



*Dear faithful prayer partners,*

It is a privilege to again share an update on our ministry and prayer requests with you all. We thank God for you and for your ongoing financial and prayer support over the years. Your partnership with us in ministry has been essential to our service here in Bonaire and is especially vital as we move to Aruba in July 2026 to plant a GMI-affiliated church there.

**ONE OF THE FAMILIES WE HAVE BEEN CONNECTING WITH ON ARUBA OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS**



**CARLOS PREACHING IN BONAIRE**



**DENISE GIVING VOICE LESSONS TO SOME LADIES**



As we have highlighted in previous updates, we have made several visits to Aruba over the past couple of years, and during our visit last February, we met with several individuals and families to talk about planting a church on the island. We have been building relationships with several of these individuals or families over the past few years, and we thank the Lord for the many positive and welcoming responses we received during these meetings.

During our recent trip, we gathered information from several individuals regarding possible facilities that may be available to rent for our church services, and we were able to visit these locations. We praise the Lord for opening a door for us to secure a church facility in the capital area of Aruba, Oranjestad. We are currently working through the organizational process, including paperwork and financial matters related to renting this facility, and we would appreciate your prayers in this matter. We also visited government offices to address matters related to immigration documentation and to learn more about our housing and transportation options.

**We praise the Lord for:**

- The new families we were able to visit and share the gospel with on the island of Aruba.
- The family we have been discipling via Zoom, who are eager for the Word and excited about the new church plant.
- All the valuable information we gathered during our February visit.

We were very encouraged by our latest visit to Aruba, and we are excited to launch this new ministry! The days are moving so fast, and we can't believe that within the next two months (July 2026), we will be in Aruba to plant

the first Grace teaching church. Planting a church in a new country is a big undertaking, and we thank the Lord for Professor Pat McGillicuddy of Grace Christian University and the GMI EXITE Team. This team of high school and college-age short-term missionaries will be assisting us with street evangelism and with setting up activities for our Youth Outreach service on July 31 and our church service on August 1, 2026. In addition, Pastor Michael & Sandra Look of the Bible Church of Curaçao will be in Aruba at that time to support us with evangelism and our church planting activities.

At the beginning of April, Carlos finished a one-month course on basic preaching skills for some members of the Bonaire church. Through this, Carlos is preparing the church to become self-sufficient in preaching before we leave for Aruba in July 2026. Carlos is also preparing a church commission consisting of three members who will be in charge of guiding the church's weekly services and activities before we leave for Aruba. Carlos has set up an organizational structure in which all the church folks can participate to help the church commission with various church tasks in the coming months.

### **We invite you to join us in praying:**

- That our government paperwork process will go smoothly in Aruba.
- That the final paperwork for leasing the church facility in Aruba will be completed soon, allowing for adequate space for youth and church meetings.
- That the family we disciplined via Zoom will continue to be eager for the Word of God.
- That the families we visited will desire to learn more about the gospel of Christ and ultimately accept the Lord as their personal Savior.
- That the gospel of Christ will spread rapidly throughout Aruba.
- That we will obtain a house and a car in Aruba before July 2026.
- For our financial needs related to our move to Aruba to be met.
- For good health for both of us.
- That the Bonaire church will continue to thrive after we leave for Aruba in July 2026.

Thank you for your faithful prayers, support, and partnership with us! May the Lord bless you!

*Carlos and Denise*

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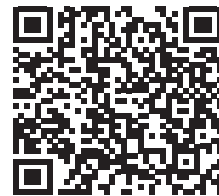
**ENJOYING FELLOWSHIP WITH  
A FAMILY ON ARUBA**



**WE ENJOYED A VISIT FROM  
JIM AND KATHY MOLENKAMP  
TO BONAIRE LAST WINTER**



**THE BRUNKS BONAIRE RADIO  
MINISTRY**



**SCAN  
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