



The Childers Family

Missionaries in *Grenada* West Indies



January/February 2021

Praises:

Safety in accident
Wonderful Christmas
program
Spiritual growth
Visitors at church

Prayer Requests:

God's wisdom/guidance
Plans for Christian
school

Children's Corner:

Brielle is doing very well with her piano lessons. She has a good ear for music!

Ryan had his fifth birthday right after Christmas. He keeps telling everyone, "Best birthday ever!"

Noelle continues to love to sing, as well as play peek-a-boo and blow kisses. She just had her second birthday in late December.

Dear Praying Friend,

"Pastor, are you okay?" Bus after bus stopped, with people jumping out to ask that question. I had been driving down a hill when my brakes failed. As the van picked up speed, I lost control and the vehicle rolled twice down a hill before two trees stopped it, 20 feet below the road. A young man passing by on a bicycle stopped and pulled me out. Miraculously, I walked away without even a scratch, only a couple of bruises, and I was still able to preach two days later, despite a lot of soreness. It was encouraging and surprising to see how many people knew me. We are thankful Donna and the children were not with me (I had dropped them at school an hour before), and that there were no other vehicles involved in the accident. We are grateful too that God has already provided for another vehicle, a 2006 Toyota Noah, that has working seatbelts (and brakes) at a good price.

In December, we were not able to do as many Christmas activities as in years past, due to the Covid-19 restrictions. We praise God we were still able to have our children's Christmas program, with 11 children (and 2 youth) involved. Our theme this year was, "Jesus, the Source of our Great Joy." Sister Coco and the children did a great job in exalting the name of our Saviour! As in years past, we were also able to provide food boxes to two needy families just in time for Christmas. What a joy to be able to be a blessing to others!

On December 31st, we had our "Old Year's Night" service. Due to the curfew, we were unable to have a long service or be together at midnight like usual. However, we still had a good service, with two of our men preaching. Bro. Jah-mark preached for his first time, on being the salt and the light of the world. It was a wonderful service, with good unity among those who were able to be there.

In the next couple of months, we have two projects that need to be done. We need to repair the engine head of the bus, which will help it to have the power to get up the hill to the church building. We have been having to have the bus go around the long way these past months. In late January, we will need to build a box drain to enter the church land. Right now, we have stones in the entranceway that allow us to drive onto the land, but they are washing away constantly with the rain. Please continue to pray for our church. This year's theme is "Going forward—in unity."

Please pray also for Joseph's sister, Rebekah, as she plans to join our ministry in late January. She will be instrumental in starting the Christian school. Thank you for your faithfulness in prayers and support!

Your missionaries in Grenada,

Joseph and Donna Childers and family

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