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Connected: Growing in Christ

“Year of The Pastor”

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THE HOME: A MOST VALUABLE PARTNER IN READING EDUCATION



The importance of reading cannot be over emphasized. Though not occurring involuntarily as breathing,

reading nonetheless is as vital to scholastic success as breathing is for life and should be given priority. Reading must be artfully nurtured and relentlessly encouraged, especially in young children.

The home is a most valuable partner (MVP) in reading education and a fitting place at which to introduce reading and support reading mastery. Parents have at their disposal a plethora of creative ways in which to capitalize on the activities that they engage in with their child or children.

Some ways include but are not limited to:

Modeling the Reading Behavior

Children tend to emulate the habits of significant adults in their lives. This fact makes modeling reading, an efficient method of nurturing great readers. Arlington & Cunningham (2007) assert that “What all children need and some need more of is **modeling, explanation and demonstration** of how reading is to be accomplished”. Parents should let their children see and hear them read often. Reading aloud to children will provide them with a model of how reading sounds and an example of **fluency**.

Environmental Labeling

This is a time-efficient approach that is useful in developing reading ability in children. It entails labeling familiar objects in and around the home. Children will independently associate the name label with the familiar object. Mastery is attained when the word is recognized in a new setting removed from the point of introduction as in a sentence or paragraph.

Reading to Read

Reading is an activity, so children should read to read. This may be accomplished individually or with peers. The more opportunities to read that are tapped into, the more proficient the child becomes. With

reading it is a matter of practice makes perfect. The greater the engagement, the easier reading becomes and the higher the confidence and skill level of the reader rises.

Parents, do your part; do it well, consistently, and passionately. If you need help, investigate resources around you. Remember, God expects us to be effective stewards of the gems He has placed in our care. -Ms. *Orencial Ferril, Reading Specialist; Bahamas Academy*

PRAISE REUNION IS BACK!

Join Praise Reunion in concert at the Evangelistic Temple, Collins Avenue on Sunday, April 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The proceeds from the concert will go to Bahamas Academy and the Mary Ingraham Home. Get your tickets from the conference office, Logos Bookstore, or Bahamas Academy (Old Trail and Marshall Roads). -Mr. *Harold Dorsett, Coordinator; Praise Reunion*

ONE HUNDRED DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE WORLD CHURCH

On Wednesday, March 25, 2015 the World Church commenced 100 days of prayer for the upcoming General Conference Session. Let us pray earnestly for the Holy Spirit to guide the hearts and minds of our delegates as they do the work of God. This appeal comes from the Revival and Reformation Committee of the General Conference. -*Office of the Secretariat, SBC*

LOCAL PROGRAMS ARE BACK ON CHANNEL 53

ATV 53 News Update is back on cable television along with a number of our local programming! So for your convenience you can watch the Adventist news on channel 53, the conference website at www.southbahamasconference.org or the South Bahamas Conference facebook page. -Mrs. *Lavern Sturupp, Television Programmes Coordinator*

ATCU PATHFINDER CAMPOREE BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

The much anticipated first Atlantic Caribbean Union Pathfinder Camporee begins this weekend in Nassau, Bahamas. The camporee will be held at the Bahamas Youth Camp on Gladstone Road. The theme for the camporee is *YOU- Turn*

On Sabbath morning, April 4, the pathfinders from the Turks and Caicos Islands Mission, Cayman Islands, and the North Bahamas Conferences will join the pathfinders from the

South Bahamas Conference in worship at several of the churches on the island of New Providence. After the Sabbath service, the pathfinders will assemble at Fort Charlotte, to begin a grand witnessing parade throughout the town area and the inner city of Nassau. The parade will end at the Heritage Site, Arawak Cay, where a rally will be held. The parade begins at 4:00 p.m. and the rally is expected to begin at 6:00 pm.

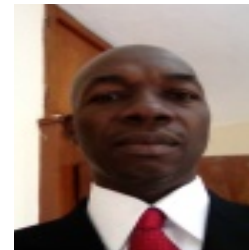
All pathfinders, adventurers, and masterguides (in full uniform) are asked to assemble at Fort Charlotte by 3:30 p.m. on Sabbath April 4, for the parade. -*Pastor Andrew Burrows, Youth Director; ATCU*

MEETING OF DIRECTORS, ASSOC. ASSISTANTS, AND COORDINATORS

All directors, associates, assistants, and coordinators of the South Bahamas Conference are urged to attend a most urgent *Strategic Planning* session at the conference office on Sunday, April 12, 2015 at 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. -*Pastor Paul Scavella, President*

SPECIAL INVITATION

You are cordially invited to an evangelistic outreach, under the theme: “Lessons from the 7 Churches Gospel Series” It begins at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 29 and will conclude on April 12, 2015 at the New



Englerston Seventh-day Adventist Church, East Street (near Cordeaux Avenue). Come and hear Evangelist Edward St. Fleur expounding on the relevance of the messages of the seven churches for our time! Come one, come all, a blessing awaits you! -*Pastor Edward St. Fleur, Evangelist*

FAMILY MINISTRIES

All Family Ministries leaders of our churches are asked to attend a very important meeting at the conference office on Sunday, April 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. It is crucial that we meet to prepare for the upcoming events:

- Gifted & Single’s Weekend
- Marriage Enhancement Week

-*Pastor Peter Joseph, Family Ministries Director*

ATCU PRAYER INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of the Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for April 5 - 11, 2015 is: ***The Need for a Spirit of Humility.*** -*Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator*

CONFERENCE POETRY FEST

The Poetry Fest of the Children and Adolescent Ministries (CHAM) Department is open to children ages 5 - 14 in the South Bahamas Conference. **Details:** The theme of each poem should be *Connected and Growing in Christ*. Each entrant must write his/her own poem.

All entries must be submitted to the local church CHAM leaders by April 4, 2015.

There will be a semi-final held at each church/church district. **The semi-final at each church/church district should be completed by April 18, 2015.** From the semi-final, one person from each category will advance to the finals that will be held on May 2, 2015.

The name of the semi-final winner from each category along with the poem should be submitted to the conference director by April 23, 2015.

Category A - Ages 5-7 (Limerick)

Category B - Ages 8-10 (Free Verse < 10 lines)

Category C - Ages 11-14 (Sonnet)

Get a sample of the poetic style from your CHAM leader. -Mrs. Joan M. Scavella, CHAM Director

A REPORT ON CHAM'S FIRST READING IN THE PARK

The first *Reading in the Park*, an outreach programme of the Children and Adolescent Ministries (CHAM) Department of the South Bahamas Conference, took place on Saturday, March 28 at the Pinewood Gardens Community Park. Children came from all corners of the conference to share with the Pinewood Gardens community in songs of praise and inspirational reading. The conference's CHAM leaders formed reading hubs in which they involved community members. Lively music, appropriate for the age levels, set the atmosphere and tone for vibrant participation of the children and their leaders.

Mr. Vernal Rolle, an ardent supporter of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, reminisced about former church events hosted on the very site. However, in alluding to *Reading in the Park*, he said, "This is so refreshing, we need to do it again, it was a very good exercise".

With the looming shift in traditional reading and the emphasis on electronic gadgets, the CHAM department sought to capitalize on an area of impending dearth in our nation, while focusing on Jesus. It is the intention of the South Bahamas Conference to reach people where they are, and so the CHAM department will venture to communities to inspire and encourage them through the word of God.

The efforts of the hardworking children and adolescent leaders; the conference's media department; special events coordinator; the Health Ministries Department; and pastors complemented the event to the delight of the children and community friends.

It was a welcoming treat that will be duplicated in a community near you; so listen up and prepare to attend! -Mrs. Joan Scavella, CHAM Director

CHAM REGULAR MEETING

All CHAM leaders are reminded of our meeting on Sunday, April 5, 2015 at 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. - Mrs. Joan Scavella, CHAM Director

AUDITION FOR 2016 CHAM PRODUCTION

CHAM department plans to have a dramatic production next year to further nurture and awaken talents in our children as they solidify their faith in Christ. Does your child want to be in the 2016 CHAM Production? If so, please bring your child for audition at the South Bahamas Conference Office on Sunday, April 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Auditions will go until 12:00 noon. -Mrs. Joan Scavella, CHAM Director

CHAM CALENDAR 2015

April 5 - Audition for SBC Children and Adolescent Ministries Production 2016

April 7 - Training for Vacation Bible School

May 2 - Poetry Fest

June 2 - Training for VBS

June 27 - Reading in the Park

July - (VBS Month)

July 25 - Children and Adolescent Sabbath

August 1 - CHAM Emphasis Day

September 2 - 5 Doctrinal Seminar (GMCI)

September 26 - Reading in the Park

October 10 - 17 Children and Adolescent Week of Prayer

October 17 - Adventist Children & Adolescents' Day

October 18 - CHAM Fun Day

November 17 - CHAM Art Show

December 19 - Reading in the Park

HEALTH MINISTRIES

Life Enrichment Series

Health and Wellness Seminar

Join us at the McKinney Scavella Leadership Institute (GMCI-Old Bahamas Academy) on April 4 and every Sabbath morning at 9:30 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. for a life-changing program. Topics include, diabetes, lifestyle change, herbs and their uses and much more. This programme runs for 16 weeks.

I Want to Live Healthy

Train the trainer will be held at the Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, April 12 from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon. This training is for anyone interested in using a health evangelism tool for outreach. Call 323-0610 to confirm attendance.

I Want to Live Healthy Fun Run Walk

You are invited to the I Want to Live Healthy Fun Run Walk on Easter Monday, April 6 at 6:30 - 8:00 a.m. The route is Goodman's Bay to Sandypoint and back. Breakfast goodies will be available at a nominal fee.

Save the date

Attend a Community *Health Expo* at Windsor Park on April 18, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Get free screenings, counseling, clothing, shoes, breadbasket giveaways, and live demos.

Health Impact Day

Health Impact Day is April 18, 2015. On this year we will distribute the Book of the Year. - Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY AT LIVING FAITH

Join the band of Community Service personnel of the Living Faith Church for their Community Service Day on the church grounds on Sunday, April 5, 2015 from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m. - Community Services Department

POSITION AVAILABLE AT GRAND BAHAMA ACADEMY

Grand Bahama Academy of Seventh-day Adventists is looking for a hard-working, dedicated leader to serve as principal. Under the direct supervision of the Office of Education of the North Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the principal will manage a team of committed administrators and instructional and support staff.

MINIMUM CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS:

*Is an active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

*Holds a master's degree in educational leadership, curriculum and instruction, or related fields from an accredited institution.

*Has Teacher Certification

*Has a proven track-record of school leadership, having generated exceptional student outcomes, with at least two years of data documenting strong academic, personal, and interpersonal outcomes.

*Has a minimum of three years' administrative experience along with five years' teaching experience.

*Possesses excellent interpersonal and communication skills.

*Understands and is committed to the distinctive qualities of Seventh-day Adventist education.

The successful candidate will be responsible for ensuring that all aspects of the school's operation support the school's philosophy and mission.

Candidates may download the application form from the conference website at www.northbahamasmission.org and submit the completed application form along with copies of professional degrees and resume to THE CHAIRMAN, SEARCH COMMITTEE, North Bahamas Conference, Beachway Drive, Freeport, Grand Bahama or mail the completed application form, copies of professional degrees, and resume to THE CHAIRMAN, SEARCH COMMITTEE, P.O. BOX F-40515, Freeport, Grand Bahama by May 28, 2015. The committee reserves the right to reject the application of any or all applicants. -Office of Education, North Bahamas Conference



YOUTH TIDBITS MASTER GUIDE TRAINING

Master Guide training continues each Sunday at 6:00 a.m. at the Hillview Church. -Pastor Larry Green, Youth Ministries Director

SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH APRIL 11, 2015 AT 7:30 P.M.

Website:

<http://southbahamasconference.org>
Have a Blessed and Wonderful Sabbath!

