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Caribbean Conference 2015

"Good, Better, Best: Let us never rest until our good is better, and our better, best." This quote, given at the 2015 Caribbean Conference, is a good summary of the business conducted there. Each year, the conference brings together representatives from the Caribbean ministries for encouragement and Kingdom expansion.

From November 10-11, a total of 16 men and women participated in this year's meeting. The setting was the East End church on the beautiful island of Tortola in the British Virgin Islands. The attendees represented the U.S., St. Croix, Tortola, Virgin Gorda, Anguilla, the Cayman Islands, Haiti, and Jamaica.

Director Mark Surbrook enjoyed his time very much. He was joined by Board member Paul Confer. Missionary David Woods also traveled over from Cayman Brac.

Bro. Philip Gumbs ably chaired the meeting, which included ministry summaries and strategic planning sessions.

Once the Caribbean Conference ended, the Eastern Caribbean District conducted its annual board meeting for two days.

Director Mark attended both meetings and was also able to speak at the two churches in Tortola. He was inspired by the solid leadership and fellowship with the brethren in the Eastern Caribbean.



Pastor Samson, Director Mark Surbrook, and Pastor David Woods

As God brings them to mind, please pray for all of our workers in the Caribbean. These people attended the conference:

Pastor Philip Gumbs, Anguilla Pastor David Woods, Cayman Brac Pastor Jeudilus Noel (Samson), Haiti Sis. Dulcie Bailey, Jamaica Pastor Hopeton Sutherland, Jamaica Bro. Ishmael Gordon, St. Croix Pastor Leon George, St. Croix Pastor Stephen Marcel, St. Croix Youth Pastor Herbs, St. Croix Layman/delegate, St. Croix Pastor Calvin Mills, Tortola Pastor Denray Gumbs, Tortola Paul Confer, U.S. Mark Surbrook, U.S. Sis. Kim Lennard, Virgin Gorda Pastor Steve Lennard, Virgin Gorda





Pastor John Win Naing, his wife, Mary, and their oldest child in 2010.



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AROUND THE WORLD

ANNUAL HARVEST OFFERING

The month of November is past, but we are still accepting donations as a part of our Annual Harvest Offering. This year's offering is going to help build a medical clinic in the remote village of Gurimbelle, Ghana. Nurse Oleta Witt will also be telling the villagers of Christ's love.

Will you help bring life to Gurimbelle?

MYANMAR

John Win Naing, one of our first church planters in Myanmar, passed away on November 21, after suffering for about a month with complications from a kidney problem.

Pastor John graduated from Shiloh Bible College in 2006, and since 2007 had lived in the same town, reaching out to many with the gospel.

Please pray for Pastor John's wife, Mary, and their three children, as well as the people of his congregation in Taunggyi.

HAITI

Political instability has flared up in Haiti. A presidential election was held on October 25, but many feel that it was not a fair election. A run-off is scheduled for December 27, which is not long before our Church's scheduled Convention, January 7-10.

Pray that the riots and instability would cease and that a just resolution would be reached. Director Mark Surbrook plans to attend the Convention, along with two or three other travelers, but their plans could be disrupted by the political trouble.

Most of all, pray for Pastor Samson and each of our pastors. Pray that many more people would find that Christ is the only way to true peace.