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New CCI Jamaica Administrator

Welcome to our new Administrator, Thelma Levy, who is an answer to prayer. She has had over twenty years of experience in administrative and technical positions within the public sector. Thelma will be working with CCI Jamaica on a part-time basis. You can expect a call or email from her, as she is already on the ball! We look forward to further growth and development of CCI Jamaica with Thelma's valuable input.

CCI Jamaica AGM- Saturday January 19, 2008

CCI Jamaica had its Annual General Meeting at the New Testament Church of God Head Quarters on January 19, 2008. Member organisations were well represented. It was announced that CCI Jamaica moved from Associate Status to being a full fledged member of Christian Camping International (CCI).

Dan Bolin the new CCI- Worldwide President will be visiting Jamaica May 19-21. Look out for information on the details of his trip, as we would like him to meet and interact with as many of our members as possible.

Welcome to New CCI Jamaica Board Members

Two CCI Jamaica board members exited the board, Devon Harbajan, who served as the Board Chair during 2005 - 2006, and Terrence Forrester. We thank them for their service and wish them both the best in their new endeavours. We are confident that they will continue to play a role in CCI Jamaica.

We are pleased to welcome two new persons to the board, Arlene Henry and Sacha Wong. Arlene Henry is the Programs Coordinator at the Jamaica Baptist Union, with special responsibility for youth and training. Sacha Wong is a member of Swallowfield Chapel and brings expertise in the area of food service and hospitality. We look forward to having them contribute to CCI Jamaica in the months and years ahead.

Prayer Requests

- Successful fundraising (by the Board) to run CCIJA's office
- Increase in number of CCI membership camps & partners
- God's wisdom and guidance in the planning of camps island-wide.

Member Spotlight - Lydford - New Testament Church of God Camp



Lydford campsite is located on a 13 acre property in St. Ann, just past Moneague. The property has dormitories that can house approx. 270 persons, a pavilion that accommodates 300 persons, a basketball court and areas for sports and games. This camp and retreat facility is operated by the Youth and Christian Education of the New Testament Church of God.



On January 25-27 their annual Collegiate Camp was held and it was a tremendous experience. The camp saw an attendance of 109 campers from over 23 tertiary institutions. This year's theme was "**Gifted for Missions**" with the idea of "CrossWalk'N" as a concept-

illustration of living the life of the cross and crossing boundaries to represent Christ. The camp featured interactive discussions, dynamic worship and motivational sessions. Collegiate Camp '08 was a wonderful and refreshing spiritual experience for all campers. To contact Lydford Camp for information, call 927-7767 / 927-3712 / 978-4058 or mail newtestamentyouths@gmail.com

Words From The Chair

A unique feature of a Christian, non-denominational service organisation such as CCI Jamaica, is the relationship and interaction of Christians from different church backgrounds. Personally I find it the most rewarding aspect and I imagine Christ happily observing a bit of the unity He prayed for, prior to His return to heaven. I look forward to the networking and fellowship of Christians with-a-heart-for-camping, in the season ahead!- Nel Blanken

Dates to remember

May 3rd is the date for CCI's national training day for all camp staff
May 19 - 21 will see the visit of the Dan Bolin to CCI Jamaica
More info on both occasions will follow in the coming weeks.

Christian Camping International Jamaica (CCI) is an inter-denominational association that brings together Christ-centered camps, conferences and retreat ministries.