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## Grenada, West Indies



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Dear Friends and Faithful Supporters,

**“Let all things be done decently and in order.”**

**I Corinthians 14:40**

The container arrived! God’s timing was perfect enabling the container to be cleared off the dock within a few hours of its arrival saving me dock fees. In addition, God provided just the right person to help with the paperwork and there were no customs and duties to pay! I am so thankful that God prepared the way to make this process easy.

In a flurry of activity, the unpacking and organizing began. The container not only held my personal items, but items for my parents, the church, and the pre-school. What fun it has been to see everything put in its place!

While completing this process, work continued on my apartment. All the shelving and cabinets are built and installed, the painting is complete, and the furniture is in place. Praise the Lord for His provision with the container which provided extra money to help with these projects. I am looking forward to moving in and only need \$900 to finish.

In addition, the pre-school classroom has been set up and is ready for students! As I look at the teaching materials, tables, chairs, art supplies, puzzles, games, toys, etc..., I see God’s hand which made this possible in such a short time. Now the process has begun to obtain a permit from the government to open the school. Pray for the inspection that the Lord will grant us favor with the government. Lord willing, I would like to begin the pre-school in September. In order to do this, I need books for fourteen students. The cost of books per child is \$50 for a whole year. If you would like to sponsor a child, please send this amount to my mission board (address is below) and specify that you are sponsoring a pre-school student. I cannot wait to see those little chairs filled and to see how God uses the school to reach out into the community to bring souls to Christ!

As exciting as all this has been, an even greater blessing has come from seeing God work in the hearts and lives of the children seven years and younger in the church. Shortly after arriving, I organized a class for them on Sunday morning. At first, I averaged six and now I average ten. In addition, I started a choir for this age group, and they are having fun learning new songs and praising the Lord. They are so excited that they faithfully attend **every** service to be sure they don’t miss anything! Please pray that each child will come to know Christ as their Savior.

I hope you are as excited as I am to see God working here in Grenada! Please continue to pray for:

1. My paperwork to be completed
2. The inspection and permit for the school
3. Funds to complete my apartment
4. Sponsors to purchase books for the pre-school students

I know that in God’s timing, things will come to pass “decently and in order.”

Serving together with you to reach the children of Grenada,

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