

# THE LOGOS



Connected: Growing in Christ

“Year of The Pastor”

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## CONSECRATED FOR SERVICE



The word consecration as defined by an author is “the separation of oneself from things that are unclean, especially

anything that would contaminate one’s relationship with a perfect God.”

Consecration also carries the connotation of sanctification, holiness, or purity. So, in the context of being of service as God’s hands, eyes and feet in the world, this passage of scripture comes to mind: To equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up (Ephesians 4:12, NIV).

God expects us to be pure in heart as He is, if we are to represent Him here on earth. To fully grow in ministry and watch it produce the results of which God would be pleased, we must come with sincerity and be on one accord. The Holy Spirit must guide and direct our paths in all that we undertake. This cannot happen if we have not consecrated our lives to Him.

There are many examples in the Bible where God called persons to consecration in order to achieve or accomplish a major task. One was Joshua.

In the book of Joshua 3:5, God told the children of Israel, “Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.” After forty years of wandering in the wilderness they crossed the River Jordan and entered the Promised Land. In Joshua 3:7, God gave Joshua a promise, “Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you.

Isn’t it wonderful to know that when we obey God’s word He will provide for us in every situation?

What is it that we are asking God to work out for our ministry, our church, or even in our personal lives? Are we actively

seeking to consecrate ourselves for service so that He can use us?

Or, are we sitting back waiting to be asked and criticizing the work and efforts of others who are working? Are we leading by example in our homes, at church, or on our jobs?

Next weekend, the local Women’s Ministries leaders and their teams, along with countless other women in the South Bahamas Conference, will consecrate themselves for service. We invite you to join us.

There is a **mighty** work to be done, so let us join hands and heart and work shoulder to shoulder for the building up of the Kingdom in this part of God’s vineyard.

We are all called to be consecrated for service. What will your answer be today?

In our life here, earthly, sin-restricted though it is, the greatest joy and the highest education are in service. And in the future state, untrammled by the limitations of sinful humanity, it is in service that our greatest joy and our highest education will be found (E. G. White, Maranatha, p. 29).

My prayer is that we will ask the Lord to rekindle the fire of the Holy Spirit within us and set us apart for His service as we consecrate our lives to Him anew. *—Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women’s Ministries Director*

### BAHAMAS ACADEMY PRESENTS “AGAPE PRAISE”

The entire conference and community friends are invited to a grand concert, “*Agape Praise*”, at the Church of God Auditorium, Joe Farrington Road on Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. This is a major fundraiser to assist the school in completing some outstanding projects. Be sure to get your tickets from Bahamas Academy or the South Bahamas Conference Headquarters. There will be a contact person at each church. Let’s offer the highest praise to the Author of love! So save the date and plan to have a refreshing evening of music. *—School Administration*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SBC HEADQUARTERS

#### Media Night

On February 28, 2015, ATV 53 and Word SBC 88.3 FM will be showcasing their operation at the H D Colburn Gymnasium on Wulff Road at 7:00 p.m. You cannot miss this event! Come and meet the faces and voices behind the scenes as we journey into becoming the *leading gospel media house* in the country. We will unveil our new logos for the three media entities: ATV, Word SBC 88.3 FM and the media network which comprises the South Bahamas Adventist News, The Logos, and the SDA Blast. The activities will include a grand old Saturday night march, and food sales by the Pathfinder Band and Bahamas Academy PTA. Order your t-shirt for the event. Encourage a missing member to attend the event and reconnect with Christ. Adventist business persons are encouraged to attend and become sponsors of programmes hosted by the SBC Media House. Should you also need an on-spot promotion at the February 28 event, kindly contact Mrs. Mary Knott at 341-4021 for further details. Come and let’s share a wonderful evening together.

#### Back-to-Faith

Join the Back-to-Faith Disciple coaching program. We meet this and every Sunday morning at 8 o’clock at the McKinney/Scavella Leadership Institute located at the GMCI. Each church is asked to send a representative to the meeting.

#### VBA Workdays

The Volunteer Bahamas Adventist (VBA) workdays will be held at the GMCI on Sunday, January 25, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. A special invitation goes out to all Adventist men, master guides, pathfinders and Adventist Community Service persons to participate as we restore and secure the campus. Our prayer is that we will continue to work together for a glorious future in our conference. *—Administration*

#### ATCU PRAYER INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of the Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for January 25 - 31, 2015 is: *Seeing God’s Love Through His Resurrection*. *—Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator*

## JOIN ASI

All businesspersons and other interested members are invited to join the Adventist Laymen Services and Industries (ASI). Become a part of this thriving network that shares Jesus in the marketplace. Start by attending a meeting at Sunshine Deli on Charlotte Street, downtown Nassau. The meeting begins at 5:00 p.m. tomorrow (Sunday, January 25, 2015). Refreshments will be served. For additional information, contact Elder Dave Williams at 357 9410.

## BACK TO FAITH AT REDEMPTION

The pastor, officers, and members of the Redemption Seventh-day Adventist Church invite former members and our community friends to a special service and lunch on Sabbath, January 31 at their location on Redemption Way (off Hanna Road) in eastern New Providence at 9:15 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The fellowship is guaranteed! So come with your heart of praise and we have a glorious time in the Lord. Don't meet us there beat us there. For more information, call 357 9410. *-The Redemption SDA Church*



Under the theme: "The Soaking", the Women's Ministries Department of the South Bahamas

Conference invites you to a consecration service on Friday, January 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Living Faith Church, Old Trail Road. This hour and a half service promises to be a life-changing event. Please come and bring a friend. All are invited. *-Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director*

## JESUS IS THE ANSWER GOSPEL CAMPAIGN IN MANGROVE CAY

The *Jesus Is The Answer Gospel Campaign* will be held in Mangrove Cay on February 15 - 28 with evangelists, Dave Williams and Leo Rolle. All persons interested in working in this campaign are asked to contact Evangelist Williams at 1 242 357 9410. *-Asha-Dane Duncan, District Pastor*

## ADVENTIST CHURCH MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The South Bahamas Conference will send all data received from our church clerks to the Atlantic Caribbean Union by the end of January 2015. The union will send that data to the Inter-American Division in February 2015. Training for use of the software on Church Management will take place in March 2015. Your data for the local conference is past due. Kindly send in the required data to the secretariat, so

that your church can be in the electronic record of the South Bahamas Conference membership. *-Pastor Peter Joseph, Executive Secretary*

## THE ADVENTIST BOOK AND NUTRITION CENTRE

The ABNC has extended its book sale of 30% discount for the month of January, and will host a one-day storewide sale on Thursday, January 29, 2015. Come in and take advantage of the savings that await you. *-Mrs. Cherry Blackmore, Manager*

## CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENT MINISTRIES MEETING

There will be a breakfast-planning meeting for all Children and Adolescent Ministries leaders at the director's residence on Sunday, February 8, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. Kindly call 341-4021 for more information. *-Mrs. Joan Scavella, Children and Adolescent Ministries Director*

## AGAPE SDA CHURCH

Join the Agape Seventh-day Adventist Church in a three part exciting presentation on **The Ministry of Ellen G. White**. Are the writings of Ellen White equal with the Bible? Is the Seventh-day Adventist Church in recent times guilty of downplaying her writings? Are those who claim that Ellen White is a false Prophet correct? Get the answers to these questions and more. Services begin Wednesday January 28 at 7:00 p.m. and continue Sabbath, January 31. The final presentation will be Wednesday on February 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. *-Pastor T. Basil Sturruv, Agape Seventh-day Adventist Church*

## HEALTH MINISTRIES ANNOUNCEMENTS 8 Weeks to Wellness

The 8 Weeks to Wellness Program begins on Monday, February 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the GMCI (Old Bahamas Academy Gym), Wulff Road. Join us and learn how to prevent and manage: hypertension, diabetes, cholesterol, cancer, weight gain, stress and much more. A small donation is required. Contact: SBC at 341-4121 or Better Living at 323-5473. Screening and registration is scheduled for Thursday, February 5 at 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday, February 8 at 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the GMCI.

All Health Ministries directors, assistants and anyone who would like to assist with coaching at this program are asked to attend an important meeting on Monday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. at the New Englerston Church.

## Prayer Breakfast

All health professionals, directors and assistant directors, and members with a passion for health ministries are invited to attend a prayer breakfast at the New Providence Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, February 1 at 7:30 a.m.

## I Want To Live Healthy Training Workshop

All Health Directors, Assistants and those interested in working in the area of Health Ministries and members are invited to attend a workshop on health evangelism at the New Providence Church on February 1 at 10:30 a.m. *-Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director*



## YOUTH TIDBITS

### Meeting for ATCU Youth Camporee

All pathfinders are asked to attend a meeting at the Hillview Seventh-day Church on Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is called in preparation for the ATCU youth camporee. The camporee will be held on April 5-12, 2015 at Bahamas Academy grounds on Marshall Road. *-Pastor Larry L. Green, Youth Director*

### YOUTH LEADERS' MEETING

All youth leaders are asked to meet at the Good News Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, January 25 at 12:00 noon. *-Pastor Larry L. Green, Youth Director*

### JOIN SBC MASS YOUTH CHOIR

If you have a passion for singing and you are serious about witnessing for the Lord, then join the South Bahamas Conference Mass Youth Choir! Practice is held every Sunday at 4:00 p.m. at the GMCI (old Bahamas Academy grounds), Wulff Road. Persons must be between the ages of 13-35 years. Sopranos are especially welcomed. One choir, one voice, one God. *-Monique McKenzie, Director*

## YOUTH CALENDAR

February 15 Reach...Serving Like Jesus  
February 15 Masterguide Training begins  
February 28 Praise In The Park

## MASTERGUIDE TRAINING

The application process for masterguide training is now open. See the conference website or your local church pathfinder director for forms.

## SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH JANUARY 31, 2015 AT 5:53 P.M.

Website:

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

