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I'm Back on Campus

Forty-six years ago, Esther Gerig taught me to type. That piece of history resurfaced when I visited Esther Gerig in Michigan a few weeks ago. When she taught me, she was the wife of the President of the school I attended in Jamaica - today, I am honored to be the President. Those were some of the historic details that punctuated my nostalgic visit.

Michigan was one of many stops during my whirlwind fund-raising tour of the United States. My mission was simply to rekindle and establish new friendships for the Caribbean Graduate School of Theology. The mission produced many positive outcomes for the school. I hope to spend the next few months strengthening these.

Two of the outcomes include the need to establish an Advisory Board and a non-profit Foundation in the United States. Both entities will enable CGST to access human and fiscal resources with greater ease. If you or someone you know can offer substantive help in these areas, please do not hesitate to let me know. We are looking for Christians with skills in company law, management, finance, education and a passion for the Caribbean.

We're Ready to Deliver

We are on track to submit documents for re-accreditation by the December 22 deadline. This rigorous exercise is not optional - it is a critical governmental assessment that determines the quality of the education we deliver. Our preparation is under the watchful eye of a consulting provost and retired assessor - what a difference her contribution is making.

Debt Management

Before the end of 2017, we propose to reduce our debt by some five million Jamaican dollars. Massive efforts by members of the Board of Governors and a diverse group of donors is helping to make this possible. The plan is to intensify this reduction during 2018. With your donations, I believe debt eradication can replace the debt reduction plan. Thankfully, we are current with existing invoices, thus discontinuing the debt spiral. If you believe you can contribute to this debt eradication, please contact us. Tax-exempt receipts for 2017 will be issued for all donations received before December 31. Send me an email today (thepresident@cgstonline.org) or call me on my direct line ([876] 925-5218) for further information.

Increasing Opportunities

Since assuming office in April, personal opportunities to minister at regional and local events are increasing. Each of these opportunities provides additional visibility for the school and occasions to witness God's power in community. Among these events, is the resumption of CGST Sunday. This quarterly service allows us to worship with churches around the island and to partner with alumni from a variety of churches.



Devon House Ice Cream

We will not apologize for making time to get some of the best ice cream in the Caribbean. We pray about the calories and *nyam* (eat) the delicacy. Thanks for asking, we make time to take a break from demanding assignments. When your first child is celebrating her fortieth birthday, you are

reminded that you are no longer teenagers. Launa does a better job at keeping fit daily. Thankfully, our health reports do not suggest any need for worry.

Life on Campus

In addition to academic assignments, campus life is community life. Students study together, worship together and struggle together. I look forward to Monday morning prayer times - this is when academics meet with administrators and ancillary staff to pray. At times we report on the weekend but always remember the week ahead. Living on campus allows Launa and me to meet with students informally - what a blessing!