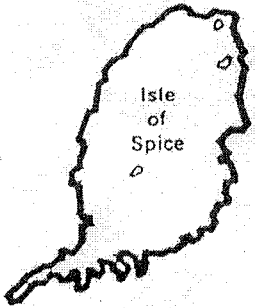


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"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy." Ps. 107:2

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# Thank you for praying!

May/June/July/& August -2005

Dear Co-laborers in Christ,

**"PRESERVE me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust."** Psalms 16:1

We have been extremely busy with trying to help people in our village who are struggling with survival after the hurricanes. Recovery from these disasters has been very hard and very slow.

**In May:** Two asked the Lord to save them. Our telephone service was finally restored after nine months. You can now reach us at **1-473-437-0982**. We would love to hear from you. Also, in May, our children worked hard to get their moms out for a special Mother's Day service. Thirteen moms were present.

**In June:** We finally found time to do some of our own repairs from hurricane Ivan. Robert also began construction on a new church steeple. Ivan took the last one off and the church has looked naked ever since. We have started a new hurricane season with thirty-one homes in our village that have no roofs, eleven families still live in the dirt under their homes or are living with other families. Robert is working with the Hurricane Disaster Committee. They will hold meetings in our church and he will make announcements for them in the surrounding areas as needed.

**In July:** Pat began a push for our children to earn school supplies by memorizing scripture. It was a tremendous help to our church children and we send a special thanks to all who provided the supplies for this special project. Our daughter, Carrie, came for a visit and helped with our summer reading program. Also, in July, hurricane Emily visited our Island. We were without electricity for only nine days (eighty-nine days with Ivan) and only twelve days with out telephone service (two-hundred and seventy days with Ivan). In our area the biggest problem was water, heavy rains and flooding took out a lot of the water lines, one man died in a mud slide, twelve homes lost roofs; three for a second time, and the gardens and fruit trees that were just starting to produce were completely destroyed. All total damage from Emily is one hundred million dollars while damage from hurricane Ivan was over nine hundred million.

**In August:** Everything came to a stop to celebrate the wicked Carnival season. So when school started repairs were not completed! Also the tents UNICEF provided after hurricane Ivan were destroyed when hurricane Emily passed by. Many schools remain closed, some are only open for a few classes or grades, and everyone is discouraged by the lack of progress. Through it all our attendance has doubled and this month three more have asked the Lord to save them.

Please continue to pray with us for these dear people and pray for us as we continue to minister in your behalf. We still need your gifts for the **Grenada Hurricane Relief Fund** as it will take years for our folks to recover from these storms.

In Christ,

*The Mathena's*

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