

"But be sure to fear the Lord and faithfully serve him. Think of all the wonderful things he has done for you. 1 Samuel 12:24 NLT

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Blessed Ministry in the Cayman Islands

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I love seeing how God is working in different places in the world. Last month, Rev. Mark Surbrook and I traveled to the Cayman Islands to spend time with Dr. Gayle and Sister Micki Woods (Cayman Brac) and Pastor Carlson Benjamin (Grand Cayman).

Before arriving to the Brac I committed myself to prayer-walking part of it every day that I was there. Little did I realize the blessing I would receive, traversing this beautiful island. God gifted me with seeing His creative handiwork in the rising of the sun, the rhythmic waves of blue-green water, and the elegant patterns of coral. On one of my last prayer-walks I did 7.5 miles, feeling a bit sad that I would be leaving this beautiful, tranquil island.



Dr. and Sister Woods are being used by God in powerful ways. Mark and I had the joy of fellowshiping with this wonderful, gracious, hospitable, encouraging couple. As we talked to those in the church, we kept hearing about how they are so caring and are radiances of God's love.

The first night there, Mark got to share at the Watering Place Church part of the history of World Missions within the Churches of God (Holiness). It was so interesting. At the end he gave an invitation, inviting those who wanted a greater passion for reaching a lost world to come forward for prayer. The altar was lined with respondents.

On Sunday morning I got to preach at a packed church at Spot Bay. My message was on our responsibility to be involved in the Great Commission. Again, the response to the invitation was touching.

After a delicious lunch with the Woods, Mark and I flew to Grand Cayman and drove to the Red Bay Church for their evening service. Mark gave warm greetings, and I shared the Word of God. When the invitation was given, 26 came to the altar, wanting the Spirit to help them reach their "Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria," and the world. By the end of the day Mark and I were weary...and filled with deep gratitude to God for how He is working in hearts in the Cayman Islands.

As I was returning home, the following thought came to mind: "Mark and I went to bless, but we return home realizing that we are the ones who have been blessed. Those we met have deeply enriched our lives in unexpected, wonderful ways."

This, truly, is one of the rewards of ministry.



For more travel pictures and a devotional video from Dr. Lo in Peter's Cave, go to www.coghworldmissions.org/news.



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Outreach in Ghana

What does ministry in Ghana look like?

It can include an outreach service in the village of Ducie, outside with a tree for shade.

It can look like taking an offering and delivering it to a needy family in Glang.

It can even include Pastor George staying after a church service to counsel with a young couple in the church. He wrote that there had been misunderstandings for a while and that they were on the verge of divorce. However, God blessed this meeting, and it concluded with harmony in this family. "I got back to Wa very late," wrote Pastor George, "but am feeling nourished by the Holy Spirit."

Pastor George is also working to strengthen the church organization in Ghana by developing a national board.

Pray for the current ministry there and for future plans to be directed by God.

A Month of Prayer

By a Worker in the Middle East

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