Belize at Last!

Dear Friends and Family,

Thank you for your prayers and words of encouragement over the last months. This is the second letter I've written since getting to Belize. The first one would not go through. It seems my list of recipients is too big for the system here to accept, so I have now divided all of you into 6 different groups. If you get this that means the division took care of the problem. ☺

It's such a blessing to finally be here beginning the work God has called me to do here. I would not give up the training God provided through MTW, but to actually be here is wonderful. My first week here, I was able to rest and settle in a bit. It's been good to get oriented with my team and my responsibilities during the time I'm here. My first responsibilities have been meeting with teachers and helping them bring closure to the previous year of course work for the Belize Presbyterian Teacher Education College (PTEC). Next I'll be promoting and opening registration for the 2008 year of coursework for PTEC. This year we begin our second group of teachers entering PTEC. My work as Educational Consultant for the Grammar School and Preschools will begin once Carla Stevens returns to assume the needs of PTEC.

God is at work here leading individuals to rededicate their lives to him, A discipleship group for men and another for women are underway, equipping these men and women to eventually lead other groups in the future. Short term teams have already begun to arrive. This week a team of 25 RUF students from UGA poured the footings for the third building at Cornerstone Presbyterian High School.

I'm excited that God has provided a house that will allow me to have an office space, two bedrooms, the space to have people over for games and fellowship, AND it falls into the amount that is budgeted for rent. It meets all the MTW security concerns and being on a paved road is better for my allergies. The bonus is that it's on the bay and has a great view and breeze.

Prayer Requests:

- That the teachers will be able to complete their assignments by their scheduled completion dates.
- That God will move in the hearts of those teachers considering entering PTEC and bring in the students He wants in this program.
- That God will work in a mighty way in the hearts of the five men attending the Belize Presbyterian Seminary.
- That God will call and equip more men to be pastors, elders, and deacons. The churches are in great need for Godly leadership.
- That God will provide me with a safe, reliable means of transportation.

God Bless,

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