## LYVIE VAILLANT

Teen Ministry, Worship & Praise Team Martinique

## Background:

How do you serve in GCI? I monitor the youth group in our church and I am the worship leader once a month for the youth worship with some volunteers. I also participate in the church praise group. / How has your ministry had an impact on who you are? I must admit that despite my thirty years, I'm still a teenager in my mind, when I spend time with them during our fun moments. It helps me to be in a constant dicussion with God, and allows me to nourish my faith like a little child. This way I have an easier connection with the Father. / How did your ministry develop? I have always been close to the teens, listening to them on a spiritual, educational and friend level. They consider me like their big sister, a confidant they can share with. It became obvious for me to be by their side spiritually-speaking. / Who has invested in you to support you in your ministry? Kernani Cheny, one of our pastors of GCI Martinique. He believed in me and helped in many ways. / Is there something unique about your church services that connects with your local context? When we gather for services, the praise and worship is unique. We have talented musicians who are able to create the atmosphere for the worship team and the whole church to connect. It's a joy to praise the Lord in the Caribbean. In Martinique we have a lot of Christian churches, and praise and adoration are quite developed. / What makes your region different than other places in the world? Martinique is a tourist island, called the island of flowers, full of smiling and welcoming people. We have a lot of Christians and speaking about our faith is not a taboo subject. Some notable locations are the rum factories and the Pelée Mountain ruins. / What is a must see attraction where you live? Without any hesitation I will say the beach. We are an island and our beaches are wonderful, especially in the Northen part with black sand. / Where do you go to have fun where you live? Most of the time I have paintball parties with the youth, karting or board game evenings. I go to the beach, and the best meeting place for me is the movie theater center called Madiana 4.



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Describe your perfect day: Waking up on saturday, praying and having breakfast with my parents and going to church for worship and sharing around the word. After church we have a family lunch, I participate in the praise team rehearsal, then we go to Saint Pierre to my grand parents place to make me pamper by my granny.

5 Things I cannot live without: Jesus, without my sister, without laughing, the love of my parents and of course my cell phone.

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Music energizes me.

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Everyone who know you knows you love:
Singing

Greatest accomplishment: My project to be a make up artist.

## FAVORITE SCRIPTURE?

I love Esaïe 43. My life song is "Persevere" from Olivier CHEUWA. My favorite quote is "I can do all things through God who strengthens me.

## WHAT ARE SOME STAND OUT MEMORIES FROM YOUR TIME IN GCI? I

have 3 standout memories: My oldest one being my first camp experience as a teen. The second is when we had a seminar for the youth with the pastor at this time Jack Brunet. This was my "awe" moment, and at this time I deeply realized who God was for me. And finally, the precious day when I was born again on March 10th,

HOW DID YOU CONNECT WITH

GCI? I came in contact with GCI through my father. He used to take me to church with my twin sister. We were 5 years old.

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