

# DECEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER



Christmas  
Time in Belize



## Christmas Time

From Robyn: Christmas in Belize will be different than it was in the States. No travelling around to visit our families. All the cooking will be dependent on me this year. Also, this year, Christmas falls on a Sunday, so that will be in of itself different. In the States, Christmas time meant getting boxes and boxes out of the attic and decorating my house. This year, it will be about making ornaments for the itty bitty tree that Wini's family left behind...and using the box of ornaments they left. But I am excited about making cinnamon scented stars for our tree, baking goodies that will actually be special, filling stockings with treats that are now more of a treat, and making homemade cards for our family back home. I am excited that my parents will be here the beginning of December. Our children will have a smaller Christmas material wise, as we just cannot get the things they want here...they are too expensive. Christmas will be about our immediate family, our friends here in Belize, and celebrating Jesus' birthday. I think not having all the things available to us in the States, will allow us to focus more on what Christmas is really about.

**Please remember us as you send out Christmas cards this year. What a blessing to actually get some mail. A regular card will only cost a little more to send to us in Belize, but it would be priceless for us to receive and hang in our home... cards from all of our supporters and friends. Thank you.**

### Testimonies From Those Being Discipled:

At a recent Net Group - we taught on **John 13** and what it means to be a servant leader. The Net Groups are designed to raise up **healthy servant leaders**. On this particular night we saw 3 people give their hearts to the Lord.



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Jesse at the Net Group Foot Washing -- Tonight was a tremendously great night. It was personal for me and a lot of us. It's one of those days you don't forget and it impacts you forever!!! The healing, the love...PEACE, PEACE, PEACE...I can't explain it but I experienced it... LIFENET !

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Wini about how the Lord ministered at the Net Group- Tonight is one of the best nights ever.



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Alina sharing on Facebook about our Net Groups: Honestly-I have never felt so honored to wash someone's feet. The presence of God was truly there tonight. It was **V I S I B L E** that God was working in lives, providing healing, comfort and **L O V E** ...

Liz said on FB: Where were you Alina?

Alina replies: We call it a cell group. We aren't a "youth group", but we are the church. Did John 13 tonight and ended up washing feet... Was truly amazing! The Holy Spirit's presence felt tangible!

**You can see by the testimonies - that they are catching it.  
Leaders are being developed - God is good.**

# MINISTRY TEAMS



## MISSION TEAMS: Pray about coming to Belize in 2012.

Looking for teams of 5-15 people. We are hoping for 4-5 teams in 2012.

Here some benefits of a short term mission's trip:

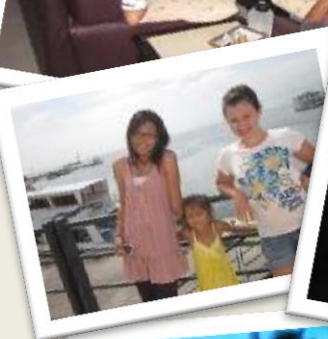
- You are coming to bless a nation, a community and us (we love it when mission teams come), while helping them expand the Kingdom of God.
- Your members will catch the heartbeat of God for missions and they will never be the same.
- It will further strengthen the partnership between your church and the mission here in Belize.

## Other Happenings:

- As I write this, we have had 7 salvations for this month. Realize that these are not just 7 salvations and then we will never see them again. These are 5 people that we are developing a relationship with and are able to truly disciple them.
- Over the last month, I have had 4 people approach me and share that the Lord has been ministering to them about the need to begin tithing to the church. This is awesome because eventually LifeNet will have a Belizean lead pastor and he will need to be salaried by the tithe. We also moved upstairs, which doubles our rent and the tithe is very needed.
- As I just said, we moved upstairs at the George Price Center on Sundays. We moved from a room that held 15 people comfortably and we were packing 40 in there. The room upstairs will hold a little over 100. This gives us room to grow.
- Our Wednesday night LLT Net Group has 16 adults growing in leadership. These are our future Cell leaders. We are 50% through the leadership development manual (the LLT). It is exciting to see people hungry and growing in the Lord.
- Our Thursday Night Net Group had 44 people crammed into our house. Our young adults are just inviting their friends & we are growing so fast. In the month of December, we will take 45 minutes to spend with the whole group & then break into groups of 3 and 4 with a young adult leader for about 45 minutes. This is a process of raising up healthy leaders and releasing them to minister.
- For Tori's Bday (13 yrs.), we went to Caye Caulker (1st time on the island in 9 yrs.). Visited with some great friends & fellow missionaries on the island. Tori got two bunnies for her birthday and named them: Skyler and Patience. Check out the blog for all the details.



Ministering to 44 young adults at our house.



7. Our Sunday morning Celebration is running over 60 people every week. This is great for 8 months. The average church here in Belmopan is less than 70 people with just a couple over 100. A mega-church here in Belize would be a church of 300. So 60 that are growing and hungry for discipleship is phenomenal. Our long term goal is to raise up teams that will be sent out to plant multiple churches throughout Belize.

8. Thanksgiving Family Day: We had 76 at our Sunday celebration. 2 salvations and lots of ministry. Our ladies baked over 1000 cookies and we created 91 plates to pass out. Every family that came received 2 plates of cookies. One to keep and enjoy and one to share with an unchurched family within the community.

9. Sound System for the church – after moving upstairs, we needed a sound system. It is great, not having to strain my voice now.

10. About 12 of our young people went to a camp called Legacy. Wini and Josh went as well. The Lord did some powerful things in their lives.



Ministering to the children



Our Sunday Celebration

### More Testimonies:



Rianie sharing about the NET Group: Tonight was such a beautiful and powerful night.. God's love is beyond us and we may never fully grasp and understand it. The Holy Spirit is very much alive.



Dorothy: All I can say is that I am proud of who I am becoming because, believe it or not, all that was missing in my life was the love of my Savoir. I'm so thankful that I found a church that I truly love and ENJOY attending. You guys are really a blessing in my life. Thank you. ♥ God bless.



### Budget Update:

#### We still need to raise our monthly support.

This is the first month that we fell short of our monthly support and did not receive a onetime gift that compensated. We were down about 20% of our monthly needs. God is always good and always supplies all our needs.

I would ask the roughly 500 families and churches that are reading this newsletter to pray about monthly sowing financially into this ministry. The support does not have to be huge. We have some supporters who support us \$20.00 a month. All of this adds up to make up our budget. The last page of this newsletter shares two ways to give. I thank all of our partners for being there for us. Your prayers and financial support is so vital to carrying on the ministry here in Belize. Thank you!!

## Prayer Needs:

1. **Financial Partners:** Pray for us as we seek to expand our financial partners. We are so grateful for the financial and prayer partners we have now. Please agree with us that more individuals and churches will have it on their hearts to support us monthly.
2. **Reproducible Disciples:** Pray for continued church growth with new Believers being raised up to become reproducible disciples. Our Thursday Night Net Group is growing rapidly and we are placing young leaders in charge of subgroups within the larger group. A process of releasing great leaders.
3. **Leaders:** Pray that we would be great stewards of those God has entrusted to us and raise up powerful leaders. Leaders to touch this nation for the gospel. We are half way through our leadership development Net Group. This group will multiply in 13 weeks into two or three Net Groups and make up the leadership of those groups. I am so pleased and proud of the leaders we have here at LifeNet. They are so hungry to implement what they are being taught.
4. **Checking Account:** As our church is developing, it is now important to open a church account to receive the tithe and offerings of the church. Well, due to some paper work issues with the government about the original documents for the denomination, established over seven years ago, we are unable to open an account. Pray that these issues will be solved quickly so that we are able to open an account.
5. **Ministry Mini-Bus:** Our growth has outpaced our 12 seat van. We are looking to buy a 21 seat mini-bus. We are using it to pick up and drop off people mostly on Sundays and Thursdays. We will also use it for mission teams. Pray for a reliable vehicle and a dependable person within our church body to drive it. We will still use the van for ministry purposes as well. The mini-bus will cost about \$5000 US.
6. **Organizing the Church:** Pray as we are at the stage to create healthy administrative functions with the church. From a church secretary, treasurer, church council to a solid nursery and ushers. We are growing so quickly – we want to make sure that we are placing the right people in places of authority and they embrace the vision and values of LifeNet.
7. **December Outreach:** We will celebrate Christmas with a morning of food and utilizing all the great gifts that God has placed within our body. Pray as our members invite their unchurched friends – that they experience the love of Christ within our midst and church family that is real, authentic and loving.
8. **Mission Teams:** We have one mission team coming this summer and perhaps two or three more. Pray as we touch this nation together with the love of Jesus.
9. **Commonwealth Agenda:** A human rights group is targeting Belize as the first of over 80 British Commonwealth countries to overturn the Sodomy laws. As you well know from the USA, that is the first step to homosexual marriages, foster care and same-sex adoptions. A UK newspaper had an article communicating the broad agenda. With a victory in Belize, they plan to file a suit in about 4 nations a year until they overturn the laws in each country. On December 3rd, the community of churches across the nation of Belize are expecting 20,000 Believers to gather at the supreme court to hold a peaceful rally communicating that we desire for the morals of Belize to stay intact and not to bend to international pressure. Please pray that the Belizean courts will honor the founders wishes that is expressed within the constitution of this nation.

## Ministry Christmas Wish List

1. We are in great need of a mini-bus. I pick up people on Thursday nights and Sundays. My 12 passenger van is now used on Sundays to transport our sound system and we need to purchase a mini-bus that will hold 21 passengers. The cost we be around \$5000US
2. Black or Color Printer Ink Combo Pack: Kodak 10B (you can find it at Wal-Mart)
3. Children's ministry prizes (like small things from Oriental Trading), stickers, glue sticks, construction paper, foam projects/stickers

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