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Refreshed and Revived Year of the Child and Adolescent "Lord Transform Me"

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MOTHER: A STABILIZING ASSET TO THE HOME AND SOCIETY



This weekend millions of Christians in the western world will go to church on Saturday or Sunday to honor their mothers in special

services and concerts. Many will host family dinners, church and community banquets. Countless sermons will be preached and many poems will be recited to express love and appreciation for mothers. The Adventist churches may have special services on Sabbath morning in which a mother of the year for each church will be honored. In the afternoon, during the youth hour, there will be exciting programs featuring acrostics, songs, poems, and drama to honor mothers. Sunday-keeping churches will be packed also. Children will honor their mothers with lots of music, inspirational messages, red or white flowers, and lots of hugs and kisses. We truly show love and appreciation for our mothers.

Mothers affect every aspect of our lives. From birth to the grave, our mother's influence is special. Thus, we have created certain images of mother over the years of our lives as expressed in this poem: "Images of Mother."

IMAGES OF MOTHER

- 4 years of age - My Mommy can do anything.
- 8 years of age - My Mom knows a lot! A whole lot!
- 12 years of age - My Mother doesn't really know quite everything.
- 14 years of age - Naturally, Mother doesn't know that, either!
- 16 years of age - Mother? She's hopelessly old-fashioned!
- 18 years of age - That old woman? She's way out of date!
- 25 years of age - Well, she might know a little bit about it!
- 35 years of age - Before we decide, let's get Mom's opinion.
- 45 years of age - Wonder what Mom would have thought about it!
- 65 years of age - Wish I could talk it over with Mom!

There were four clergymen who were discussing the merits of the various translations of the Bible. One liked the King James Version best because of its simple beautiful English. Another liked the American Revised Version best because it is more literal and comes nearer to the original Hebrew and Greek. Still another liked Moffatt's translation best because of its up to date vocabulary. The fourth minister was silent. When asked to express his opinion, he replied, "I like my mother's translation best."

The other three expressed surprise. They did not know that his mother had translated the Bible. "Yes, she did," he replied. She translated it into life, and it was the most convincing translation I ever saw."

Sometimes we think that Mom is invincible or a miracle worker. We credit so much strength to her. However, Mom does have limits. No matter how wise, creative, and loving she is, there are some things she still cannot do. Nonetheless, we praise God for her and applaud her for the values she instills in the home and in society. -Pastor Barrington Brennen, Clinical Psychologist

ATCU HOLDS EIGHTH ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

On Wednesday, May 16, 2018, all roads will lead to the Hillview Church for the eighth annual Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) Symposium which begins at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and be inspired by the video praise reports of what the Lord is doing through His people in The Bahamas, the Cayman Islands, and the Turks and Caicos Islands. In addition to majestic music, Christian fellowship, and thanksgiving, Pastor Leonard Johnson, secretary-elect of the Inter-American Division, will give his final spiritual charge as president of ATCU. So, don't miss out on your blessing! We look forward to seeing you there. -SBC Conference Administration

ORDINATION SERVICE

The ordination service for Pastor Terry Tanis will be held at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church on Friday, May 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. We invite the entire conference to attend this sacred exercise. -Pastor Paul Scavella, Ministerial Director

INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED ATCU OFFICERS

A very special invitation is extended to all members to attend the installation service for Pastor Peter Kerr and Dr. Cheryl Rolle, the newly elected president and secretary of the Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) that will be held at the **Grant's Town Church on Sabbath, May 19, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.** Pastor Israel Leito, president of the Inter-American Division (IAD),

will preside, performing what will be his last official function in our union before his retirement which becomes effective August 1, 2018. He will be assisted by Dr. Elie Henry, IAD secretary/IAD president-elect; Dr. Filiberto Verduzco, IAD treasurer; and Pastor Leonard Johnson, IAD secretary-elect and outgoing ATCU president. This is not a joint service. -SBC Conference Administration

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the fifth quadrennial session of the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church located on Tonique Williams-Darling Highway, Nassau, New Providence, The Bahamas during November 4 - 6, 2018.

Registration for all delegates will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 12:00 noon on November 4. The first meeting of the business session will be called at 2:00 p.m.

The Conference Session is called to:

1. Receive reports from the officers and various departments.
2. Elect officers and departmental directors to serve for the next four-year term.
3. Transact such other business as may be properly placed before the delegates. -Pastor Peter Joseph, Secretary

CAMP MEETING IS COMING SOON



WORK CONTINUES

AT THE DRIGGS HILL CHURCH

The South Andros District is working toward the completion of the Driggs Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church. They need your help in realizing their goal. Kindly contribute so that the edifice becomes a reality. Your donation toward this project may be forwarded to the conference office in your tithe envelope. -Administration

DEADLINE FOR BIOGRAPHIES

All members over seventy years old and have been an Adventist for over twenty-five years are encouraged to write a one-page biography highlighting your journey in faith. The article should be typewritten, single-spaced in Times New Roman, size 12 font. This information is urgently needed. If you need assistance in this

regard, kindly contact Mrs. Mary Knott or Bridgette Bastian. -Office of the President

JOIN THE 100+ VOICE CHOIR FOR CAMP MEETING 2018

Calling all choirs/singers to be a part of a special 100+ Voice Joint Choir for **Camp Meeting, 2018**. The second rehearsal will be held at the Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church this afternoon (May 12) at 4:30 p.m. Your ministry of music is needed. Kindly make the effort to be on time. Our first rehearsal will be for one hour. -Mrs. Audrey Dean-Wright, Music Director

ADVENTIST LAYMEN'S SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES (ASI) BAHAMAS

ASI Convention 2018 is slated to convene on August 5 - 13 in Cancun, Mexico. You are invited to be an integral part of this spirituality-charged and life-changing event.

In connection with this upcoming event, the ASI executive committee is encouraging all churches to sponsor at least two members from smaller churches and for large churches up to five members.

Also, team ASI Bahamas continues its membership drive. All members are invited to join ASI Bahamas to share Christ in the marketplace together. -ASI President Ian Greene

CHAM - AT A GLANCE -2nd Quarter-

Ongoing: Talking Backpack in the various churches

May 26: World Day of Prayer for Children at Risk

June 16: CHAM Speech Symposium

June 24 -30: Camp Meeting (Sabbath: Talking Backpack Emphasis)

DR. SHANEETA JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Dr. Shaneeta Johnson is pleased to offer a full-tuition scholarship for a student to attend Bahamas Academy for Grades 10 - 12. The scholarship is competitive, academic and need-based. It will cover the three years of senior high school. Students from public or private schools in Grade 9 may apply.

Applications may be collected from, and submitted to, Bahamas Academy of Seventh-day Adventists, 73 Marshall Road, Nassau, N.P., or the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 135 Tonique Williams Highway. Telephone: 341-4021/2 Fax: 341-4088.

Deadline for submitting the application is June 15, 2018.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

-Happy Mother's Day-

The Women's Ministries Department of the South Bahamas Conference would like to wish each mother a Happy Mother's Day. God uses women specifically to be nurturers and mentors. So, blessings to all of you who made the sacrificial effort to pour love, time and finances into the life of another human being. May God continue to bless you abundantly.

Second Quarter (April -June)

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

May 2018

Zone 2 Community outreach

3 "Acts of Kindness"

29th May 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Distribution of pre-packaged soup and spiritual literature to patients at the Gambier Clinic.

30th May 1:00 p.m. - Presentation of blankets and tea time items and spiritual literature to Oncology Department for cancer patients.

Crooked Island - Blankets and prepackaged care items and soup be presented to fifteen (15) sick and shut-in members prepared and distributed by Crooked Island Women's Ministries.

June 2018

9: Women's Ministries & GEMS Emphasis Day

TBA: SBC GEMS Event

Save the Date!

Under the theme, "Because I Care", the North Bahamas Conference will be hosting the Atlantic Caribbean Union's Retreat at the Grand Lucayan Resort, in Freeport Grand Bahama, on October 19-21, 2018 with guest speaker, Sharon Platt-McDonald. Kindly see your local leader for further details. **Please also note that the registration deadline is June 29, 2018.** Please see Mr. Dwight Brown at the South Bahamas Conference office to pay registration fee and note that all hotel and travel reservations are to be done by the registrant. -Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director

ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE

2019 LTM Reaping Campaigns in ATCU

The prayer focus of The Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for the week, May 13 - 19, 2018 is: **Preaching Sites in Nassau.** -Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator

WELLNESS RETREAT

Join Wholistic Lifestyle on an all-inclusive five-day/four-night wellness retreat in beautiful Tarpum Bay, Eleuthera on May 20 - 25. Call 323-0610/325-6173 for more details.

PRAYER MINISTRIES UPDATE - 2018

-Monthly Joint Prayer Schedule-

June Joint Prayer Meeting: Grant's Town Church on Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 6:00 a.m.

July Joint Quarterly All Night Prayer Meeting: New Providence Church on Saturday, June 30, 2018 at 9:00 p.m. - Sunday, July 1, 2018 at 6:00 a.m. -Ms. Ali McIntosh, Prayer Team

SAN SALVADOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS WEEKEND

Under the theme "Healthy Churches, Healthy Communities" Health Ministries Director along with Ms. Donna Moss and Mrs. Marlene McKinney, traveled to San Salvador on April 27-29, to host a health emphasis weekend with the Cockburn Town SDA Church. Pastor Alvarico Moss is the local pastor.

Blood screening and individual consultations for church members and the wider community were done. On Friday night Donna Moss spoke on 'A Lifestyle of Prayer' and Lacroix spoke on the "I want to Live Healthy" friendship evangelism tool. On Sabbath morning, Marlene McKinney led out in Sabbath School and read the

Children's Story for Divine worship. The spoken word was delivered by Director Lacroix who spoke on "What's Your Reason for Health" and reiterated that healthy Christians can do more exploits for the Lord. In the afternoon, the team did presentations on natural remedies.

In spite of the inclement weather, everyone was ready for the early fun run walk. The weekend ended with a vegetarian cooking class.

A love offering will be lifted on to assist with the completion of the Community Service Center. We will see you on Sabbath May 19 at 5:00 p.m. -Voneil Smith

THANK YOU

The pastor and members of the Agape Church extend a special thank you to everyone who made their second music concert a resounding success. Whether you participated, attended, or whatever part you played, please know that your contribution was very much appreciated. Once again thank you and God bless. -Sister Lyndell Hanna, Agape Church Clerk



YOUTH TIDBITS

-Financial Health Seminar-

The Maranatha Church invites you to our "Financial Health" seminar on Sunday, May 27, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Speakers: **Carlene Farquharson, Attorney and Partner at Alexiou Knowles and Co.**

Cleora Farquharson

Vice President of Pension and Investment at Fidelity Bank

Main Topics: Pensions, Investment, Will, and Trust.

-Youth Meeting-

The Youth Ministries Department invites all youth leaders to a special called council meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hillview Church.

-Drill Practice-

Calling all pathfinders and master guides to be a part of the South Bahamas Conference Drill Team. Practice begins at the Hillview Church on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. -Pastor Larry L. Green

-Camp Refresh-

The SBC pathfinders under the theme, *Camp Refresh* will hold a camp on July 15 - 22, 2018 in North Andros. Application forms are available at the Conference Headquarters and from your local club director. You do not want to miss this experience! -Brother Patrick Wilson Jr., Pathfinder Director

**SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH
MAY 19, 2018 AT 7:48 P.M.**

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Have a blessed Sabbath!

