



John and Adele Swift Development & Enrichment Center (JADE)

"...hard work and education will carry you through the world."

Mrs. Adele Swift

Newsletter for June 2021

JADE's Vision

To change lives today for a better tomorrow.

JADE's Mission

To develop partnerships with communities to transform lives now in hope of a better future.

JADE's Partnerships

JADE is a tax-exempt non-profit organization based in Rialto, CA. JADE was created for public and charitable purposes to provide funding in education and humanitarian needs. JADE has developed partnerships in communities within the Inland Empire, San Gabriel Valley, Los Angeles, Belize City, and rural communities in Belize to provide training and funding for educational resources, tutoring, food, sewing classes, medical assistance, transportation, and spiritual support.

From JADE's President – Evadne Swift

It was a busy month for the directors at JADE. First, with the help of volunteers, we packed 37 boxes of food and distributed to needy families. Margery and I went into the communities and delivered to 10 of these families. One lady met us at "Public" supermarket in Belize City and invited us to her home to see where and how she lived. She told us how much she appreciated the food assistance as she was having a barbeque sale the following weekend to raise money for her third surgery. It was very inspiring to hear that as a cancer survivor, she was trusting God each step of the way.

June was also the month for graduations. JADE is proud of the three seniors it supported. All three graduated in the top five of their graduating classes. Jaheed ranked third in his class; Keira, second and was the Salutatorian; her twin sister Kayla also had high grades. JADE's directors and donors wished these graduates the best in their future endeavors as they continue their post-high school studies.



From left to right: Kiera, Kayla, Jaheed

Jaheed Moreno graduated from Nazarene High School in Belize City. His mother sent us this note:

"Hi Sister Eva. Thank God for everything, Then I thank you for the big help for Jaheed because he graduated June 10. I am so happy because if we did not have your help, he would not finish the school year. I thank JADE. I thank you Sister Eva, Sister Margie, Sister Gloria, and Sister Adele. Thank God and may God bless your family."

Kiera and Kayla Kerr graduated from Belize Rural High School in Double Head Cabbage.

The twins submitted a joint note:

We are writing to extend a heartfelt thank you to JADE for your generous contribution to our school tuition for three years. Thank you for making our years at high school a success. We really and truly appreciate it. Once again, thank you and may God bless you all ❤️

Here Comes the New Class of 2021-2022

JADE received fourteen applications from families requesting financial assistance for high school. We visited Belize Rural Primary School located in the village of Double Head Cabbage and met with eight students and their parents and or guardians. These students graduated from Standard 6 (Grade 8 in the U.S.). We shared JADE's vision "To change lives today for a better tomorrow" and described the goals of our organization.



Belize Rural Primary School in the background

We invited these students and others from Belize Rural Valley who had applied for financial assistance to visit our facility. The objective was to have them plan a Summer Fest Event for High

Schoolers which will be held in early August and prior to the start of the new school year. These students were fully engaged in sharing ideas and planning activities for the theme "Attitude with Gratitude."



The women's small groups continue to meet weekly in several villages in the Rural Valley. We offer sewing classes twice a month for women who have expressed interest in learning to sew. It has been a great learning experience for these ladies as they measure, cut, and sew.

Yes, June came and went with a flurry of activities. We continue to ask God for wisdom and direction and for His blessings on all that we do at JADE. We are incredibly grateful for His ongoing provision and protection. We are also thankful for those of you who are praying for us, giving generously, and serving in your local communities, be it in California or somewhere else. Remember, to bloom where you are planted. May July be a rewarding month for you and yours.

The Doctrine of the Trinity

Gerald Stanton introduced us to "The Doctrine of the Trinity" in this month's *Memo of Exposition*. How can there be one God yet three distinct persons? Matthew 28:19 (NIV) reads, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." The Bible tells us that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are each fully God. Even for the believer, this doctrine is not fully understood. Gerald Stanton will help us

understand the Doctrine of the Trinity in a two-part series.

Please visit our website landingessentials.org for Gerald's complete message. He also penned a poem "Trinity – My Perception of God." You can download these monthly messages for free. Please read them and share with friends and family. Thank you.



JADE s at Work with its Partners providing:

- financial support to 11 primary and high school students in the form of tuition payments, textbooks and other school supplies, and uniforms,
- monthly food baskets to villagers within an 80-mile radii,
- outreach and counseling to villagers,
- monthly distribution of free bibles, tracks, books, and DVD-movies to the elderly,
- weekly acts of kindness based on human needs, and
- monthly bibles and texts books to youths.

Special thanks to the Stantons for the backpacks and shoes



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Your generous donation, which is tax-deductible within the limits prescribed by law, will enable us to feed the hungry and provide scholarships to students.

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JADE is also accepting donations at

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JADE's next meeting via Zoom TBD.