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Dear Friends and Faithful Supporters,

“Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life,...”

I Timothy 6:12a

The battle is on ... against Satan in 2019! This year our theme is “Be Strong in the Lord and Stand”. There is much work to do and many souls that need to come to the Savior.

2019 is off to a busy start with many changes to the ministries and some that remain the same:

Sunday morning is our **Junior Warriors Class** (ages 2-11). In keeping with our theme for this New Year, we are focusing on each piece of the Armour of God. The children will be memorizing Ephesians 6:13-18 and learning the parts of the armour.

On Sunday nights, I started a **Teen Girl’s Class**. Many of our “little” girls are growing up and entering the “teen” years so we are studying the “Teen” Commandments. The first night we enjoyed some refreshments and talked. Now we are making bookmarks with yarn and plastic canvas. Eight to ten girls have been faithfully attending, and seem excited about the class.

After class, our **Teen Girl’s Quiet Time Club** meets to encourage the girls to develop the habit of daily Bible reading and prayer. Please pray for these teen girls as many of them are not saved.

The **Junior Quiz Masters** continue to meet on Wednesday nights. We are studying our way through the Old Testament and are currently learning about Moses. The students have grown in Bible knowledge and have increased the amount of points they get on the quizzes.

The **Choir** has had its challenges with the loss of one of its key singers who is attending college this year, but they are continuing to be faithful and to work hard to learn new songs each week.

Fridays are set aside for special activities for different ages including our **Adult Fellowships** where we always eat well and our **Girls Cooking Club** while Saturdays are set aside for Visitation including a **Special Visitation** each month and the delivery of our **Food Baskets**. We are especially thankful this year for two adults who have been faithfully coming to visit on Saturdays.

Of course, pre-school is back in session, and we are definitely in a battle with this group. They have proven very challenging to teach and we have had to fight a lot of stubbornness, but we know that with consistency, hard work, love, and God’s help, they will learn.

Truly the battle is the Lord’s, and He will be victorious! Your prayers and support are invaluable as we seek to “fight the good fight of faith.” Our prayer is that many will “lay hold on eternal life” in 2019.

Serving together with you to reach the children of Grenada,

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