

THE LOGOS



Christ, Our Only Hope

“Lord Transform Me”

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United in Mission - Youth, Children & Publishing Departments

As a young poet, **Mattie Stepanek** said, “Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.” These words will echo this weekend, during Global Youth and Children’s Day. It is the first time within the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists that three departments will unite forces and resources on this occasion to impact the Bahamas for Jesus; and I already see the excitement as the children and adolescents across our Conference are looking forward to doing their part. Just imagine, if the Youth, C.H.A.M, and Publishing departments, working together can generate this level of enthusiasm, it is a good indication that the departments within our churches should consider partnering with each other more frequently as opposed to working alone.

In John 17:21, Jesus prayed that we be one, and this Sabbath my hope is that the world will see what can happen when we become one under the blood-stained banner of Jesus Christ. – *Mrs. Lavern A. Sturrup, Children & Adolescent Ministries Director.*

This day is a special time when thousands of children and youth from around the world church engage in acts of service in their local communities. This year the publishing ministries department will be involved for the first time. The mission of the Publishing Ministries department of the Seventh-day Adventist Church exists to proclaim the Gospel of Hope to the whole world in this generation through the printed and electronic media. Today, the Publishing, Youth and C.H.A.M departments of our conference will engage in a mass literature distribution throughout New Providence.

How will these departments work together to accomplish the mission of the church? We will seek to recapture the reality of Adventist Youth and Children as a global movement mobilized for service. Together we will leave thousands of tracts and Christian literature in communities as we march throughout New Providence. --*Pastor Nikita Thompson, Publishing Director.*

The greatest missionary arm of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is our Children and Youth. Worldwide, youth serve as Missionaries in unreached territories through the Adventist Volunteer System. Locally, they are also empowered to be Missionaries on a day such as this, Global Youth and Children’s Day (G.Y.C.D).

The ultimate goal of G.Y.C.D. is not to create a 1-day event for community outreach, but to transform mission service as a way of life. Jesus’ words in the parable of the Good Samaritan, “*Go and do likewise*” (Luke 10:25-37) is an invitation to a life of Mission Service.

This invitation to equip, engage and empower our children and youth to be *United in Mission* is relevant today at all levels of our church. The Servant of the Lord wrote that “God wants every child of tender age to be His child, to be adopted into His family. Young though they may be, the youth may be members of the household of faith and have a most precious experience. He desires them to be His little missionaries, denying their own inclinations and desires for selfish pleasure to do service for Him; and this service is just as acceptable to God as is the service of grown-up children.” *Adventist Home, page 486.*

By partnering with the Publishing Department in particular for G.Y.C.D., the Youth and Children & Adolescent Ministries /C.H.A.M departments expose our children and youth to the principles of Literature Evangelism. We are counseled to “let the overseers of the church devise plans whereby young men and women may be trained to put to use their entrusted talents. Let the older members of the church seek to do earnest, compassionate work for the children and youth. Let ministers put to use all their ingenuity in devising plans whereby the younger members of the church may be led to cooperate with them in missionary work.” *Adventist Home, page 487.3. --Pastor Jamal Franklyn, Youth Director.*

We applaud our Youth and Children for allowing God to use them on this Global Youth and Children’s Day and we call them into a life of continued Service for the cause of the Kingdom.

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

The officers of the South Bahamas Conference would like to thank all of the Pastors, Directors, Elders and members who played an integral part in making the Family Island Conventions a wonderful experience for our Brothers and Sisters. We look forward to this continued fervor as we serve together to finish the work and hasten the soon coming of our Lord and Savior. Please see the conference website for stories from the Family Island Conventions.

--*Administration.*

CONFERENCE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT A GLANCE

MARCH

- 2: International Women’s Day of Prayer
- 9: Convention to the Family Islands

- 10: YWOP Preacher’s Training - SBC Office Board Room
- 10: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
- 13: Day of Prayer for Educational Institutions
- 16: Global Youth/Children’s Day
- 16: GC Global Youth Day’ Adopt a Prisoner, a Patient an Orphan Joint Youth Rally – Edmund Moxey Park
- 17-22: GC #YWOP (Youth Week of Prayer Local Churches) Visiting College Students
- 23: Adventist Education Emphasis Day
- 23: GC Youth Homecoming Day & Youth Baptismal Sabbath
- 24: Communication Leaders/Media Teams Training
- 24-29: Uchee Pines Wellness Seminar, Seale Alabama
- 28: SBC Executive Committee Meeting
- 30: Stewardship Emphasis Day
- 31: CHAM - Sabbath School Lower Division Teachers Training

--*Administration.*



ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE 2019 Reaping Campaigns in ATCU

The prayer focus of The Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for the week, March 17 – March 23, 2019 is: *Blessing on Mothers.*



ASI /ADVENTIST LAYMEN SERVICES & INDUSTRIES ASI FAIR

The ASI Fair will be held on Sunday March 31, 2019 from 11a.m - 5p.m at Windsor Park. To be a vendor at this event, please contact Elder Ian Greene, ASI President at 556-0492 or Ms. Shandera Smith, Executive Secretary at 428-4251. Registration is ongoing.

IAD - ASI CONVENTION

The ASI Convention for the Inter-American Division will take place on August 21 - 24, 2019 at the Atlantis, Paradise Island. Save the date and plan to be there. Registration is ongoing. --*Ms. Shandera Smith, Executive Secretary, A.S.I.*



CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

March 31 – Sabbath School Lower Division Teachers Workshop. Venue: Message of Hope Church. Time: 9:30a.m –11:30a.m
Receive information on instruction, resources and crafts to enhance the lesson study for children. --*Mrs. Lavern Sturrup, C.H.A.M Director.*



COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Sunday March 24, 2019 - Easy Worship Software Training

Venue: Message of Hope Church - 9:30a.m - 12noon. Instruction will be given on software installation, operation, troubleshooting, etc. Two media persons from each church are asked to attend. Please bring a laptop computer with you (if possible) that can accommodate the software.

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## ATV LIVE BROADCAST STREAM

Please note that we are currently TESTING a LIVE broadcast feed from our cable channel ATV658 on the YouTube channel named Adventist Television 658 LIVE. This will allow our Family Island viewers and persons around the world to watch our broadcasts in real time. Kindly share your comments on the quality and effectiveness of this ministry provided by the Communications department. Please continue to pray for us and support our media department as we make improvements.

--Mrs. Lavern Sturup, Communications Director.

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## SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Sabbath School teachers training will be held on **March 29 & 30, 2019**, 6p.m-8p.m & 4p.m -7p.m respectively at the Grants Town Church. All unit teachers are expected to be present and on time. **The newly elected Sabbath School Director for ATCU, Mrs. Jennifer Kerr will be in attendance.** --Pastor Leonardo Rahming, Sabbath School Director.

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## HEALTH MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

### Mind Body Connection Seminar

**Monday April 1, 2019** - The Health Ministries Department of our conference will be hosting a Public Health Lecture at 7pm at Hillview Church. Topics for discussion include: Suicide prevention and Symptoms of Depression. All are invited. For further information, please call 323-0610/3414021 or [email:Lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com](mailto:Lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com).

### I Want to Live Healthy Seminar

**Wednesday April 3, 2019** - The Health Ministries Department of The Atlantic Caribbean Union will be hosting a training session for the "I Want to Live Healthy" tool on at the ATCU headquarters, Gladstone Road. Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. All health leaders, pastors, departmental directors, and Adventist Health Professional are invited. RSVP or further information please call 323-0610/341-5153 or [email:Lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com](mailto:Lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com).

--Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director.

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## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

### First Quarter (January - March)

"WE" (Women Empowerment) - at a glance: **March 2019**

16 - Women's Ministries Prison Visit

17 - Message of Hope Prayer Breakfast, 7a.m-9a.m

24 - Berea GEMS Vision Board Meet & Greet

29 - Hillview Women's Ministries "God's Daughters Embrace"- Long Island Weekend Retreat

30 - "God in Shoes" - Zone 1 Community Outreach - Geriatric Hospital at 4p.m - 6p.m

--Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director.

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## MEN'S MINISTRIES ADVENTIST MEN & BOYS MEET & GREET

On Sunday, March 31, 2019 all men are invited to a breakfast *Meet and Greet* at 6a.m. Venue: South Bahamas Conference Camp Grounds under the theme: "Men United in Christ". Plans will also be discussed for the department.

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MEN'S LEADERS MEETING

Tuesday, March 19 - A meeting will be held at the Conference Headquarters at 6pm. Leaders from our churches are asked to make a special effort to attend as the calendar / events for 2019 will be discussed.

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## CONCERT TO ASSIST WITH MEDICAL EXPENSES

The Adventist Men's Chorale will be having a concert in aid of the medical expenses of Bro. Sam Markland. All are invited and encouraged to bring a liberal offering.

--Elder Curtis Bryan, Men's Ministries Coordinator.

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## MINISTERIAL DEPARTMENT

### S.O.A.R (Solutions to Obstacles Adventist Retreat) April 12-14, 2019.

As the Seventh-day Adventist church continues to find new ways to minister to a changing world, it is important for its leaders to come aside and evaluate how effective our methods are with regard to fulfilling the gospel commission. To this end, the Ministerial Department of South Bahamas Conference will host a special training program for all Church Leaders April 12-14, 2019 at the National Training Agency on Gladstone Road. This gathering is designed to give all attendees the opportunity to participate in relevant workshops, share in meaningful discussions, and receive specific training in specific areas of service to the church. Special guest presenter for the plenary sessions will be Dr. Gordon Jones. For more information, see the conference website or call 242-341-4021.

--Pastor T. Basil Sturup, Ministerial Director

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## FAMILY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Let's Talk Radical Recovery - Rise Above Divorce In Confidence & Love.

A 10-week program to provide support for healing and transformation for women who are separated, divorced, or going through a divorce. Wholeness, healing, strength, and courage are waiting for you. For further information on registration WhatsApp 824-1564 or email radicalrecovery242@gmail.com.

## MUSIC MINISTRIES

### GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

### ACADEMY CAMERATA VISITS

On April 16 - 24, 2019 this group from one of our Adventist institutions in Georgia will be travelling to Nassau for a mission trip. They will also be ministering through music during this time.

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SOUTH BAHAMAS CONFERENCE MUSIC COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a committee meeting on Sunday March 17, 2019 at 9:30a.m. at the South Bahamas Conference headquarters. All committee members are asked to attend.

--Sister Annette Dorsett, Music Coordinator.

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YOUTH TIDBITS

Upcoming Events

GLOBAL YOUTH & CHILDREN'S DAY MARCH and RALLY

The MARCH ROUTE is as follows:

*Beginning at Old BA *West onto Wulff Rd
*South on Palm Beach St *West on Balfour Ave
*Cross East St onto Balfour Ave West
*North to K D Josey Ave *West on Poinciana Ave
*South on Market St *West on Coconut Grove Ave *Onto Baillou Hill Rd North
*Ending at Edmund Moxey Park

We assemble at the former Bahamas Academy, Wulff Rd. at 3:00p.m and the March will leave at 3:30p.m sharp. The Rally will be at the Edmund Moxey Park at 5:00p.m.

--Mr. Patrick Wilson Jr., Assistant Youth Director

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BAHAMAS ACADEMY

ANTI-BULLYING AWARENESS

At Bahamas Academy, the month of March will be our Anti-bullying Campaign. We will have a special Chapel on Wednesday March 27, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m. and culminate the month with a Color Run on Sunday March 31, 2019 @ 6:30 a.m. Leaving from the school grounds on Marshall Road to the Golden Gates Shopping Center and returning to the school grounds. We are inviting everyone to show your support for our school and the Anti-bullying events planned for the month of March.

--Mrs. Nadia Rodriguez, Special Services.

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Please Email Weekly Announcements

By Tuesday @ 1pm to:

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<http://southbahamasconference.org>

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SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH

March 23, 2019 AT 7:22 P.M.