

August - September  
2003

# My Father's House

## Kingdom Builders Ministry

# Six years already!

God has accomplished a great deal through Kingdom Builders Ministry since we moved to Jamaica in June of 1997! We give thanks and praise to Him for allowing us to be a part of His glorious plan!

KBM has been privileged to share God's love to the community through many different outreaches, host numerous teams, pray for countless people, build four homes for homeless families, contribute to the growth of LEA churches, assist in the adoption of Shantel to the White family in Ft. Wayne IN, move across the island twice, receive the magnificent gift of our home where My Father's House now resides, nurture more than 25 Jamaican children with God's love either short or long term along with many other "daily" activities that it takes to be on the mission field in Jamaica.

You are a fundamental part of our past and vital to the future of KBM! Thank you for your prayer and financial support! Lately Children's Homes of Jamaica have been found generally disgraceful. We are pleased to know My Father's House is of the highest standards. KBM will continue to strive to provide quality care because of your support!

If you haven't joined KBM as a financial supporter, please allow me to urge you to begin this month. My Father's House is up and running, but your gifts are needed to provide loving care to the children God has placed in our care. Presently we have 19 Jamaican children at My Father's House! All have been rescued from neglect and / or abuse of all types but, all are thriving wonderfully now. Each has potential and promise. You can make a difference in their lives by sponsoring an individual child or making a general donation to KBM. You can learn more about sponsoring a child at My Father's House by visiting our web site. Use the envelope provided and send your tax deductible gift today. Together we can provide a bright future for the children of My Father's House.



You may remember "baby Renee" from Petersville, Jamaica Three years ago this mother was desperate for her child's life. The doctors could not figure out why Renee was unable to keep any nourishment down. They sent the baby home from the hospital with no hope for life. We interceded on Renee's behalf and God moved miraculously restoring her to full health! As you can see here to the left, Renee is the picture of health today!

No, it's not quite over, but there is a light at the end of the tunnel! Jamaica has given it's license for Shantel to be adopted by Larry and Angie White of Ft. Wayne IN. Now we proceed with the final documentation for her trip to the USA! Shantel says, "thanks for your prayers!"



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# Refreshed!



707, the college and career group from Grace Fellowship in Northern KY, came to My Father's House in July and spruced things up a bit! Thirteen young adults sure can whip through a home and make a big difference! They industriously scraped and painted the school rooms and the living room which was a major job. The task was nearly completed with no major incidents when Joe bumped into the ladder, knocking the bucket of paint to the floor! He was a good sport when it was captured on film. The elementary class is now bright and cheerful with blue, green, yellow and red while the high school is a real cool periwinkle!



In addition to all the painting and scraping, we put a few members of the team to other pressing tasks. The computer experts worked setting up and working out the kinks in the computers donated for the school. There are four working computers in both the high school room and the elementary class thanks to the diligent efforts of these team members! Our office computer crashed while they were here giving them another huge mission which they came through with flying colors; praise God! The computers weren't the only thing



*Team members become great friends to our children. Thanks to email, these relationships often continue long term!*

in need of repair though; bicycle repair is a never ending job at My Father's House! Thanks to Stretch, pictured above, all bikes are in good riding condition. All the team members blessed the kids with love and attention. Each afternoon they conducted activities with the resident children of My Father's House which were enjoyed by all.

**THANK YOU 707!**



*A helping hand is always appreciated!*

Check out more pictures at [www.jaminjamaica.com](http://www.jaminjamaica.com)

# Interns & Summer Camp

My Father's House has been extremely blessed by the interns God led our way during the past year. Four of these interns were with us for the greater part of this past year while one joined us for the summer. The school year was the best yet with all the help. We're praying for God to provide interns each year in the same manner. Sherine, the Jamaican young lady who has been part of our family for many years, supervised the high school students. Alicia, a wonderful young lady from Marian, IN, supervised the elementary students while Christina, from Bowling Green, OH, did a great job of caring for the preschoolers. With all this help Penie was freed to keep loose ends tied and tutor where extra help was needed. The children even had French, sewing, art, music and PE! It was a wonderful year!

Jim enjoyed Delroy's help. Delroy was a pastoral intern from Jamaica.



Delroy is presently serving LEA Whitehouse as one of its pastors. He is also busy preparing for his wedding. Delroy and Christina fell in love during their internship and have decided to marry! Christina went back to the USA for the summer to raise support and prepare for her marriage while Delroy has moved into full gear with LEA and My Father's House.

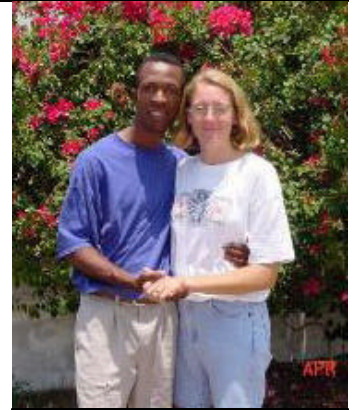
We stayed busy here at My Father's House all summer too!

Alicia coordinated a summer camp program for the resident children. The children were divided in to two teams, Ackee Flash and Lightening Strikers. Each day has been filled with friendly competition. Activities have varied. They had pie baking contests, football (soccer) matches and kickball games, contests on who could dive in the pool with the least splash and who could jump in making the largest splash. Everyday was fun filled! The summer is still in progress and presently the teams are neck & neck as far as points accumulated go. The winning team gets to go out for ice cream!

Rebecca is already home in Michigan and Alicia leaves the first week of September. Christina will return to be married. Although we hope to see her often, she will be busy in other areas. That leaves Sherine who is exploring other career opportunities but will at least be here through the transition into a new school year. We have been praying for a continual flow of interns after such a wonderful experience this past year. Jaime, a young lady from Canada, will be joining us the day Alicia flies out; praise God! Two other young ladies are still considering the opportunity. We persist in prayer for God's abundant provision in this area. All the extra hands, hearts and laps sure come in handy!



*Board games are a favorite pass time.*



*Delroy & Christina*



*Alicia with Abby & Paige.*



*A custom in Jamaica is to throw flour on the birthday person! Here Rochelle is being honored on her birthday. Mama Penie simply asks that it be done **OUTSIDE!***



*Mama Penie, Alicia & Rebecca sharing God's love with a couple of boys from up in the hills.*

# KBM Needs YOU!

## Prayer Requests

*There are many ways you can be a part of Kingdom Builders Ministry.*

- Pray for KBM
- Sponsor a Child
- Become an intern
- Give financially
- Come on a short term missions project

• Tell someone else about KBM. Tell them to see what KBM is all about on the web!

Find out more about all of these opportunities at [www.kingdombuildersministries.com](http://www.kingdombuildersministries.com)

**A special THANK YOU to Andy Babel for revamping the web site. Check it out; it looks GREAT!**

Trust with us praying for God to provide for all our needs.

- Sherine's health — She is doing great! No signs of cancer!
- Shantel's adoption — Praise God we're almost through!
- Financial needs — each month KBM needs \$6500 US for operational costs. **FYI** —The Koch family receives \$500 / month in salary.
- Future interns — Interns are essential to the continuing success of My Father's House! We are trusting God for four interns this year.



Since Easter, Tommy has been busy each Sunday ministering to the children of our church, LEA Whitehouse. Tommy is in training under his father's guidance to be a Children's Pastor. His heart is for the children. He enjoys planning creative ways in which to share Bible truths to the children in manners through which they will easily grasp.

This fall Tommy will take a course in school to further his knowledge in children's ministry as he continues to serve in our local church.



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Tricia graduated high school and will be off to Christ for the Nations for college this fall. Tricia desires to pursue further training in voice, dance and ministries where she can use her talent.

Please keep her in your prayers as she ventures off on her own pursuing God's will for her life.

Please pray for us as we experience a big void in our home! We are excited with Tricia as she begins a new season of life although we will miss her greatly!



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