

THE LOGOS



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“Lord Transform Me”

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HAVE YOU INVESTED YOUR LIFE IN HIS KINGDOM?



As we approach the end of the year and the holiday season, many of us will be tempted to spend outside of our budget. God, through His Son has

been good to each of us. Have we been faithful to Him? Remembering that all we have comes from Him, did we invest our lives in His Kingdom?

The birth of Jesus is the moment of fulfillment that leads to another moment of fulfillment. His coming 2000 years ago is more about our inevitable face-to-face meeting with Him and how we have prepared for that encounter. We are told, “For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also” (Matt. 6: 21). Did we use every opportunity to invest our time, talent, treasure, temple and influence in Christ’s kingdom? Or did we pass the time seeking personal gain? In our giving, did we remember to place Jesus and His cause on our list? Did we put aside something for the needy? What about our much needed Multipurpose building? This is a good time for us to give a special offering from our bonuses to this worthy cause. Why not place a special box at the front of each church for this holiday season and have each member bring their special offering? This gift can be presented by the pastor at our State of the Conference Convocation in January of 2018.

When Jesus had an opportunity to give, He gave His all. He invested all of heaven into us, hoping and expecting a full return on His investment. In 2 Cor. 5:19 we read, “To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.”

We must remember that our duty is to remind a thoughtless world that what started in Bethlehem will be fully expressed when we have made room for Jesus in our hearts. Focus not just on the Christ who came as a babe but on the coming King of Kings, inviting men and women to, “fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgement has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the fountains of water”. (Rev. 14:7)

For us, Christmas must be a holy, happy, Adventist holiday, where Jesus will not be left in a manger but witnessed about so that men and women, boys and girls, will look forward to a soon coming Saviour who will rid this world of sin and invite each of us into His Father’s kingdom. This year, let us be joyful witnesses to both of Jesus’ comings. As faithful stewards, let us manage all that He has given to us; be ambassadors and enjoy a thoroughly Adventist Christmas. -Elder Anthony Burrows, Stewardship and Trust Director

Scavella. You may send your news items to logos@sbcadventist.com or barringtonbrennen@gmail.com. Bring the fee to the headquarters on Tonique Williams-Darling Highway. **The first BIZ will also be published on December 1, 2017. BIZ will also be available online.** -Pastor Barrington Brennen, Assistant to the President; Communication

CHAM DEPARTMENT EXPRESSES THANKS

The Children and Adolescent Ministries (CHAM) Department of the South Bahamas Conference extends heartfelt gratitude to all who supported the CHAM programs on the weekend.

A special thanks goes to the CHAM leaders, assistant leaders, choir directors, pastors, parents, and our boys and girls.

The weekend began on Sabbath morning, November 25, 2017 in the various churches. Under the theme “Called to be Faithful”, our boys and girls presented messages that stirred the hearts of the listeners.

In the afternoon, all roads led to the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church on Tonique Williams-Darling Highway for an amazing “Agape Praise”. What a time we had, lifting our voices in praise to God! The congregation left rejuvenated and filled with thanksgiving and praise.

The weekend climaxed with a day of fun and laughter. Scores of children, parents and on-lookers gathered at the Breath of Life Church grounds to engage in wholesome activities. Games, slides, bouncing castle, and Kiddies Corner were all available for the boys and girls to enjoy a day of good, clean fun. We thank the pastor, officers and members of the Breath of Life Church for affording us the opportunity.

Special thanks to all those who volunteered their time and assisted at the registration desk, supervised the rides, secured the property, coordinated the games, painted faces and controlled the media. To all those who assisted with the overall activities of the day, a profound thank you!

We salute our CHAM Director, Mrs. Joan Scavella, and express our deepest appreciation to her for her stellar performance this year. May God continue to bless her.

We look forward to 2018 when our boys and girls will be further empowered spiritually, mentally and physically. -Mrs. Cindy Stuart, Assistant CHAM Director

PATH TO LIFE MINISTRIES EXPERIENCE
Presents
JESUS IN PROPHECY
Theme Text: Psalm 16:11

November 27 - December 9, 2017
Nightly at 7:00 p.m.
REAL HARVEST WORSHIP CENTRE
Pigeon Plum St., Pinewood Gardens

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ANNOUNCING BIZ!

The Communication Department of the South Bahamas Conference is happy to present **BIZ**. This is a bi-weekly business newsletter for members to promote or announce their business or secular news items.

BIZ newsletter is not to be distributed during the Sabbath hours, but can be given out at all other times especially Saturday and Wednesday nights.

The Logos only provides church sponsored or related news items. **BIZ** is designed to promote any activity by Adventists not sponsored directly by the Adventist Church. You may want to promote your business, a sale your business is having, a concert not sponsored by the church, house for sale or rent, cookout, looking for a care-taker, news item that relates to the passing of a loved one, or congratulatory remarks.

For a small fee of \$1 per insert, we can announce your news items. The editor is Joan

ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of The Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for the week, December 3 - 9, 2017 is: **Relationship to Spouse.** -Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator

ATCU PASTORS AND LAY MEMBERS EVANGELISM AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING

The Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) will hold an evangelism and leadership training on December 10 - 16, 2017 at their headquarters on Gladstone Road and the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church on Tonique Williams-Darling Highway. For additional information, go to the conference website, www.southbahamasconference.org -Pastor Paul Scavella, President

BEREA STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT

Under the theme: 'Servant of God', the Stewardship Department of the Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church will have a day of stewardship emphasis on Sabbath, December 2, 2017. -Elder Osmond LaCroix, Stewardship Leader, Berea

NATURAL REMEDIES CLASS

The Health Ministries Department of the Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church will be hosting a Natural Remedies Class under the theme, *Pamper*. Come and learn to make all natural soaps, deodorants, body scrubs and much more. This event is on Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Berea Church on Baillou Hill Road South. For more information or to register, call 601-1392, Whatsapp 802-3668 or email footworks242@gmail.com -Dr. Monique Mitchell, Health Director; Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church

OLD FASHION CHRISTMAS

The Berea Children and Adolescent Ministries Department will hold a Christmas programme under the theme "An Old Fashion Christmas" on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church. This musical celebrates the birth of Christ using familiar carols. It presents the Christmas story in a fun and lively way, so let the joy of the season ring as the children perform. For more information, email us at berestorytime@gmail.com. Visit our website at www.bereasadachurch.com. -Elder Eugene Greene, Cham Department

EPHESUS MUSIC EMPHASIS DAY

You are invited to join us on Sabbath, December 9, 2017 for our music day under the theme, "Break My Chains". Come and be blessed. -Dr. Flloyd Carter, Ephesus Music Ministry

JOINT PRAYER MEETING

The monthly early-morning joint prayer meeting will be held at the Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 6:00 a.m. Bring your praise report and your prayer requests. Expect answers to your prayers! -Mrs. Ali McIntosh, Prayer Ministries

PRAYER MINISTRIES CONFERENCE

The 3rd Annual SBC Prayer Ministries Prayer Conference and Retreat will be held at the Courtyard Marriot on West Bay Street in New Providence, Bahamas on February 1 - 4, 2018. Call 341-4021 to reserve your room! Residential or non-residential registration is available. Space is limited. Call Elder David Knowles: 4251191, or Elder Keble Dawkins: 455-0276, or Sis. Ali McIntosh: 423-2709 for package prices. -Prayer Ministries

WEEK-DAY LOCAL TV PROGRAMS

This is the amended schedule of programs for ATV:

- Around the Conference - Mondays 7:00 a.m.
- Adventist News - Fridays 4:00 p.m.
- Voices - Tuesdays 5:00 p.m.
- NBC Focus - Wednesdays 5:00 p.m.

LEADERSHIP, THANKSGIVING AND AWARDS SERVICE AT LIVING FAITH

The Sabbath School Department of the Living Faith Seventh-day Adventist Church cordially invites you to their Leadership, Thanksgiving and Awards Service on Saturday, December 9, 2017 at their church on Old Trail Road. Activities start at 8:15 a.m. and end at 8:15 p.m. Celebrate with them under the theme, "Transformation Through Godly Mission - Reaping Heavenly Reward." -Mrs. Jasmine Knowles, Living Faith Seventh-day Adventist Church

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

December 2017 - Sisters bringing Yuletide - Zone 4 Outreach Initiative Geriatric Home, Her Majesty's Prison and Children's Home. -Sister Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director

Uchee Pines: For Remedies and Preventative Medicine

All persons interested in travelling to Uchee Pines on March 25-29, 2018 to attend the Simple Remedies and Preventative Medicine seminar may contact Sis. Nathelyn LaCroix at 323-0610.

8 Weeks to Wellness Coaches

Training for coaches for 8 Weeks to Wellness 2018 starts at the South Bahamas Conference Headquarters on December 5, 2017 at 5:45 p.m. All volunteers are asked to contact Sis. Nathelyn LaCroix at 323-0610.

Save the Date

8 Weeks to Wellness 2018 starts February 5, 2018. Put things in order now for this beneficial exposure to your health! -Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director

PATHWAY TO HEALTH PHOENIX MISSION TRIP PHOENIX, USA

There will be a mission outreach in Phoenix, USA on December 25 - 27, 2017. If you are interested in participating, contact Dr. Idamae Hanna at 323-5473 or get information from this link, <https://pathwaytohealth.org/pathway-to-health-phoenix/>.

Hotel accommodations and partial meals will be provided. You will need to purchase your airline ticket. -Dr. Idamae Hanna

FAMILY ISLAND MISSION

Are you interested in travelling to South Andros? Join the mission team from December 19, 2017 - January 2, 2018 (you do not have to stay the entire period). Assist in three building projects, provide health education, lifestyle counseling, and health screenings to the communities! You are invited to come along. Let's go on God's errands! For further details please contact Elder Audley Mitchell at 601-6435 or Nathelyn LaCroix at 323-0610. -Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix



YOUTH TIDBITS

South Bahamas Conference Youth Department Presents

FALL REVIVAL BREAKTHROUGH

December 6-8 & 16, 2017
@ the Maranatha Church, Prince Charles Drive

Wednesday: Prayer Service
Thursday: Open Mic (Express your Gifts in Praise to God)
Friday: AY and Vesper Service
Sabbath Dec. 16: Divine Service (Music, Prayer and the Word)
Sunday 5:00pm: Youth Award Banquet, Paradise Island.

Come and Celebrate Jesus Together

Pastor Richard Henderson | Pastor John Bradshaw
Speaker for Dec. 6 & 8, 2017 | Speaker for Dec. 16, 2017

Youth Award Banquet

The Youth Award Banquet is scheduled for December 17, 2017. For tickets and cost, kindly contact your youth leader. The banquet is open to every SBC youth. -Pastor L. Green, Youth Ministries Director

Investiture Service

The master guide investiture service for the Class of 2017 will be held at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath, December 2, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Come out and support our youth leaders on this grand occasion. All invested master guides are required to wear their Class A uniform. -Mr. Patrick Wilson, Jr.; Pathfinder Director

SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH DECEMBER 9, 2017 AT 5:19 P.M.

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Have a blessed Sabbath!

