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

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SEA CONTAINER NUMBER 1 OF 2010

CSM has started the New Year off by sending out our first sea container on January 11th. This container is destined for Serrekunda, The Gambia, West Africa. This will be the second sea container we have sent to John Grenier in Gambia. The first one was sent in January of 2005. The following request was made by John Grenier for another sea container.

"About one month ago the president and vice president of the churches we as WEC missionaries have founded here in The Gambia, came to visit our church and youth center here in the town of Bwiam. We had just finished the organization of our Christian Book Library. We built a library building and shelves for the books that you sent us and a young recent graduate from a bible school came about and spent about ten months putting them into categories. When these two leaders saw the books they were very excited about the possibility of getting another container of books. I told them that we were just now putting the finishing touches on the library and said that now would be a good time to send you in Canada a few pictures and let you know that if there were a possibility of you sending another container it would be very useful here. God bless you as you continue faithfully to serve Him. I will also speak to my wife about putting you on the list for our prayer letter as you requested.



Our love in Christ John, Alice and Jedidiah (our ten year old son).

WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO SHIP THE FOLLOWING IN 2010.

2 containers to the Philippines, 1 to India, 1 to Ethiopia, 2 to Nigeria, 1 to Uganda in 2010.

Please join us in prayer for sufficient material and funding to come in to accomplish all of this.

HELP US TO MAKE 2010 A RECORD BREAKING YEAR.

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OUT WITH THE OLD IN WITH THE NEW

With the new year, comes a time of preparation. Preparations are already being made for our Annual Banquet which will be held on Friday April 23rd. There will be a time of fellowship and punch at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6:00. CSM wanted to make sure we put out this information in plenty of time for our faithful supporters to be able plan ahead.

We look forward to another great time together where we reflect on the Lord's blessings of 2009 and look to Him for an even greater 2010.

Our Guest speaker, Tim Bahula, is looking forward to sharing with us how CSM has touched the souls of men, women, boys and girls in Trinidad.

Rev. Tim Bahula is an ordained minister of the Gospel serving God as a missionary in Trinidad & Tobago. He and his wife, Jane, are commissioned and sent by Glen Cairn Baptist Church in London, Ontario, Canada. Tim & Jane serve with the ABWE Canada (Across Borders for World Evangelism). They have six children (Andrew, Emily, Kate, Abby, Grace & Luke) and have made Trinidad their home since August 2002. Tim is one of the founding directors of the Baptist Seminary of the West Indies (BSWI). He has been the Principal of BSWI since its inception. Tim's passion is for leadership training and theological education. He has held a variety of ministry positions in educational and local church settings.



Tim & Jane are presently in Ontario on home ministry assignment and reside in London.

In 2009, a sea container was sent to Trinidad and shared by Tim Bahula and Bill Gunness, who went home to be with the Lord in the month of November of 2009.

We look forward to what Tim has to share with us about his ministry in Trinidad and about the blessing of a sea container they received from CSM in February of 2009.

Love That Southern Gospel Music

Our special music for 2010 Annual Banquet will be the Fellowship Four. These are four men who love the Lord; four brothers in Christ who continue the time-honoured tradition of sweet Southern Gospel harmonies.

The Fellowship Four are celebrating their tenth year of ministry and are looking ahead with excitement to another fruitful year of sharing God's love, grace and mercy through music.

If you are able to attend, please notify the office by April 10th giving the names and city you are from.

We look forward to seeing you there.



FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT



Let me first begin by wishing you all a very Blessed New Year in 2010.

The year 2009 was a wonderful year for CSM. The Lord blessed the efforts of all the coordinators, transporters, volunteers and staff of CSM.

We were able to ship **7** sea containers plus **465** Pastor's Library packages. The total weight of materials shipped in 2009 was **276,724 lbs.** This is the most we have shipped in the history of CSM in one year.

As we head into 2010, we would like to ship 8 sea containers and more Pastor's Library packages. This is going to require a lot of material as well as funding to pay for the shipping. We encourage individuals and churches to bring in their no longer needed resources and to help with financial support as the Lord leads.

The Western Canada region, under the supervision of Allen Armbruster, has been very productive. Fourteen skids of material were gathered and trucked to CSM. There are very good prospects for drop off centres as well. We are also grateful for the Bibles received from the US. We now have 2 drop off centres established in the Buffalo area as well as in North Bangor, New York, which is across the St. Lawrence River from Cornwall, Ontario. We have also been able to recruit approximately 5 new coordinators and 4 new drop off depots.

We had a great number of used postage stamps donated that were trimmed and sold to an auction house for a total of **\$2063.00**. We were given **\$808.31** in recyclable paper from our Abitibi bin.

We have a number of important prayer requests;

1. Some of our Area Coordinators are finding it difficult to carry on.

Pray that we are able to obtain more Area Coordinators throughout Canada.

2. Pray for more drop off depots in the Greater Toronto area and other areas throughout Canada & in the Northwestern New York area.

3. Pray for good health and safety for those who transport materials to us.

Once again "Many Thanks" to all of you for your efforts. We pray God's richest blessings upon you in 2010.

In Christ's Service, Rev. Don Ralph, President CSM

"You are never so HIGH as when you are on your KNEES."

JEAN HODGES

"...A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM." Isaiah 11:6

Dear Christian Salvage Mission

Hello — I am a 9 year old girl named Sylvia. I go to school at Edward Johnson School. It is a French immersion school. I heard about Christian Salvage Mission one day when my mom was driving me to school. I wanted to help people some how and my mom suggested Christian Salvage Mission. A couple months ago I started saving money. I have a newspaper route so it was easier to save up. My sister and mom gave a little bit of money to help me save \$100. I would like to use this money to send books to pastors in third world countries who don't have a library to help them.

Sylvia

In Loving Memory

Doug Hysert our Board Chairman of Christian Salvage Mission recently suffered the loss of his dear wife Judy Hysert. Doug wanted to express his gratitude to all for their sympathies and generosity in the support they gave to the charities that were designated.



Doug writes the following:

Our Lord in His infinite mercy took my beloved wife and our children's mother, Judith Ann Hysert into His presence Sunday, January third. To know she is in His presence is sufficient. The love and sympathy given to us along with the comfort of the word of God has been a "very present help" during the time of sorrow.

We want to thank our friends and the Christian Salvage Mission family for showing their love through the memorial contributions given in Judy's memory.

Blessed is our Lord. Doug and Family

Please Note:

Due the fact that we had so many memorials since the last newsletter, we regret that we were not able to put them in this newsletter. We do want to thank all those who made donations on behalf of a loved one or friend.

ONCE AGAIN THANKS

Christian Salvage Mission is very grateful to all who give of their no longer needed resources, give financial donation as well as to those who collect canceled postage stamps to send to us. As reported by our President on page 3, we have raised a significant amount of funds through the sale of these stamps. Unfortunately since we get so many donations of materials and postage stamps, we are not able to acknowledge receiving all of them. There are just too many. We do send out a thank you letter for the financial donations we received, unless you have notified us that you would like to receive a thank you letter with your year end receipt only. However we are not able to send a thank you letter to all who give of their donations of material and or postage stamps. There are just too many.

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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