

# Brunks' Briefings

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It's amazing what prayer can do when we trust God for the impossible in the ministry. He has called us to serve Him in sharing the Gospel of the Grace of God in Bonaire.

In the last few months we have seen God move in our ministry in Bonaire in remarkable ways in the following ministries:

## **BEACH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**

We thank all who prayed for our successful Evangelistic Beach Volleyball Tournament on July 20, 2018. This tournament was announced in the most read newspaper of Bonaire and on one of the TV stations on the island. All the local teams encouraged us to hold another Beach Volleyball Tournament next year.

The EXITE Team, under the leadership of Don Ten Hoeve, GMI Director of Field Operations, was very active giving a helping hand where needed during the entire tournament. They participated in the volleyball tournament together with four local teams. We are thankful that there were no incidents during the tournament and we made new friends and are now praying for open doors to share the gospel.

Pastor Marshall Look and his wife, Shurenda, of one of the Grace churches in the Netherlands was on Bonaire and also participated in the Beach Volleyball Tournament. Pastor Marshall shared his testimony during the tournament and invited the people to receive Christ as Savior.

## **CHILDREN'S OUTREACH IN THE COMMUNITY**

We thank God for a foundation which organizes cultural events on Bonaire that invited our church on October 6 to share Bible stories, play games, and do handcrafts with the kids. Most kids on Bonaire know about Denise sharing Bible stories during the week in the mornings via our radio program. Denise shared the gospel with the kids by using the wordless bracelet. The kids loved it. We shared the gospel with the kids' parents who came with them by using gospel tracts and talking with them.

Most of the kids' parents who were at this event knew us because of our radio program. Some parents were from Aruba on vacation and know about us from our radio program. After this event the foundation board invited us to be a regular part of



*The EXITE team participating in the volleyball tournament on Bonaire*

their quarterly events. Pray that God may use this foundation's quarterly events for us to keep sharing the Gospel of Grace and connecting with parents and kids.



*Denise sharing Bible stories, playing games, and doing handcrafts with parents and kids*

### **RADIO OUTREACH AUDIENCE**

We are thankful for all who pray for our radio ministry outreach which is touching lives on Bonaire and also on the other islands of Aruba and Curacao and the Netherlands via radio internet. We receive calls and mobile messages for prayer on a regular basis from all these islands and the Netherlands. Oftentimes, people from Bonaire who are in Colombia for medical operations are listening to our prayers for their health. When they call, the people express their gratitude for the impact this radio ministry is having on their lives. The first thing they do when they get up is set their radio dial on our radio station so they don't miss anything.

The beginning of October a nurse who listens to our radio program called and wanted to speak to Denise and Carlos. This nurse said that she has been listening to our radio programs the last three years and loves them. The nurse even told us when she has to take care of her patients at their homes she makes sure to carry her radio to listen to our program. We shared Christ with this lady at her home and led her to the Lord.

Recently, a Dutch man called the radio station management to get in contact with us. This radio listener wanted some of our children's recording programs to listen to at home because it helps him to learn the Papiamento language. He likes the clear and simple way Denise tells the Bible stories to the kids in Papiamento. This Dutch man hears the gospel this way.

### **DUTCH CHURCH OUTREACH**

Please pray for us as we are looking to start a Dutch-speaking church on Bonaire next year. We have a burden to share Christ with the 2,800 Dutch folks living on Bonaire. Pray for the leadership trainings and preparations for this new ministry.

Thank you prayer partners in ministry,

Carlos & Denise Brunk



*Carlos & Denise doing their radio program*