



# CHRISTIAN SALVAGE MISSION

*"WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION OF EVANGELICAL LITERATURE"*

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*"Gathering up the fragments that nothing may be lost" John 6:12*

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## ***It's Time For Spring Cleaning***

It's hard to believe that we are already into the spring season of 2009. With this comes spring cleaning. Why not go through those books on your shelves and weed out any you no longer have need of. Your extra Bibles and other Evangelical material can supply a much needed library to a church or school overseas.

In December of 2008, a sea container left our warehouse for Liberia. CSM partnered with David Miclash of Alongside International Ministries in getting the much needed materials to (AICA) Association of Independent Churches in Africa. David arrived in Liberia the day before the material and witnessed the excitement. He writes as follows.

### **Container of Books and New Library**

There was great excitement the day the books arrived. Pastor Benda jumped for joy! We had partnered with Christian Salvage Mission, and the container of Christian books, Bible, teaching materials for school, etc. began to come to the mission. After we visited last year Dave shared with CSM the story of their badly damaged school with an empty library. CSM had been praying for a trustworthy connection with Liberia, so a container to Liberia was quickly given priority. As we began to unpack the banana boxes (that is how they ship the books), to the pastor's great delight there were enough Bibles for everyone, a set of encyclopedias, some math, science teaching books, among the many books.



The boxes weren't hand picked for the mission, but just the right ones had arrived.

Extra shelves were quickly built with salvaged materials. With a table and chairs in the middle of the room – a library. What a miracle, as there is not a library in that county or even any amount of books. The next Sunday the older kids sat proudly in church each holding, for the first time a Bible.

Lessons on correct handling of books, washing hands, no writing in them, no folding pages was firmly given. Treasures!

David relayed to us while visiting CSM a few weeks back, of how very much he was surprised to see the people were eating a meager one meal a day. David told Bishop Rev. Jerome Klibo that had he known they had so little food, he would have arranged to have some sent down. The reply really touched David, as it has us.

***"The food would feed us a month or a month and a half but these books will feed us for a life time."***

Your books and your monetary donations enabled CSM to supply the material for this much needed library.

We ask you continue to help the people overseas by cleaning out those no longer needed books and donating them to CSM that yet another library may be filled.

If God has laid upon your heart to aid us with financial support to help fund the shipping of this material we will be extremely grateful.

***Thank you for helping us to help them.***

# **A LOONEY A DAY CAN BE THE CHANGE OF A LIFE TIME**

We are blessed with materials coming in every day. The challenge is that we require more funds in order to get these books to people in other countries who are hungry for the Word of God. Their desire is not only for their own Spiritual growth, but to educate themselves better to be able to share our Lord with others.

We have come up with a novel way whereby you can help us out day by day. It is by collecting "A LOONIE A DAY". If we get 100 people to drop a loonie a day in a bank which we will provide, we can raise sufficient funds to ship approximately 6 containers.

It is interesting to know that it costs approximately 6 cents a day to ship a book overseas. That means with a "A LOONIE A DAY" you can ship 16 books every time you drop a loonie into your bank.

You can use this at your devotional or prayer time. Pray for the Christian Salvage Mission and then drop your loonie in the bank.

Each bank will be numbered. If you desire to send in 90, 180 or 360 days worth of loonies at a time, you will receive an income tax receipt at the end of the year. You would likely not want to send this change in the mail. You could send a cheque for the amount of change you have collected and take the change to the bank. If you are in the area and would prefer to bring us the loonies, we ask if you would please put them in rolls.

These banks are available at our office. You can receive yours by contacting our Office Administrator, Betty Murray at (905) 574-3334. Your "Loonie A Day" can send God's Word overseas to a Pastor, Bible Student, church or other.

## **GOD'S WORD IS LIFE CHANGING.**

May God Bless you as you help to change a life.



## **TRINIDAD SHIPMENT — First for 2009**

Our first container for 2009 headed for Trinidad February 13th. This container was supposed to leave our warehouse the last part of 2008, but had to be rescheduled because Bill Gunness from Mississauga, who arranged the container, had to be there upon it's arrival. The container arrived the end of March.

This container which consisted of 589 banana boxes weighing a total of 33,882 lbs. is considered a free gift to the poor. CSM has provided material to Bill over the years to fill barrels to send to Trinidad. Bill feels the people are now able to handle a sea container. Brother Gunness writes the following.

Bro. Doug, I want to thank you, your ministry, and the staff members for the support we received in the past and I am hopeful we will continue to bless others in the future.

All the praise and glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for blessing the missions work.

Your brother in Christ — Bill Gunness.

The Baptist Seminary of West Indies, President Tim Bahula, will also be receiving some of this material and will be helping in importing the material for distribution to rural churches.

CSM previously sent a barrel of material to Mr. Bahula back in September of 2007. These materials were used to help in the building of their library. The students were very excited to be able to have some quality books to use in their studies.

Our next sea container will be leaving early April and is allocated for Uganda. At least 6 more containers are scheduled for 2009. We give praise to the Lord for raising up this ministry, as well we give many thanks to all of you for helping us to get God's Word into the hands of people overseas.



# **RECYCLE, RECYCLE, RECYCLE**



Did you know that CSM recycles. Yes, we will take your newspapers after you have read them. Abitibi The Paper Retriever has placed a bin at the back of our unit where we can put your newspapers. This is one way you can help CSM with funding for the shipments. When our bin is full, Abitibi comes and picks it up and then sends us a cheque.

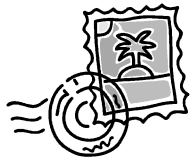
Last year alone CSM made \$801.92 in recycled paper. Abitibi picked up a total of 90,000 pounds (4500 tons) of paper from our bin in 2008. That is a lot of paper that did NOT end up in our land fills.

If you would like to give a financial donation and can't, this would be a good way to give. You just simply collect your paper for the week or month and then drive up to our Abitibi bin at the back of Unit 3 and dump it in. If by chance the bin is full, please knock on our back door and we will store it inside until there is room in the bin once again.

This is a win, win situation. You get rid of your newspapers, the environment gets cleaned up, the paper is reused to make more paper and we get money that is used to send the Gospel forth to people in overseas countries. Doesn't that sound great. You can even make it known to your brothers and sisters in your local church that we want their garbage. Abitibi produces the newsprint, you read the newspaper, and you recycle it at CSM's Abitibi. Abitibi picks it up and takes it back to their mills to turn back into newsprint. **Like I said, it's WIN, WIN!!! all around.**

## **CANCELLED STAMPS!!!** Everybody gets letters of some nature in the mail.

No matter the weather, the mail always gets through. But not without postage. That little square or rectangular piece of paper stuck in the corner can make a **BIG** difference in a life overseas. Many envelopes are adorned by this little piece of colourful paper.



People generally open their envelope and then toss it in the trash.

## **STOP!!! STOP!!! STOP!!! DON'T THROW THAT ENVELOPE AWAY.**

The stamps on those envelopes can help send God's Word overseas to Pastors, Bible Students, or others. CSM would love it if you would send us your cancelled stamps. We have people who trim the stamps and then our stamp lady, Barb Ricketts, takes them to sell. In the 2008 alone CSM sold approx. \$1215.00 worth of cancelled stamps. The next time you go to your mail box and pick up that letter, remember CSM and send us your cancelled stamps. People overseas will be as grateful as we are.

**Thank you for your help.**

## *In Memory Of*

A gift to Christian Salvage Mission in memory of a loved one or friend during a time of bereavement can perpetuate that memory by helping spread the gospel and bringing eternal life in Christ to others. Memorial, Birthday & Anniversary cards are available by calling our office at 905-574-3334.

*Donations received in memory of the following:*

***In Memory:***

Mrs. Doris Fraser  
Rose Sloat

***Donation Given By:***

Donald and Denyse Graham  
Art Hayward

***In Memory:***

Angela Thacker  
Mary Pipe

***Donation Given By:***

Florence Wilton  
Art Hayward

***Birthday Gift:*** - David Wyatt 50<sup>th</sup> birthday from Jim and Dorothy Jackson

A list of Area Coordinators can be viewed at [www.csmcanada.org](http://www.csmcanada.org) or call our office (905-574-3334) to request a list.

Thank you for your financial support! Contributions will be used as designated unless the need has been met or cannot be completed as determined. Remaining funds will be used where most needed. Charitable Registration Number 88829 8031 RR0001

## From **THE** **DIRECTORS DESK**



Over the past 6 months we have been encouraging our readers to be a **“PARTNER IN PROGRESS.”**

Our **FIRST** challenge was to ask people to commit themselves to a one time gift to the ministry of CSM. The response was excellent and we are hopeful that donations will continue to come in.

The **SECOND** phase of **“PARTNERS IN PROGRESS”** was the collection of materials to fill the 10 sea containers we anticipate shipping in 2009. Incidentally the first of these containers left in early March for Trinidad. We had a number of Book Sundays and have some planned for March and April. If your church has not had one, please encourage your Pastor or Mission Chairperson to have one in your church.

**ANNUAL BANQUET** — Our banquet for 2009 will be held on Friday, April 24, at 6:00 pm. at the Hamilton Firefighters Drum Corps Banquet Facility at 175 Dartnall Road, Hamilton.

Our guest speaker will be **REV. DOUG WOOD** from Harvesters Baptist Church in London, Ontario and special music will be provided by **JOANNE CARTMER** from Beamsville. Together we will enjoy a wonderful dinner, the friendship of those who share our table as well as receiving an update on how God is using CSM and what plans are developing in pressing forward.

The Board of Directors have designated the offering taken on this evening to be used for the shipment of two of the containers we will be sending this year, after all expenses are paid.

We trust you will become a **“PARTNER IN PROGRESS”** in helping us to get God’s Word out to those who need it.

## **“A PASTOR’S LIBRARY”**

**Can a carpenter build a house without a hammer, nails, saw etc?**



**Of course not.**

This is what we are expecting our young students and pastors in the Third World countries to do. Since their monthly salary is barely enough to feed their family, purchasing Christian materials to put on the empty cupboard bookshelves like the ones in the above picture, is out of the question...as is the luxury of attending a seminary. We have been asking people to send LOVE BUNDLES but in the future they will be known as a **“PASTOR’S LIBRARY”**.

We can put up to four books in a small packet .

While the books we send are free, Canada Post charges us \$25.00 to mail them to their Third World Country destination.

We receive about 500 requests a year.

While we can make up the packages, we do not have the funds to ship them all.

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP.**

If you would like to give a LIBRARY to a pastor, send your \$25.00 to CSM office at the address on the front page.

This gift can feed a Pastor and his flock for a lifetime.

In return we will send you a copy of the request letter from the student or pastor along with a charitable receipt at year end.



## **CHRISTIAN SALVAGE MISSION HOURS**

**OFFICE** Mon.- Thurs. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **WAREHOUSE** Mon.- Fri. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.- Deliveries only  
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