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THE LITERATURE MINISTRY (PART 1)



God started the publishing ministry at Mount Sinai. First, He spoke to Moses, and then He wrote the Ten

Commandments. Therefore, the spoken Word and written Word must go together (Exodus 31:18).

At Mount Sinai...God spoke...and then God wrote! And so today we have The Spoken Word – Preaching (2 Timothy 4:2) and the Written Word – Literature (John 5:39)

One writer said, “The preacher writes his words on water, but the writer carves his words in stone” (Unknown)

Mrs. Ellen G. White agreed when she said, “A sermon may be preached and soon forgotten, but a book remains” (Life Sketches, P.382).

Our publications should go everywhere.... There are many places in which the voice of the minister cannot be heard, places which can be reached only by our publications (books, papers, and tracts - today compact discs) filled with the Bible truths that the people need. (Colporteur Ministry, p.4).

Does the church need the publishing ministry today? The answer is, “YES!” The literature ministry plays a very significant role in the work of the Church both for nurture and evangelism. The books distributed decades ago by literature evangelists (LE’s) of the Seventh-day Adventist Church still resonate in the hearts of hundreds of persons. The books we sell or give away today will keep leading souls to Christ until He comes.

Here in the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, our goal for the next four years is to build up and expand the publishing work to distribute literature

as never before. We want to accomplish four things within the period:

1. **Revive** the work, highlighting the main purpose of the ministry.
2. **Recruit** potential literature evangelists.
3. **Retain** and rebuild a professional work force of committed LE’s.
4. **Recognize** and honor the commitment of church members who have dedicated their lives to their calling in literature ministry.

We encourage all nominating committees of our local churches in the South Bahamas Conference (SBC) to **elect a Publishing Ministry Leader** for the year 2016 who will work closely with the SBC Publishing Ministries Director to help make this goal a reality.

November 2015 will be recognized as Publishing Month. Events will convene at the Maranatha Seventh-day Adventist Church on November 13-14, 2015. We invite all former, present, and interesting persons to a very informative and educational Publishing Ministries Weekend. Register for this exciting time in God’s service! Get your application form at the front desk of the Conference Office.

“If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures.” (Testimonies, vol. 4, p. 390, 1880) -*Pastor Kent Price, Publishing Director*

MENTAL HEALTH AFTER A HURRICANE (Part 11)



What Can Parents or Adults Do to Help Their Children Cope?

• Like you, children are scared. Understand their fears, real or imagined, and reassure them that they are safe. Extra attention and hugs are important.

- Allow children to express their feelings in conversations, drawings, or other activities. Children sometimes think scary things will go away if they block them out.
 - Share your feelings with your children; let them know their feelings are normal.
 - Answer questions thoughtfully. Take extra time to make sure the explanation is simple and open for discussion.
 - Be patient.
 - Let children know they are not responsible for the disaster. Tell them how being a prepared member of the family helped everyone feel safe.
 - Allow children to help in the cleanup. Children who feel they belong are likely to feel more self-assured.
 - Give extra doses of praise for good behavior.
 - Resume your normal routine as quickly as possible. Provide the same snacks you used to. Make time for family activities such as playing games.
 - Encourage children to help those less fortunate than themselves. Allow them to prepare food, clothing and other items for donations.
 - If your children continue to show stress signs, seek professional help. Your children’s stress may be more than you can handle.
- Here are scripture passages that may motivate you during this time: Psalms 46, Psalms 23, Lamentation 3:32, Psalms 103:3-18, Psalms 139:9-10, Romans 8:18, Romans 8:31-39, Psalms 55:22, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, Matthew 6:25-34, Philippians 4:6-7, I Peter 5:6-7, Proverbs 12:25. -*Compiled by Barrington Brennen, Pastor of the Grant’s Town Seventh-day Adventist Church; Counseling Psychologist; Marriage and Family Therapist*

ATCU PRAYER INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of the Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for October 18 - 24, 2015 is: **Appreciating God’s Power.** -*Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator*

OFFICIAL NOTICE

of the
Second Quinquennial Session
of the

Atlantic Caribbean Union Mission

Notice is hereby given that the Second Quinquennial Session of the Atlantic Caribbean Union Mission of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Centreville Seventh-day Adventist Church, Fifth

Terrace, Nassau, New Providence, The Bahamas during December 6 - 7, 2015.

Registration for all delegates will begin at 1:00 p.m. and continue until 4:00 p.m. on December 6. The first meeting of the business session will be called at 5:00 p.m.

The Union Mission Session is called to:

1. Receive reports from the officers and various departments.
2. Elect departmental directors to serve for the next five-year term.
3. Elect the officers for the Turks and Caicos Islands Mission.
4. Transact such other business as may be properly placed before the delegates.

All duly appointed delegates are invited to be present at this Union Mission Session.

Leonard A. Johnson, President

Peter Kerr, Secretary

BIBLICAL SYMPOSIUM

Attend an informative Biblical Symposium on November 17-18, with Clinton Wahlen from the Biblical Research Institute of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. He will speak on the subject: The Shepherd's Rod. The event will be held at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church. -Pastor Lynden Williams, Spirit of Prophecy Coordinator

HEALTH SUMMIT - 2016

All persons interested in travelling to Orlando, Florida to attend a health summit on January 13 - 17, 2016, may contact Nathelyn LaCroix at telephone 323-0610 or email Lifestylecounsellor64@gmail.com

RETIRES ASSOCIATION

The South Bahamas Conference Retirees Association (SoBCRA) will hold its Annual Retreat on Sunday, October 18, 2015, at the Casa Al Mare' on Yamacraw Road. All retirees are invited to attend this important function of the year. For additional information, please contact Pastor N. E. Scavella (364-1460) or Pastor John Carey (324-0470). -Pastor John Carey, President; South Bahamas Conference Retirees Association

CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS MINISTRIES LEADERS TO MEET

Get your children ready for the following events:

Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m. -

Joint Week of Prayer Service

Friday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m. - Joint

Week of Prayer Service

Sabbath Afternoon, November 28 -

Children and Adolescents' Concert

November 29 - Children and Adolescents' Fun Day

Due to the Good News Gospel Explosion,

the above programmes have been rescheduled. As a result, our leaders will meet to reorganize the remaining programmes for 2015. -Mrs. Joan Scavella, CHAM Director

CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS MINISTRIES LEADERS TO MEET

All CHAM leaders are asked to attend an important meeting at the South Bahamas Conference Office on Sunday, October 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. -Mrs. Joan Scavella, CHAM Director

PRAYER RETREAT

A prayer retreat is scheduled for October 30 - November 1 at the Bahamas Youth Camp. Space is limited, so register early. For additional information, call Elder David Knowles at 425-1191 or Sister Ali McIntosh at 524-1798/423-2709,

* Elder Keble Dawkins is the chairman for the Prayer Retreat while Sister Karen Moss serves as the secretary. You can reach Elder Dawkins at 455-0276 -Sister Ali McIntosh, Prayer Team



Winning Your Marriage Conference is coming to Nassau on November 20 - 22, 2015 with lead presenter, Pastor Howard Simon from the North Caribbean Conference of SDA, St. Croix, USVI. Other presenters include, Pastor Peter Joseph, Mrs. Patrice Williams-Gordon, Pastor Barrington Brennen, Dr. Pansy Brown, Pastor Larry Green and Pastor Asha-Dane Duncan. WINNING YOUR MARRIAGE is for all married couples regardless of race, nationality or religion. Stay tuned for further information on location, schedule and financial gifts. This is a South Bahamas Conference event. -Pastor Peter Joseph, Family Ministries Director

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES ONE-DAY CONCLAVE

The COUNTDOWN is on for one of the biggest events for the year in the South Bahamas Conference. The Women's Ministries One-day Conclave, under the theme, "If He can use anything...He can use me" will be held next Sabbath, October 24, 2015 at the Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church on Balliou Hill Road South beginning at 9:30 am. to sunset. The Holy Spirit is ready! Our speaker, Sis Rhonda Corrodus, from the Southeastern

Conference is ready! Our ladies' chorale and spirit-filled singers are ready! Are you?

Ladies, prepare to spend the day with us and please make adequate preparation for the men and children in your life, so that you do not miss this life altering event planned just for you. G.E.M.S. our 16-25 year old young ladies, who are empowered for ministry and service, will be making their debut as they are installed as the youth arm of Women's Ministries. Please come and support them as they take their place in ministry for God's Kingdom.

Looking forward to seeing you there. -Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director

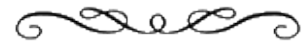
WOMEN'S MINISTRIES CARE

PACKAGE DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE

In light of the effects of Joaquin, our Care Package Distribution for October has been shifted to our brothers and sisters on the affected islands.

Therefore, I am asking the churches that were scheduled this month to package the items and have them delivered to the Conference Office for distribution to the affected islands. The South Bahamas Conference leadership team has advised that a plane will be going out on Sunday so kindly ensure that they are properly packed and labeled.

The Women's Ministries Department will advise if this will also be the case for November's distribution, once the situation has been fully assessed. -Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director



YOUTH TIDBITS

YOUTH AWARD BANQUET

The Youth Ministries Department announces its Award Banquet under the distinguished patronage of Pastor and Mrs. Paul Scavella at the Melia Resort, Nassau Beach on Sunday, December 20, 2015. Tickets are available at the conference office. -Pastor Larry Green, Youth Ministries Director

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Website:

<http://southbahamasconference.org>

Have a Blessed and Wonderful Sabbath!

