



Bev's Ministry Journal



In talking with friends, family, supporters, and prayer partners one of the most often questions asked is, "Who determines your schedule?" It is a great question and there are a number of factors.....

1. *As Regional Education Directors for the Caribbean Janet and I are looking for ways to multiply and strengthen individuals by training and equipping in each country. As we see specific needs for training we recommend to the country the need to schedule a course.*
2. *Our Regional Director or other regional staff, may at times in their travels become aware of a need for training and will then pass that information on to us.*
3. *A country invites us to come. This excites me the most when a invitation comes from the country. It shows me they are aware of their needs, and striving to be better equipped and planning for the future.*
4. *The most important factor is God's timing. God opening the door for us to go to a country at the perfect time of need. This is when we see great blessing. There are times when a training is scheduled and for some reason God closes the door and we have to reschedule.*

For eleven years it has been a desire to conduct training in Trinidad. There were various reasons that determined it was not God's timing, but last May at the CEF® International Conference Rosemarie, our CEF worker in Trinidad, invited us to come to conduct a Little Kids seminar in October, 2017. We were excited to have this opportunity to train and equip many in teaching preschoolers.



Trinidad is known by many as the 'New York City' of the Caribbean. It is one of the wealthiest islands and progressive in many ways. It is primarily populated by Hindu and Muslim with roots in India and they love curry and peas and rice.



Rosemarie not only does CEF ministry in Trinidad, but is a primary school teacher. I enjoyed visiting the school where Rosemarie teaches and meeting her class of students. What stood out the most was the hospitality, friendliness and the commitment of the Christians who attended the seminar. The 33 people who attended the weekend seminar were very eager to learn and enjoyable to teach. They were passionate and ready to use the methods and new tools that they gained. It was a pleasure that out of the 33 in attendance 10 were men, all of them involved with preschool children at church, day care or home.

The Sunday after the seminar Janet and I were invited to visit a children's outreach taught by several of the ladies who attended the weekend seminar. It was fun to see the teachers use a new gospel tool and songs that they had just learnt that weekend. It brought joy to my heart and smile to my face to watch as the teachers and the kids interacted. Please pray for Rosemarie as she plans to retire from teaching this year and become fulltime with CEF. Pray that the ministry of reaching the Little Kids in Trinidad will expand and there will be much fruit.





Bermuda does not consider themselves a Caribbean country, but is part of the region which Janet and I oversee. The ministry of CEF in Bermuda is 5 years old and is making good progress. There is a growing number of After School Good News Clubs in schools and children are coming to know Christ.



The National Board is strong and made up of pastors, business men and women who are committed to seeing children in their country come to Christ. CEF Bermuda desires to hire a part time worker who can focus on preschool ministry. It was for this reason Janet and I were invited to Bermuda in November to conduct a Little Kids seminar. The seminar focuses on preschool children and was attended by individuals from various churches who had an interest in reaching preschool children. The majority of churches in Bermuda have small size congregations and for this reason churches are partnering in many ways. CEF has become part of that partnership to reach the children. Please pray for the work in Bermuda that they will continue to grow and God will provide a part-time preschool worker.

Good News Across Belize...

God has done more than we asked and given us 31 team members for Good News Across Belize! I will be traveling to Belize February 22nd to March 4th and participating in this outreach in Belize. Janet and I are overseeing the training aspect and working with 6 other trainers whom we have hand-picked. Pray for the training that will take place and for those attending from area churches. Pray as well for the week of children's ministry that will be held in the public schools. Our prayer is that churches will adopt the schools and carry on the ministry that we have started. Pray also for the follow up team that will remain after.



Thank You for your faithful prayers, encouragement and your financial giving ~ all of which make it possible for me to reach the children in the Caribbean and train and equip others. Thank you for praying for the hurricane repairs to my home. I am happy to tell you that everything was

completed in January. We have a new roof and windows in the sunroom. Praise God that it did not cost a penny! Our insurance covered it all and by putting signs up in the yard advertising the roofer our deductible was waived. God is Good!

Schedule & Prayer Requests

1. Pray for safety as Janet and I travel to Belize Feb. 22—Mar. 4 to be part of Good News Across Belize.
2. Pray that those who take training in Belize will catch the vision of reaching the children in the schools and carry on after we leave.
2. Pray as I prepare for a Little Kids 30 hour course in Anguilla Mar.14-24. Pray for Florita, the National Director in Anguilla, as she will organize all the details of the course.
3. Pray for my preparation in conducting several seminars at the Regional Conference, April 23-27, north of Toronto.
4. Pray for wisdom as I schedule visits for deputation in early May in Ontario following the Regional Conference.

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