

# Bequia 2010

## July 2-11

### Where?

#### Bequia

This is the largest island of the Grenadine islands, and is about an hour by ferry from St. Vincent. The island of Bequia was named so by the Caribs. This is the largest of the St Vincent Grenadines measuring 7 sq miles with a population of 4,874 (1991 census). Little changed by time, it is an island on which life is completely oriented to the sea. Its seclusion has ensured it retained its age-old traditions of boat building and fishing.



We will be working with Pastor Cameron Cato, and the two churches that he pastors in Bequia. Cameron was pastor of the Questelles Evangelical Church on St. Vincent for 12 years. In December 2003, he became pastor of the Paget Farm Church on Bequia. He later became Pastor at Port Elizabeth Church on the island in addition to the other church. God allowed Chatham to have a part in Cameron coming to know the Lord while

he was a student in St. Louis. He was married to Andine at Chatham Bible Church in 2004. God has blessed them with two children.

### What?

Of course with any mission trip there are surprises, and changes to the schedule. Here are the things scheduled so far...

- **Vacation Bible School** – We will run two VBS programs at each church. We will look to minister to the children and their parents. We will also seek to work alongside the members of the churches.
- **TEEN Ministry** – In the evenings we will gather together with the teens in the community for time of ministry, and sharing the Gospel.

### When?

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We will fly out of St. Louis (early morning) and fly to St. Lucia, from St. Lucia we will fly to St. Vincent. Once in St. Vincent we will take an ocean ferry to the island of Bequia.

### Why?

The Short-Term mission trip can be very effective in several areas. The first and sometimes obvious is that it benefits the local body of believers, whether that is a church, school, or orphanage. Not only in group ministry, but also in personal ministry that takes place around the area. People are reached, because they want to meet the foreigner. Others are curious as to why these foreigners are in their neighborhood, and would love to have you share why you came. This might have been impossible for the local body of believers.

It also affects the person that goes on the mission trip. The power of removing someone from their comfort and safety, into a world of strange sights, smells, and sometimes strange language, is enough to change one's world view. Often self-examination takes place while on a mission trip, seeing those that are happy with what little that they have, or the poverty in that area, can suddenly turn priorities in

life upside down. Short term mission trips help the participant see God beyond their area, to see how big God truly is. To be able to pray for the people that you have worked with and ministered to is also an added bonus. Of course to make disciples (Matt. 28:19) is our commission, not just on mission trips but also in life. The reward may be seen in people coming to Christ, or people encouraged to continue on God's path, but often we will never know the effect of a mission trip until eternity with God.

**Qualifications?** (if you have any questions about these please contact Pastor Al)

1. Participants have put their faith and trust in the salvation that God offers through Christ alone.
2. Willingness to serve team and those we will work with
3. Willingness to raise support (prayer and financial)
4. Willingness to work and to work as a team
5. Willingness to learn
6. Willingness to be stretched beyond your comfort levels
7. Sr. High student or older
8. Attend team meetings, team retreat, fundraisers
9. Faithful church attendance

**Dates?** **May 2 –Bequia Mission Fundraiser Dinner @ Chatham**  
**Team meetings, other fundraisers are T.B.A.** (We will try our best to avoid major conflicts with those going on the team)

<b>Cost?</b>	<b>*\$1207</b> per person. (individuals responsibility) <u>This Includes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Airline</li><li>• Luggage</li><li>• Ferry Transport</li><li>• T-Shirt</li></ul> <b>*</b> airfare subject to change	<b>Team Costs?</b> (shared costs) (we will raise this as a team) <u>This Includes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Transportation</li><li>Ministry</li><li>Outreach</li><li>Gifts to Missionaries/Pastors</li><li>Misc.</li></ul>
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**PLEASE NOTE:** The State Department now requires that you have a passport/ or passport card (limits travel to Canada, Mexico, and Caribbean) to travel to all foreign countries. There is at least a 4 week wait to process your request.

[http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/fees/fees\\_837.html](http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/fees/fees_837.html)

**How will we raise the money?**

- Fundraising Dinner @ Chatham Bible Church
- Dierberg's Floral – Mothers Day Weekend?
- Personal (job, savings)
- Personal Letters to Friends/Family
- Other Fundraisers

**NEED TO KNOW IF YOU ARE GOING BY APRIL 4** (space is limited on this trip so please do not delay if you are wanting to go)

**\$100 DEPOSIT DUE WITH APPLICATION** (checks made to Chatham Bible Church)



# BEQUIA MISSIONS – 2010

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been on a mission trip before? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please give location and dates and describe your experience.

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Give a brief summary of your relationship with Jesus Christ. Include (1) when and (2) how you accepted Christ, and (3) what Jesus means to you in your daily life.

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In what areas is God working on your life now?

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In what area of your relationship with Jesus do you see need for growth?

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Serving Others	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Spanish	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Teaching	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Working w/Kids	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Others:	_____									

**Agreement**

- I promise to participate in the preparation process and keep the terms of our team contract
- I will not complain during the project and will do my best to have a servant's attitude
- I will obey leadership on this project
- I will not use profanity on this project
- I will not use and/or purchase alcohol, drugs, or tobacco on this project
- I will follow safety precautions during this project
- I understand that if I break the terms of this agreement, I may be removed from the team, or sent home at my expense

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***If applicant is under 18 please have a parent/guardians signature***

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:**

- *An airline ticket will be purchased in your name. That ticket is non refundable, and if you are unable to go on the trip you will owe the full amount of the fare to Chatham Bible Church. You will receive any remaining credit minus a service fee (charged by the airlines), to be able to use up to one year later.*
- *Attached is a reference form. We ask that you give that to someone that knows you well enough to fill it out completely. Students: You can use your parents as a reference, but not Pastor Al.*
- *Please return the application no later than April 4*
- *Remember that a \$100 deposit on the trip is also required.*

# MISSION TRIP REFERENCE



\_\_\_\_\_ has applied to take part in a Mission Trip to Bequia . The trip will consist of many relational ministries with the local church and their community. The participant will likely confront stressful situations because of cross-cultural transition, and harsh climate/environment. For this reason, your honest evaluation will help us accurately assess this applicant.

*Do not return completed form to applicant. Please return this to Pastor Al at Chatham Bible Church (6375 Howdershell Rd. Hazelwood, MO. 63042)Your reply will be held in strict confidence.*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. How long have you known the applicant? In what type of relationship?
2. How have you seen the applicant grow and mature spiritually during the last year?
3. Comment on the applicant's ability to relate with people and make friends.
4. How does the applicant relate to people in leadership over him or her? Is he or she teachable and willing to follow instructions?
6. How have you seen the applicant demonstrate a positive or negative influence on a group?
7. Participation in a short-term mission trip can also be emotionally demanding. Do you have any reservations about the applicant's physical or emotional ability to participate? Please clarify.

8. Please indicate your evaluation of the applicant in the following areas, one being the lowest rating, three being average, and five the highest:

- \* Consistency of Christian walk and witness 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Ability to put needs of others ahead of own 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Physical health (i.e. walking, vision, hearing, etc.) 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Adaptability to change 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Ability to resolve conflict 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Cooperation in a team setting 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Servant spirit 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Positive attitude in challenging circumstances 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Responsible 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Expresses thoughts/feelings well 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Emotional stability 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown
- \* Punctuality 1 2 3 4 5 Unknown

9. If you were leading this trip, would you want this person on your team? Why or why not?

10. Please give any further information about the applicant that we should know.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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