

Dear Mom and Dad-

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I am writing to you on this paper because it is inexpensive and lightweight. Also - I am writing from the most beautiful, friendly place in the world. (At LEAST - as far as I have ever been.) I would have written sooner but I have been too busy having a good time here. Sorry I didn't tell you I was coming but it was all of a sudden. The clothes you bought me have come in handy here. I can honestly say I never knew I would be using them this soon. I was given the chance to come so I came. I am working in some of the clinics here and getting some good experience in tropical medicine. If Harry doesn't come here soon I am going to shack up with one of these handsome Guyanese men. Everyone here is very friendly. I have gone to a number of different persons homes and was given food - upon a meeting on the street. It is not a matter of me needing to find somewhere to eat but that the people will befriend you on the street. We live in a nice big house on the outskirts of Georgetown, so there is lots of open space around us and a cultural center park with exhibitions and stuff across the road from us. They play the steel drums. You should get a record of Jamaican or Caribbean steel drum bands. You would love them. I never saw anything like them. They play classical and modern music on them and they sound very much like piano keys with a kind of "gong" in them. I never knew you could get such a

beautiful sound from a tin garbage can. That's what they make them from. We can hear them most any time because they practice them in the park which is across from us.

I have done many new things aside from nursing. I cleaned 2000 lbs of fish a week or so ago with a large crew of people. This was new to me and although smelly, it was very enjoyable to accomplish such a big task. We went to the national women's organization meeting here at City Hall. It was fun. They sang many good songs, had some ~~skits~~ and Viola Burnham, the prime minister's wife gave a beautiful speech.

The building out on our farm is going well and is busy. Somehow I ended up here and Carolyn back there. I guess we will switch again sometime, but I hope not too soon for my sake. I love it here.

Well I have to get back to my business of having a good time here. I get to work in the yard a lot so I am getting tan. Also my hair turned curly from the weather I guess. Well I'll hear from you when I do.

love,

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Annie

P.S. Mom - This may reach you

around June 7th. So happy birthday to you. I'm sorry I'm not there for that and for Mother's Day also but At least I am enjoying where I am very much.