

‘Playing for Jesus’: Curaçao Stars Worship to ‘Goodness of God’ at World Cup

The men’s soccer team from the tiny country of Curaçao is setting records this year, and glorifying God as they do it.

The men are known for publicly singing worship songs like Goodness of God during rallies and practices, and several players were seen praying on the field with their opponents after their games with Germany and Ecuador.

The team from the Caribbean island nation is defying the odds, appearing in their first World Cup ever, while representing the country with the smallest population at the event.



To order Kathryn Krick’s new book, Ignite Revival, visit .

Curaçao has roughly 185,400 residents, so its ability to compete at the World Cup is astounding. It’d be comparable to the city of Fort Lauderdale, FL, fielding a world-class team from the residents of their city.

A big moment for the team came when their goalkeeper Eloy Room, made a record-setting 15 saves when they played Ecuador. No World Cup goalkeeper has ever made more saves than Room without the game going into extra time. And by tying that game, Curaçao became the smallest country ever to earn a point at the World Cup.

To read the full story, visit our content partners at CBN News.

Reprinted with permission from . Copyright © 2026 The Christian Broadcasting Network Inc. All rights reserved.