

Groggs in Dominica

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A Change of “Address” Our Newsletters’ Home.

You may have noticed a change in our header last month, which I failed to mention. On the lower left, instead of following us on gab, you will now find the site ChristianExodus.net. This is part of our partnership with the Johnson family. They own the site and have graciously allowed us a page for articles and videos pertaining to our family and what’s going on in Dominica. This is also where you will find all our past and current newsletters. Look under the tab “Dominica Reformed.”

We’re still on gab, however, it’s not really an active page outside of our newsletter postings. We’re on Facebook even less. If you want to find us on an active platform, look on X at @Vorrex7. Jason has been ramping up his interactions there.

No Work Monday Politics in Dominica

The United Workers’ Party (UWP) has launched a “Do Nothing” campaign. They say it’s their way of saying “Enough is enough.” It has a list of demands and has stated that until they are met, they are encouraging every Dominican not to work.

Via social media, Dominicans were told to stock up as if a hurricane were coming. Buy enough meds, food, and supplies to last you weeks or a month. The UWP said they will continue this campaign until their demands are met.

Jason, Nathan, and I were actually in town today (this was Day 1) and I couldn’t see a difference other than heightened security in a couple of places.

I think what the UWP doesn’t understand is that the everyday Dominican can’t afford to “Do Nothing.” Bills must still be paid, groceries must still be bought, and life has to be sustained. And beyond that, the government doesn’t care if those bills aren’t paid and food isn’t on your table.



Now, if they were to get the islanders to not service tourists, that would get the government’s attention very fast. But the UWP won’t go that far. They asked all bus drivers, except those driving for tourists, to stay off the road today, just today. There were

... PRAISE ...

- Hannah made it safely and smoothly back to the States.
- Daily cool breezes for us that also dry our clothes.
- We’re able to pay electric, keep food in the fridge and pay half our rent.
- Amid a flu/cold outbreak, we remain healthy.

... PRAYER ...

- We’re only able to pay half our rent. We need some help.
- Our lawyer, as she has been spending a great deal of time working on our High Court case regarding the kids’ lawsuit.
- Pray for leave from bail granted.
- Custom’s charges to be dropped.
- Application of Scripture in our lives.
- For us to continue to plod along in our work and influence for the Kingdom.

Whatever He has to do in order to increase your faith is an act of love.

~ Joe Rigney “The Deep and Confusing Love of Jesus”

buses everywhere on the roads today.

A Visit Home?

Maybe? Lord willing!

We had mentioned to some of you that we were hoping to visit sometime in April. This would require a court-approved "leave" from Jason's bail. The paperwork for that seems to be in the slow lane if it's even on the road. Our lawyer is extremely busy and still has her hands full with our High Court case regarding the kids' lawsuit.

We're now setting our sights on, and praying towards June. Jason's next court date is the 4th of that month and we doubt we will hear from the prosecution. We are taking the stance of requesting the case to be dismissed. Please pray that Jason can get leave from bail, or even better, that the charges will be dropped on or before June 4th.

In addition to asking for leave from bail, Jason is also applying to have his bail terms changed. As you know, he's currently signing in three times a week (which shocked even the officers at the station).

God Will Provide

His Timing, Not Ours

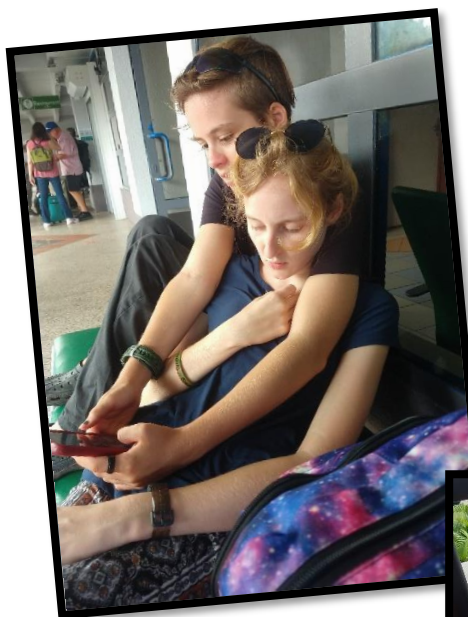
So much has gone on that hasn't been what we thought we wanted nor the timing we desired. But in everything, God reigns. He is providing for us in our needs, in His way, and in His time. He is good.

I remind myself of these things even as I sit here after a call from our landlord saying we're 2 months behind on rent. While the Lord is putting food in our bellies, He's choosing, for the time being, to not give us enough to pay all the other bills. I keep looking for ways to tighten our belts but I'm not sure at this point where else to look. I know in this

economy, not getting bills paid isn't restricted to us. There are many, not just here, but in the world.

Jesus is King!

Until next time, the *Groggs*



Gracia and Hannah, getting some last-minute snuggle time at the airport.



Us, watching Hannah's plane take off from a road just north of the airport.



Nathan and BB, the hen he was given a month or so ago. She's finally giving us eggs!



Elijah, reading school with her chick, Peanut. Nathan rescued it last week.

Gracia, carefully holding a juvenile iguana the neighbor caught for Nathan. Don't worry, we let it go.

