



Trinidad Bible School 2015 - A Trip Report from Bro. Jeff Gelineau

We were glad to have the opportunity to attend the Trinidad & Tobago Bible School, which was held on the island of Trinidad this year from July 31 - August 4. (The Bible School alternates between Trinidad and Tobago each year). It was an exceptional gathering around God's word as we enjoyed our studies and fellowship together. The hospitality of the Caribbean brethren is as warm as their sunshine! Bro. Sam and Sis. Bernadette Edwards graciously hosted us before and after the school. Their home is also the location for the Amiri Ecclesia. There are two other ecclesias on the island - Marabella and Erin. Brethren from all three ecclesias and from the Tobago ecclesia attended the Bible School. We had between 20-45 attendees throughout the school. Not everyone could stay at the site with us the whole time, as some were working or had other commitments. All ages participated, as well - we had newborn babes to beloved elders!



The Bible studies provided by Bro. Jeff Gelineau of Simi Hills, California, and Bro. David Andrews of Georgetown, Guyana were very well received. Bro. Jeff spoke about the purpose of our lives and how we can use our unique, personal skills and characteristics to serve God, and Bro. David spoke about the glory of God and how we can glorify Him. It was amazing how the two classes dovetailed together! They were continually referring to one another's remarks, and blending them together into a cohesive and rich whole. One of my favorite aspects of the Caribbean brethren is the lively questions and comments after each study. Those sessions were so helpful and inspiring. Everyone's intention of bringing the studies into practical use in our daily lives is apparent. The discussions always round out the program perfectly.

One afternoon, we had a fun outing to the beach. Along the way, we stopped to see the



Pitch Lake, which is the largest natural deposit of asphalt in the world! It was quite odd to realize that what we cover our roads with comes out of a lake! From there we continued on to a nice beach. We played Frisbee in the warm water together, and had a lot of good laughs. (Not many of us were very skilled with the Frisbee!)

We greatly enjoyed meeting the brothers and sisters of Trinidad and Tobago and left feeling as if we had

made many dear friends. We would highly recommend to everyone that you attend this Bible School. The brothers and sisters greatly appreciate visitors, and their vibrant faithfulness greatly blesses those who have the opportunity to visit their islands of the Caribbean.



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