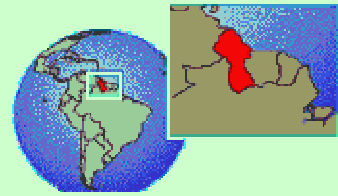




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### Medical and Nurturing Missions in Guyana, South America

*From Steve DeLoach*

## New Guyana Operations Center

We're ba-a-a-ack!

After a little time off, just like that line from that old movie, our Guyana newsletter has returned. We have missed informing you of our activities through the newsletter and we hope that you have missed us.

And do we have a lot to update you on! A lot of changes have taken place during the last year.

We announced the ministry center about a year ago, and we have already seen the dividends.

First, we have a permanent base for all our operations. We have had our school and Operation Guyana spread out in different locations over the last few years, and it certainly is nice to have them in one spot. Classes are still held in various locations to make them more easily accessible for students.

We also use it as living quarters, a library and offices for Operation Guyana and the school.

Prior to this, we have had been supplied with space from whichever hotel we were using at the time, and when we changed hotels, we had to move offices also. That no longer is the case.

We are also using it for housing guest speakers for events like the lectureship. It costs them less than hotel rates and helps us pay for the facility. Also, the one facility costs us less than the separate offices we were maintaining.

Here are some other highlights of the year:

- Our oversight was taken over in January by West-Ark Church of Christ in Fort Smith, Ark.
- The annual lectureship was the most successful ever. We had seven speakers from the states.
- We supplied medical help for the emergency room during the World Cup of cricket. If you are not familiar with that, it is BIG, bigger even than the NFL's Super Bowl.
- Our Live the Mission encampment had the largest adult attendance ever.
- Our school has served more than 1,000 students during its short life.
- We still had seven mission teams throughout the year, along with these other events. We had two teams down during January and February, then the normal summer trips.

This report is being written in two parts. The second part will follow in a week or 10 days and will cover the details of the other events other than the ministry center.

Because of the number of activities spread

through the year, I spent eight months out of the last 12 in Guyana, severely handicapping our normal housekeeping efforts at home such as fundraising.

Because of the time spent in Guyana, our financial situation has deteriorated and we hope that you will all keep us in mind this year. Not only was it time away, but our travel expenses skyrocketed.

Our goal for next year is to put Operation Guyana back on an even financial keel.

God has certainly blessed us this year with some fantastic events! I am very anxious to see what God has planned next year. I continue to be amazed!

We want to think all of you who made this year possible, and we solicit your prayers for us and for the work in Guyana.

Our family continues to pray for you all and we wish you the best of the holiday season.



*Whether teaching one on one, above, or in classes, below, the new ministry center is at the heart of our teaching efforts in Guyana.*

