

HELP & SHELTER
WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER GERMAN COMMITTEE PROJECT
MONTHLY M&E REPORT- MAY 2009 - Submitted by Danuta Radzik

Community Educators' Monthly Reports

KANEVILE

Community Educator: Tessa Greene

Community: Kaneville, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 9 visits were made to this community during the month

of Persons Reached: Total 86 Females 45 Males 41

of Persons Newly Reached: Total 58 Females 24 Males 34

of H&S Leaflets Distributed: 48

of other H&S Handouts: 0

Objectives of Visits:

- To raise funds for community activities through a jumble sale
- Improving literacy through the holding of 3 literacy classes for children
- Attending two Steering Committee Meetings for planning and review of community development activities
- Visits to the NDC, Health Centre, Police Station & Craft Centre to discuss project work and solicit support for project activities
- To sensitize residents in Wrong Turn on domestic violence, project aims and activities through small group and one-on-one discussions.
- Presentation of a token of appreciation to the Full Gospel Church by Steering Committee members.

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Jumble Sale - 1st May

- The sale was not as successful as expected, mainly because most of the clothing items were not suitable to residents. A total of \$3,555 was collected and it was proposed that funds be used to purchase window panes for the Full Gospel Church which the project uses for most of their activities. Unsold items remaining from the sale may be donated to the Guyana Relief Council.

Literacy Classes - 6th, 16th & 23rd May

- A total of 45 children between the ages of 4-14 attended literacy classes this month.
The math session was well received by the smaller children and will continue as will phonics.
- Phonics and dictation were focused on at the second session. Some children showed improvement in their spelling skills. It is proposed that the CM (community mobiliser) attend the On the Wings of Words programme so as to receive additional training in the teaching of literacy.
- Attendance on the 23rd of May was poor as many older children were assisting their families in the fetching of water from another village as their supply had run out due to a prolonged dry spell. Many Kaneville residents are dependent on the collection of rain water for bathing, washing and general household use. Dictation was done with the children who were able to attend the session.

Steering Committee Meetings - 15th May & 21st May

- At the first meeting a total of 6 members were present. Minutes were read and adopted. Issues discussed were:

The Kaneville Access Road- One member reported that tenders for repairs to the road were advertised in newspapers. It was suggested that a community based protest be organized by residents with support from taxi drivers to put pressure on those in authorities to have the road fixed ASAP.

Community Walk- Members present agreed that this activity should take place ASAP in order to inform residents about the project and the issue of domestic violence. It was agreed that this matter be discussed at the next meeting to be held on the 21st May. Members were urged to invite at least 2 new people to the following meeting.

One of the peer educators presented her report on activities carried out by Group 1.

- At the second meeting a total of 19 persons were present as members invited other residents to attend. Due to the increase in numbers a new steering committee was formed which will meet every 2nd Thursday of the month :

Mr. Michael Ms Pherson - Chairman

Mr. Polson Henry - Vice Chairman

Ms. Patsy Outridge - Secretary

Ms. Juliet James - Treasurer

Ms. Michelle Evans - Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Mr. Keith Damon - Committee Member

Ms. Gloria Williams - Committee Member

Ms. Maylene Rose - “

Ms. Cardy Waithe - “

Mr. Erron Sobers - “

Concerns raised by members at the meeting were:

- Ministry of Housing giving land to people p\outside of the community
- Maintenance of the road
- Possible donors for future projects
- Another bridge for easier access to the community
- Notice Boards to advertise community meetings and other activities. The CE is to purchase blackboard paint

The above issues are to be discussed at the next statutory meeting.

Visits to NDC, Grove Health Centre, Police Station & Craft Centre

- NDC-Mr. Budwah, the overseer appreciated the visit and pledged his assistance in every way possible to the CE and CM. He was informed about Kaneville's activities to mark the first anniversary of the project and pledged to have a letter prepared for the Ministry of Housing indicating that the project has been ongoing in the community.

During the visit Mr. Budwah requested that the CE and CM intervene in a dispute between two residents of Kaneville, one of whom had made a complaint to his office. The CM knew the woman who had made the initial complaint and after listening to her side of the story accompanied her to the nearby clinic to have an injury to her toe dressed. The dispute involved the lightning of fires by the woman neighbour which she claimed caused much discomfort to her and family. The dispute eventually turned into a physical altercation in which both parties physically assaulted each other.

- **Grove Health Centre**-Ms. Velloz, the Medex in charge appreciated the visit and indicated that previously Help & Shelter had facilitated a session at the clinic some time ago. She indicated her willingness to have more awareness sessions with pre and post natal mothers. The first awareness session is scheduled for June 2nd.
- **Grove Police Station**-The CE and CM were somewhat disappointed by the attitude of Mr. Hoyte, the police officer in charge of the station. He appeared to be indifferent to the project aims and activities and gave the impression that he just wanted to go back to whatever he was doing before he was interrupted.
- **Grove Craft Centre**-The CE and CM had a long chat with Ms. Redmond who revealed that some of the students from the Centre were living in abusive situations or experiencing abuse in their relationships. According to Ms. Redmond Help & Shelter had been doing awareness sessions with students from the Craft Centre and had intervened in a situation between mother and daughter which had taken place at the Centre. The CE and the CM did not fix any awareness sessions for students as they felt these were already being done by others from Help & Shelter.

Community Walk - One on one and small group discussions at Wrong Turn Street - 28th May

- Approximately 24 young men were spoken to along the road: some were reluctant to stop and talk while others stopped and chatted with the project/community team on domestic violence issues, the project and banner. The team targeted young men because they are the ones who are often seen to be just hanging around on this street corner. Most of the men spoken to admitted that they only stood on the streets because they had no where else to go. They were happy that someone was finally trying to have a community centre built for the entire community. Some indicated their willingness to take part in whatever way they could to make Kaneville a better community. Forty eight (48) Help & Shelter brochures were distributed.

Presentation of token to Full Gospel Church - 31st May

- Brother Roberts from the Full Gospel Church was presented with window panes as a token of appreciation for all the support they have given to the Kaneville community based project.

KANEVILLE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN- June 2009

Date	Activity	Time
2/6/09	Awareness Session-Grove Health Centre	8 am
4/6/09	Awareness Session-Pentecostal Church	6 pm
6/6/09	Literacy Session	3 pm
7/6/09	Awareness Session-Full Gospel Church	5 pm
9/6/09	Steering Committee Meeting	5 pm
13/6/09	Literacy Session	3 pm
	Steering Committee Visit - Ministry of Housing	
21/6/09	Literacy Session	3 pm
	Awareness Session-Steering Committee	
27/6/09	Literacy Session	3 pm
	Steering Committee/Religious Leaders Meeting	

DEN AMSTEL

Community Educator: Ebeth McIntosh

Community: Den Amstel, West Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 6 visits were made to this community during the month

of Persons Reached: Total 117 Females 72 Male 45

of Persons Newly Reached: Total 47 Females 40 Males 13

of H&S leaflets Distributed: 0

of MLHSSS DV Posters: 0

of GHARP Booklets (Super Gang & The Player): 0

of Empowering Women Booklet: 0

of HIV Leaflets & Booklets: 0

of H&S Posters: 0

Objectives of Visits:

- To conduct an awareness sessions on Healthy/Unhealthy relationships with the Congregational Youth Group
- To conduct an awareness sessions on Child Sexual Abuse at the Milder Cox Young Den Amstel Health Centre
- To conduct an awareness session on Child Physical Abuse with the Kingdom Connection Youth Group
- Attendance and participation in the Steering Committee Meeting for planning and review of community development activities
- To conduct awareness sessions on Child Sexual Abuse and healthy/Unhealthy Relationships at the Christian Brethren Women's Group

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Congregational Youth Group-Child Sexual Abuse - 3rd May

- A total of fifty four (53) young people, twenty four (24) females and twenty seven (27) males between the ages of 13-28 participated in a 3 hr awareness session on healthy/unhealthy relationships.
- Feedback from participants indicated that most of them were involved in relationships with the opposite sex but were unsure as to if their relationships were healthy or unhealthy after participating in the awareness session they were now in a better position to evaluate these relationships. Many of the participants having gone through the discussions were of the opinion that they were in unhealthy relationships but did not now what to do about it since they were unaware of what signs to look for or what to expect in a relationship. Participants revealed that they entered into relationships to feel loved, accepted and with a sense of belonging but ended up in some cases being confused and hurt. Participants felt that with a better understanding of healthy/unhealthy relationships that they now have, they can make personal changes to end unhealthy relationships and also encourage others who are in unhealthy relationships to do the same. Participants said that sessions like these help them to make positive changes in their lives.
- In evaluating the session participants felt that participation, understanding of topics presented, facilitation and the session overall were all excellent.

Mildred Cox Younge Health Centre - Child Sexual Abuse - 7th May

- A total of 22 persons, 21 mothers and 1 father, participated in this awareness session on child sexual abuse.

Participants listened carefully to the presentation and shared personal stories they knew on child sexual abuse. They were of the view that child sexual abuse was on the increase throughout the world as every time they open the newspaper or turn on the news, there is a story or incident of child abuse. This situation was frustrating to them and they wondered what they would do if this happens to their own child or children and what they can do to protect children against child sexual abuse. After participating in the session they agreed that the information given was useful to them as parents and the facilitator did a very good job in presenting this topic. Participants said they would share this information with persons they come into contact with so as to prevent child sexual abuse.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics presented, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as excellent.

Kingdom Connection Youth Group - Child Physical Abuse - 10th May

- A total of nineteen (19) young people, eleven (11) females and eight (8) males between the ages of 13-26 participated in a 2hr awareness session on child physical abuse. Activities included an open discussion on what is physical abuse, signs of physical abuse and behaviours of physically abused children. Participants were put into small groups and asked to act out a skit on child physical abuse.
- Participants shared childhood experiences of being physically abused by parents and other family members. They recounted the worst beatings they were subjected to, the reasons for this and the way it made them feel then and now. The consensus among participants was that they were totally against child physical abuse, they felt it does not make sense and it is ineffective in bringing about change in children lives. Alternatives to beating such as talking to children and youth about appropriate behaviours and personal traits they would like children to develop, places they should go to and other things were recommended. The youth felt that if this was made know and communicated to them by parents then they would have better understand that their parents wanted the best for them, feel better cared for and loved. Participants also said that when parents and other family members abuse children physically they feel unloved and unaccepted and this hurts them.
- Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as excellent.

Awareness Session-Christian Brethren Men's Group - Child Sexual Abuse - 17th May

- A total of 9 men between the ages of 13-50 participated in this 3hr awareness session on child sexual abuse.
- During the session participants shared cases of child sexual abuse that they knew about in and out of their community as well as those they read about in the newspapers or seen on TV. Participants expressed anger at perpetrators of such acts and stated what they would do if someone abused their child sexually. The need for children to be protected from perpetrators, be they relatives, friends, teachers, siblings or acquaintances was identified as a priority. Participants also

expressed the view that they would always believe a child if the child told them that she/he is being sexually abused. They also committed themselves to educate both children and parents about child sexual abuse including signs, symptoms and its effects not only on the child but on how this abuse can even affect them in later life as adults. Participants also committed themselves to educating parents and care givers and others on how to deal with disclosure of child sexual abuse including what actions to take in the interest of the child.

- In assessing the session participation, understanding of the topic presented, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as excellent.

Awareness Session-Christian Brethren Women's Group - 18th May

- A total of 7 women between the ages of 13-26 participated in this session on healthy/unhealthy relationships.

There was full participation in the open discussion on healthy and unhealthy relationships with women sharing personal experiences of their own relationships. Most of the female participants were married and some of their shared problems were the use of threats and verbal abuse by both parties in the relationships – husbands as well as wives. Through the sharing of experiences some of the women discovered that they were not in healthy relationships. As such they planned to change what was unhealthy in the relationship through passing on information learnt to their spouses and working toward improving their relationships. Participants would also pass on information gained to youth and others in relationships.

Evaluation of the workshop showed that participation, understanding of topics presented, facilitation and the session overall were rated as excellent.

Steering Committee Meeting - 14th May

- A total of 7 persons attended the Steering Committee including the CE. The project coordinator and the project M&E officer were also in attendance. Matters discussed were the painting of the pedestrian crossing between the New Horizon Day Care Centre and Church St scheduled for the Independence Day, May 26th. Participants were asked to wear white tops and blue jeans and materials needed were identified and tasks identified for each steering committee member. It was decided that leaflets and posters would be distributed to pedestrians, cars and other vehicles as the crossing was being painted was being done. It was also agreed that donations of refreshments would be supplied by participants.

The steering committee was also reminded that peer educators need to submit written reports of activities carried out in the community.

Peer Educators' Report - Community Outreach Visits - Den Amstel and Blankenburg - 22nd & 29th May

- The objectives of the community outreach activities were:
 - (1) To disseminate leaflets, brochures and other materials to residents of the two communities
 - (2) To promote faithfulness to one partner and the use of adequate prevention methods e.g. condom use to persons who are sexually active.
 - (3) To advocate against the use of violence against women, men and children in the communities.

A total of ten peer educators took part in the activities but the number of persons reached was not documented. The peer educators felt that their objectives were

met as each person from the group was able to present and disseminate their messages and materials effectively.

Responses from residents indicated that they were open to the information and materials distributed, they took part in the demonstrations of correct condom use when asked to do so, residents were observant especially in the Blankenburg community, residents asked for additional materials and condoms and after receiving information from peer educators they were willing to share this new information with friends and loved ones.

Recommendations from peer educators:

- (a) Relevant agencies to be contacted for HIV counselling and testing for residents of the above mentioned communities.
- (b) Additional materials and condoms be made available when project activities are being carried out.
- (c) Information on the project be available so peer educators can disseminate and inform persons effectively

DEN AMSTEL COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN- June 2009

Date	Activity	Time
4/6/09	Awareness Session-Emotional Abuse-Pre-Natal Clinic/Health Centre	
7/6/09	Awareness Session-Child Abuse- Congregational Youth Group	
7/6/09	Community Project-Painting of Pedestrian Crossing-Steering Committee	
9/6/09	Awareness Session-Teenage Pregnancy-Restoration AOG Women's Group	
11/6/09	-Steering Committee Meeting	
14/6/09	Awareness Session- Emotional Abuse of Children-Kingdom Connection Youth Group	
16/6/09	Awareness Session- Healthy/Unhealthy Relationships-Nursery School Teachers	
18/6/09	Awareness Session- Willing Workers Women's Group	
21/6/09	Awareness Session-Child Neglect & Emotional Abuse-Christian Brethren Men's Group	
22/6/09	Awareness Session-Child Abuse-Christian Brethren Women's Group	

GOOD HOPE

Community Educator: Montgomery Chester

Community: Good Hope, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of evisits were made to this community during *

of Persons Reached: Total 53 Female 42 Male 11

of Persons Newly Reached: Total 51 Females 40 Males 11

of H&S leaflets Distributed: 76

of HIV/AIDS Brochures: 0

of Brochures on Condoms: 0

Objectives of Visits:

- Meeting with the Muslim Community to inform them about aim and activities of the project and seek their support

- To continue relationship building with young men in the community through participating in cricket games
- Planning meeting with the community mobilizer
- To create a community forum to promote awareness and discussion of GBV through the use of appropriate films on issues of GBV

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Meeting with Members of the Muslim Community - 8th May

- Sister Zena, a participant at the Religious Leaders Workshop arranged the meeting. Present were the Imam, President and four other members of the Good Hope Mosque and the CE. The CE explained the overall aim of the project and what H&S was trying to achieve in the community of Good Hope. Members of the Muslim Community present indicated that they were aware of the project as Sister Zena keep them informed. The President stated that he was of the view that H&S were wasting their resources as he did not believe that workshops and awareness sessions were useful in a community such as Good Hope. He felt that a top down approach is what is needed.
- The Members of the Muslim community were also of the view that the leadership of Guyana should enact strict laws banning alcohol, music videos, certain advertisements, and the type of dress some women wear. They were also of the view that Chutney Shows such as ‘Radika’ should be also banned as this popular song promotes a culture of domestic violence. The Imam believed that people in Guyana have too much freedom in terms of dress, social activities and entertainment and the lawlessness in society is as a direct result of this lack of restraint. The Presidents also stated that ‘the whole country should be Muslim’ and asked the CE to report this to H&S.
- However on working with other religious leaders the Muslim groups felt this would be challenging but they were willing to try. An example of religious differences cited was Muslims are not permitted to own rum shops but other religions do not have such restrictions. This they felt could lead to some conflict. The CE explained that other religious leaders in the community also shared similar concerns about the media and alcohol. A meeting with other religious leaders was suggested and the Muslim Group said they would welcome such an activity.
- On the issue of domestic violence the members of the Muslim community clearly stated that they are against any form of domestic violence and that they are guided by the Islamic Law of husband/wife relationships in marriage called “Khutbah”. This is recited by couples on their wedding day. The CE requested a copy of the Khutbah. At the end of the meeting the CE was invited to visit again. Brochures of the H&S/WWDPGC GBV project were given to those present.
- Help & Shelter has been granted permission by the Muslim community to use their facilities for project related activities. They also announced the movie night activity at the mosque and many of the women who attended were from the Muslim community.

Steering Committee Meeting - 20th May

- Only two (2) persons attended this meeting. Planning was done for the upcoming movie night. The CM also expressed some of the challenges she was facing in attempting to work in the community. She mentioned that some persons were

- enquiring about payments for services rendered and felt that working with religious leaders has it challenges.
- Members of the Steering Committee made available a loud speaker attached to a vehicle to advertise the Movie Night.

Film Show-Heaven on Earth - 24th May

- The film show was very well received with a total of thirty seven (37) persons attending, 28 females and 8 males. The movie, Heaven on Earth, is about a young Indian girl, Chand who finds herself in an abusive arranged marriage with an Indo/Canadian man. Eventually, Chand musters up the courage to leave her husband and return to India.
- The audience seemed to enjoy the show and requested that another film night be held in Phase 2. After the showing of the film one woman openly disclosed that she is living with a man who abuses her and her children and has but all given up hope. Another woman also shared some of her past experiences with the CE. She was able to relate to the character of Chand in the film but did not wait as long as Chand to leave her abusive situation. A total of 70 H&S brochures and leaflets were distributed at this activity.

GOOD HOPE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR WORKPLAN – June 2009

Date	Activity	Time
10/6/09	Steering Committee Meeting	4 pm
14/6/09	Village Walk About	5 pm
	Village March	3 pm
13/5/09	Steering Committee Meeting	5 pm
	Meeting with the Muslim Community	

COVENT GARDEN

Community Educators: Tessa Greene & Ebeth McIntosh

Community: Covent Garden, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 4 visits were made to this community during *

of Persons Reached: Total - 35 Female 27 Male 8

of Persons Newly Reached: Total - 35 Females 27 Males 8

of H&S leaflets Distributed: 0

of HIV/AIDS Brochures: 0

of Brochures on Condoms: 0

Objectives of Visits:

- Meetings with Heads of Secondary, Primary and Nursery School to garner support for the project, introduce Community Educators and plan for the holding of awareness sessions in the schools.
- To conduct an awareness session on Self with students from the Covent Garden Secondary School
- To conduct an awareness session with teachers from Covent Garden Secondary School

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Meeting with Headmistress of Covent Garden Secondary School - 18th May

- The Head mistress greeted the two Community Educators (CEs) warmly and gave her support for the holding of awareness sessions with students, teachers and members of the PTA. The first two such awareness sessions were fixed at this first meeting, May 20th for the first sessions with students and May 21st for the other session with teachers. She also requested that the CEs set other dates for awareness sessions and she would organize for these to be held at the school. The CEs were also introduced to the President of the PTA who has also committed himself to ensuring that the PTA gets involved in the project and awareness activities. The CEs also met with a senior mistress of the school who also supported the holding of awareness sessions with all the members of the school community.

Meeting with Headmaster of the Covent Garden Primary School - 18th May

- Mr. Rajman, the Headmaster of the Primary School like his counterpart at the Secondary School welcomed the idea of the CEs visit to the school. He requested that a schedule be prepared for both students and teachers for the upcoming school year by the CEs so that he can ask the Ministry of Education for permission to dismiss early on the dates proposed for awareness sessions. This visit resulted in a session being set for May 22 for Grade 5 PTA.

Meeting with head of Covent Garden Nursery School - 18th May

- The CEs were not able to meet with the headmistress of the Nursery School but spoke to the person in charge in her absence. She has promised to talk with the Head mistress and give a feedback to either one of the CEs.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Awareness Session-Students of 4th Form, Covent Garden Secondary School - Understanding Self - 20th May

- Just before the sessions with the students started one of the CEs was approached by the school security in relation to a student who he thought needed some assistance. The student of Form 2 disclosed that he is an only child, his father migrated to the USA a number of years ago but does not have legal status and sends very little financial support to his family in Guyana. His mother works at a hospital in Georgetown and suffers herself from a medical complaint which causes her chronic pain. The boy's mother is very abusive physically and verbally to him. He tries to do what is right and helps his mother with many of the chores in the home including helping her to bathe when she is not well. C said he hates when his mother curses him out when he does anything wrong and even though she promises to stop being abusive she reverts back to her abusive behaviour. Three weeks ago C broke a flashlight and hid it instead of telling his mother. His mother found the broken flashlight and was verbally abusive to him and went to bed without telling him good night as she normally does. C said he became very upset picked up a razor blade and proceeded to cut into his left hand with the razor blade. When his mother found him she was very afraid and explained that she walked away from him because she was so angry she wanted to hit him and not because she did not care for him. Cs hand is almost healed but the marks are still visible. C says he does not want his mother to know he spoke to the CE. The CE gave C a leaflet on H&S with their telephone numbers in case he wants to get

in contact with them. The CE believes both C and his mother needs counselling. His mother is presently looking for a new job and C claims that he forgets things but his mother thinks he is pretending.

- A total of nineteen (19) students, 16 girls and 3 boys, participated in a 2 hr awareness session on Understanding Self. The students were excited about the session and even though it was scheduled to end in 45 minutes the students asked the CE to continue the session until the close of school using up the double free period they had.

A written evaluation done by students of the sessions indicated that students enjoyed the open interaction among themselves with everyone being given the chance to express themselves. They also liked the group work, energizers and getting to know one another.

Students said that they learnt strategies to overcome and deal with different types of problems, physical or emotional. Another lesson learnt was that they were the most important person in their lives and have the ability to change the negative aspects they identify in their life into positive ones. The importance of letting person know how they feel about issues and themselves were also things that students said they learnt.

Students also committed to put what they had learnt into action, by using the knowledge gained to guide them in their everyday life and in the future to be a successful persons. Students also said that they would share the information with friends, family and neighbours and use it positively to change for the better.

Assessment of the facilitators by students was overwhelmingly positive, they felt they were generous, kind, wonderful, professional, understanding, funny, brilliant, and displayed a genuine love and concern for the students. Students also said they appreciated the way that the facilitators made them share their feelings using drawings or written words.

Students also requested more sessions with the facilitators and said that such sessions would influence change. There was a request for flyers and brochures to be distributed to student so that the knowledge can be passed on.

Awareness Session - Teachers of Covent Garden Secondary School - Understanding Self - 21st May

- A total of eleven (11) teachers, 8 females and 3 males between the ages of 20-49 participated in the 2 hr awareness session on Understanding Self. Feedback from teachers indicated that they were open to new ideas and information shared about Self. Some of the teachers said that they had never taken the time to examine themselves in this way before. Teachers said they had fun learning and appreciated the fact that Help & Shelter chose their school and community for this project so children, teachers, families and friends could benefit. They also are prepared to give their full support in every way possible for the awareness sessions including their participation and encouragement to others to also be a part of these sessions.

Assessment of the sessions indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as excellent.

Covent Garden – Reported DV Case - 21st May

- The CE was asked by the head of this school to talk to one of the staff members about a domestic abusive situation. This member of staff explained that her 16yr old cousin has been married for one year to a 35yr old man who abuses her. Her

cousin is afraid to leave this man because of the threats he has made to find her and kill her if she attempts to do this. The cousin's family does not want to report the matter to the police. The abuser locks the gate so that the cousin cannot leave the house, her relatives are also not permitted to visit her. The abuser's family lives in the top flat of the house and reports if anyone visits the cousin. The cousin is not even allowed to go to the supermarket unless accompanied by the abuser and is not ever allowed to go out alone. The cousin does not have a cell phone and the only landline telephone is upstairs in the flat of the abuser's family. The staff member explained that once her family had removed the young lady from the home but her mother took her back to the abuser home that same night. The CE tried to explain that the best thing to do was to get the Police involved so that they can go with them to remove her from the home to a safe house. However she was reminded that that the cousin's mother does not want the Police involved in family business. She however said she would try to talk to an uncle who is a Rural Constable to see if she could persuade him to go with the Police for her cousin.

COVENT GARDEN COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN- June 2009

Date	Activity	Time
2/6/09	Awareness Sessions- Primary Students	1 pm
8/6/09	Awareness Session-Primary Teachers	1 pm
12/6/09	Awareness Session-Grade 5 PTA	
16/6/09	Community Outreach- Walking the Community	
21/5/09	Meeting with Full Gospel Church Pastor	
22/6/09	Awareness Session -4 th Form Students	12.30 pm
23/6/09	Awareness Session-Secondary Teachers	12.30 pm