



# GUYANA TRIP REPORT

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## **TRIP AIMS**

1. Educate about accountability with biblical teaching and CCEFA standards. 2. Enlist skilled Christian workers to serve on a national CCEFA accreditation team. 3. Encourage faithful stewardship and local giving by facilitating Stations of Generosity.

### **TRIP VERSE**

#### 2 Corinthians 1:24

Not that we lord it over your faith, but we work with you for your joy, because it is by faith you stand firm.

After service together in Jamaica and Trinidad & Tobago, Horace Bennett (GTP Country Coordinator for Jamaica, and Vice Chair of the Jamaican Evangelical Alliance or JEA), Gary G. Hoag (GTP President & CEO), Lea Peguero (GTP Spanish Initiatives Manager and Regional Trainer for the Caribbean), and John Roomes (GTP Regional Facilitator for the Caribbean) traveled together to Georgetown, Guyana with 3 aims in view (at left). This first GTP trip to Guyana spread the vision and standards of CCEFA (Caribbean Council for Ethical and Financial Accountability) to God's workers in Guyana with help from Gillian Lord (GTP Country Cooordinator for Guyana). The header photo features the event GTP hosted with CCEFA entitled "Stewardship with Generosity and Trust for Sustainable Church Development" event in Georgetown with 42 stewards. We praise God they caught the vision and will help advance it.

## AIM #1 - EDUCATE ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY WITH BIBLICAL TEACHING AND CCEFA STANDARDS.



We report 3 fruits. Fruit #1: Receptive. Gary shared the biblical lesson of Nehemiah and Ezra rebuilding the people with standards and peer accountability (bottom photo). They engaged in rich discussion and emphasized the need for confession and collaboration to follow standards (three photos at right). Praise God for the receptivity to join the accountability movement. Fruit #2: Region. John shared how he came to volunteer with GTP and how he dreamed of forming a Kingdom peer accountability group to serve the region (top photo). He said that the conversation started in Belize, spread to the Dominican Republic, and then took root in Jamaica. Horace added that he partnered with John to engage the Jamaica Evangelical Alliance and others to invite GTP to teach on standards. That visit in September 2023 activated a working group who drafted the standards and commentaries. Praise God the people resonated with the vision of regional standards. Fruit #3: Response. We asked: Why rebuild churches and ministries with standards? In reply, they said it would strengthen their witness and serve as a plum line to grow transparency, give clarity, and protect them. Pray for these amazing workers to help bring accountability to all of Guyana.









I believe standards are necessary. CCEFA will help me in my life and ministry in my church to strengthen accountability and encourage outrageous generosity. I would not say this has been a great experience, but rather a transformational one. Praise the Lord! – Dil Mohamed, Pastor Emmanuel's Tabernacle, AOG

# AIM #2 – ENLIST SKILLED CHRISTIAN WORKERS TO SERVE ON A NATIONAL CCEFA ACCREDITATION TEAM.

We report 3 fruits. Fruit #1: Invisible. Gillian got called away to London, UK, so while we did not meet with her, we felt her presence and help like the invisible woman! She orchestrated the logistics for the events on 10 and 11 December 2024 from transportation to food and venue coordination. Pray for God's blessings on her though we could not meet face to face. Fruit #2: Invitation. At the end of our "Stewardship with Generosity and Trust for Sustainable Church Development" event on 10 December, Horace invited workers to join the CCEFA movement (top right). Stewards expressed a willingness to pray (17), give (5), volunteer (9), serve as volunteer accreditors (3), allow their name to stand for potential regional board service (2), and have their church or ministry pursue accreditation (2). Pray for CCEFA to engage and empower these workers to maintain the momentum and spread standards to Guyana. Fruit #3: Influencers. God brought out influential stewards (featured in the various photos) who called it a "productive" time that will enhance "discipleship" and "order" in churches and ministries. Praise God for their sincere gratitude to GTP and CCEFA for coming.











I would like to encourage the CCEFA team to work with and train the stakeholders in Guyana. I see CCEFA making a difference in my life or ministry by helping my church and other Christian churches and organizations develop and be guided by the biblical standards of accountability and generosity. I hope CCEFA will play a role in shaping the future of the church in Guyana through providing training and development. This was a great session. Thank you GTP for coming to Guyana at this time.

– Dr. Desmond Rogers Pastor, South Road Full Gospel Assembly Langham Trust Coordinator (Caribbean) Caribbean Evangelical Theological Association, Board Representative (Guyana)

# **AIM #3 - ENCOURAGE FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP AND LOCAL GIVING BY FACILITATING STATIONS OF GENEROSITY.**

We report 4 fruits. Fruit #1: Taster. At the event on Tuesday 10 December 2024 at Emmanuel's Tabernacle (AOG), Lea, John, and Horace did a Stations of Generosity "taster" to teach them the seven Stations to motivate them to send youth workers and youth out the next day (see top photo). Praise God for their warm response. Fruit #2: Terrific. We enjoyed a terrific time with 23 youth workers and youth from 3 churches on 11 December 2024 at the same church. They had fun doing activities and learning motions (second photo at right). Pray the seeds planted in each heart will bear fruit that lasts. Fruit #3: Trim. In the Cayman Islands John and Gary pioneered the idea of trimming cookies to show the Stations. The youth loved it there so we did this with coconut biscuits and icing. Praise God they loved this. See samples of their creativity to see the 7 Stations. Fruit #4: Testimonies. We asked participants to share their reaction to Stations. Answers ranged from: "transformation" to "joy" to "eye-opening." We asked them what would happen at their church if everyone lived out the Stations. They said "revival," "abundance," and "love." Click here to see a video of "Stations in Guyana." Pray for these youth and workers to live out the Stations and share them widely.









Stations of Generosity





God provides enough





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What a privilege and inspiration to meet the GTP team. Learning about the Stations of Generosity ignited something in me. Every station opened my eyes to what God has done, who He is, and how I can respond to His love, kindness, and generosity towards me. I hope to have them back in Guyana again! - Ronecia Cort

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