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Dear friends and family,

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Ding! I got a text message on my phone. It was Didthlein, one of our recent high school graduates who had just moved to Provo, a nearby island, to go to college. He, and his family, had all regularly attended our church, but they all recently moved to Provo. We continue to stay in contact, and I have been encouraging them to attend a particular Bible-believing Baptist church on that island. I wasn't sure if they would go, or just make up excuses not to go. Most of our graduating high school students, we never hear from again. He texted me to let me know they are going to the church I recommended. We praise the Lord, as we have been praying for our people to get grounded in church, and the Bible, even if they move away. It is such an encouragement. We continue to talk, and we continue to praise the Lord for this family. They told me they will visit us again over Christmas break.

I had asked one of our men if he would consider leading songs for us on Sunday evenings. After praying about it, he nervously agreed. He has now been leading songs every Sunday evening for the past two months, and soon, I look forward to having him lead songs on Sunday mornings as well. What a blessing. We have been praying that the Lord would raise up faithful men among us, and we see the Lord is answering prayers. When many of our people arrive just a couple minutes late, in accordance with Caribbean culture, this man, and his family, arrive a few minutes before the services, ready to serve.

I have been taking one of our church teenagers out soul winning regularly. He is quiet, and though young, he has been through a lot in life already. As we went out visiting together one time, I asked him why he goes visiting with me. I expected a shrug, meaning, "I don't know", as a lot of young people respond to spiritual questions, but I was surprised by his answer. He told me he wants to lead someone to the Lord. Most young people might only want to go visiting because they are bored at home, want to get out of the house, or enjoy an air-conditioned car. He is a very quiet, and shy young man, but that night, he had a great opportunity to share the Gospel with a fellow teenager named Darius. Please pray for Darius to understand the Gospel and trust Christ as his Saviour, and pray for Lauren that God would make him into a great soul winner.

I led a lady to the Lord a few weeks ago. She visits our island often, but irregularly. Recently, she came to church, and said she would like to talk soon about getting baptized. We praise the Lord for those who have a desire to do as the Lord commands. Pray for an opportunity to talk with Barbara, and to baptize her.

Now that tourist season is back, the weather is cooler, and hurricane season is winding down, we are seeing snow-birds once again coming to our church. We praise the Lord, especially for those who got saved here. We praise the Lord for an opportunity to see them again, in church, and see how the Lord has been working in them.

Also, we wanted to say, "Thank you" to those who gave toward our storm shutter needs. We have raised \$4,900 for that project. The Lord has used His people to graciously cover, not only the purchase price (roughly \$4,000), of the storm shutters, but also to help with additional expenses of shipping it here. We appreciate your sacrifice.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

In Christ,
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