

Report of

Harbour Light Christian Academy

18 May 2008

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete; without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1Thess. 5:23

In August 2007, I sent out a letter that some of you received. Shortly after sending that letter out my computer developed problems that are still not completely solved. This letter is a summary of this past school year. We pray that this information will help you to pray more knowledgeably for the school.

Student Body for 2007-2008

Primary Level

Four year olds: Joseph Cornelius, Timothy Little
K5: Delia Alexander, Isaiah Cornelius, Hannah Louis
Grade 2: Micayla Cornelius, Lily Little
Grade 4: Peter Cornelius, Nathanael Little
Grade 5: Angelia Cornelius

Secondary Level

Form 1: Katrina Cornelius, Trevlyn Modeste
Form 3: Anna-Helen Cornelius
Form 5: Mary Cornelius

2007-2008 School Year

September

Mrs. Lynda Ramdhanie came to teach. Sister Lynda is a retired teacher from Trinidad. She taught Grades 2 and 4. She was a great help to all of us, even though she was not able to stay the whole school year.

A monthly school fee was instituted. In the past years the expenses of the school have been covered by the Cornelius family. The expenses have gotten greater, so the parents were asked to assist in these costs. This was a difficult move for Sister Sharlene to make knowing that the parents are really not financially able to pay. We rejoice in the fact that after the first month the Lord provided so that the parents did not have to pay the full amount for any other month. Some months the Lord sent in the full amount. The money that comes in through these fees still does not fully cover the expenses of the school. Please pray that the Lord will see fit to provide more.

October

Jisa Prime and Rachel Little transferred to Bishop's College.

Mr. Roll McEndollar came and taught art and calligraphy for a week. We ended that week with our first art show. The students made cards, did straw painting, and painted t-shirts. Mr. Andrew Ramdhanie and Mama C joined the secondary students to learn calligraphy.

December

The Christmas program this year featured just the secondary students. The four girls sang beautifully.

January

January is Book Blitz month. This year the five-year olds participated by actually reading books themselves!

February

February 7 is Independence Day. This year the Independence Rally was in the new stadium. Although we did not join the other schools in performing, we did attend the rally.

March

We had a school Olympics. Each student chose a country to represent. On the day of the Olympics they each told a few facts about their countries. All of the students participated, even the four-year olds. Prior to the Olympic meet, each student practiced all of the events, and their times were recorded. On the day of the Olympics the students performed the events, and their times were compared to the best past time. If they improved their time, they got a blue ribbon. If they kept the same time, they received a red ribbon. The students did very well in improving their times. After the meet we had a pot-luck supper with all of the families.

Mrs. Ramdhanie returned for Trinidad during the Easter holiday.

April

Because of Mrs. Ramdhanie's leaving, Miss Jane and Sister Sharlene rearranged the classes. Miss Jane now taught the three primary classes, and Sister Sharlene taught the three secondary classes.

We had a handwriting contest. The students did beautiful work for the contest making the decision of choosing a winner very difficult.

May

For Children's Book Week, the students each read or were read a book. Then they wrote information about their book on strips of paper and put the strips together to make a paper chain. We all enjoyed reading about the books others had read.

Mary Cornelius began taking her CXC exams.

Registration Status

We did not receive our registration in September. After making several calls to Grenada and writing letters to the Ministry of Education, we were able to apply as a single school with two divisions – primary and secondary. This status permits us to pay only one registration fee of \$500. We have paid the fee and now wait for the final papers. Pray that the officials do not delay in getting this completed.

Graduation

Mary Cornelius is graduating 17 June. The graduation will be held at Open Door Independent Baptist Church. Mary will be teaching the kindergarten class for the 2008-2009 school year and going on to Bob Jones University September 2009.

Report of Graduates

Class of 2006

Caroline Cornelius completed her sophomore year at Bob Jones University. She is majoring in Youth Ministries and has a minor of Counseling. She is enjoying life in the residence halls. She would appreciate your prayers that she would do well in her courses and that her bills will all be paid.

Jevon Prime has been accepted at City University in Brooklyn, NY. Pray that all the paper work can be done in time for him to be up there for the first semester.

Former Employees

Kisha Isaac is studying education in Mexico. She has been doing well academically and has found a good church to attend.

Kerena Alexander is working at the airport here in Carriacou in order to earn more money so that she can go to on for further education. Pray that she will be able to go to Baptist Bible College of the Caribbean soon.

Paula Monrose taught this past year at Baptist Bible College of the Caribbean. She enjoys teaching there and seeing how the Lord has led her. She will continue there for this next year teaching the same subjects: world history, French, and English.

Alice Jones who has taught pre-primary the past two school years will be going to Baptist Bible College of the Caribbean. She is joining her sister who will be a senior. She is desirous of learning more about the Lord.

Prayer Requests

We are in need of different facilities. The lady who owns the house we are currently using for the pre-primary will be returning later this year. We have no leads on another place yet.

We also need at least two more teachers for September.

Pray that the registration will be completed soon.

Pray also that the faculty and parents will have be unified in purpose and commitment.

Pray for future students. Several parents have asked about sending their children to our school. Pray for their spiritual needs. Pray also that we will know who the Lord wants in our school.

Pray that Christians will see the need for Christian education for their children.

Pray that the Lord will supply the needs of the school.

I pray that this letter has been a help to you to see the ministry that we have through the school. We are the only Christian school on our island. We appreciate your prayers.

In His service,

Sharlene Cornelius