

THE LOGOS



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"Lord Transform Me"

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WORDS RIGHTLY SPOKEN ARE LIKE APPLES OF GOLD IN PICTURES OF SILVER (Part 2)



Who can use the church logo? Most of us are aware of the official logo of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This is our first

official logo, although some thought the three angels flying around the world was an official one, it was not. Many churches use it but it was never discussed and agreed upon by our world leaders. The logo includes in the graphics the Bible, cross, and the flame of the Holy Spirit going around the earth. Here are some key facts: The colors of the logo are very important. When more than one color is being used to print the logo, the official colors must always be used - green and yellow. The colors are a direct color code. We are not allowed to choose any color we want. If there is one color for everything being used, there is some flexibility; for example, the gold metallic signs at the South Bahamas Conference Headquarters and the Johnson Park Seventh-day Adventist Church. Note also that the New Englerston Seventh-day Adventist Church sign is one color (purple) and made from plastic. This is authorized by the world church and done by the church's official sign company. The authorized fonts for printers are Goudy Old Style and Futura. Finally, only official organizations of the church should use the logo. These organizations are churches, schools, hospitals, and printing press. Remember, you are not free to use the logo simply because you are an Adventist. Do you realize that even 3ABN is not permitted to use the church's logo? This is so because our church does not own 3ABN! The logo is only for official Adventist organizations.

User-Friendly Terms: This one might be more applicable to news writers or public announcements. It is not always necessary to give the formal name of the organization when speaking publicly or even in news for official news items. Sometimes the formal name causing more confusion or raising questions. For example, instead of saying or writing, "Pastor Paul Scavella is the president of the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists", it is better to say or write, "Pastor Paul Scavella is the president

of the Adventist churches in the South Bahamas. Sometimes the terms "Conference" and "Union" do not relay the message we want to send to those who do not know. Instead saying "Pastor Leonard Johnson, president of the Atlantic Caribbean Union Mission of Seventh-day Adventists", say, "Pastor Leonard Johnson, president of the Adventist Church in the Bahamas, Cayman Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands". Dear members, let us seek to always season our words with grace. Let our words uplift and not tear down. "Words Rightly Spoken is Like Apples of Gold in Pictures of Silver" (*Proverbs 10:10*). -Pastor Barrington, Psychologist

BETHANY CELEBRATES 20 YEARS

The Bethany Seventh-day Adventist Church, located in North Westridge, on K.D. Albury Lane, celebrates its 20th Anniversary under the theme, "**Unless the Lord Builds The House**", this weekend (April 21-22, 2017). This weekend promises to be a "Spirit Filled" one and we invite everyone to celebrate with us. -Pastor Kenny Deveaux, Bethany Seventh-day Adventist Church

DONATIONS FOR MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING

Do you remember to donate to the multi-purpose building? You may place your contribution in your tithe envelope. If you have not started making your regular contributions, you may do so on a weekly or monthly basis. Make this a matter of prayer, and remember; little becomes much when placed in the Master's hand. -Administration

CHAM UPDATES

May 28: Child Preachers' Workshop
Pastor Jamal Franklyn will be the coach.

June 19 - 24 (Ends the Sabbath morning): CHAM Campaign
You cannot afford to miss this campaign facilitated by our own children.

Month of July: Vacation Bible School
Our leaders are planning for VBA! All leaders are encouraged to purchase their kits now! Call the conference office and speak with Mrs. Scavella or Mrs. Bastian for details.

September 10: CHAM Doctrinal Seminar
Pastoral Intern, Lorenzo will be the facilitator. -Mrs. Joan M. Scavella, CHAM Director

ASI CONVENTION 2017

The annual Adventist Laymen's Industries and Services (ASI) convention will be held in Panama on August 14 - 21, 2017. Should you wish to attend, kindly contact Pastor C. Melvin Lewis at the conference office or Elder Ian

Greene at 5560492 or 6014393. -Elder Ian Greene, President; ASI

ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of The Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for the week, April 23 - 29, 2017 is: **Colleges and Universities of the Inter-American Division**. Lord, bless our colleges and universities as they prepare men and women for service in this life and for wider service in the world to come.

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY SEMINAR

There will be Spirit of Prophecy Seminar for all members on May 17 - 18. This will be a joint service and all are invited. Topics include: Understanding Inspiration; How to Interpret the Writings of Ellen White; Ellen White's position on Education, Health Care and Vegetarianism; and Last Day Events. Each day will feature a presentation by Pastor Lynden Williams, followed by questions and answers. (Venue and times will be announced in the next edition of the Logos.) Family Island members who wish to be a part of this seminar may contact Pastor Williams at 803-9793 for online participation. -Pastor Lynden Williams, Spirit of Prophecy Director

8 WEEKS TO WELLNESS 2017 GRADUATION

Under the theme, **I Choose To Be Healthy**, 158 participants received certificates of completion on Monday, April 10, 2017. These persons attended five or more sessions of the 8 Weeks to Wellness Programme. The speaker for the evening was Dr. Philip Swann, director of the Bahamas Healthy Coalition. He heightened awareness of the current situation of the chronic non-communicable diseases (NCD's) in the country and commended the participants and the organizers of the programme for putting a dent in these numbers. He challenged both participants and organizers to continue to be agents of change toward wellness. Dr. Leonard Johnson, president of the Adventist Church in The Bahamas, Cayman Islands, and The Turks and Caicos Islands, brought greetings. Pastor Paul Scavella, president of the Adventist Church in the South Bahamas brought greetings as well. Seven participants of the programme and some of the coaches gave motivational testimonial.

We extend special thanks to all the hard-working and committed volunteers who assisted in the programme. Our gratitude extends to our sponsors, especially the South Bahamas Conference, Pastor Carl Johnson, and members of the Message of Hope church for accommodating the programme again this year. -Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director

HEALTH FOCUS FOR ASI

All Adventist Health Professionals and Health Directors/Assistants who are interested in traveling to Panama for the Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) Convention on August 14 - 21, 2017 may contact Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix at lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com or 323-0610. The Health Ministries Department will be the co-host of the event.

Wellness Retreat 2017

All persons interested in traveling to Exuma on May 19 - 21, 2017 for the Adventist Health Professional Association's annual retreat are asked to contact Dr. Alvira Higgs - 322-8314 -Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director

PRAYER MINISTRIES

On Saturday, May 6, 2017 the South Bahamas Conference's quarterly all night prayer meeting will be held at the Breath of Life Seventh-day Adventist Church. We will be praying for God's leading in the general elections. Prepare to pray with us. We look forward to seeing you at these events. -Sister Ali McIntosh & Elder David Knowles

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT Second Quarter (April -June)

"WE" (Women Empowerment) - at a glance:-
May 2017

TBA: WM Operation Jabez - Emotional Wellness Training Seminar.

June 2017

10th Women's Ministries & GEMS Emphasis Day

TBA WM - Zone 2 Community Out-reach
Last year the Women's Ministries (WM) Departments of Zone 2 churches spearheaded the *Baby Bottle* project for their community out-reach. This initiative changed many lives with the collection of over \$700.00 being collected from baby bottles filled with pennies and coins. This year they have once again chosen this impactful initiative.

Please support by bringing your loose coins to fill the empty bottles and help change a life.

SAVE THE DATE!

Under the theme, "Fulfilling My Purpose", the South Bahamas Conference will be hosting the Atlantic Caribbean Union's Retreat at the Melia Resort, on October 20-22, 2017 with guest speaker, Linda Anderson. Details and information will follow. -Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director

CELEBRATE SABBATH WITH NURSES

In celebration of Nurses' Month, all Seventh-day Adventist nurses are invited to attend a Sabbath vesper at the Centreville Seventh-day Adventist Church House on Friday, May 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Don't miss it!

SPECIAL NEEDS

Who are the persons with "special needs" in our church and how can we meet those needs? Please join us at the Centreville Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath May 6, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. for a Special Needs AY Service. -Nurse Rebecca Johnson, Coordinator

JOHNSON & WHITE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



This scholarship provides opportunity for a student to attend Bahamas Academy for Grades 10-12. The scholarship is academic and need-based, and will cover tuition, books and laboratory fees. It is given in honor of the valuable contributions to education made by educators, Mrs. Cynthia Johnson and Dr. Ruth White.

Applicants may be Seventh-day Adventists or non-Seventh-day Adventists from public or private schools (including Bahamas Academy). The scholarship committee will interview short-listed candidates before the final selection is made.

The selected student will be required to maintain a G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher during the scholarship period and is also expected to remain in good standing while matriculating at Bahamas Academy of Seventh-day Adventists. Access to academic and leadership mentorship will be provided for the scholarship recipient. Applications may be submitted to Bahamas Academy at 73 Marshall Road, Nassau, New Providence, or to the Office of Education at the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 135 Tonique Williams-Darling Highway. Contact information: Tel: 341-4021/2 Fax: 341-4088.

The following documents are required:

1. Completed application
2. 350-500 word essay
3. Copies of applicant's last 2 report cards
4. Letter of recommendation

Retrieve your application form from the South Bahamas Conference office, the website www.southbahamasconference.org or Bahamas Academy located on Marshall Road, Nassau, Bahamas.

Deadline for submitting the application is May 31, 2017. -Dr. Shaneeta Johnson

RESTOCKED FOR YOUR DELIGHT

The Adventist Book and Nutrition Centre has restocked its supply of Ellen G. White books, tracks, and Bibles. Additional Sabbath School supplies are available. -Mrs. C. Blackmore, Manager

PRE-MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT

The Agape Seventh-day Adventist Church presents a night of music at the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The theme is, *I Plead the Blood*. It will be inspirational, sensational, and enjoyable as we lift up the name of Jesus. A love offering will be taken. Funds will aid the building of the sanctuary and the music ministry. -Mrs. Lyndell Hanna, Agape Seventh-day Adventist Church

OFFICE UNDER REPAIR

The South Bahamas Conference office is under repair. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. -Administration

HEALTH MINISTRIES DIRECTORS' MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly meeting for all Health Directors will be held at the South Bahamas Conference Office on April 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

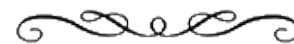
PUBLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY FORUM LAUNCH 2017



Public Campus Ministry Forum Launch 2017 will be held at the Centreville Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath, April 29, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. There will be:

- Drama Presentations
- Musical Selections
- Case-Study Sessions
- Interactive Discussions

This launch is for college and university students and professors. -Pastor Jamal Franklyn, Public Campus Ministry Coordinator



YOUTH TIDBITS

In Gratitude

The Youth Ministries Department of the South Bahamas Conferences expresses special thanks to the youth who attended the Inter-American Division Camporee in the Dominican Republic. We also express heartfelt thanks to the parents who entrusted their children to our care. The lessons learned in nature were a strong reinforcement of God's ever abiding love and faithfulness to supply our needs in adverse conditions. Thanks to the leaders and camp staff who made the experience a memorable one. Many members assisted in sponsoring our youth and even patronizing our sales. Praise God for you and His influence in your life! -Pastor Larry Green, Youth Ministries Director

MARANATHA - HEALTH EMPHASIS

Are you feeling depressed? Do you feel stressed after working hard during the day? The health team at Maranatha will be hosting a mental health seminar today (April 22) at 5:30 p.m. with our guest, Dr. Lightfoot. We will also conduct blood screening and show you natural remedies and protocols to live a happy and healthy life. Please join us! -Gayle Farquharson, Health Ministries Director, Maranatha

"A NEWSTART-I Choose to Live Healthy"

Health Emphasis Day

The Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church invites you to worship with them on Sabbath May 6, 2017 for Divine Service and Adventist Youth Society (AYS). The AYS program will begin at 5:00 p.m.

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers (3 John 1:2). -Sis Phillippa Rolle, Health Ministries Leader

SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH APRIL 29, 2017 AT 7:38 P.M.

Conference website:

<http://southbahamasconference.org>

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Have a blessed Sabbath!

