

Father Callistus Cayetano - In his Own Words

It's a small book, only fifty-nine pages and I wasn't sure what to expect, but after the first few pages, I was smiling as I was led back to a time deeply rooted in this man's life, a time so easy to imagine as it unfolded 'in his own words'.

Father Callistus Cayetano will be 81 in 2023 and is a retired diocesan priest who is still serving his diocese saying Mass in the village of Barranco and actively participating, whenever he is called.

His brother Sebastian, beaming with pride described the book as a '**good** book', that everyone should read. He said Father Cal, as he is known to many, wrote the book in connection with his coming Golden Jubilee. He was ordained on August 15, 1973.

The book is a frank and honest reflection of Father Cal's childhood experiences, his call to the priesthood, his seminarian experiences, and his experiences as priest in the last 50 years. It's a true picture of a priest who is also a man, a son, a brother and even a soccer player. Throughout those years he has been a spiritual guide, councilor, special friend and has touched the lives of so many.

All are invited to an excellent read and a kind gesture of support for a retired priest who has continued to love his church and people. Proceeds will be used for his regular travel to the city for medical checks among other things.

The book is available for a price of only BZD \$20.00 at the Luba Garifuna Cultural Museum at 4202 Fern Lane Belize City. For information on how to purchase call Sebastian Cayetano at 501-608-4134 or 501-202-4331.

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