

Garry Sowerby, Canadian adventure driver, delivered his family's Christmas to school kids in Jamaica

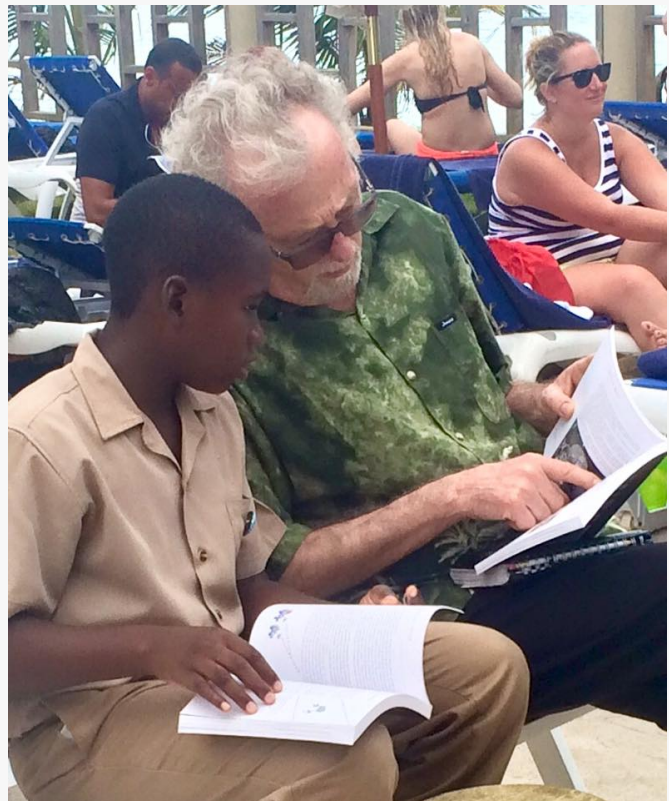
Sowerby's family doesn't mind giving up their Christmas for families in Westmoreland Parish, Jamaica

NEGRIL, WESTMORELAND, JAMAICA, December 23, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- As part of the launch of his new book, *Driven Mind*, Canadian adventurer Garry Sowerby completed launch #2 this month in a series of seven global launches over an 11 month period in places that have significance in *Driven Mind*, a book of 50 short stories chronicling Sowerby's adventures including setting four Guinness Records for long-distance driving. Why 7? Why 11? Where will *Driven Mind* pop up next? Ask Garry Sowerby.

Launch #1 was in Canada's Yukon Territory in November then last week Sowerby and his wife, Lisa Calvi, partnered with NEET, the Negril Education Environment Trust, a non-profit organization based in Negril, Jamaica for Launch #2.

Sowerby and Calvi asked their families to forego their annual Christmas gifts exchange for the chance to donate needed resources, such as digital tablets, readers and school supplies, to help NEET do its work throughout Jamaica. Included in the donation were 20 *Driven Mind* books to libraries across the island.

Founded in 2003, NEET is committed to strengthening the social fabric of Jamaica through programs that expand



educational access for children and adults, partnerships that address public and environmental health, and events and activities that celebrate Jamaica's rich heritage. NEET's tablet program is underway. A 7-inch tablet will change the life of a whole family through NEET's 'each one teach one' initiative. Visit: <http://www.neetja.com> for more information.

Sowerby and Calvi visited schools, libraries and worked in a soup kitchen in western Jamaica interacting with students, teachers and the needy who gave them a rousing and warm welcome. They also donated school supplies and 7-inch tablets to schools in the area.



"I feel like we helped out in a small way," says Sowerby. "And I think our family feels good about our decision not to exchange gifts this year choosing to use those funds to help others."

Lisa adds: "Our Christmas is quite different than what we usually do but, to see the enthusiastic and genuine reactions of the school children, feel the warm reception of the teachers to the donations of tablets and school supplies and to witness firsthand the work that NEET does for families and communities in Jamaica, are the best Christmas gifts."

Driven Mind, published as a 65th birthday present to Sowerby, is ready to inspire a whole new generation of road warriors, backpackers, global wanderers as well as trigger nostalgia and wanderlust for the road in armchair travellers. The book is a 242-page, full-colour quality soft-cover (7" x 8.25") with over 400 images.

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