



Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

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The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at **Hilton Barbados** Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12 noon

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Eyewitness to polio immunization days in Nigeria

During the second week of January, I was invited by a friend to a seminar in Abakaliki organized by the World Health Organization to train youth to assist in monitoring immunization efforts. At the end of the program, they conduct a test.

Luckily for me, I received a text several days later congratulating me for my test results and inviting me to serve as an independent monitor with a team taking part in National Immunization Days in February. After four days, I did not want it to end.

Listening to mothers share their previous vaccination experiences and working with a team of committed health care workers, doctors, and nurses was an uplifting experience. I also had a chance to visit with polio survivors and hear their stories of resilience and determination.

I was happy to be part of the team, trekking under the sun in search of children under the age of 5. I am proud my team was able to vaccinate thousands of children. A high point of the experience was watching our dedicated volunteers work with reluctant parents and convince them to allow their children to be vaccinated. It was a lot of work, but it was Rotary in action. We all worked together and developed bonds of friendship.

My experience motivated other Rotaractors to attend the seminars, and seek opportunities to serve as independent monitors. Let's join hands to combat polio and let peace work through our actions. A donation of just \$.60 helps save a child from polio. Together we can prevent other children from suffering from this horrible disease.



Nigerian Rotaractor **Obiya Williams** (center) with other independent monitors during National Immunization Days. Photo courtesv of Obiya Williams

Article by: By Obiya Williams, a member of the Rotaract Club of Abakaliki, Nigeria

"Service above Self" Painting at Sterling Children's Home

The Rotarian motto "Service above Self" was again exemplified by those Rotarians who turned up at Sterling Children's Home on Saturday June 01, 2013 to assist with the painting. They were – PP's John Cabral and Jerry Ishmael, Rtns Shawn Franklin, Paul Ashby, Matthew Mullan and his son, Joel McCarthy, Ron Williams, Winston Warren, Albert Best and President Tony Williams. A number of children, who reside at the home interacted with the Rotarians and assisted with the painting. It was a rewarding experience.

In addition to the painting, Rotarian Waldo Clarke donated a small sink and Rotarian Willie Kirton sought and obtained sponsorship for the construction of a three compartment concrete sink. The provision of these sinks filled a great void, as prior to this, washing was done in individual buckets. A big thank you to Rotarian Waldo and Rotarian Willie for provision of the sinks. Thank you also, to all other Rotarians who made a contribution to this exercise over the past few weeks.



Professional Painter - President Tony

Meeting Details

At our Fellowship Meeting held on Thursday, May 30th, 2013

Sgt-at-Arms: **Kim Tudor**

Fines	- \$190.
Raffle	- \$82.0

- Attendance 62%

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Rtn Paul Ashby, Rtn Matthew Mullan and his son at work



Rtn Shawn Franklin repainting the "Welcome sign"



Rtn Joel McCarthy, PP John Cabral & PP Jerry Ishmael painting a bedroom



Three compartment concrete sink which was constructed



Photo of smaller sink which was also donated

Polio Update

A case of type 1 polio has been reported in the Banadir region of Somalia, the country's first case since March 2007. In response, an immunization campaign took place 14-16 May, aimed at reaching more than 350,000 children in the Banadir region. Rotary also mourns the loss of a friend in the polio eradication effort, Abdul Waheed Khan, who died tragically in an attack 13 May in Pakistan.

Upcoming Events

June 8th: Treasure Hunt

June 23rd-26th – International Convention

Greeters

June 6th – Rotarian Warren Mottley & Rotarian Joe Johnson June 13th – Rotarian Shawn Franklin & Rotarian Wilbert Kirton

<u>Guests – May 30th, 2013</u>

Diana Doughlin – Rtn Heather Tull

MEETING SCHEDULED FOR LITERACY MONTH

Thursday June 6th – Business Meeting

Thursday June 13th – Guest Speaker

Thursday June 20th – Fellowship

Thursday June 27th – Fellowship

<u>VISITING ROTARIANS – May 30th,</u> 2013

None

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all things good We thank Thee for our daily food May Rotary friends and Rotary ways Help us to serve Thee all our days.

Wedding Anniversary

Nellie & Joel Brathwaite	-	June 9 ^m	- 13 Years
Lisa & Lennox Lewis	-	June 9 th	- 11 Years
Emelda & Michael Brown	-	June 10 th	- 13 years

Birthdays

Rotarians

NONE

Spouse Birthdays

NONE

Join Date Anniversaries

Jedder Robinson - June 9th - 8 years



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Announcements