Groggs in Dominica

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Together Again.

It was way too long!

With the exception of one day, our family was separated for four and a half months. Praise the Lord we're finally back together!



Unable to rent a larger vehicle, August 22nd found Jason traveling to the airport alone. While Nathan and I really wanted to help him welcome the girls home, God knows what's best and we still welcomed them at the apartment.

With quite a bit of luggage and goodies from the States, it took the girls about a week or so to finally get settled in and figure out where everything should go.

Now that the girls once again occupy their bedroom, Nathan has been relegated to the kitchen at night. Thankfully, there were a couple of pretty comfy beach chairs in the apartment when we moved in and he's been sleeping on one of them. I would also say, he has the best breeze in the house at night.

Another Anniversary

9.10.21 to today makes 2 years!

It doesn't seem possible that much time has passed already. In some way, I feel as if we should be further along, more settled in than

we are. Since I didn't have a solid picture in my head of what this move would be like after two years, I guess that's unfruitful thinking. What I should have done (and maybe still will) would be to make a list of what we've done so far, all the people and groups we've impacted and worked with.

One thing we've been wanting to accomplish for a while now did

finally occur; formal Child Evangelism Fellowship training (CEF).

On Saturday the 26th, we all piled into a small church in downtown Roseau along with about 15 other people.

The training went from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with one break for lunch. There was singing, Scripture, laughter, multiple

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- Hannah, Gracia and Eliyah returned safely to us.
- Hurricane Lee is staying north of all the Caribbean islands so far.
- God is providing for our finances.

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- Travel safety as we'll be driving a LOT, while caring for friends' dogs this coming week.
- Part of two of the kids curriculum got misplaced in the move. It needs to be found.
- Continued safety during peak hurricane season
- Financial needs
- Jason's work permit
- Favor with Customs
- Truth and Justice to be had



examples, teaching, and then a time when each trainee had to teach all the others a section. (If



you'd like to hear Hannah teach hers, I'll include the link in the email.)

While we can now officially teach Good News Clubs in the schools, we have decided to wait until

Jason no longer has a matter before the court. That matter is still awaiting the Nov. 7th trial date.

Another thing I finally bit the bullet and did was an eye appointment for myself. Back in January 2019, I had PRK (laser) surgery done to correct my vision. I'm supposed to have a full exam every year after.

It'd been two years since I hadn't found an eve doctor whose recommendations I was comfortable with vet. Upon asking again, I was finally given a business that looked and sounded up-to-date so Jason and I took a walk in town and checked them out. Even though the doctor was booked out for a month, I made the appointment. Turns out she and her office are very up-to-date, not third-world at all. I was pleasantly surprised and very thankful. Also, my eyes are in great health. 😊

The Little Things

Kids, Kittens and Skeeters

Nathan has been playing more with Pastor Steve and Desrie's daughter, Stedes. It's been really good for him to get out and play frisbee in the (mostly untraveled) street. Some days he's been able to convince her older brother Destee to join them. On other days, a couple of local girls have joined them for jump rope or some other game.

I do wish there were more boys around. I've seen a couple walking but I don't know yet where they live. It will be nice to bring his bike here so he can go riding around, expelling his "excess" energy.

Speaking of "boys" though, there seem to be plenty in the way of kittens. One has taken up residence below us and then about a week or so ago, another showed up. This one looks almost exactly like Mango and won Gracia's heart. She knows we're a one-cat house though, at least at this location.

No matter, he waits by the door and streaks into the apartment every chance he gets, going straight to Mango's food bowl.



We've all been thankful the mosquitoes (known as Mozzys by Dominicans) here haven't been as bad as in Belfast. However, there are days when they're in more abundance than others. With that, I had seen a nifty little zapper that I wanted to try out.

We now have three of them, one for each bedroom and another for Nathan in his little "tent" overnight in the kitchen. What makes it even more fun, are the two built-in flashlights.



We finally took a break from the "normal" one day to go swimming and snorkeling at the St. Joe beach. This time, we explored a bit further north, finding a couple of large rocks with quantities of sea life living around them.



A rainbow behind our apartment in the housing edition (looking East).

Jesus is King!
Until next time,
the Groops

