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Dear Pastor, Church and Friends  
Greetings to you all, and can I testify to you that God is good! There is so much to share with you all and I will ask you to please forgive the length of this letter. Please take the time to read it; I will do my best to explain what is going on and what has happened. Thank you in advance for your time.

As you know we arrived on the Island back in July. Things were going great, we had gotten our belongings and our van shipped over and had cleared customs and finally paid all we owed. Just over \$14,000 total. We were able to have a VBS for the children of James Cistern, Hatchet Bay, and Gregory Town with the help of Victory Chapel Baptist Church youth group. God blessed and 6 were saved. It was through this VBS that God began to show me that there was a tremendous opportunity right there in Gregory Town. We continued to preach, knock doors and witness. The church was full of visitors almost every service. On Sunday morning, August 7, God moved on the hearts of His people. He preached through me like I had never experienced before, and I saw a spark of revival in the eyes of the people. They were weeping and testifying for some time. The next day I had to go to the immigration office to apply for a visa extension because our temporary visas were set to expire on Wednesday August 10 at midnight. The immigration official told me we could not get an extension on our temporary visas, we would have to leave before midnight on Wednesday. I then asked him if I could go ahead and apply for our permanent visas. He told me we could not apply for our permanent visas while we were on the island, we would still have to leave. I begged him for two days to at least give us an extension until August 31, when I had plane tickets to fly back to the states. He refused and again told me we had to leave or we would be arrested and deported back to America. So I began making preparation to fly back home. I had to buy 8 tickets from Eleuthera to Miami the day before we

flew. That was not cheap. I got back to the house and told Margaret and the children what we had to do. We were only able to pack 4 changes of clothes each due to the weight limitations on the plane we flew on. We left the rest of our belongings and our van there until we could get our visas. Before leaving the island we filled our visa applications out and left them with a member of the church we are helping. She delivered the papers to the immigration office on Thursday morning after we left.

We flew back into Miami, Florida and rented 2 cars to get our family moved to Baldwin where we were able to stay in the mission house at Grace Baptist Church. We then moved back to our home church in Alabama to begin the process of waiting for our visas.

As you may or may not know, our Island was hit by hurricane Irene. This storm did a good bit of damage on all the out Islands. Eleuthera was hardest hit on the center of the Island from James Cistern, where we lived and where our belongings were, to Palmetto Point. There is still no power and no phone or cell phone. I have heard it could take from 3 weeks to 5 months to reconnect the power and phone lines. As of the present time we have not been able to talk to anyone with the exception of one email I received Wednesday night August 31. I am not sure who sent the message, but this is a copy of what it said:

*Greetings to all,  
I want to write to let you know that I was able to walk to the Liberty Baptist mission house to inspect the property. We found the roof mostly ripped off the house and the doors and windows blown away. Upon more inspection I found debris around the house and the inside of the house in much disarray. I do not know you had in the house, not much is left inside. Do you know when you will be returning to the island? Our prayers are with you and your family  
Pastor.  
In Christ,  
J Johnson*

This is all we have heard. I am still trying to contact the people on the Island to get more information. I have been able to confirm that there were no deaths on the Island and only a few minor injuries due to the Hurricane.

On Tuesday night we were traveling to Tennessee to be in a church in the Kingsport area when Margaret began having some medical problems. I was able to get her to a place to let her rest. After a few hours and no relief, I took her to the ER and we spent most of the day Wednesday waiting on some answers. The doctors were not able to pinpoint the exact problem and advised us to get her back to her doctor and let them go further with the test. She has an appointment with her doctor September 16. Please pray they are able to find out what is going on and get this under control. I would also like to let you know that this all happened on Tuesday night, the same night that the hurricane came over the Island. Can I say again, "God Is Good!" He knows exactly what He is doing.

So where do we stand as far as getting back to the Island? Once Margaret gets a clean bill of health, we are ready. We will be waiting on the Island again to finish up our visas. I have no idea how long it will take to get them now. I do know that the Island got hit hard and the Immigration office received some major damage. We had sent all our information to the Island. I do not know if they received it or if was lost in the storm. If it was lost, I will have to get it all replaced, and send it back to them. I will keep you all updated on everything that is going on with our visas and Margaret's situation.

In closing I want to say thank you all for your prayers, emails and support. I am so thankful for each one of you, and we love you all. I am working hard to respond to every email that has been sent. I will keep you updated with what is going on and as soon as I have an idea when we will get back, I'll let you know. If you have any questions about our situation, please do not hesitate to call me anytime. God bless you all.

In Christ,  
*Tim Mulkey*  
Tim Mulkey and Family

*For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying,  
I have set thee to be a light of the  
Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation  
unto the ends of the earth.  
Acts. 13:47*

