

# Clay Tablets



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## Ministry News from Anne Clay

### How Can You Pray?

- With Thanksgiving – The August's J-team built a new home for Charmaine and her girls. They had been living in a chicken coop.
- With Thanksgiving – I had a relaxing vacation in North Carolina and Florida in September.
- With Thanksgiving – The damage from Hurricane Dean was not as severe as it could have been and Sister Louise's home which had been crushed by a fallen tree was replaced in October.
- With Thanksgiving – King Benevolent Fund, a group in Virginia, donated four cases of medicines. All the medicines had damage to their outer packaging, but were totally salvageable.

In August, our team had Wednesday night free since

## Breaking Bread Together

Bible Club was not meeting for the summer. We had the most wonderful treat: an invitation to join a Jamaican family in their home for a delicious meal. I and four others joined the Marshall family for an evening of food and fellowship. It was truly a joy to learn more about their culture and traditions. I have always loved Jamaican food, but everything just seemed to taste even better eating with such treasured friends. I first met the Marshalls in May 2005 and we have been friends ever since. Patrick is a deacon at Maranatha Baptist Church and has sacrificially served at every medical clinic that has been held there. He is a very successful farmer working 130 acres and was an agriculture professor in the past. Both he and his wife, Claudia, are wonderful pillars in their community and are a great examples of salt and light.



The Marshall Family

## Planting Seeds!

Last February I was asked to speak to the women at an association meeting that my church was hosting. It was a snowy, bitterly cold morning so attendance was very low. Nevertheless, when God gave me the opportunity to tell of Jamaica, it was my job to plant seeds. Many months later I would see fruit from this meeting. It led to a wonderful invitation to be a speaker at the Conservative Baptist Women's Missionary Conference this past September 21-23. I prayed that God would truly speak through me. I had never shared of Jamaica and TEAMS over so many sessions. I gave my testimony and how God chooses to use ordinary people to fulfill his extraordinary purposes. I told that God uses the pain and mistakes of the past to make all things good. I used the example of Ruth for I really relate to her how she "left her father and mother and her homeland to come to live with a people that she did not know." Ruth 2:11 I am truly thankful that God enabled me to tell so many others of what God is doing in Jamaica. The retreat has already led to a new partnership between TEAMS and a local church.



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### Focus Where Needed



**Dr. Don Follmer**

In August, due to Jamaica's Independence Day, Nomination Day and one day of heavy rain, attendance at the medical clinics was down considerably. But we were not disappointed. The doctors were able to spend more time with each patient. One single visit took over an hour due to the seriousness of the illness that was being diagnosed. God worked out the number of patients so that quality did not have to be sacrificed. I thoroughly enjoyed the slower pace because of the additional time I had when handing out medications. I was able to concentrate on educating each patient about their medicines. Such explanation is the key to getting patients to take their medicines properly and to improve their overall health.

### Upcoming J-team – November 3-11, 2007

#### Pray with Anticipation!

- Safe travel to Montego Bay and clearance through customs
- Medical clinics at Galina, Jack's River, Boscobel, and Mango Valley
- Builders as they construct a home for Avery Gordon and her family
- Evangelism team as they encourage children at the schools to stand up for God and to be strong in their faith
- Don, my fellow pharmacist, as he just had shoulder surgery four weeks ago  
*I can do everything through him who gives me strength – Philippians 4:13*

**"God's work done in  
God's way will never  
lack God's supply"**  
- Hudson Taylor