



December 2017

“Merry Christmas!”

We love that sound at ACE. Yes, it’s “Happy Holidays” for some, but it’s merry for all of us honored to wear the (invisible) badge of ACE.

As the year comes to a close, it would be easy to look forward to all our plans as someone excited about the future. Right now, however, we are just going to sit and reminisce over the past twelve months, and, well, for lack of a better word... be silent.

There are times in life where I do not hear God’s voice. Perhaps it’s because talk and busyness keep me from hearing God speaking. Silence does not mean inactivity. Any of you who have contributed to the work and outreach physically in Jamaica this year can attest that there is plenty of activity, but it’s good to also quiet our minds amid the movement to bring clarity to our actions.

As we look at each month, we notice that God is anything but silent. His words and hand are always felt in every project, opportunity and person we encounter. We have new faces joining us on every level - D’Vaun, Davian, Latoya, Yomo, Justine, Tracey - all fresh on board with ACE/Galina Breeze. Watching them learn about our history, our focus, and our love for God through serving makes me merry indeed, as well as quietly grateful.

As I take a moment in the hustle and bustle of the season to reflect and to truly be still, God’s voice - reminding me of all the blessings of our new ACE family, of our wonderful teams and donors, and the bright outlook for the year ahead - comes through loud and clear.

~ Marla, Allen, and the entire ACE staff in the U.S. and the wonderful island of Jamaica

Merry Christmas to you All!