

Missionary Highlight



Reuben & Susan Mains – Grenada

As far as COVID goes, the government has removed the mask mandate for the first time in two years. Even though, we are currently experiencing a COVID surge with a sharp increase in the number of infections. The mask mandate was removed, I think, primarily to encourage more tourists to come to Grenada and because elections are due to be called sometime in the next few months.

We don't have a set election date like the United States. Elections have to be called within five years of the last election. Then we have about a 6-week campaign period and then it is over. Our election date was June 23. Our system is patterned after Great Britain. The leader of the party which wins the most seats in Parliament is the Prime Minister.

With Grenada experiencing a COVID surge, I became positive in May. After two week of being quarantined I tested negative. I only had a couple of days of dry coughing and a general feeling of tiredness.

Our graduation is July 5. Our school only goes from K-6 grades. The sixth graders have to do 2 days of external exams given by the Caribbean Examination Council. This process is to determine which secondary school (Grades 7-11) they will be assigned to. This process is very stressful for such young students.

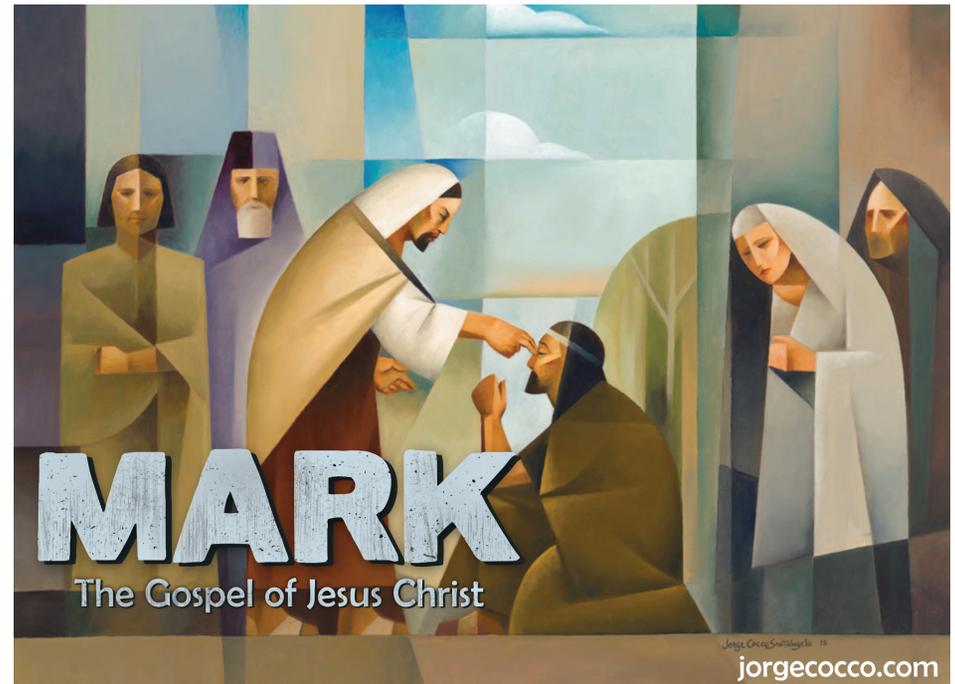
Prayer Requests:

1. For their short trip in August to the United States to see grandchildren and Susan's mother who is 93.



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Weekly Events & Opportunities

- A Mother's Room (back of the sanctuary) and Nursery (downstairs) are available for **families with young children**.
- **Name Tag Sunday** – Please grab a name tag, write your name on it, and tag yourself! We have gained many new faces & the name tags will allow us to become better acquainted with one another.
- **Communion Sunday** – Today is Communion Sunday and all who have accepted Christ as their Savior are welcome to participate. The bread that is being served is gluten-free for the convenience of all participants.
- **Root Beer Float Opportunity** – We would like to bless our community by providing free root beer floats (6:30-8:30pm) at the Wednesday night Concerts in the Park. How often we do it, depends upon how many people sign-up to help serve. Please sign-up today, so we can start this Wednesday.
- **Safe Place for Children Training** – for those volunteering in the nursery will be on Sunday, July 17, following the worship service. If you are interested in attending the training, please contact Stacy Hall at 324.2709.
- **Congregational Meeting** – July 24 following the service.
- **Bluewater Family Camp** – Mark your calendars for July 29-31! Pastor Paul & Lori Langmade will be there to share God's Word and to enjoy camp life with us. Be sure to sign up today! – Interested in attending the Worship & Baptism service at BCBC on Sunday, July 31? Sign-up in the lobby. Lunch will cost \$8/person.
- **Summer Office Hours** – Monday-Thursday, 8am-12pm.
- **Menard's Rebates** – If you have Menard's 11% Rebate slips that you aren't planning on sending in, you can turn them into the office or giving box. The church will send them in & use the rebates towards future purchases.

That One Time Jesus Healed a Deaf & Mute Guy

Mark 7.31-37

³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."