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# Hanna Missions SEEK.DO.TEACH.EZRA 7:10



Meet Derisse Burrows! A friend of

Keke Smith, Derisse started studies that

turned into attendance at Ladies Class, Thursday night Bible Class and eventually continued personal studies with Felisha. A combination of efforts by several members resulted in the late -night Baptism of this new Sister on **October 7**, **2020** 

The time of night did not deter Derisse who expressed, "why wait when I know needs to be done!?"

She has been active in all activities and is thankful for her knowledge of the truth. Derisse is a

Bahamas Immigration Officer and the single mother of her 7 year old son, L.J. We are happy to have her as part of the Eight Mile Rock church family and look forward to the contribu-

tions she will make to the work.



The ultrasound on September 7, 2020 brought news of a healthy baby **BOY!** 

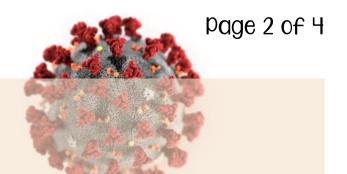
We were in shock at first

considering our track record but the technician insisted that we are "certainly having a boy" The girls are excited and I am entirely beside myself at the idea of training this little preacher. Shameika is still facing sickness but is nearing the end. Baby is due mid-January.

#### New Convert Struggles

The two new converts mentioned in the previous report are striving to hold on to the faith. MaQuai has been having serious issues with her health during these early stages of pregnancy and has been participating via Zoom.

Lisa is eager to continue in studies daily and is doing her best to continue walking the narrow way. She has been searching for a place to live for a while and we plan to aid her when something becomes available..



### COVID-19 UPDATE

### Nassau, New Providence Locked Down

The congregation (and our island, Grand Bahama) has been blessed to be **<u>past</u>** the lockdowns but the capital city, Nassau on the island New Providence has been subjected to a series of them in recent weeks due to Community Spread on that island. We have had free movement over the past two months since the last report and hope the same will continue throughout the rest of 2020 on our island. Since Hurricane Dorian, there has been no fully functioning hospital here on Grand Bahama and a surge in cases would be difficult for the Hospital's Authority to manage. The government is currently renting portions of private facilities to host the various wards for admitted patients. We must remain prayerful that things continue to improve in regard to island-wide health.

# ONGOING STUDIES...

### A study has come to a sad end.

It was with a Catholic young lady who said upon comparing her church to the church of the Bible, that she will have to answer God for herself on why she partook in something that was starkly different from what she read of in the New Testament. Soon after the end of her study, the Pope released the statement



of his view on homosexual marriage being acceptable. This stance in comparison to the Scripture was presented to the young lady who expressed thanks but has not decided to turn away from Catholicism.

Another of the studies is happening consistently each week on Zoom with a Bahamian nurse living in the US. She is the daughter of a Pentecostal Pastor. She shared guilt for feeling skeptical about several practices growing up and was encouraged to "prove all things". IThese 5:21. These studies are going well.

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What's happening in the EMR COC

#### TEACHERS

Bro. Madio Smith and Bro. Chad Neely have been such a great help in the past few months. Chad (pictured here) is doing better each week in the sermon for the second service on Sunday afternoons and Madio has for the first time been teaching class on Sunday mornings. He is doing overviews of the books of the Bible and has been getting more and more hungry for the Word as he prepares each week. They're both doing an excellent job!





#### THE LADIES CLASS

Each week. All year long. Through Zoom, over holidays and otherwise, they have met. They take one Tuesday off each year. The topics they cover are not fluff. From contemporary issues to doctrinal fundamentals. Shameika works with the women to present lessons which is helping them grow and providing some relief as her pregnancy is winding down.

HANNA FAMILY NEWS

BIRHHOAY SEASON IN FULL SWING September 5th Legacy turned 7

October 26th Providence turned 4

November 23rd Genesis turns 11

January 3 Ist Faithful Leigh turns 2



## Prayer Requests

Please pray that:

- I will be able to accompany Shameika at delivery time. Current restrictions are making this look very bleak and alternatives are very costly. She is a little uneasy about this.
- New converts will remain faithful.
- More men in the congregation will strive for growth

Thank you for reading this update. Thank you for your prayers and support! Call me in the Bahamas at 242-801-4602, email me directly at lavae.hanna@gmail.com or add me on WhatsApp to talk free.

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