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Living in the certainty of God's Word



It's Amazing but it's True: A Children's Talk for the Bible Sunday Service

Bring with you some items to illustrate the truth about the Bible. (We suggest a hammer, nail and a small block of wood, plus a football plus a chocolate bar...and your Bible.)

The purpose is to demonstrate things to the children that are obviously true so that they might know that we can equally depend on the truths contained in the Bible.

If I hold this nail on top of this piece of wood and hit it with the hammer, what will happen?
Will the hammer break? Will the nail break?
No because we know that they are harder than the wood. The nail should disappear into the wood because it is softer. **Demonstrate**

If I drop this ball on to the floor, what will happen? Will it break the floor, just lie there or bounce up again?
It should bounce if it has lots of air in it to make it light. **Demonstrate** (If you are ambitious, bring a pump and demonstrate that the ball will bounce higher when inflated from soft).

If I eat this chocolate bar, will I get fat? It contains only X kcalories so we shouldn't notice the difference. **Everyone may enjoy watching you eating/sharing the chocolate bar.** But what if I was to eat 100 of them? That's 100 times X kcalories! Be assured that it would make a difference of a kilo or two.
How do I know that? It has been proved if we eat too many of the wrong things it will affect both our weight and our health. We can be certain of it.

It is the same with the Bible. It has been proved that reading the Bible can have a seriously good effect on people. We can rely on what it tells us about God's love for us, and about the wonderful things that Jesus said and did during his teaching.

If we start to learn what God tells us in this book and follow the good example that Jesus set us, He would be very, very pleased with us. **We can be certain of that**, just as certain as the hammer drives a nail into wood, and a ball bounces on the ground.

And remember, don't eat too many chocolate bars or they will make you fat!

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Bible Sunday Project: God's Word in the Guianas

The Suriname Bible Society is committed to providing scriptures for the people in Suriname, Guyana and French Guiana, in South America – known collectively as *the Guianas*. As these are three large, sparsely populated countries, many miles have to be travelled to reach the remote communities.

Staff of the Suriname Bible Society have plans to travel to these remote communities over the next three years, bringing them the Word of God.

About half of the population in Suriname and French Guiana live in very remote areas. Reaching these communities means many hours of travelling on dirt roads most of which only good sturdy vehicles can manage. If all the people of the Guianas are to have God's Word, then the Bible Society staff have to travel miles to bring it to them. They also travel many miles to meet and assist church leaders and Christian organisations in the work they are doing in God's Kingdom, and to provide them with material and Scriptures that they can use for their ministry.



Through travelling to the remote areas, the personnel of the Suriname BS are able to identify the need amongst the people. By distributing Scriptures they are able, not only to assist the church leaders and Christian organisations, but they are also able to reach non-believers and people from other religions or with traditional beliefs. Most of them are searching for meaning in their lives, Jesus is the answer.



Project Details

While visiting the remote areas the BS will distribute

- **25,000 Bibles**
- **10,000 New Testaments,**
- **17,000 Portions and**
- **20,000 New Reader Portions.**

The scriptures will be partly subsidised, because the incomes in most of the remote areas is much lower than in the city and people in the interior are unable to pay the full price of a bible.

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Please Pray for...

- The safety of the Bible Society personnel as they travel to the remote areas, of which some are plagued by criminal activity and natural hazards.
- The church leaders and Christian organisations working in these areas. Pray for blessings and success in their ministry.
- Every person who will receive or buy a Bible that God's salvation may be part of the person's life.

Your Church can help!

Would you like to help in the distribution of scriptures to people all across Suriname, Guyana and French Guiana? The Bible Society needs your help in funding the purchase of a new distribution vehicle, and the various portions of scripture. With your help many more people could receive the Word of God into their lives and hearts.

If you are interested in helping with the funding of this project, or would like more information about it, then please contact Judy on (01) 677 3272, or judyw@natbibsoc.iol.ie



'The Guianas' are made up of Guyana, Suriname and French Guiana. The Bible Society of Suriname serves all three countries, covering a lot of difficult terrain.

