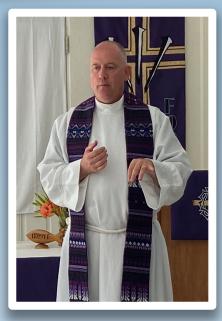
SERVING THE LORD IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS NEWS FROM GERALD AND HEIDI PAUL



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DID YOU KNOW?

- Cayman government regulations determine how much space per child is needed for a preschool's inside and outside spaces.
- Each preschool classroom needs to have direct access to the playground
- LCMS International Missions is developing another VBS -Missions Unpacked 4 Kids. Please consider doing it this summer
- Current favorite Spanish word/phrase: "Estrella de mar" – "starfish" – literally "star of the sea".



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Assoc. Regional Director Visits



The Safe Harbour Board meets with Rev. Jonah Burakowski, associate regional director of the LAC region. Below, a few local regulars met for the Ash Wednesday service.



First Visit by a regional administrator since Covid

Rev. Jonah Burakowski's week-long stay was filled with numerous talks, home-visits and meetings with the board in an effort to get to know us, the people, their culture and their vision for Safe Harbour's future.

Fruitful discussions

He quickly found out, that a permanent home for Safe Harbour and opening a preschool had been the focus of discussion for years, and that our current (rented) location serving as parsonage and church has become the most permanent setting thus far. Yet... it would be really nice to have our own church – and school...

Exciting prospects

Rev. Burakowski opened a way in which we could see and work our way toward realizing

this dream. A committee is now being formed by Safe Harbour to work on the intricate logistics of starting an early childhood center.

Looked at real estate

The three of us went out with a realtor to look at a few properties that would be appropriate. We know this is still in its infancy, but the buzz sure is exciting!

Ash Wednesday

The Ash Wednesday service was held in the morning as the day is a public holiday here. Afterwards, we took Rev. B. to the local agricultural show which had just been opened by their royal highnesses, the earl and countess of Wessex, Edward and Sophie! We were too late for the proceedings but later saw a car with a flag on the hood and blacked out windows leave the premises! That had to have been them!



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The new committee exploring ways to open an early childhood center
- We get permission to minister to the Cubanos
- "M" that a solution for her difficult life situation may be found. Still ongoing.
- "Y" that she return to worship. That the Holy Spirit open her daughter's heart to having her two little grand daughters baptized soon

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- The returning snowbirds
- Continued Word and Sacrament ministry at Safe Harbour
- The faithful few that regularly attend divine services

PRAISE GOD FOR:

 The many congregations and individuals who support us with prayer, encouragement and with their generosity.

Snowbirds and new paraments



The new paraments and the new stole matching the banners made new last year.

Snowbirds are returning!

This month we've had the privilege to meet some of the pre-covid snowbirds that had regularly attended Safe Harbour especially in the winter! We've had people from Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Indiana fill up our worship space every Sunday!

Heidi sewed the new paraments and stole in time for the Ash Wednesday

service to match the banners she made

New Lent paraments

last year.

Cuban refugee update

Cayman Immigration Enforcement (CIE) is still silent on granting us permission to minister to the Cubans. We keep showing up and asking the question. Please keep praying!

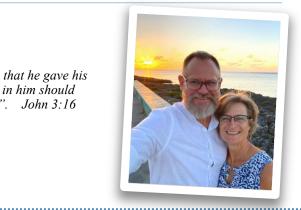
Home Service – Jun/Jul '23

PLEASE let us know if we can visit YOUR CHURCH to give a slideshow presentation of our work on Grand Cayman! We'd love to see you all!

Soli Deo Gloria

"For God so loved the world,^[a] that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.". John 3:16

- Your partners in mission, Gerald and Heidi Paul





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