

# THE LOGOS



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“Lord Transform Me”

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## ADVENTIST VOLUNTEER SERVICE



Adventist volunteer service covers a wide spectrum of the services rendered in the Seventh-day

Adventist Churches. Volunteer simply means doing work without pay. There are so many areas in our church where laypersons voluntarily accept positions such as elders, deacons, community service leaders, pathfinder directors, music coordinators, and many others who give of their time and talents freely to the honour and glory of God. However, for the purpose of this article the emphasis will be placed on Volunteer Bahamas Adventist.

This organization (VBA) was formed in 2003 under the directive of President Leonard Johnson and is now being carried on by President Paul Scavella. VBA replaced the United Development Labour which utilized the skills of the tradesmen. VBA was established to continue a similar work but also to include every member. Our mandate is to assist in the construction of churches, schools, and any other structure the South Bahamas Conference deems necessary under its portfolio. Therefore, whenever the VBA undertakes to do any project, it is done under the direct instruction of the conference president.

Over the years, Volunteer Bahamas Adventist has had much success. Under the leading of the Holy Spirit, we have seen the work progress from strength to strength. We were able to construct the Steven's and Millerton Churches in Long Island, The Early Learning Center, the Lovely Bay Church in Acklins, and Bahamas Academy on Marshall Road. We also assisted in the completion of the Lowe Sound, High Rock, and The Bluff Churches, Bethany's Annex, Ephesus, Mangrove Cay, Agape, La Senda and Peardale Churches.

These were only accomplished because of men and women who willingly volunteered their time free of charge or for reduced pay and also because of the generous donations so many of you gave.

God has really blessed in this area of volunteerism. There were times when I was not sure if anyone would show up but God always came through. Yes, I have seen God's hand at work as the required skilled workers like Bro. Cedric Neymour (deceased) appeared just when they were needed.

I feel very humbled to serve as president of VBA for the past thirteen years. To God be the glory for persons who led out in the various building projects such as Bros. Henry Moncur, Andrew Hanna, Elvardo Perpall, Erskin Oliver, Godfrey Humes, Kenneth Williams, Marlvin Taylor, Mark Hanna, Leonard Hanna, Adrian Rollins, Barr, Sis. Dorothea Ritchie, Curline Forbes, and Ursula Rolle. Special mention must be made of Bro. Cecil Cartwright who has been my mentor, guide and encourager throughout these years.

VBA is very grateful for all the assistance given by all persons to date but I must inform you that there is much land to be conquered. We are still trying to rebound from the damages done by hurricane Joaquin. We are also looking forward to constructing an edifice in Inagua. My appeal is for each man, woman, boy and girl to donate at least one dollar per week to the VBA program so that all congregations can have their own church building. What a great day it would be when we could be in the position like Moses in Ex. 36: 3 – 7 to restrain the people from bringing because they brought too much! -Elder Winston Ash, President; Volunteer Bahamas Adventist

**WORD SBC TO HOLD PLEDGE-A-THON**  
The Media Department of the South Bahamas Conference will hold its first pledge-a-thon on May 22-27 2016. The dedicated line for calling is: 603-1525. Operators will be on standby on the following dates and times:

Sunday - Thursday, May 22 - 26 from 7:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. and on Friday, May 27 from 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The radio station is seeking to make remarkable inroads in updating their equipment and operation. We will partner with our members and the community in order to realize some of our goals. -Pastor Paul Scavella, Communication Director

### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK ATLANTIC CARIBBEAN UNION -SYMPOSIUM-

On May 25, 2016, the Atlantic Caribbean Union Symposium (joint) will be held at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church. All churches will be involved in this activity and our Lord Transform Me coordinator, Pastor Peter Joseph will give further details on the churches' involvement. Each pastor and his district will present his baptismal goal to the Lord and seek the transforming power of Christ to achieve that goal.

### -CAMP MEETING-

Yes, Camp Meeting is almost here again! It will be on June 12-18, 2016. It is going to be exciting, inspiring and encouraging. Under the theme, *Transformed for His Glory*, the conference will be called to allow the Lord to transform us, as each member focuses on total membership involvement. Churches are asked to get their church colors, banners, and get involved in this mighty movement of God.

*Transformed for His Glory* embraces the mission of the church to go into all the world, to come out of the four walls and to reach people where they are. Go into all the world, beginning with our family members, backslidden members, then to our neighbors, and our enemies. Scatter the word like leaves of autumn. Jesus is coming soon! Do the work of an evangelist. GO, GO, GO!

Check your conference website every day for new and exciting updates. Our weekend speaker will be Dr. C. Wesley Knight, professor of Theology at Oakwood University.

**Please take note of the venues for camp meeting:**

\* **Sunday - Friday, June 12 - 17 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church**

\* **Sabbath, June 18 at 9:15 a.m. at the William Thompson Auditorium on Jean Street.**

\* **Sabbath, June 18 - at 5:00 p.m. - members and community friends will march from the Living Faith Seventh-day Adventist Church to the William Thompson Auditorium at 5:00 p.m. for a rally that is scheduled to start at 5:30 p.m.**

There will be two services on Sabbath morning. The children will worship at the *Maranatha* Seventh-day Adventist Church while the youth and adults will be at the William Thompson Auditorium. Pray now for a revival to break forth over the course of these services. God's power will be manifested in a marked way upon His church! -Pastor Paul Scavella

## NORTHERN CARIBBEAN UNIVERSITY

### -Executive Career Opportunity-

The Board of Governors and the Presidential Search Committee of Northern Caribbean University (NCU) invite applications from qualified professionals for the position of President. The President of NCU is the Chief Executive Officer of the institution. The ideal candidate should be a proven, outstanding leader who can articulate a compelling vision for excellence in academia with robust emphasis on the principles of Christian education, and give witness to these non-negotiable commitments in his or her professional and Christian life. Ideally, the candidate should be available for appointment effective July 1, 2016. Additional information on preparing a successful application can be found on the NCU Presidential Search Website: <http://presidentsearch.ncu.edu.jm/> -Northern Caribbean University

### ATCU PRAYER INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of our union, the Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for May 22 - 28, 2016 is: ***The North Abaco and Salem Churches in The North Bahamas Conference.*** Join the entire union in prayer. -Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator

### RELAX, RENEW, REVIVE, RETREAT!

All health professionals and persons who are interested in being a part of the Adventist Health Professionals Association of SBC retreat on June 2 - 5 in Tarpum Bay, Eleuthera are asked to contact Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director at 323-0610. It is all-inclusive!

### MIDNIGHT CRY CONCERT AND BOOK LAUNCH

On Sunday, May 22, 2016 at 5:00 p.m., Sister Allison M. Rolle will present an evening of *Ministry In Music* at the New Providence Seventh-day Adventist Church, Soldier Road. Sharing in this powerful evening of Ministry are the SDA Mass Youth Choir, Anthony Curtis, Nadia Rodriguez, Bridgette Bastian, The New Providence SDA Choir, and more. Pastor Peter Joseph will launch his latest book, *Possibility Praying* at this exciting event! Bring a friend and an offering in support of the Music Ministry. We are believing for an abundant outpouring of blessings upon you! -Sister A. Rolle

### PARKGATE-EPHESUS MUSIC DAY

You are invited to worship with the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath, May 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. They celebrate Music Day under the theme, "What is your Testimony". Come and be blessed! -Ephesus Music Ministry

### ADVENTIST BOOK DAY SALE

In celebration of Adventist Book Day, the ABC is having a book sale in May. Purchase a book and give as a gift to a friend, family member, coworker, or someone that you wish to cheer or study with! -Mrs. Cherry Blackmore, ABC Manager

## LIVE RADIO CHURCH BROADCASTS

WORD SBC 88.3FM will have its LIVE radio church broadcasts on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sabbath of each month. The next church broadcasts will be at the Centreville Seventh-day Adventist Church on June 4, 2016.

WORD SBC 88.3FM can be accessed with the TUNE IN app on your cellphones/computers and on [www.southbahamasconference.com](http://www.southbahamasconference.com). -Mrs. Lavern Sturup, Radio Coordinator

### GOSPEL BOAT CRUISE

Worship and fellowship on the waves! Yes, Brothers Love will host another "gospel hour" on the sea on Saturday, May 21, 2016. Get on board *The Lucayan Lady* at 8:00 p.m. The boat leaves at 8:30 p.m. sharp from the Kelly's Dock, Bay Street (East of East Street). Share in this spiritual retreat with "Brothers Love Gospel Band". Healthy Bahamian Dishes will be available at a nominal cost. For additional information on tickets, you may contact Mr. Randy Forbes at 322-3315 or the other members of Brothers Love. -Mr. Randy Forbes, Brothers Love

### UNPACKING THE BIBLE

Save the dates June 8-11 to experience Unpacking the Bible at the Bethany Church with guest speaker, Pastor Cherise Gardner of Long Beach, California. Unpacking the Bible is a unique evangelistic series featuring immersion in sound Bible teaching and dynamic worship, which seeks to reveal to attendees the life-changing treasures found in the Scripture in a way that is challenging, practical and transformational. For more information, contact Pastor Kenny Deveaux at 341-4021 or Dr. Stephanie Hutcheson at [drshutcheson@hotmail.com](mailto:drshutcheson@hotmail.com).

### HEALTH OPPORTUNITY

Do you have a HEALTH CHALLENGE with diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, cancer, or cholesterol? A HEALTH OPPORTUNITY awaits you at the Lifestyle Wellness Weekend Seminar with Dr. Mark Sandoval of Uchee Pines Institute at the Church of God Auditorium on Joe Farrington Road, from Thursday, May 26 to Sunday, May 29, 2016. You will hear topics like Why Lifestyle Matters, Natural Treatments for Diabetes, Cancer, Health Principles in Scripture and Science. Sessions will be held Thursday from 5:30 p.m., all day Friday, all day Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 to 12 00 noon. Plan now to be a part of this life-changing weekend. Evidence shows that a lifestyle change can restore your health so call Dr. Higgs at 322-8314 for that early bird special.

### BAHAMAS ACADEMY PTA

The Parent/Teachers Association of Bahamas Academy will host a Stew/Souse-Out and Walkathon on Sunday, May 22 at 6:30 a.m. Walkathon route: Breath of Life Church to Super Value Parking Lot in the Golden Gates Shopping Center and back. After the walk, there will be a small supply of vegetarian stew and souse with johnny cake at the school site for a nominal fee. We are asking all and sundry to come and participate. -Mrs. Victoria Forbes, PTA President

## BETHANY'S HEALTH EXPO

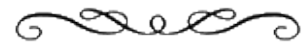
The Bethany Seventh-day Adventist Church invites everyone to attend their Health Expo on May 29, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Cable Beach Shopping Center. There will be free health checks, food tasting, and cooking demonstration. The Blood Bank will be there along with the Pathfinders Marching Band. Mark the date on your calendars. See you there! -Ms. Rose Cooper, Bethany Health Director

THE LIVING FAITH SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH  
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU AND YOUR FAMILY  
TO  
VISITOR'S DAY 2016  
UNDER THE THEME "IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR"

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016  
8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE LOGOS

All announcements for The Logos should be forwarded to: [logos@sbcadventist.com](mailto:logos@sbcadventist.com). by 12 noon on Tuesday. If your announcement is sent to any other email address, it will not be published. -Editor



### YOUTH TIDBITS

#### -Basketball League-

Basketball League is June 18. Youth leaders are asked to contact Daran Clarke for further information.

#### -Sports Day-

All churches are asked to begin preparation for SBC Family Fun and Sports Day scheduled for Monday August 1, 2014. Further details are forthcoming.

#### -Hillview AY-

May 21 - *Discussion on the the four proposed constitution amendments* at 6:00 p.m. with special guest Pastor Michael Toote, who will present the biblical and national views on the amendments and will be available to answer questions that you may have.

May 28 - *Hymn Fest 2016* at 6:00 p.m. All youth choirs and youth groups are invited to participate. Interested persons should contact the Hillview Church Secretary at 361-8683 or by email at [hillviewseventhday@gmail.com](mailto:hillviewseventhday@gmail.com) to register. Registration deadline is May 21. -Pastor L. Green, Youth Ministries Director

### SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH MAY 28, 2016 AT 7:53 P.M.

#### Website:

<http://southbahamasconference.org>

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Have a Blessed Sabbath!

