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Going where the church is not . . . yet!

Setting goals . . .

One of the awesome things about working with a mission board like EMM is that we will be provided with mentors who will help us plan and achieve specific goals. We will be meeting with them on a weekly and monthly basis, setting and meeting those goals.

We understand that our expectations and goals will likely shift or refocus when we arrive in Belize and we will be ready for that to happen.

A Job Description . . .

We have an open Job Description document that we are working on with EMM. They will help us focus and refine it as our departure time arrives and when we arrive in Belize and begin to interact with the church leaders and our neighbors there.

Here's our Job Description overview:

“The Groffs will live in Dangriga, Belize and learn to know the area and the culture of the Garifuna community. They will support the local outreach of the Dangriga Christian Fellowship, help envision and develop new ministries and mentor leaders. They will also learn to know the leaders of the broader Christian community in the Dangriga area to determine what supportive ministries are needed, including the possibility of a camping ministry in the area.”

What will we do ?

Here are some of the more specific things we know we'll be working on in Year #1, Years #2-4 and Beyond . . .

Year #1

- Learn culture, language and to know our community
- Get to know our local community and church leaders
- Participate in Church activities
- Establish home and family life
- Learn to know and develop connections with other foreign workers in the area

Years #2-4

- Help identify leaders to mentor
- Participate in church development in Dangriga and elsewhere
- Encourage emerging leaders and young people
- Host visitors and network between the Garifuna and our U.S. supporters

& Beyond!

- Contribute to church planting efforts among the Garifuna
- Facilitate the purchase and maintenance of a Camp to minister to Garifuna youth and the broader church
- Continue to mentor, train and encourage Garifuna leaders
- Help develop economic strength: entrepreneurs, businesses and job training
- Maintain strong relationships with U.S. churches and host teams
- Broaden our network with foreign workers in Belize and Central America, plan and host retreats