



Power line work

Do you know what is better than power outages? It's a **"Scheduled"** power outages! You know what you're expecting and you can plan. The local power company has been replacing the power lines and poles all throughout the island. So, our power would go off 8 hours during the day (8am-5pm) twice a week. Initially one of those days was Sunday. We've had several church services "al fresco" or open air which we don't really mind

as long as it was not raining. That's why it has been a great answer to prayer when they changed their schedule and turned our power off during weekdays! We don't have air conditioning in our church building, but it's really nice not to worry about getting wet with the rain while you're preaching. This challenge has been going on for the past 6 months.



Church outside

We are starting to get used to it and have developed somewhat of a system: doubling up on schooling for the kids on certain days and sometimes field trips when the power is off. Our kids don't seem to mind especially when they get extra time to play outside.

We started having our Midweek Service on Wednesday Night once again. I am blessed to see how our church family has bonded even more having that extra time praying with each other. People usually hang out after service to just chat and talk. A couple weeks ago one of the men in our church wanted to share something he caught with his brothers and sisters in Christ. It was a crocodile; he had been out trying to catch a wild pig and got a crocodile instead. After church on Wednesday, he cut it up on the front porch of the church and split it with everyone that wanted some. My wife made some really good popcorn crocodile tail with it.



Crocodile sharing

God has blessed we have seen 5 people baptized in the last couple months. All had been saved for a while but were waiting to get baptized. After several Bible studies and to make sure they were saved all followed the Lord in Believers baptism. One of which was my son Jonathan. He got saved while we were traveling on furlough. While doing these Bible studies with several young people in the church he started asking questions. I had him join me in my Bible studies like a silent partner. I was so excited to see him grow and get those questions answered. It is a blessing to see your kids want to follow the Lord. Vanj and I pray that our children will grow and seek the Lord with their lives.



Jonathan's baptism

Please continue to keep us in your prayers for good health. The flu has been going around a lot and you know a loving family is a sharing family. Please also pray for the ongoing Bible studies for souls saved and spiritual growth.

Carrying the Light to the islands

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