



# 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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## FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK

Our summer at CSM was an exciting one. Normally the mission slows down, but this year the Board of Directors decided to remain fully open. The Lord richly blessed us during this time, with materials from many parts of Canada. Approximately 92 banana boxes or 5500 lbs. of material was sorted in one day. This material left our warehouse on August 26th and is now heading for Nigeria.



Don & Donna Ralph

Allen Armbruster is doing a wonderful job in representing the Western provinces. Our 9th shipment from the West came during the summer season. Lloyd Driedger has agreed to help Allen by becoming an Area Coordinator in Edmonton. Still, many more recruits are needed. If you know of anyone in Western Canada that would be willing to join the team of CSM and perhaps be an Area Coordinator, Drop Off Centre or Transporter, please contact our office. We would love to hear from them to discuss the possibility of helping Allen in the West.

Several churches held what we call **“BOOK SUNDAYS”** in 2009. The year is not over and we are looking for more churches to host **“BOOK SUNDAYS”** during the fall and winter months. If your church has not had a **“BOOK SUNDAY”** as of yet, we would appreciate you discussing it with your Pastor or Missions Chairperson. Please call our Office at 905-574-3334. Our Office Administrator will be happy to send you information for your church bulletin. Brochures, newsletters and any other material you may request can also be supplied.

We would also like the opportunity to visit your Seniors group or other group in your church

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## NIGERIA

Our fifth sea container left CSM for Nigeria on August 26th.

Several at CSM had the privilege of meeting the man who is receiving the container in Nigeria. David Miclash from Partner’s International Alongside Ministries brought Rev. David Umune, to CSM when visiting Canada.

Many requests come in from Nigeria that cause some concern. The office forwards a copy of these requests to David Umune in Nigeria. David contacts the people to see if they have a legitimate ministry.

David then does his best to supply them

with material he has obtained from CSM if their ministry is legitimate.

David Umune and David Miclash distribute the material from the container to several Pastors and Churches in that area.

We appreciate both of these fine men of God and the work they do. David Miclash also ministers in other areas overseas as well as Nigeria. It was David we worked with in getting the container out to Liberia in 2008. We ask you to join us in prayer for these ministries that their every need will be met.



**Back row from left to right:** Doug Hysert, Murray Vader, Stan Dorey, Murray Kwint, David Miclash, David Umune, Garry Gadsdon.  
**Front row:** Rebecca Skrinjaric, Barb Ricketts, Sue Kwint and Barb Gadsdon

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to share the happenings at CSM. A eight minute DVD is also available if you are not able to have one of our representatives come and share. This can be shown on a Sunday morning, special Missions emphasis, Seniors meeting or other.

We praise the Lord for the funds that came in to send out our Pastor's Library packages. There was enough to enable us to mail out all the older requests. We are now working on more current ones. Due to the amount of requests coming in, CSM requires \$250.00 per week to keep the mailing of these Pastor's Libraries up to date. If the Lord is laying it on your heart to give for this cause, please send in your donation of \$25.00 or more indicating you want the funds to be used for the mailing of a Pastor's Library. In turn, a copy of the request letter will be sent to you. At year end, our Treasurer, Velma Brown, will send out a receipt for income tax purposes. CSM has mailed out over 350 of these Pastor's Libraries this year and are hoping to be able to send out many more. **Please see one of the thank you letters we received from a recipient of a Pastor's Library package below.**

CSM is partnering with Harvesters' Baptist Church in London for the 6th and 7th sea containers to be shipped to the Philippines. The first of these left our warehouse September 10th and, the second will leave sometime in October. Our 8th sea container is allocated for a school in Ethiopia. We are in need of some Elementary school books for this container. If you have any or know of a school that is wanting to get rid of some, please give them our number. We would like to get this 8th container out by the first part of December.

We praise the Lord for all the material that has come in already in 2009, but are still in need of more materials to fill these last two containers as well as funds to send them. The cost to send one of these sea containers is anywhere from \$3,500.00 to \$6,000.00 US depending upon where it is going. We need your help with these shipping costs.

God's Word is life changing. God's Word will light the way for those living in the darkness. **"Thy Word is a lamp unto thy feet and a light unto thy path." Psalm 119:105.** Help us to spread God's Word to the ends of the world by sending us material to send and the funds to send them. You can be the light that shines on someone living in the darkness.

Many thanks and God's blessings. — Don Ralph, President CSM

**NOTE: Please note the term "President" instead of "Director". The term President, which is in our new constitution and by-laws, is now being used, in order for there to be no confusion with the Board of Directors.**

## BE BLESSED

CSM would like to share one of the thank you letters from a Pastor in Kenya Africa for one of the Pastor's Libraries he received. We trust you will be just as blessed reading this letter as we were.

*Good morning brethren, I come before you all today to do a couple things first I want to thank you for your prayers and thank your bible shipment #9083A, 9083B, 9083C which made it possible for us to reach 11 families with a bible and as a result we have received 22 converts.*

*Your prayers and bibles are very much appreciated, for now we are blessed to have you as our friend in this journey of prayer.*

*May the Lord open you with ways up to assist in His work across the globe.*

*Jesus upon the cross, we believe He came from*

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**11 Families  
reached  
22 Converts**

*Heaven to die for our sins and that through Him we all have salvation, forgive us Lord of our sins, wash us, cleanse us make us whole, let us walk with you now so we can spend eternity with you once we leave this world.*

*May the Lord Bless you and Keep you in His Light, Greet your family and you friend in the church. How is your health?*

*God Bless*

*Pastor Cyrus*

You can help people like Pastor Cyrus to bring the Gospel to those who are otherwise lost and dying by providing the funding to send out a Pastor's Library. A mere \$25.00 is a small price to pay for a soul redeemed. Send your cheque or money order to CSM and please indicate if you want the funds to be used to send a Pastor's Library.

The need is great overseas not only for food to eat, but food for the soul.

# STOP!!!

## DON'T THROW THAT ENVELOPE AWAY

A postage stamp can send a letter anywhere in the world to convey good wishes, seasons greetings, expressions of sympathy and general correspondence. There is always mail of some sort placed in our mail boxes. Although email has become very popular, people still use snail mail to correspond with loved ones or friends. Canada post has a motto that says **"nothing says it better than a letter."** When you receive that special letter in the mail, please don't throw that envelope away. The letter may be special to you, but that stamp is special to us. **Did you know that same stamp can be used again?**

At Christian Salvage Mission we collect used postage stamps, trim them and sell them to an auction house to raise money to be used to ship sea containers to many lands. We send only "Good News" which can change a life, can encourage a weary soul or help them in the study of God's Word.

During the last few weeks CSM received a telephone call from Fred Palmerton the President of our sister organization in Michigan. Fred advised us that he had over half a million cancelled stamps that he would like us to have. Nick Murray one of our Board members and Don Ralph traveled down to Michigan. To our amazement there was well over a million stamps in 6 bags and 7 boxes. We had no trouble at all crossing the border with them. Those stamps are now being processed and sold. The money from them will be used to go toward the shipping and operating costs of CSM.

Recently Murray Brown, our Area Coordinator from Whitby, was given a box of stamps that came from Timbren Industries. One of the ladies who works for Timbren asked Murray if she could collect stamps from the employees of Timbren Industries. Terry Smit of Timbren Industries is also collecting stamps from her church family as well as her children's school. We are very grateful to Terry and all those who have taken the time to save stamps for us. Perhaps you or a family member could enquire of those at work to see if the people there would collect stamps for CSM as well. CSM would be ever so grateful for this contribution.

Our stamp lady, Barb Ricketts, has several people working with her to trim and sort the stamps that come in. Once Barb has several bags of stamps, she takes them to a collector to sell. So far in 2009 we have made \$1333.00 in the sale of cancelled postage stamps. This all helps in the shipping costs of material overseas as well as the operating costs of CSM.

For more information on the stamps, please phone Betty our Office Administrator and she will send you a stamp brochure that fully explains how this program works.

Who would have thought that such a small thing like saving cancelled postage stamps can make such a big difference in a life of an individual overseas. Well it certainly can. A little effort from you can give someone overseas a Bible that can give an individual overseas hope. The money from your cancelled stamps can be the very tool that God will use to redeem a soul overseas. Please let your friends, family and fellow workers know of this program that they too can help us by the giving of their envelope with that little stamp on the corner. With the Christmas Season fast approaching there should be plenty of cancelled stamps to go around.



**298 lbs. of cancelled stamps**

## SMALL CHANGE FOR A CHANGED LIFE

In April we introduced our “Loonie Banks” at our Annual Banquet. Several who attended took one of these banks home to fill. If that bank did not get registered with the Office Administrator or someone else, please give a call to our office in order for us to record the number and name of the person who took a bank. We do appreciate all who are helping us with putting their little bit of change in one of these banks. The money will help us to get God’s Word to people overseas.



*“You are never so **HIGH** as when you are on your **knees.**”* JEAN HODGES

Please join us in prayer for financial needs as well as the needs for material to send overseas. With all the chaos in the world today, we need more knee work to get God’s Word to those overseas who are less fortunate than we are. Some of the board and workers get together the first Monday of each month to pray for the needs of the mission as well as the needs of others. We appreciate your prayers. Please pray for more Area Coordinators, Drop Off Centres and Transporters. As word is getting out, CSM is getting busier all the time and we need more people who are willing to put some of their time into the work of the Lord through CSM. We are in desperate need of Area Coordinators especially in the bigger cities like Toronto, Ottawa, London and Kitchener as well as Drop Off Centres and Transporters.



## In Memory Of



A gift to CSM 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 have been received in memory of the following:**

**In Memory:**

Urbina  
Albert Dunbar  
Margaret Collier

**Donation Given By:**

Anonymous  
Elizabeth Lodde  
Murray and Sue Kwint

**In Memory:**

Verna Kennedy  
Bill Stanley

**Donation Given By:**

Sharon Thompson  
Anonymous

**In Memory of Lily Earle Donations made by:** Eileen Merritt, Donald & Agnes Hilberg, Larry Aston, John & Janice Todd, Margaret Ward, Tom and Holly Swan, Catherine and Paul Korhonen, Stan and Ann Clayson, Allan and Margaret Beer, Jonathan and Diane Hysert

**GIFTS THROUGH YOUR WILL** – Statistics show that more than half of all adults in the Canada die without a valid will. If you don’t have one, we encourage you not to delay. Consult with your attorney at the earliest possible time. As you make estate plans, we hope that you will consider a provision for Christian Salvage Mission. Your bequest could be a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or specific items such as your library of Christian books.

## 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  
**CSM WILL BE CLOSED ALL HOLIDAYS**

**CLOSED for Christmas holidays from the 18th of December to the 4th of January**

*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 RR001*