

# THE RHOADES

## MISSIONARIES TO GUYANA, SOUTH AMERICA

September 2017

“The reason some folks don't believe in missions is the brand of religion they have isn't worth propagating.”

Dear Pastors, Supporting Churches and Praying Friends,

Praise the Lord for Faith Baptist Church celebrating its one-year anniversary! The Lord blessed with folks saved, and over 150 people came for the Thursday night service! We invited several pastors and churches to join us in giving God all the glory. It was an honor to have several pastors and their church families with us: Pastor Noel Shrivnauth of Victory Baptist Church in Providence, Pastor Rovin and Pastor Andy of Harbor Light Baptist Church in Parika, Pastor Buck Woodsworth of Morashee Baptist Church in Morashee, Pastor Leff Benge of Victory Bible Baptist Church in Triumph and Pastor Zakir Ibrahim of Foundation Baptist Church of Diamond. Pastor Ibrahim preached a powerful message with folks coming forward for salvation and expressing a desire to serve the Lord publicly! Each of the visiting pastors shared a 5-minute challenge, and the Foundation Baptist Church choir brought special music. The ladies in our church did a tremendous job decorating the church and cooking the food!

Thank you to those that made it possible for several of our youth group to go to Junior Camp and Teen Camp for a week! Those two weeks made a great impact in their lives! We were blessed to have several salvations and



baptisms this past month! One of the Sunday evenings, we had three scheduled for baptism. One of the young ladies had her mother, unsaved father, two unsaved sisters and a baby brother that came to see her baptized. I had plainly preached and taught that baptism does not save you. Each person realizes that it is in obedience to the Lord to be baptized as a public testimony of Christ being his or her Savior. After the service finished, her two unsaved sisters came to my wife and asked how to be saved. My wife and I had the honor of leading them to the Lord! Immediately they asked if they could obey the Lord in being baptized, as a testimony of Christ being their Saviour. The parents gave their permission, and I baptized her sisters while our church family watched. The father's name is Ranjit. Please pray for his salvation. Looking at his face, I could see that he was under conviction about salvation. Ranjit walked up to me and said that he would be coming more often to church. He is a Hindu. He has been watching the Lord Jesus Christ working in his wife's heart and how his daughters have been saved one by one.

We have tried to pay a driver to use his passenger bus, and have found it to be unreliable multiple times. So, we are saving up to purchase a 19-passenger bus that we can use for the church. The bus fund is up to \$2,877. We have shopped around here in Guyana and have realized that it would be wiser to purchase a vehicle online and pay to ship it to Guyana than to pay the same price for a vehicle that is 8-10 years older in much rougher shape. Here is an example of what we are looking at buying: TOYOTA HIACE VAN 2010/5 DX. The following website [www.sbtjapan.com](http://www.sbtjapan.com) is selling these vehicles. Guyana has a law that states that only vehicles that are eight years old or newer can be brought to Guyana. Once we reach \$12,000 in the bus fund, we will proceed to purchase a bus that will be used to bring folks to church and move the tents and equipment around for multiple crusades.

For the past two months, our church family here at Faith Baptist Church has been faithfully giving toward their first missionary, Pastor John Nascimento in Berbice, Guyana.

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They have been giving USD 50 a month to his family. This USD 50 is the church family's giving. We are not propping their financial support to Pastor John. Pastor Nascimento has contacted me that his church is hosting a mission's conference and has asked me to come and preach for one of their services. It is exciting to see our church supporting a missionary that is hosting their first mission's conference with the goal of financially supporting church planting missionaries! I truly believe that the mission of the church is missions!

I have received the 40-foot Scripture Container. It has 5,160 whole Bibles, 10 thousand New Testaments, 90 thousand John/Romans, 3 million 150 thousand gospel tracts, 40 thousand Gospel coloring books, 21 thousand Christian growth study booklets, Bible study commentaries, and a 40x30 tent with poles/curtains/lights, and 99 folding chairs. Please pray for the safe arrival of this vital shipment of Gospel supplies! Several crusades are being scheduled for 2018! Please pray for these crusades and about coming to participate in helping us. It will truly change your life! Thank you for helping our family be involved in the church planting efforts across Guyana!

Looking unto Jesus,

The Rhoades family, Ephesians 3:20-21



Ladies Meeting



Church Anniversary Service



Camp



Salvation and Baptisms