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Dear brethren,

Thank you for your support of the work of Amerindian Missions. Several of you have increased your support or sent added funds, for which we are very grateful. As you well know, inflation is hitting everything, and the U.S. dollar value has dropped which has a tremendous effect on the monetary exchange rates. Our dollar doesn't buy as much as it did when our economy was strong and growing.

Some of you also responded to our request for additional funds for the renovation of the church building at Monkey Mountain. That work is in progress as I write. Getting materials up there is a major obstacle as roads up to the village are nearly impassible for anything but the big army trucks or an ATV, which is rather dangerous. In March we spent three days there examining the building and securing estimates and workers. Brother Sunil will travel there and stay for two weeks to oversee the work since there is no one there that we felt was capable and trustworthy to see that the work is done correctly and the funds used wisely. Brother Jerry bought this building many years ago when it was a dance hall / bar. The building is good and sound but very rough, especially the exterior. I'll attach some pictures of its present condition. While we were in the village we conducted 2 services in the evenings in which I preached. Our preacher there, brother Paul Daniels, has been in Georgetown for some emergency surgery. We are awaiting lab reports from biopsies of a mass on his bladder. This doesn't sound good at all. Please keep him and his wife, Ms. Lucy, in your prayers.

While I was in Guyana back in February and March, after our visit to Monkey Mountain, I taught classes at Guyana Christian University, in Lethem, for two weeks, in which we covered the books of Joshua through Nehemiah. We have a good group of students. Lord willing, I'll return for two more weeks of teaching in the fall. While I was there I preached all three Sundays at the Culvert City congregation and visited three other congregations.

I was accompanied by brother James Pendley and brother Sunil Joseph. James had raised funds to buy medications which were distributed to the members in seven congregations. The brethren were elated with this generous gesture from their U.S. brethren. Brother James has become a great co-worker as he has now retired from the

Alabama DOT. He is committed to giving a great deal of time to the work in Guyana and has raised his own support to be able to continue the work he loves.

While we were there in Lethem we conducted a preacher workshop that was very well attended by the preachers in the southern region. I saw no need to pay the travel expenses for the preachers in the northern area just for a one-day seminar. I believe we had eighteen of our preachers in attendance. We challenged them with some goals for each preacher and encouraged them to be building the congregations with the hope that they will become self-supporting. We had a good discussion time about some of the problems they face and some of their concerns. Unfortunately, there still remains some confusion about the role of Amerindian Missions, but those concerns were addressed and clarified. We provided five meals for all the preachers since some of them had to stay over two nights due to travel time. We also provided for their travel expenses.

We also had to replace two of the motorcycles we provide for some of the preachers, and this fall we'll need to replace two more. Some of these motorcycles are nearly ten years old and conditions there are very hard on the bikes. The preachers are responsible for regular maintenance, but we take care of any major repairs. The two we replaced were old and would have cost more to repair than they were worth. We are grateful to the Red Hill church for providing funds specifically for motorcycle repairs. If any of you would be willing to help purchase these next two motorcycles which we'll need to replace this fall, your help would be greatly appreciated,

We are now supporting 23 preachers, so any increase or additional help you can give for motorcycles or building renovation would be a tremendous help to continue this good work in Guyana.

We are now planning our first campaign since the Covid Pandemic started over two years ago. We're planning to go to the village of Morakabai, in the northern area. brother Derrick John is the preacher there and he is anxious for us to come, as are several villages asking us to come. He is also the toshao/mayor and law enforcement of his village. We now have three preachers who have been elected toshao in their villages, which shows their leadership and prominence in the villages. We do not have a firm date yet for the campaign, but the date will most likely be in September or October. Lord willing, I will again go teach at GCU for two weeks on the tri, as I have before. If anyone in your congregation would like to go, we'd be happy to have them come along. Morakabai has a nice guest house with running water and electricity and it will house most of us. It is a beautiful village which requires a beautiful two-hour boat ride to get there. Anyone wanting to go is required to be vaccinated for Covid and produce proof of a negative PCR test within 72 hours of traveling and then another test in order to come back home.

It is hard for me to express the depth of my gratitude to you all who support this good work which brother Jerry Davidson started about 25 years ago. Though I had worked with brother Jerry since 2006, I had never taken on directing a mission effort like this, even though several times in the past brother Jerry had asked me to take it on. You who

support this work have made it a total joy and a highlight in my life service in the kingdom. I am very blessed to be part of this work. I am grateful to the Morrison church elders for being willing to oversee our work. As the full-time preacher here at Gatlinburg I am not able to be gone much for the purpose make reports and recruit new workers and new congregations to help support the work. I greatly appreciate the support of the Gatlinburg church for allowing me to be gone to Guyana about 6 weeks each year and they cover my expenses for one trip per year. I don't take any wages from Amerindian Missions which allows more of your funds to go directly to the actual work. We are now supporting 23 preachers, we added two more while we were there in March. I am proud of our preaching brethren in Guyana, we have a great group of dedicated men. I can assure that they are not getting rich on what we pay them.

Thank you again for your continued support and prayers. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. My contact information is at the top of the first page letterhead.

Gratefully in Christ's service,

*Roger Comstock*

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p.s. Many of our building of not had much maintenance in a long time. **See the pictures on the next page.**

Renovated building at Moruca village.

Before



After



Current renovation project on the Monkey Mountain church building (starting soon)

