

WISE

Windward Islands School of Evangelism

The Promised Land

The new property of the school in many ways is our "Promised Land". If you look in the dictionary the definition of a promised land is referring to a place that is desired with the expectation to find happiness or success there. On this new land we have dreamed for it, prayed about it, and planned on it. It's now being studied on, planted on, and lived on.

In the books of Exodus and Numbers we can see how the Israelites were on their way to the land God had promised them. After saving them, sustaining them, and providing for them- at least 14 times they complained to God! They doubted, sinned, and easily lost sight of God's faithfulness.

When we first made the move here we were so eager. Then, several months turned into 2 years of waiting for accreditation. Getting student visas processed took longer and made student entry harder. No buyers were coming forward to purchase the old properties. There were times of uncertainty, worry, defeat, fasting, and fervent prayer. Had we made too bold of a move?

Fast-forward two and half years to this past February and the payment for the new property was owed. We now have students, staff, and the accreditation in process. One out of the 3 properties has sold in St. Vincent and the other 2 are in contract. There is still a heavy penalty owed to the Baptists each month along with rent. We would appreciate your prayers for the sale to be completed quickly. Then, we should only be about \$150,000 short in purchasing this promised land here to train more leaders to minister all over the Caribbean!

First Graduation

If you are in the area, mark your calendars for the first WISE graduation in Barbados. Sunday, August 5th will be a special day as the graduates are commissioned and sent home to their islands. We would appreciate your prayers as they continue to study in their intensive courses this summer and for the Accreditation Council to complete their work in time for their graduation.

Impacting the Community



Besides being a school training and growing leaders, we also enjoy impacting the community. This semester we hosted a women's retreat on campus, a special youth night talking about how unique God made each of us, enjoyed an Olympic night of our own homemade bobsled fun, and invited Seniors in the area to a special Valentine's Banquet. Each event was another way we could put our love into action as we learn of this great love in our classes. We at WISE feel so much love through our supporters and partners and hope we can keep giving back here and all over from all that has been passed on to us.

Returning Teammates Arrive



Bro Jeff and Sis Janie Robertson have moved back to WISE. Bro Jeff has been helping teach, as well as planning out ways for more certificates and programs for local churches and students to utilize. Sis Janie has been teaching several instrument and voice classes to students and in the churches. We were glad to welcome them back.

Student Highlight

Bro Kurvin is currently a first year student at WISE. If you come to visit, you will most likely find him out in the garden. He is always working (after classes) to figure out how to grow things for the WISE kitchen and what keeps the worms and insects from eating the vegetables. He hopes to help his home island of Dominica when he graduates, as there are not any Christian churches there.



Visiting teams

Churches are a special part of WISE and sending their teams to join us for a week is one way they encourage us. This past week Discover Christian Church joined us here. Bro Matt is one of their Timothy's and so they came to help in their home for the week. They also led a VBS, youth night, and had the first egg hunt for the missionary kids and students on campus. All had lots of fun! If your church is interested in bringing a team, let us know for a date next year.



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- Used Van - \$30,000 US
- Windows for the Cafeteria - \$400 each
- Chickens (We are expanding our coop) - \$20 each

Prayers

- This past week our student Sis Rutha lost her father. She has been studying here for a year and a half and had not seen him since coming. Please pray for her, her mother, and for her to finish strong. She will graduate in 4 months and then return home.
 - Staff missionary baby Greeley Wurdeman was hospitalized for a week in Barbados at the local hospital with a kidney infection. The Wurdeman family was so thankful for all the prayers and love.



Summer Visit By WISE

It's almost summer time and if you would like a missionary visit to preach, teach Sunday School, share a video about the work here, lead VBS, teach at camp, or meet up with you - please contact us, we'd love to see you. And if you are in the Indianapolis area, WISE will be at the North American Christian Convention June 26th-28th. Hope to catch up!