His direction. Still, not fully understanding His Ways, by faith, we yielded that the Lord will provide. Your prayer and finance were of great comfort to at least start the necessary projects and bring them to completion. Some of the projects are listed below:

Awnings were installed around the Tent to help with the heavy seasonal rainfall and very hot sunshine. Installation of gutters for the school and Tent were very necessary. A toilet was built. Lights were added to the Tent. A library is in operation. A shed was built for storage because of the consolidation of the Skeldon Vo-Tech to GO’s “Youth Learning Center,” at # 71 Village. We have running water.

It is truly a joy to have a building that we can call our own. This is God’s provision at this place and time. *“And He was saying to them, ‘the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.’”* Luke 10:2. GO has a lease for this building for 10 years and option to renew. Just recently the Rotary Club has used the Tent to distribute wheel chairs to the disabled and also school supplies to the TOP students.



It was quite an experience to vacate a large school into a smaller one. Our staff including our VSO’s, churches and community greatly helped with labor. We also thank our carpenter, Buyo, who has given much labor.

At our new location and surrounding villages, GO’s services are much appreciated. GO continues to have the computer, sewing/crafts classes, while maintaining our reading program at 6 satellite locations.



Knitting and Embroidery Class



Computer Class

The Literacy Program is a priority to help those children that are poor and cannot read. ***“Behold children are a heritage from the Lord.”*** The locations were also visited by Nadira Pattison from Canada who is very interested in education. She has blessed the children with some needed school supplies.



Nadira meets the children in the classroom



Children helping children in the Literacy Program

Education is the primary tool to break the cycle of poverty. We gave the “fish” through humanitarian aid, but since the past 5 years, when we started out pilot reading program, we are teaching how to “fish for a lifetime.” Our programs open doors through the Love of Jesus and ultimately, to eternal life.



Nicola assists the students



A student grateful for the opportunity to learn

GO is grateful to VSO Guyana for their partnership. Nicola Mathison, our reading specialist, has done a tremendous job with the reading curriculum and the children are learning. Stanley Rodos, is presently doing an assessment for GO to help improve its operations.

Over 6,000 books were distributed to our satellite locations, primary schools, University of Guyana, Berbice Campus, various communities, 2 Amerindian Reservations at Orealla and Siparuta , and to a few Lutheran Churches.



University of Guyana accepts books



St. Barnabas Lutheran Church receives books

The Board and I appeal for your help to maintain our mission. These very necessary projects along with the cost of consolidation from two to one school amounted to \$3,000 excluding maintenance of school. On faith and trust we have completed the “Tent” according to His direction trusting in His Promise that He would give according to His Riches and Glory in Jesus Christ.

GO is grateful to both Discover Church and Hope Lutheran Church for their continued support throughout these years, without which, we would not be sustainable. We also are grateful to Way of the Lord Church and to you our partners for your support.



From humble beginnings...



We thank Him for His work through you!

The Board and I seek your continued prayers for God’s direction and His will for GO. There is certainly need for prayer guidance counseling which provides open doors for the Holy Spirit of the Living God to work. The three months I was there, it was awesome to pray and counsel with individuals that led to accepting our Lord. We ask you to join us in praying for a Mission pastor and his family to serve in Guyana.

Thank you for your prayers and partnership as we *“Go therefore and teach all nations”!*

As I sought our Lord, and also ask you to join me in prayer Psalm 90:17...

***“May the favor of the Lord our God
rest upon us; establish the works of our
hands for us; yes establish the work
of our hands.”***