The Guyanese Family is setting conditions and witnessing

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Martin Porter's visit to Guyana highlighted the activities for the month of February. People became more aware of the magnitude and scope of the movement as we were given more radio time and press coverage. Our Sunday services were inaugurated by Martin and although at the beginning attendance was quite poor, we have now approximately forty people and more attending. Many are attracted by the sermons which are based on Divine Principle with the use of both Old and New Testaments. The spiritual power is quite evident and. because people here are very spiritual, they are often moved to follow without hearing the entire Principle.

Our Family is increasing steadily, but many still live out. However, little by little the idea of living in a center in catching on. We have a lady lawyer who, after having accepted Principle, has been able to bring many people, clients and her staff, to accept Principle. There are many mediumistic people who have received deep revelations and visions even before listening to Principle. They express so much joy and cry in gratitude when they realize how fortunate they are to know how God is working at this time.

After our 21-day witnessing condition was over we embarked on a prayer condition at three every morning. Our center is now too small as our teaching sessions are very well attended.

Witnessing on the University Campus has been slow because 80% of the students attend evening classes, they all work during the day and because the standard is on par with the English Universities they are finding it difficult to cope. However, we are still hoping to be able to establish CARP on the campus in September.

In March we started having 'long sessions' fortnightly on Fridays. During these long sessions we give an outline of Principle, then people are allowed to borrow the text for further studies.

We have now run out of texts and have had to order more. The long sessions are scheduled to last for four hours and are aimed at encouraging business and professional people to listen to Divine Principle. Pastors and Priests are also encouraged to come and so far we have had two pastors who, however, only listened to Chapter I because of limited time to spare. The Catholic Church in my old Parish has been attacking us in their sermons so more people are now interested in listening to Divine Principle.

Our greetings and love go out to Unified Families all over the world.