

Dear Friends and Faithful Supporters,

"And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us..." Ephesians 5:2a

Our Christmas theme was to love as Christ loved and to give as Christ gave. The children and choir worked hard on a joint program which they presented on the Sunday before Christmas and on Christmas morning. The program encouraged everyone to remember how Christ gave everything so they could answer the question, "What will you give?"

The choir showed Christ's love by giving of their time to go caroling into the individual homes of some of our shut-ins. It was a wonderful way to share the Christmas season and the gospel through song, and we left a gift.

Christmas morning, we had a full church! At the end of the service, all were encouraged to come forward, bring an offering, and give a promise to God of what they were willing to give back to Christ. In addition, we were excited to give the children in attendance treat bags and bubbles while the adults received either lotion or body wash.

After Christmas, we were busy undecorating and making preparations for the New Year. "Be Wise in 2020" is our goal for the New Year. In our Old Year Service, we encouraged everyone to read "A Proverb a Day" as part of this goal. Many visitors attended our Old Year Service which concluded by praying in the New Year.

Pre-school re-opens on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Momma and I are praying that the students will return with a re-newed desire to learn and to "Be Wise in 2020."

Please pray that God will give me wisdom as I start new classes and outreaches in 2020. I pray that many souls will come to Christ and gain real wisdom in the New Year.

Serving together with you to reach the children of Grenada,

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