

WISE

Windward Islands School of Evangelism

Graduates in a Strange Season

Our 2021 graduates had an experience like that of no others in the history of WISE! But through all the uncertainties of COVID, altered schedules, constant adjustments and countless hours of classes by ZOOM, they persevered. Strangely enough, they are still in classes finishing their assignments; but with so much uncertainty in travel, we held their graduation service early on March 20th so they could be sure to catch flights home. The growth of Liston (Jamaica), Samuel (Haiti), Branche (Haiti), Lynette (Barbados), and Johnnys (Haiti) has been more than evident! They all love the Lord dearly and are excited to teach His Word to young people, adults, women's groups and wherever the Lord gives them opportunity. Please pray for them!



New Director's Family Has Arrived

Greetings from Barbados! Our family has been welcomed so warmly to the WISE family. We are beginning to find our stride as we see where we can serve on campus. I have been encouraged to meet all our students and see that love, service and humility have been displayed by all. Further, I see where the Lord has used the Wurdeman's ministry at WISE to mentor and guide our students into strengthening their faith. Our family is excited to continue the important ministry that WISE is providing to the Caribbean. I would ask that you pray for wisdom to provide leadership in this next season of service. Above all, I pray that the Lord would be magnified in the work done at WISE to impact the world. Our family looks forward to our service here and getting to know those who faithfully support the WISE mission. – Bro. Daniel Wheat



New Adjunct Teacher

This year in the midst of welcoming a new director, we have also been privileged to have Sis. Tricia join us by teaching some adjunct classes for WISE. She grew up in Barbados, runs a successful business, completed her bachelor's degree at Ozark Christian College, helps with the ongoing Program Approval process, is active mom to two, mentors many teens as youth minister and helps with the worship team in her church at Church Village. Her joy and passion for the Lord are so evident in her smile below. Her classes keep growing as the ladies are loving Discipleship Ministry and Foundations for Biblical Communication. We are so thankful to know her and have her as part of the team!



Fence Update

The fence work has begun and the holes are all dug. Unfortunately, COVID numbers grew here on the island, and for two months we were on lockdown. We are slowly coming out of the COVID restrictions, and the workers are back. So, hopefully we can share pictures of the new fence soon, which many of you gave so generously to have built.

Student Spotlight

Meet Sis. Renee, a mother and student. A friend here in Barbados told her about a counseling course offered at WISE, and she quickly jumped in as a full-time student. She exchanged a life of leisure at the beach for an atmosphere of learning and a sense of community in the school. She hopes to be an ambassador for WISE in the areas of work and studies as she helps in the office. Sis. Renee has discovered that even though life circumstances may be hard, God has a way to make a way. We are pleased to have her.



WISE Wishlist

Student Fridge - \$650 US

Pressure Washer - \$500 US

A Farewell Note from the Wurdemans

Dear friends,

For over 14 years, we have walked, talked, slept and breathed missionary work. We came to the field newly married with one baby, without a clue what we were doing. Some of our happiest days have been on the field as well as some of our most challenging times. Our faith and our kids have grown here.

We have had amazing churches, families and Ozark Christian College to prepare us for missions work. We plan for the next part of our lives to continue emphasizing missions as we work in our new position at OCC training missionaries. OCC was where we started, but we had these last 14 years to live on the field, and that was such a blessing. Thank you for making this possible.

We have felt so much love and support. People here who were strangers became brothers and sisters. Our family in God is so big and so dear to us. Our time on this field is ending; but it does not mean our prayers, partnership and support of WISE will stop.

WISE has always been dependent on the faithful support of so many like yourselves who believe in the mission of this school. That is why we hope you will continue in your prayers and financial support of the school. It is exciting to see God continuing to bring students, to prepare them and to send them out again, no matter what changes occur. We were privileged to have an overlapping period with the new director and his family. With the new leadership and with the staff who are remaining committed, we look forward to hearing of even more growth at WISE. That growth will be accomplished through your generosity, and we are grateful.

We love being missionaries--that will always be said in the present tense. We give thanks to God for letting us be part of WISE, and we give thanks to all of you for your love and support,

Brice and Amanda Wurdeman & Tribe