

# *The Robinsons' Herald*

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## *Greetings from the Robinsons Who Are Preparing to Return to Carriacou!*

It is hard to believe that we have been on furlough here in the United States for almost ten months! It is also nice to have beautiful warm weather that is helping to get us prepared for being re-acclimated to the warm temperatures on Carriacou in the West Indies. It has even been getting into the low 90s here a few times the last couple of weeks!

We have especially enjoyed the warm temperatures so that we could let the top down on a pretty red and sporty convertible the Lord has supplied for us to use for traveling the last few weeks! Man-O-Man, has is been nice, even though some have teased us in some of the churches we have visited! But, hey, it is what the Lord has provided right now and we are enjoying it immensely.



*It is not Elijah's "chariot," but it ain't too shabby!*

## *Furlough Status*

We have truly enjoyed the needed rest and good fellowship with family, and other brothers and sisters in Christ. Thus far, we have traveled thousands of miles and reported on or presented our overseas ministry in numerous churches in nine states. We participated in one missions conference, and have preached on numerous occasions in churches, a Christian School, and other special events. We are scheduled to be in at least two other new churches to present our ministry this coming Sunday, May 13. One is at 2:00 PM and the other is in the evening service at 6:30 PM. *We still have the following dates open to visit more churches: Wednesday evening, May 16<sup>th</sup>; Sunday morning and night, May 20<sup>th</sup>; Wednesday evening, May 23<sup>rd</sup>; Sunday morning and night, May 27<sup>th</sup>; and possibly, Wednesday evening, May 30<sup>th</sup>. If you know of any other independent fundamental churches that may be interested in our coming and ministering in any way, please email or phone me right away. (Contact information is at the end of this letter.) Thanks ahead of time. In either case, please pray with us that we have these last dates used to the glory of God as he leads and directs.*

We know of at least two that have made professions of faith in Christ during our opportunities to preach the word of God. One is a young married lady and mother (mid 20s?) that listened as we presented the gospel after we preached during our report at one of our supporting churches. Another young lady (age 19) recently professed faith in Christ after we counseled her to help her deal with a horrible assault she experienced a little over a year ago. We were introduced to her by a relative in the Beckley area. *Please pray for both of these young ladies as mentioned anonymously here. Pray for them to go on to be disciplined and grow to produce lasting fruit in the Kingdom of God.*

## *Plans for Bill and Ruth Stoll to Leave Carriacou and Return to Florida*

The Stoll are scheduled to hold their last service for us at Windward Bible Church on May 27, 2007. They moved their departure date up to June 1, but plan to spend a few days on the mainland of Grenada to rest up a bit before returning to Florida. *Please remember to pray for them as they get things ready for their departure and our return.*

We are endeavoring to get flight reservations for the first week in June. We would have liked to return to Carriacou before the Stolls leave, but the day after they moved their departure date up to June 1<sup>st</sup>, the pastor of Cross Lanes Bible Church (CLBC) ask me if I could give our report on June 3 instead of in March as it had been previously planned. It had been planned for us to report at the missions conference held at CLBC this past March, but they were having trouble finding time to get all the participating missionaries' presentations in the time available. Since we were there much of the time, he ask me if we could schedule it for a later date, and the first available date was June 3. It looks like our folks at Windward Bible Church will not be able to attend services for about a week until we arrive back. *Please pray that our people at Windward Bible Church will not get discouraged as these matters are beyond our control.*

We have gone to the local airport here in Charleston and checked for flight availability and prices on the internet. I hope to have made solid reservations sometime next week May 12<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007. We are also looking into the best way to get some bulky items that have been provided to us while we were here. I really do not want to use a crate and would prefer to take at least a few items with us on the plane as extra baggage if possible and affordable. Yet, there are some heavy boxes of literature that will likely have to be shipped, either through the mail, or by crate later on. *I would appreciate your prayers very much over the next few days as we make reservations to fly back to Carriacou and make provision to ship the items back to Carriacou.*

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## *Last Minute Needs*

In addition to the expense of getting our airline reservations and shipping of needed items back to Carriacou, we also need to replace one of our buses. We sold our old 1987 Dodge Colt Vista station-wagon and our 1991 Toyota HiAce Bus. The latter is the one that was damaged in an accident that Linda had in November of 2005. It had 340,000+ miles on the chassis and body, and it was rusted out terribly and needed complete restoration inside and out. We used the proceeds from those sells to help us get our airline tickets to travel to the US from Carriacou last August, 2006, and to meet some expenses we incurred while on furlough. We really do need another bus to run in conjunction with the 1999 Toyota HiAce 19 passenger bus we were able to purchase in 2005 with a special gift that the Lord provided. I think we could get another good bus for about \$12,000.00 (US\$).

I am also looking to the Lord to provide the funds to put roofing material back on our meeting place in Windward. Our landlord cannot afford to do so. I believe she borrowed money to have the material put on after Hurricane Ivan tore it off in 2004. As you may recall, eleven months later, the new roofing material was torn off again in 2005 when Hurricane Emily hit us. After speaking with our landlord today, I think we could do the job for \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00 (US\$). I believe this would enable us to get a good grade of materials and have someone to properly put it down so that it will not come off so easily again.

Lastly, I really need to get my eyeglasses updated, and a new partial dental plate. *Please pray with us as we look to the Lord for these last needs to be filled soon.*

## *Jeshua*

We spent this weekend up to this past Wednesday being with Jeshua as much as possible. On Wednesday (May 9) we exchanged good-byes, assured him of our love and prayers, and watched as he flew out of Beckley, West Virginia bound for Chicago, Illinois. His is to begin his RTC (Recruiting Training Camp, previously called "Basic Training" for the Naval branch of the United States Military at the "Navy Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes." Tabitha was also with us and we all fought back tears and suffered reddened eyes for a while. As of today, Friday (May 11) we have not heard anything from him. The local recruiters have assured us that everything is okay and that we would hear from them if there were a problem.

Lord willing, Jeshua's RTC will last eight weeks. Once that is completed, he is scheduled to go right into his intense training in Advanced Electronics with computer specialty. That is scheduled to last about an additional six months. Jeshua has

signed up for a six-year term of duty. He scored 82 (which is really good!) on his actual entrance examine, and the Navy seems to be truly happy to get him. He already has a rank of E2 [Seaman Apprentice (SA)], and they told him that when he completes his RTC and Electronics education he will have a rank of E4 [Petty Officer Third Class(PO3)]. *Please remember to pray for Jeshua often. Ask the Lord to bring true believers into his life in the military that will encourage him in the Lord and walking with Him. Ask the Lord to help Jeshua do his best in school, which is what he told me he wants to do. Lastly, ask the Lord to help Jeshua to find the Lord's perfect will for his life. Thanks.*

## *Linda's and Walter's Mothers*

I thank the Lord for both of our mothers, Lois Holmes and Francis Carson, doing reasonably well these days. Please remember to pray for their health. Mrs. Carson, Linda's mom, still has not gotten her monthly check restored after it was cut off after her husband passed away about a year ago. Things also continue to be tight for my mother, Mrs. Holmes. *Please remember to pray for the Lord to help and provide for both of our mothers, and to grant them ongoing good health.*

## *Linda and Walter's Health*

Linda did have the bump removed from her head on Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 12:30 PM. It went well and the place on her head has healed up very good. She is glad to have had it done. Thanks very much for praying for her! *Please join us as we thank and praise God for His leading and provision in having this done, and for it going so well.*

Linda and I both have had several colds since being here. Thankfully, we are currently feeling pretty good. I suspect that I have some allergies that have been making me have coughing spells once in while, particularly late at night while I am trying to sleep. Yet, it could be due to the last cold that I had. It seemed to take some two month to get over completely. This beast of a virus has made many sick for many weeks to a few months before finally letting go. I praise the Lord for some additional lab work that Linda and I have had done which came back to show that we are healthy. I am especially thankful that my PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) lab came back with good results. *Please remember to pray often for both of our health needs.*

## *News about Windward Bible Church*

We have continued to speak to the Stolls several times each month to see how things are going back on Carriacou. The

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people have continued to remain faithful. Thanks to the Lord! This is the height of the dry season in the Southern Caribbean, and many of our folks' water is either low or depleted. The rainy season is due to begin in June. *Please pray for the Lord to supply rain soon for Carriacou and the rest of the nation of Grenada. Also remember to pray for the young woman, who is fighting breast cancer. Ask God to continue to give her more grace, courage, and wisdom to fight her condition. She is planning to have the lump removed on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at a private hospital on Carriacou that opened last year! Also, ask the Lord to have mercy and heal her, if that is His will. Pray daily for our folks on Carriacou to remain faithful, to grow, and to reach out to the lost around them.*

## Thanks

We continue to be thankful to the Lord and all of His children that pray for and support us. Thanks again for the special gifts thus far that have helped us to meet real needs and acquire items needed for Carriacou. God is always, and has always been faithful. We are coming to learn the depth of the following passage in truly practical ways (*notice the last verse especially*);

<sup>4</sup>But in all *things* approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, <sup>5</sup>In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; <sup>6</sup>By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, <sup>7</sup>By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, <sup>8</sup>By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and *yet* true; <sup>9</sup>As unknown, and *yet* well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; <sup>10</sup>As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; **as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.** (2 Corinthians 6:4-10.)

Thus far, during this furlough, we have seen the Lord go much beyond simply meeting our needs. He has provided for us places to stay, scrumptious meals (my waistline says too

many), clothing of all sorts for all sorts of weather, and vehicles to use—including the sporty red convertible I mentioned at the beginning of this prayer letter! He has also provided us a vacation to go to places, see things, and do things we have never done and seen before.

If you looked at our assets on paper, we have very little to point to in this world. Yet, the Lord has graciously made all things available to us to use when we needed it. He has also supplied many things that I simply wanted or thought would be nice to have to make us more effective in our work. That reminds me that the Lord has promised to, **“giveth us richly all things to enjoy.”** (1 Timothy 6:17-19) Believe it not, I believe driving that convertible is very spiritual and being obedient to scripture!

I am also learning to always look up because: **“My help cometh from the LORD**, which made heaven and earth.” (Psalm 121:1-2)

May each of you continue to look up to Him, not just for us (we do indeed want you to do that), but also look up to Him for yourselves each day as He provides for you as you seek to serve Him. May you be blessed accordingly.

Still looking up for Him,  
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