George Liele
Church Planting, Evangelism, and Missions Sunday
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Meet George. George was born in Virginia in 1750. For many years, George was a slave. But soon after he became a Christian, George’s owner set him free.

George began to preach God’s Word in Georgia and South Carolina. In 1782, George and his wife, Hannah, and their four children, sailed to the island of Jamaica. When he arrived in Jamaica, George found many people who had never heard about Jesus.

So, what do you think George did? He told Jamaicans all about how God loved them so much that He sent Jesus to die on the cross as payment for their sins. During his time in Jamaica, George started a church and hundreds of people came to know Jesus. Thirty years later, there were 20,000 believers in Jamaica! George died in 1828, but his legacy lives on.

Do you know what it means to be faithful? Someone who is faithful trusts God and obeys him, no matter what. George Liele was faithful. He trusted that God would take care of him and his family. He obeyed God’s command to tell others about Jesus.

Today we celebrate George’s faithfulness. We can be faithful, too. Ephesians 3:20-21 tells us that when we are faithful, God can do more than we can even imagine.

Let’s pray and ask God to help us be faithful—to trust and obey Him. With our faithfulness, God will do great things!

“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.” Ephesians 3:20-21
In Revelation 7:9, God tells us that after Jesus returns, people from every nation, tribe, people, and language will gather at His throne to worship Him. Since we trust that scripture is true, we can obey by telling others about Jesus. We can be faithful!
George Liele demonstrated that he trusted God when he sailed on a ship to live in another country. He demonstrated his obedience by telling others about Jesus. Let’s build a ship to help us remember George’s faithfulness.

George was faithful. He trusted and obeyed God when he sailed to Jamaica to tell others about Jesus. I can be faithful, too!

1. Cut out the pieces
2. Glue on another sheet of paper
3. Use your imagination to color the rest of the scene
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When George and his family moved to Jamaica, they experienced many new things. George probably ate food he had never eaten before! Find a local Jamaican restaurant to visit, bring in food from a local caterer, or cook the recipe we’ve included below. Try some new food and discuss George Liele’s faithfulness to go tell others about Jesus. Here’s some questions that may help:

**WHO WAS GEORGE LIELE AND WHAT DID HE DO DURING HIS TIME IN JAMAICA?** George Liele was born in Virginia. He had a wife, Hannah, and four children. In 1782, George and his family sailed to Jamaica where he told others about Jesus. George started a church and baptized hundreds of believers.

**WHAT KINDS OF NEW THINGS DO YOU THINK THE FAMILY EXPERIENCED?** A long trip on a sailing ship. New foods (like we are sampling today). New friends, language, and customs.

**DO YOU THINK GEORGE AND HIS FAMILY MIGHT HAVE BEEN AFRAID?** Change and uncertainty often results in nervousness and fear. But George trusted that God would take care of him and his family. He obeyed God’s command to tell others about Jesus. George Liele was faithful no matter what.

**WHAT IMPACT DID GEORGE HAVE ON THE KINGDOM OF GOD?** George started a church in Jamaica, baptized hundreds, and discipled them to also be obedient to God’s call to the nations. As a result, thousands have followed Jesus because believers that George discipled were faithful to share the gospel in Savannah, Georgia, South Carolina, Jamaica, Nova Scotia, and Sierra Leone.

**WHAT ARE SOME WAYS WE CAN FOLLOW GEORGE’S EXAMPLE OF FAITHFULNESS IN OUR OWN LIVES?** Answers vary. Consider how you can be faithful to God’s call in your own community and beyond.

**READ EPHESIANS 3:20-21 TOGETHER. WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT GOD CAN DO “ABOVE AND BEYOND ALL THAT WE CAN ASK AND THINK” WHEN WE ARE FAITHFUL?** Answer vary. Reference: “Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” Ephesians 3:20-21, CSB
Jamaican Beef Patties

Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons curry powder
- 1 dash salt
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 1/4 cup shortening
- 1/3 cup water
- 2 tablespoons margarine
- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 small onion, finely diced
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup beef broth
- 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1 egg, beaten
GET COOKING

Jamaican Beef Patties

Directions

• Preheat oven to 400°F (200°C).

• In a large bowl, combine flour, 1 1/2 teaspoons curry powder, and pinch of salt. Cut in 1/4 cup margarine and shortening until mixture resembles coarse crumbs.

• Stir in water until mixture forms a ball. Shape dough into a log, and cut into 10 equal sections.

• Roll each section into a six inch circle (approximately 1/8 inch thick). Set aside.

• Melt margarine in a skillet over medium heat. Saute onion until soft and translucent. Stir in ground beef.

• Season with 1 teaspoon curry powder, thyme, 1 teaspoon salt, and pepper. Cook until beef is evenly brown, stirring constantly.

• Stir in beef broth and bread crumbs. Simmer until liquid is absorbed. Remove from heat.

• Spoon equal amounts of filling into each pastry circle.

• Fold over and press edges together, making a half circle. Use a fork to press edges, and brush the top of each patty with beaten egg.

• Bake in preheated oven for 30 minutes, or until golden brown.