The Migration of the Garifuna People

500 B.C. - By this year some of the Arawak had moved up the Orinoco River sailing from Venezuela, Suriname, and Columbia to the Antilles Islands of the Caribbean.

100 A.D. - The Arawak were later followed by the Caribs.

1100 - The Caribs mixed with the Arawaks in the Caribbean islands and created a new people, Island Carib.

1492 - After this year Slaves from Africa and Europeans came to the Caribbean.

1635 - African slaves adopted Carib way of life, intermarried with the Island Caribs and created a new people, Black Caribs.

1763 - The British took the Black Caribs and Island Caribs captive and sent them to the island of Baliceau.

1797 - British permanently exiled the Black Caribs to the island of Roatan. The light-skinned, Island Caribs remained on St. Vincent.

1798 - From Roatan, the Black Caribs spread North to British Honduras and South to Nicargua.

1832 - (November 19) The Black Caribs settled in Belize.

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Arawak
Carib Indians
Island Caribs
African Slaves
Black Carib (Garifuna)