

# THE RHOADES

## MISSIONARIES TO GUYANA, SOUTH AMERICA

April 2014

**I have but one candle of life to burn, and I would rather burn it out in a land filled with darkness than in a land flooded with light**  
John Keith Falconer

Dear Pastors, Supporting Churches and Friends,

Psalm 34:8 states, "O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him." The month of April has been a very "tasty" month! We were given safety traveling 3,786 miles to 4 mission conferences and 9 other churches. We have had 7 churches that we visited this month notify us that they will be partnering with us! We have been promised 46% of our support, and we continue to pray that the LORD will have our support raised by December of this year!

The deputation trail took a new turn this past month. Pastor Devenney of Victory Baptist Church in Del Rio, Texas, flew me out for their missions conference. This was my first time flying to a missions conference. It was deeply encouraging. I find it to be a powerful fact that there are churches across America that are passionate about reaching souls at home and abroad. Our family presented at churches in Pennsylvania, North Carolina, New York, Ohio, and New Jersey.

We were blessed to start the month with Pastor John Cartwright, in Calvary Independent Baptist Church of Morton, PA. He has been faithfully pastoring there for over 30 years. He has a tremendous testimony that was featured on the radio broadcast "Unshackled." We presented at Fellowship Baptist Church with Dr. Ennis in Clayton, North Carolina. Dr. Ennis started Fellowship Baptist Church 46 years ago and is going strong! I have a deep respect for the men of God that we are blessed to meet who have been faithful to the Lord longer than I have been alive. Our family was part of the missions conference at Old Paths Bible Baptist Church in Rochester, New York. They had many of the families that have been sent out from that church attending also. There were 20+ families that have been on the field or heading to the field, and many other teenagers and college students that were also headed towards the missions

field! We enjoyed being able to be with Pastor Barrett of Calvary Baptist Church in Frackville, PA and Pastor Tim Perry of Victory Baptist



Church of Bloomberg, PA. The Lord is truly doing some wonderful things in the hearts of people in Pennsylvania! When I flew to Texas, Vashtee drove with the children to Ohio. Pastor Dowler and family of Lake Milton Baptist Temple opened their home to Vashtee and kids until I flew in from Texas. We are deeply grateful for the love, support, and friendship of Pastor Dowler and church family! The missions conference at Lake Milton Baptist Temple was powerful. It was a blessing to be able to hear Brother Robbie Morrison of All Points Baptist Mission preach that week! At the end of the conference on Saturday, there were over 60 people that came to go out on visitation! We are deeply grateful for the repairs that were completed on our car by Brother Richard of Lake Milton Baptist Temple. We had the joy of meeting Pastor Hebert of Forest Area Baptist Church in Marienville, PA! We were able to spend a couple of days with him and his family. Tremendous graciousness was shown to us. I presented and preached that Wednesday night. We presented and preached also for Pastor Garris of Inner City Baptist Church in New Jersey and presented for Pastor Wilps of New Liberty Baptist Church of Medina, PA! We are excited that they both have partnered with our family! I presented and preached at Faith Baptist Church of Sparta, New Jersey, with Pastor Phalon. Their church family was a blessing to our family, and I enjoyed the fellowship with Pastor Phalon! We traveled to Galeton, PA to preach on a Wednesday night at Redemption Baptist Church with Pastor Brent Baker. He is a church planter that obtained a 3-story building for four dollars and is doing a work for God! It is exciting to see what God is doing in the hearts of His people concerning the souls of mankind!

Looking unto Jesus,  
The Rhoades Family Acts 26:18

### Praise Report

1. Having 7 churches notify us that they will be partnering with us
2. Our daughter Mercy Joy has stopped having her violent car-sickness
3. Being promised 46% support
4. Safety while traveling
5. For the doors the Lord opens to present in churches

### Prayer Requests

1. For wisdom in making decisions
2. To receive the \$4,900 remaining to pay to have the container of Scripture shipped to Guyana
3. To be receiving 100% of our support by December 2014
4. For our precious friends that help a great deal at the office of WWNTBM

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