



## Aviation Radio Missionary Service

"Underneath are the Everlasting Arms..." Deut. 33:27

Dear Family and Friends,

May 2008

Thank you for praying for us. We rely so much on your prayer. Our eagerness to get to Carriacou has been met with a number of delays by things over which we have had no control. How thankful we are that all these delays were no surprise to God, and, in looking back, we have needed this time to make the preparations necessary to be ready to actually go.

On Thursday and Friday, May 1st and 2nd, our things will be packed in a container for shipment to Carriacou. Pray that we will be able to fit what is needed into the space we have available. As we have packed we have laughed and cried over a cartoon someone shared with us some time ago. The two characters of the cartoon are talking to a bird. "You're flying south with no luggage! Where is all your shtuff !?!" The bird replies, "Shtuff? What shtuff? Birds aren't burdened with any shtuff!" One of the characters replies to the other, "No wonder they can fly." O that we could fly! We are all creatures of "stuff". We pray that we will know the difference for shipping what is needed for the ministry He has put before us and what is just "stuff". Also pray for the safety of our things and for favorable customs processing when our things arrive.

On May 3rd our oldest son John Mark graduates with his long worked for Master of Divinity degree. We rejoice in this milestone in his life. Pray for him and his wife Deborah (with our granddaughter) as they leave on May 5th for a survey trip to Uruguay, South America, seeking God's further direction in their lives. Our daughter Shannah will be accompanying them.


God has provided our work exemption permits for our visas. On May 6th we fly to Grenada and from there we will catch the ferry to Carriacou. The container with our belongings is due to arrive in Grenada around May 27th. It will then be shipped to Carriacou. In the time between our arrival in Carriacou and the arrival of our container we will find a house to rent.

Our house here in Greenville has not yet sold. Ruth has agreed to stay with the house for a while. Pray for her as she assumes the responsibility of a house to care for in our absence. This is an act of faith on her part. Pray that the house will sell if that is indeed His will.

Pray that as we go we will be aware of ministry opportunities (and act on them) both in route and in Carriacou. Pray that we will be sensitive to the heartbeat of the Harbour Light. We have already enjoyed listening to the programming over the internet. (<http://www.harbourlightradio.org/harbourlight.aspx>)

Finally, pray for our family. Three little grandchildren will not understand Papa and Grandma (Mama) suddenly disappearing from their lives. (Papa & Mama will certainly miss them, too.)

Deuteronomy 31:8 is a verse we have clung to over the past year. "And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee; he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed." The Lord has gone before us; He has not failed us nor forsaken us. We have not always been without fear, and there have been times when we have been dismayed, but it was then that our loving Lord reassured us of His love and His leading. We rejoice in the privilege to serve Him in Carriacou.



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