

HE THAT COMETH FROM ABOVE IS ABOVE ALL

Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings from the island of Mauritius - our place of service - in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who is above all. We must never lose sight of the excellency of Christ. Christmas is a time when we celebrate His coming from above to dwell among us (Jn 1:14) He came to deliver us from sin, it's penalty, and eventually it's presence. He came to declare His lordship (Jn 3:31). Jesus Christ is above all, of kings he is the KING; of lords He is the LORD.

Our empty nest has come alive again these last few weeks. We have visitors from Australia - François and Carolyn Serret who are here for three weeks to view the land. He is Mauritian born, but he immigrated to Australia with his parents at the age of eight. He was saved as a young man, went to Bible College, and felt in his heart since he was 21 that God was calling him back to serve here. He is now 42 and he believes God is saying to him, now is the time. He has served faithfully in an Independent Baptist church in Sydney for the past years and when they go back from this trip, he will start deputation and hopes to be back in Mauritius early in 2011. Pray for them as they seek God's will about where to serve here. Pray for his five children as they adjust to a strange land and culture, and for his wife who is Australian, as she prepares to home-school here.

The Lord has allowed us to witness and give gospel tracts to a lot of people in many localities, but especially around the village of Rose-Belle where we live and where our church, Victory Baptist Church, stands. Pray with us that the seed of the living Word that has been sown will bear much fruit.

Our children are a blessing to us. Tim and Daisy, our only children in MRU, are well and serving the Lord. Daisy has a Bible study in her home every Monday afternoon with some teenagers, some of whom are not saved yet. Pray that they will come to know the Lord as they study the Bible. Pascal will finish school soon, and his wife Becky and he will start deputation soon and return to serve God here in MRU. He has been down with the flu recently, but is feeling much better now. Pray for Lionel at Crown College in Tennessee. He is adjusting well, but will probably find it hard to adjust to winter since it will be his first one in the United States. Hilary is a joy to our hearts. She is doing well at Bob Jones University. We are thankful for modern technology as we can talk to them and see them every weekend on Skype.

Finally brethren, pray with us as we are considering buying a plot of land to start our church building on. The owner has agreed to sell it for the sum of 800,000 (eight hundred thousand rupees - an equivalent of \$26,000 USD depending on the exchange rate). We are currently renting the building we use for church services. This is a great endeavor for us, but we also believe we have a great God and we believe he can provide above all we ask or even think.

Once again, thank you for your continued prayers and faithful financial support. May the Lord who is above all bless you with a joyful Christmas and fruitful year in 2010 as you serve Him.

Your missionaries,

Guy and Marilyne Grenade