



September - October 2025 Newsletter

***“The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.”
Psalm 121:8***



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Dear Faithful Partners,

We have again entered another Fall Season and again the Lord has blessed our year. I was thinking on the above verse how the Lord has preserved our travels this year. With over 35,000 miles of travel to three continents and an average of 3,000 miles monthly, the Lord has again been so gracious to us. Judy and I want again to thank all that are so faithful to pray for us. We have been so blessed by the people of God through our travels. Many have provided us a place to stay, served us a great meal and have graciously given that we could continue to travel and share the gospel around the world. We realize that the Lord's preserving our goings and comings is often through the faithfulness of his saints.

Thanks again for praying for our recent Romania Trip. I was blessed by the Romania team with a plague of appreciation for being one of the founding members of the work. It was hard to believe it has been 35 years since our first trip was made to the country. For 35 years prisoners have heard the gospel and not a year has passed that many have been saved. It was a great privilege to help the Romanian team with their annual volunteer conference. Every week, over sixty volunteers are working in a prison somewhere in the country. Brother Mircea and I were able to meet with the director of education over the prison system. I shared the need of developing regular volunteer chaplaincy programs which would allow our workers more access in the institutions. She was very gracious and very interested and was going to present it to the Director of Prisons and ask that we could begin a trial program. Please pray this goes

forward, it will open a tremendous door throughout the country.

It was then back to the Home Office for a week of Field Staff meetings and Candidate Class Teaching. It is always amazing to hear from our various directors and representatives as to what is taking place in the many areas of outreach. The Lord truly has been good to the Rock of Ages. One area that is growing rapidly is the online ministry. There are over a million inmates that now have access to tablets and many are viewing preaching and teaching through the Pando App.

The Candidate Classes were again very fruitful as the Lord has added more families to the ministry. Thank you again for joining with us in praying the Lord will send forth Laborers.

Please be in prayer for our upcoming meetings. I will be helping our missionaries in three prison meetings over the next few weeks. Pray the Lord will let us see many saved and helped in these meetings.

Keep our home church in your prayers as we seek the Lord's will concerning a pastor. The Lord continues to bless the ministry and our church family remains faithful to the many outreaches and ministries.

Thank you again for your faithful partnership.

Your Missionaries,

Dr. Ricky Dunsford

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2 Corinthians 4:5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.



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“The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.” Isaiah 40:8

It's now been 35 years since the Lord led the Rock of Ages to reach prisoners outside the United States. We began by reaching the former communist countries of Romania, Ukraine and Latvia and Lithuania. The Lord would then begin to open doors in Africa, Asia, and South America. With the realization that the only answer for the prisoner was the Word of God and we knew that the command of our Lord was to take the gospel to them and it was a task bigger than us. Thus, ROA International was formed!

While praying one early morning in Romania, the Lord gave me the Scripture in **2 Corinthians 8:23** *“Whether any do enquire of Titus, he is my partner and fellowhelper concerning you: or our brethren be enquired of, they are the messengers of the churches, and the glory of Christ.”* The training of volunteers was essential to reaching multitudes of prisoners in their own language and culture. Over the years hundreds of God's people have partnered with the Rock of Ages and the men and women overseas to reach thousands with the Word of God. Thanks to your faithfulness to pray and to give, tens of thousands have heard the gospel. Sinners have been saved and the servants of God are equipped to reach their people. Thank you again for partnering with us.

Bibles:

One of the greatest needs is for Bibles. Praise the Lord three containers have arrived in Africa filled with gospel material and Bibles. With close to one million refugees from eight war torn countries housed in Kenya and Uganda, the need is great. As I write this letter, a team from the states is working with over 200 national volunteers in the refugee camps. We have rented several tents. Daily and nightly meetings will be held throughout the month of October. Pray the Lord gives a great harvest of souls.

Preaching:

“All of our Ghanaian partners thank you all for praying for our Lord's prison work in all sixteen regions across Ghana. The past couple months we have seen successful preaching trips in all 44 prisons of Ghana with 109 professions of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Praise the Lord for the safety of our preachers at all times.”

**Missionary Ramsford Awumey,
Ghana, West Africa**

“Arriving at the cell of a prisoner that had been shot four times, I asked him if he had died at that point, where he would spend eternity; he said he would go straight to hell. Hearing that, it cut my heart to see a young man with conviction that he would go to hell; but his apology was shallow when he was in trouble. I opened the Word of God and had the opportunity to share the gospel with him; he believed that Jesus Christ had shed His own blood for his sins. The moment he prayed receiving Christ as his Savior, his eyes were full of tears and said that even when he had taken the shots in his body, he never cried, but he had been touched at that moment of prayer. Oh, I think in many hopeless souls in the hundreds of arrests that exist in Brazil who do not know that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from sin!”

**Missionary John Alves
Brazil**

“As a prisoner said: I knew about Jesus Christ because I've seen some movies about His life, BUT it is the first time when I read the Bible, the Gospel of Matthew! Now I realized what Jesus did for me and it humbles me so much! I've learned that everything can be resolved by faith in Jesus Christ! When I was reading about Jesus dying on the cross, I started to cry! I want to receive Jesus Christ as my Savior and to let him lead my life from now on!”

Romanian Prisoner

Training:

Throughout the year a team of men travel to various countries to train men and women as missionaries and specifically to reach their jails, prisons and schools. We will be holding classes in the Philippines in January which will include bringing in missionary candidates from Papua New Guinea. Pray with our team that the Lord will work in the heart of future missionaries and for the financial needs of bringing these families together.

Thank you again for your faithful prayers and support.

In Christ's Service,

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