

## **National Family Camp: 16-19 February 2015**

Family Camp 2015 came and went too quick! The theme this year was "Being transformed through the renewing of your mind" taken from Romans 12:2. We were able to rejoice in the presence of God through wonderful devotionals, worship, teaching, preaching and prayer. This year we had a web seminar via Skype with our General Overseer Brother Stephen Smith and his topic was Biblical Courtship. Single brothers and sisters were encouraged with the scripture in Genesis 24 relating to Isaac and Rebecca. Brother Smith reminded us to keep God in the centre of our lives when it comes to marriage. He also said, "When you do things the world's way you get the world's results" and advised single members to maintain themselves in sanctification and honour.

The children also had children's church, science experiments and arts and crafts sessions based around the camp theme. God bless our camp staff: Sister Karen, Sister Antonette and Sister Oneaka who assisted with the children this year.

As usual, we also enjoyed a good time in some good competitive team activities such as bible quizzes, bible story re-enactments, sports activities. We also had fun in this year's outdoor challenge course and the intense fitness sessions.

The highlight of this year's camp was after the second night's service. Brother Jason invited anyone who wished to stay behind after service for prayer and encouragement to do so. A few brethren felt the need to seek God and a great prayer service broke out! Some were on their faces seeking answers to prayers; some sought the Holy Ghost and some healing. A great spirit was prevalent as we prayed for each other's needs and the Spirit of God descended. Some cried, some danced, some shouted praises to His name. The Holy Ghost began to move and give messages in tongues through some of the brethren as we all waited fearfully to hear what God was about to say. Below is the interpretation:

"I am thy God hearken, I am thy God hear me  
I am thy God My people, oh my people, oh my people I am thy God  
Hear my words, hear my word, hear my word today  
I speak unto you, I hear your cry"

The night closed with 2 being filled with the Holy Ghost and 1 receiving healing!

This year we were very grateful to be able to enjoy an extra day of camp with the brethren. Many testified that they wished they didn't have to go back home. Camp came to an end with a wonderful awards ceremony and the announcement of this year's camp winning team which consisted of Sis Oneaka Prince, Brother Patrick Clarke, Sis Karen Richards, Bro Chakiah, Sister Bria Stone, Brother Meshach and little Delano.

A very special thanks to Brother Rikki and Jason Prince for all their efforts and time invested in such a successful camp!

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