



The Childers Family

Missionaries in
Grenada
West Indies



September/October 2020

Praises:

All services reinstated
Decisions for baptism
Building completed

Prayer Requests:

God's wisdom/guidance
Bible Institute
New school year

Children's Corner:

Brielle is excited to start grade 2! She has missed seeing her friends. She will be starting piano lessons soon.

Ryan has been acting more obedient recently. He likes to attack Brielle's dollhouse with his dinosaurs.

Noelle loves singing. Her favorite song is "Baby Shark." After we pray, she likes to sing the Amen song too!

Dear Praying Friend,

Since the end of the curfews that accompanied the Covid-19 lockdown shuttered everything in the country of Grenada, we have been adding back one service per month. We are now back to our full slate of services. September brought the return of Sunday School classes along with the other weekly children's ministries (Wednesday night and Friday Bible Club). We cannot understate the importance of a strong children's ministry anywhere, but especially in Grenada. While we have a good core of adults, the children are the future of the church. We are grateful for several children that have now "graduated" to the youth class! This has caused us to revamp our youth Sunday school. We narrowed the age range, but also formulated a plan to separate the young men and young ladies in the near future.

We have taken a focus on Sunday mornings toward having a victorious Christian life, with a special emphasis on deliverance over sinful thoughts, words, and actions. The church has responded well to this preaching. We believe the church plant is on the cusp of a spiritual breakthrough. Please pray that we all continue to yield ourselves to follow the Spirit's leading!

One big step of growth after salvation is baptism. In Grenada, baptism is looked upon as the biggest spiritual step in one's life, even more than salvation. Therefore, after one gets saved, they are very slow to follow the Lord in believer's baptism. When one finally does get baptized, it is a very clear indication that they are ready and committed to being obedient to Christ. One lady that has been coming consistently recently is Elma Rennie. Donna led her to salvation in Christ last year. She has committed to being baptized on September 20th! Before the pandemic struck, we had several people that were considering baptism on the church's third anniversary in April. Please pray that each of these folks would still be obedient on that date. These include Ann, Annette, Londer, Sophia, Trent, Trina, and Triana. There are others that also need take this important step.

In July, we celebrated our fourth anniversary of arriving full time in our mission field. This was a day of firsts for us, as we led our first funeral. In our last letter, we mentioned that a man named Reynald had passed. His adult daughter and grandchildren come to the church. Joseph was able to preach a salvation message from John 11 at the funeral. Due to the continuing virus restrictions, it was a bit different from a normal funeral here, but still a good learning experience!

In August, we had a church work day. We have finished up each of the projects, both inside and outside. We now have 10 pews. We had to cut the new ones down, repair a problem with the gutters, fill in dirt around the septic tank, dig a trench for a drain, cut some galvanized roofing, and a few other projects. We also added wall fans, which are a huge blessing! We thank God we are now completely finished with the building project, with very minimal debt.

Please pray for the new school year, which is starting the week of September 28th. It appears the children will be in school for 2-3 days per week on a staggered basis. Thank you for continuing to hold the ropes, and upholding us in prayer and through financial support! We appreciate each one that God has put along our path!

Your missionaries in Grenada,
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