



June-August 2021

**COME FOLLOW ME! I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN. MARK 1:17**

**Time**--An indefinite **continued progress of existence** and events in the past, present, and future regarded as allotted, available, or used, an instance of something happening or being done; Time does in fact fly! Not necessarily just when we are having fun but even when we feel it stands still. King Solomon once wrote, “everything has its own time, and there is a specific time for every activity under heaven:”

**Just a thought: Our existence in the events of this past year and a half are WE were created for such a TIME as this.**

**Time-far too long!** We have been states side for a little too long, although it has been a blessing to be here, we have enjoyed the down time reuniting with family. **We are ready and eager to return to where the Lord has called us.** Our plans are to return to Belize in September and begin the transition into new and bigger things as the Lord opens the doors before us.

**Time- to remember those in need.**

Gene and I are constantly in contact with the ministries we serve in Belize. **FOM is currently meeting the needs of single moms, the Freedom House prison ministry. A Better Belize who are serving the Camalote village and Marla’s House of Hope.** We also are investing in the future of a few students who attend the schools in Belize.

Silvia is helping us by **keeping us aware of the needs of many families who are currently struggling to make ends meet. Your donations to FOM help us help them. We are grateful for your support and prayer.**

**Keeping up the relationships of those we serve is especially important to us.**

**Time- for healing and preparing: Gissell is doing well,** She will still have to travel back every three months for scans and tests and **has set goals for furthering her education.**

With the Lord's help and leadership she will reach each of those. Thank you all for your love, support, and prayers for G.

**Time is of the essence.** Not to be rushed. Slow, easy, and small is sometimes best as we are laying new ground.

As you read, please take special notice to the new requirements coming into the camp and into Belize.

•FOM as well as other ministries have not gotten word as of today from the government of Belize as to when our Dental or Medical teams will be able to resume ministry.

•**The Belize government** is only allowing in country Quality of life medical groups that work with the government.

**Time will tell...** with the recent opening of the borders by land. New cases of Covid are climbing again. **We will look closely at this on a month-by-month basis and keep you informed.**

### **Time to reconnect.**

Speaking with **Ms. Sandra at Blackman Eddy**, we have learned someone wrecked into the school fence. It has since been repaired. Part of the open lunch area has been undergoing some much needed work and repairs as well. **She reports all the teachers are eager for the new school year to begin.**

**Mrs. Marion updated us on the exciting things happening at Selena village.** They now have electricity. This is truly a blessing for the teachers who serve and students who attend this school. They too are looking forward to having face to face learning.

**VOP- Dan and Vicki** are doing great. **The Church is in full swing.** They have been having some good services. The people of the church had a big Mother's Day celebration a few weeks ago. It was a lot of fun; they had dinner on the grounds and enjoyed celebrating the moms of the church. There are several kids from the church that have gone back to school. **The kids that attend the Catholic school are either attending a morning session or afternoon session every other week.** **The kids that attend the Christian school will be having face to face session come September.**

**Pastor David and Belmopan Baptist** will be updated in the next newsletter.

**See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.**

**Isa. 43:19**

## **Update from the Directors of BTC...**

**BTC opens for its first local group**, EMMC - Spanish Lookout, this weekend June 4-6. Thereafter, we have another small local group of 20 persons for next weekend June 10-12, and lastly, a small US group of 9 from FBC Elba NY, June 21-28.

**Local summer camp groups for July are only tentatively booked due to current covid19 restrictions in place.** Due to this, we have incorporated some guidelines for groups staying with us.

- **Belize still has mask mandates and curfews.**

- **Also keep in mind BTC is not a GOLD STAR resort.**

- **Both local and when allowed foreign groups can only book for 50% max capacity (Up to 60 persons only) to be able to maintain social distance. Suggested small groups only.**

- **All foreign group members must provide proof of Covid19 immunization.**

- **Or a negative PCR testing before arriving and upon leaving.**

- **We are still following the below to guide us too! ENTRY-REQUIREMENT-INFORGAPHIC\_May11-02.png (3000x2446) (belizetourismboard.org)**

**Heman is not allowed to do face to face interaction, shake hands, etc. with foreign groups. I will be checking in and checking out all our groups.**

**We got this, no worry! Lol Love Jomie**

**2022 Team Dates- All dates are tentatively.**

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**February 12-19, 2022**

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**March 12-19, 2022**

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**September 10-17, 2022**

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