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## *A Birthday Dinner and VBS Prep*

*By Gayle Woods, Missionary Pastor in Cayman Brac*

June 10th was the Queen's birthday. Actually, it wasn't—her birthday was April 21st. But in the Cayman Islands we have a national holiday on the second Monday of June to celebrate her birthday. We thought we ought to do something special for the Queen; so we had an indoor picnic at the Seaman's Center. (It was too hot outside. Besides that, who likes getting bit by mosquitoes?) Close to fifty people came, and we had a wonderful time of eating and visiting. One thing that made this special was that quite a few friends and relatives who do not attend church came to celebrate with us.



*A few of those who attended the dinner on June 10*

This year we are going to do the "Athens" VBS published by Group. Leah and Rebekah Owens will be coming from the St. Charles COGH to help us. We are excited about the possibilities for that week. Please pray for us as we prepare for this special event. It will be held this year at the Spot Bay church, July 15-19. We are expecting between 85 and 100 kids. Last year a lot of kids came forward to pray to be saved. We would love to see that happen again this year. Our God is able!

## *From Fear to Smiles*

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## Prayer Requests

- Teen Challenge at Red Bay church in Grand Cayman is this week, July 1-5. Their VBS, "The Incredible Race," is planned for next week, July 8-12.
- Oleta (Witt) Korah will be traveling to Ghana, July 23-Aug. 14. Pray for her as she visits Pastor George and the village churches.
- Pray for the Missionary Retreat, planned for current and former missionaries at HHYC, August 6-8. We are looking forward to a reunion of old and new faces.
- The political situation in Haiti continues to be volatile, with a constant threat of violent demonstrations. Pray for peace and for our churches, especially in the Port-au-Prince area.

## Going Home?

*By Larry and Christy Doyle, Missionaries in Papua New Guinea*

Furlough (home assignment) is an interesting time for missionaries. Every time we think about it, we realize more and more that our true home is a place we have never been—heaven. As we transition from this 'home' to the 'old home' where our families and friends live (or at least used to), we are faced with mixed emotions.

For us adults, it's not quite the same place we remember from previous years. People, culture, and even places have shifted over the past four years. Sometimes the changes are obvious and shocking, while at other times the shifts are subtle and catch us unawares. For our kids, it's a place they've only lived briefly and only vaguely remember.

Of course we are thrilled about seeing family members (including some born during this field term), meeting old friends, and making new friends. We want to see, meet, talk to, share, experience, feel, connect, and just be with PEOPLE! It's important for us to have a 'home' in terms of relationships.

Many of you who read this newsletter have been part of that for us on past furloughs, and we would love to spend time with you again. It may be brief, and perhaps not seem that important, but we treasure our times with you.

Home is where family is, and we're so grateful to be part of the family of God.

We plan to arrive in the USA on the last day of July, so if you'd like for us to visit your church, your home, your area/town, etc. in August or beyond, either email us directly ([doylelawrance@gmail.com](mailto:doylelawrance@gmail.com)) or get in contact with Ashlee Englund at the World Mission office ([wmsecretary@cogh.net](mailto:wmsecretary@cogh.net) or 913-432-0303).



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