

THE LOGOS



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

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IS THE RADIO STILL EFFECTIVE IN SPREADING THE GOSPEL?



I grew up in the Seventh-day Adventist Church and I distinctly remember, even as a child, the church's

main focus was always on 'winning souls for the kingdom'. The popular text, Matthew 28:19-20, was recited in Sabbath School by toddlers, teenagers in pathfinders, and by the eldest members in the pews. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." We all knew that telling others about Jesus Christ was our mission and we carried out this mission everywhere we went and through whatever medium we had access to.

The radio was and continues to be one of the most viable media options around the world. Christian radio has been instrumental in spreading the gospel since the 1900s. History tells of how Christians in the 1900s brought their jewelry and watches to help buy the first radio time on the Long Beach station KGER. H.M.S. Richards Sr. is considered to be the father of Seventh-day Adventist radio programming having started the Voice of Prophecy radio broadcast in 1929. By 1980, Richards had a \$6 million budget and the Voice of Prophecy broadcast aired each Sunday to 700 stations around the world.

Radio enables us to reach places with the gospel where otherwise it might be difficult to do so. Billions of people around the world are within the reach of radio transmissions; which means that the church can reach more people with ONE radio program than we could reach physically in a lifetime. *That's the power of radio waves.*

Today the Seventh-day Adventist Church is using radio programming to share the Three Angels Messages in parts of the world where there are no churches. According to an American Media Services survey, 78% of individuals listen to the radio in their cars. So when members are unable to knock on doors we can share the gospel by the means of a radio broadcast. Right here in the Bahamas, we now have the ability to make inroads into communities and islands where no Seventh-day Adventist Church is present. *How convenient!* Christ's commission "to preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15) is still incumbent upon the church today.

South Bahamas Conference is fortunate to have this medium. Many people write just to say "thank-you" for providing gospel music, health talks, the inspirational shows, and the faithful proclamation of God's Word, while others request prayer and guidance with spiritual problems, personal difficulties or health issues. God has been using our simple messages to transform the lives of our listeners in The Bahamas and around the world, as they listen via the Tune In Radio App.

100 persons were surveyed in 2014 and it was noted that among our listeners: 33% were Seventh-day Adventists while 66.6% were non-Seventh-day Adventists; 83% were adults/seniors and 16% were youth; and 92% were middle class while only 8% were upper class.

With your help we can do much more. Pledge to give a monthly donation of any amount to WORD SBC 88.3 FM, as this is the official radio station of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Bahamas. Together, let's build a radio station that we can all be proud of, as we do our part to fulfill the gospel commission. *Call 341-4021 to ask how you can help us to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ through the airwaves.* -Mrs. Lavem Sturup, Radio Coordinator, WORD SBC 88.3FM

CAMP MEETING IS COMING SOON



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 Hillview Church on Sabbath, May 19, 2018 at 3:30 p.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. -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

ACTIONS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The South Bahamas Conference Committee voted the following district adjustments: Pastor Paul A. Scavella to serve as pastor of the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church, effective June 1, 2018.

Pastor Peter Joseph and Intern Lee Burrows to serve the Exuma district with immediate effect. -Office of the Secretariat

CHURCH BOARD TRAINING

The second session of training for church boards in quadrant 1 will continue this Sunday morning at the Message of Hope Church at 8:30 a.m. All board members are asked to make themselves available for this second and final session for board training in this quadrant. Training of church boards in quadrant 2 will begin shortly. -*Ministerial Department*

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 tithing 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 first rehearsal will be held at the Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church this afternoon (May 5) at 5:00 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 Wright, Music Director*

ADVENTIST LAYMEN'S SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES (ASI) BAHAMAS PROMOTIONAL NEWS

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. Official letters with relevant information and envelopes are in all churches today.

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

-Donation Request-

Used, but in good condition devotionals. Kindly donate to your local Women's Ministries Leader for distribution during our community out-reach projects this year. -*Mrs. J. Gibson, Women's Ministries Director*

-Upcoming Events-

Second Quarter (April -June)

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

May 2018

TBA SBC GEMS Event

18-20: San Salvador Women's Ministries Retreat Weekend

27: Women's Ministries Alabaster Awards.

June 2018

9: Women's Ministries & GEMS Emphasis Day

TBA: WM - Zone 2 Community Out-reach

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. -*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 6 - 12, 2018 is: **Preaching Sites in Abaco**. -*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.

MONTHLY MEETING BURIAL SOCIETY

The Seventh-day Adventist Burial Society will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Grant's Town Church Annex. Members are encouraged to become financial and persons wishing to join the society are invited to attend. -*Elder R. Henry Moncur*

PRAYER MINISTRIES UPDATE - 2018

-Monthly Joint Prayer Schedule-

Christian greetings to all.

Please note that the **May Joint Prayer Meeting** will be held at the Breath of Life Seventh-day Adventist Church on Marshall Road on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 6:00 a.m.

The June Joint Prayer Meeting will be held at the Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church on Wellington Street on Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 6:00 a.m.

The July Joint Prayer Meeting will be our next Quarterly All Night Prayer Meeting at the New Providence Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday, June 30, 2018 at 9:00 p.m. - Sunday, July 1, 2018 at 6:00 a.m.

Please make plans to attend. Invite your family and friends who want a spiritual extended time with the Lord. -*Ms. Ali McIntosh, Prayer Team*

AGAPE MUSIC MINISTRY

Presents Concert 2018

On Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Under the Theme: "Victory Belongs to Jesus!"

Featuring: *The Adventist Inspirationals, Allison Rolle, Nadia Rodriguez, Marvin Edgar, Sophia Viola, Adventist Youth Choir, Sons of Our Father* and more.

Venue: H.D. Colburn Gym (Old Bahamas Academy) Wulff Road opposite Bamboo Shack
For tickets, please contact: at 433-8093 or 429-0429

DEACONESS DAY AT BERIA

The Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church celebrates Deaconess Day today (Sabbath, May 5, 2018) at 11:00 a.m. A special invitation is extended to all deacons and deaconesses of the conference. -*Ms. Martha Rolle, Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church*

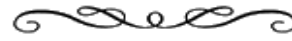
MUSIC WORKSHOP

The pastor and music coordinator of the Philadelphia Church would like to thank all participants of the *Praise and Worship Workshop* conducted by Theo Milford and Dermaine Isaacs this past weekend. What an awesome and powerful experience! Lives were changed as a result of what transpired. It is our prayer that participants go back to their churches truly transformed, become more purposeful in their worship, and understand the importance of praising our God. -*Pastor Terry Tanis and Sister Annette Dorsett, Music Coordinator; Philadelphia Seventh-day Adventist Church*

ABC TO HAVE

PRE-MOTHER'S DAY SALE

The Adventist Book and Nutrition Centre will have a pre-Mother's Day Sale on Thursday, May 10, 2018. Plan to take advantage of the event. -*Mrs. Cherry Blackmore, ABC Manager*



**SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH
MAY 12, 2018 AT 7:45 P.M.**

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<http://southbahamasconference.org>

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Have a blessed Sabbath!

