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# Southeast Caribbean Dispatch



**Happy New Year!** As we reflect on what the year 2009 will bring for us, we are full of expectation! We hope that you find yourself in looking ahead to the coming months. May is coming fast and there is still so much to do. We are busy as a cat chasing its own tail. It's a time of visiting partners, raising support, teaching classes, holding prayer gatherings, and getting ready to move. Preparing to move this time seems to be more hectic, determining what to take and what to store and what to sell. Orvel is pictured here with Kenroy Clarke and his family.

*The Apostle Paul was an outstanding fund-raiser. His skill is possibly best seen in 2 Corinthians 8-9, where he makes a powerful case for generosity that is summed up with the statement, "Now this I say, he who sows sparingly shall also reap sparingly; and he who sows bountifully shall also reap bountifully. Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:6, 7 NASB)*

*Paul was also an excellent in giving thanks - and he made it clear that God was honored by those who give to further the work of the His Kingdom. Perhaps this is best seen in Philippians 4:10-20. In this passage he states two precious promises that we often claim - "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." (4:13) "And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." (4:19)*

*Paul also indicates that he didn't seek their support for personal gain - he was content in any situation. (4:11, 12) For the "profit" (fruit) that would increase to their eternal account - that was Paul's reason for seeking the financial partnership of Christian friends. (4:17)*

*Therefore, this gorgeous passage of Philippians 4 in its context is a missionary writing to thank a supporting church. How great is that - two precious promises and the encouragement that the profit of Paul's ministry was building in the Philippians' account.*

As we begin 2009, we want you to know that we are truly grateful for your partnership in the ministry of planting churches and producing Christian leaders in the southeast Caribbean. We pray God's supply for you and your family (4:19) and trust that you are pleased with your eternal investments through your partnership with Southeast Caribe Mission (4:17).

We are still in need of several more partners that can help in God's work. The need is for \$3,650 a month. Partner with us in this work, by sending your gifts to:

Global Church Growth  
P.O. Box 157  
Nevada MO 64772

**Come partner with us in God's work.**

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Here's a Barbados food tid-bit. The national dish of Barbados is **Cou Cou and Flying Fish**. Cou cou is a unique blend of cornmeal and okra mixed with salt, peppers and Bajan hot sauce. Flying fish is the most commonly found fish in the warm waters surrounding Barbados and is usually served fried or steamed.

The special flavors of most Barbados food are due to their blend of herbs and spices known as Barbados seasoning or Bajan Seasoning. This blend includes thyme, ginger, green onions and parsley to name a few. These two combined have formed a dish Barbados has become famous for, so Cou Cou and Flying Fish will probably be our first meal.

Please continue to pray for our walk of faith, support, our family life, the places and people we are working with, and protection from Satan's attacks.



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Blessings in Christ, *Oruel*

### ***Kandi's comments:***

*God continues to go before us in awesome ways. Mom put her farmland up for sale and it sold for twice the estimated price. We are confident that God had his hand in that too. She is now at the top of the list for a Residential Care apartment in Nevada, MO near Kathy Orvel's sister and our forwarding agent. So, we continue to move forward. As Orvel states, it is a hectic time. We are coming down to the wire and as in the past, God blesses us most through this time. . It is also when our faith must be at its strongest as Satan really tries to get to us with problems and doubts. We do covet your prayers at this time and throughout the move.*

Blessings in Christ, *Kandi*