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



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DID YOU KNOW?

- Getting several separate government departments, that don't communicate with one another, to give guidance about important points that could potentially end in dealbreakers from their side, is guite daunting!
- LCEF stands for Lutheran Church Extension Fund, and essentially is an LCMS bank.
- LCMS International Missions is developing another VBS -Missions Unpacked 4 Kids. Please consider doing it this summer
- Current favorite Spanish word/phrase: "Ollita" – meaning "little pot".



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LCEF comes to Grand Cayman



Thomas Campbell, John Burke and Rev. Bart Day of LCEF presenting information to Safe Harbour's council and education committee members.



LCEF on a fact-finding trip

LCEF, being in the business of finding ways to assist LCMS churches, missions and schools move dreams and ideas onward toward reality in a way that is beneficial to both the church and LCEF, three key players came to investigate ways on how they could assist Safe Harbour in opening an early childhood learning center: Rev. Bart Day (President and CEO), Thomas Campbell (Sr VP property development)), and John Burke (Sr VP Investments).

LAC leadership there too

Rev. Ted Krey (LAC regional director) and Rev. Jonah Burakowski (LAC associate director) were also present.

A lot was accomplished

The group went on a quick tour of the western part of Grand Cayman to get a general feel for the area and communities in which the church and school would potentially be located. They then visited two properties that could potentially be used and had rigorous discussions with the parties involved, including an architect.

They met with Safe Harbour's board and education committee to discuss ways in which they could partner with Safe Harbour in this endeavor. Now each entity needs to retreat to examine and digest all the information, to figure out next steps. We are so thankful for LCEF to assist us in this huge project!



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The education 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:

- 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.



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at <u>lcms.org/service</u>. Click on "Service Opportunities."

Church Outreach Dinner: Potjie!



Everybody had a fun time around the "potjie", the Afrikaans word for "little pot".

All invited to the potjie!

A few times a year we put on a themed outreach dinner. This time South Africa was the focus, and our cast iron pot came in handy. The "chicken potjie" was cooked over a gas fire outside. Individuals were involved by bringing some of the vegetables to be added just before the service so that it could cook slowly during the service. What a fun conversation starter! The Fruit-Cocktail Pudding was a popular dessert – some saying it tastes like the British Sticky Toffee Pudding. Everybody there loved visiting and benefited from the social get together.

Home Service – Jun/Jul '23

The only open parts in our schedule are weekday slots. Please reach out to Gerald to see if we have a slot available when we are in your area. See you soon!

Soli Deo Gloria

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me". Ps. 23: 4

- Your partners in mission, Gerald and Heidi Paul



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