



November/December 2021

Dear Praying Friend,

A few months can bring about a multitude of changes! In the past month, Grenada went into a semi-lockdown due to our first wave of community spread of the virus. Our death count jumped from 12 up to 197, with more than 5,800 confirmed cases. At least 5 of our church attenders have contracted the virus, but we praise God, all have since recovered without lasting complications. As quickly as this wave started, it has also died down. We are now back to our in-person Sunday morning services, with a plan to implement our evening services again within 2 weeks.

As part of the lockdown, in-person classes for all schools were cancelled for the past two months. To minimize this hardship, our teachers were able to offer tutoring for the students we have. As of November 1st, we are now officially back to daily in-person learning! It appears we may add a sixth student this month, which would be a blessing.

Our family has also grown in the past couple of months. And no, we are not expecting another child! Donna's cousin went to study overseas for a year, so we have her 7-year old son living with us for a while. Khadell is a sweet boy who has had very little spiritual influence in his life. He is now in the Christian school, along with the church. Several nights each week, Joseph tells the children a Bible story. Khadell has never heard any of them, so he is especially enjoying them. We are praying that God would work in his heart this year, and that he would accept Christ as his personal Saviour.

Our church plant's attendance has been very steady throughout the past year, but we do thank God for several visitors recently. Just before the lockdown, three of our faithful young men started to bring out their mother to Sunday services. Last week, three boys came to the Sunday morning service. We had met their family when we were out soulwinning more than six months ago. This past Sunday, they came back; this time, they had their mother, two older sisters, and a baby sister with them!

We invite you to pray with us in several areas: concerning health, please pray for Donna. We are awaiting lab results for a couple of issues she has been having the past few weeks. Please pray also for Joseph and his blood pressure issues. For future plans, pray for God's provision for the school as we will need to add two more classrooms for next year; and please pray as we are beginning some exploratory work into starting a second church plant.

Thank you for your continued prayers for our family and ministry in Grenada! We appreciate each note of encouragement, every prayer, and every sacrificial gift. Each of these allow us to work together to reach Grenada with the Gospel of Christ!

Your missionaries in Grenada,

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