

"Then the King will say, 'for I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you have clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." Matthew 25:35-36

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Dear Partners, Friends and Families:

The Board of GO and I want to thank you from our hearts to yours, for your faithful prayers, love and financial support. Because of your kindness, I can report to you that the renovation and painting of both GO's building and the tent are completed.



As Thanksgiving approaches, it is difficult for many people in our nation to thank God for this special day because they face a difficult economic situation, illnesses and the loss of jobs, homes and loved ones. Adding to this is the devastation that hurricane Sandy has caused. Many lives have been lost and homes have been burnt down, leaving many homeless. This is a very sad situation and we are called to pray without ceasing for our brothers and sisters who are facing great loss.

Prayers move mountains! "Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will bid you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Our situations may not change, but the Lord gives us peace amidst the heavy storm. "Call to me, and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know" (Jeremiah 33:3).

Building Renovation

The renovation started on October 1st. Before the concrete floor in the tent area was fixed, the children were able to enjoy a wonderful party due to the generosity of one of our reading program supporters. The following day, construction continued and concrete work started. Carpenters and painters worked simultaneously to complete the renovation in a month while I was there. In this newsletter, we'll let our pictures show the progress.



The lattice wall around the tent



A children's party before the renovation begins

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Carpenters smooth the new cement floor

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

The Emmanuel Lutheran Church received a projector as a gift in memory of a very dear friend. It will be put to good use both in their regular services and for their evangelism outreaches. We are currently in the process of sourcing a suitable amplifier system that can be used for open air evangelism events. The open air evangelism events are a large part in being able to reach those both in the community and in the surrounding areas with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Visiting Mission Teams

Two U.S. mission teams came to Guyana from October 12-15 for an exploratory visit to partner with GO and Emmanuel Lutheran Church. GO is very grateful to Pastor David Shockey from **Hebron Lutheran Church** in Hebron, KY and Pastor Blair Fields from **Hopeful Lutheran Church** in Florence, KY. We were very blessed that the teams brought suitcases filled with the Story of Jesus (SOJ) booklets for the Sunday schools and youth evangelism programs. We are prayerfully seeking the Lord for guidance in the partnership with these wonderful churches.

Pastors and Sunday school leaders gathered under GO's tent to learn more about the SOJ program. Pastor Alim was

very gracious in affirming that the SOJ program is a very good and sound curriculum. He presented four inspiring models of how the SOJ program could be applied. It was received very well by other pastors. Of course, each church is free to teach evangelism as it wishes.



Pastor / Evangelist Alim outlined the benefits of adding the SOJ Program to their Churches



Painters give the inside a fresh look







Local Pastors & Sunday School Teachers were eager to learn more about this new teaching tool

Story of Jesus Provides New Evangelism Opportunities

SOJs were delivered to eight different denominations, including the Tagore High School Bible Club and the New Testament Church of God. These groups signed a commitment to teach the program and label each book with contact information. GO is blessed for the participation and commitment of these churches.

Evangelism from ages 8-15 has begun. What a joy! The children and youth are enthusiastic to learn about the life of Jesus and see it in beautiful illustrations. A special thank you to The David C. Cook Ministries, who designed the SOJ material. Many of the local young people will eventually accept Christ as Lord and Savior.





The New Testament Church of God received the SOJ booklets



Ruth presented the SOJ booklets and explained the Program



The Tagore High School Bible Club received the SOJ booklets

New Math Program Begins

GO implemented a new math program. Two teachers participated in a demonstration while the reading advisor followed through with the curriculum to make sure it was understood. GO continues to serve the community with computer, reading/math (in satellite locations) and craft classes, as well as a library.



Two of GO's teachers demonstrated a lesson



We followed along with the demonstration

A Young Boy's Smile

This little boy really captured my heart. I was walking along the street to shop for some heavy cloth to make a dark curtain for showing movies. This little boy was walking along with his mother and he suddenly grabbed on to my hands and said, "Granny, Granny!." We then began to have a very nice conversation, as I started to leave, he said, "Granny, when you come back?" I am so grateful that I had some candy with me to share with him.

Movie Night for the Community

It was truly a joy to show the community the first Christian family movie, "Go With Me." It tells the story of the love of Jesus in many ways. It truly captured the hearts of those present. At the end, I asked if they liked it. They joyfully responded, "We love it and if you show this kind of movie, we will always come." This is a truly a prayer answered.







The Work of Guyanese Outreach Continues

The Lord has answered many more prayers through GO. Thank you for your part in this. We also thank you for your financial support, it has allowed much progress to take place. However, like taking a car to the mechanic, one is surprised at unexpected things that must be done. This is what has happened with our estimate for renovation. Had I not been present, the carpenter would not have put the lattice wall in the intended place. This would have been a disaster because the classroom space would have been limited. More wood and paint had to be bought, which means that we are short approximately \$4,500.

We give thanks to Father God for all He has done and continue to trust Him for more that He wants to do through GO. We ask that you prayerfully seek the Lord for direction toward aiding GO's mission in Guyana. Guyanese Outreach is a tax-exempt and approved 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization. Please help us yield to our Lord's command, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." (Matthew 28:19).

The Board and I wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving and Blessed Christmas Holiday.

"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you"
Philippians 1:3

Ruth