

# THE LOGOS



## Connected: The Refreshing

## "Lord Transform Me"

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### ADVENTIST LAYMEN'S SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES CONVENTION REPORT



The Inter-American Division Laymen's Services & Industries (ASI) convention was held in Panama on August 16- 19,

2017 at the luxurious, Hotel RIU Plaza in Panama. The atmosphere buzzed with excitement as a large contingent of ASI members and health professionals of the Inter-American Division converged in anticipation of an inspirational convention.

The ASI Bahamas participants consisted of approximately 31 delegates not including the following persons from the Atlantic Union (ATCU) and the South Bahamas Conference (SBC): Dr. Leonard Johnson, president of ATCU; Mrs. Denise Johnson; Pastor Paul Scavella, president of SBC; Mrs. Joan Scavella; Pastor C. Melvin Lewis; Sister Constance Lewis; and Pastor Michael Toote. This body was indeed the largest delegation from The Bahamas to ever attend the Inter-American Division's ASI convention.

The team lead by President Ian Greene anticipated an electrically charged, and eventful experience. They were not disappointed. From the opening ceremony featuring the parade of nations to the closing concert, the convention left no room for idle minds. The delegates enjoyed exciting, interactive and faith-based meetings and seminars. The morning plenaries were spiritually charged. The afternoon seminars were educational. In the evening Marketplace Ministries sessions, the delegates were set on fire to work for the Lord! Each country's delegates rendered exciting reports of their work over the year and shared innovative ideas for the year to come. When the delegates thought they were flying as high as possible with excitement to push forward the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ through the ministry of ASI, the impossible happened as Dr. C. Wesley Knight helped us to soar to new heights on Sabbath morning with an inspiring message "Don't walk! Run!" With that impetus for service, the delegates thought they got enough energy to go to fields afar, but Elder Knight came back on Sabbath afternoon with another electrifying charge in the closing event.

Fond memories were created when the former Inter-American Division leader, Pastor Leon Wellington passed the torch to Pastor David Daniel. Pastor Wellington gave faithful and

untiring service for the past 16 years as Secretary for ASI in the Inter-American. This event was another impressive mark in his retirement as vice president of the IAD. His successor, Pastor Daniels received his mantle with grace and plans to push with even more vigor in the great work of ASI.

The ASI delegation returned from Panama fired up to spread God's love in the marketplace and is prepared to give evidence of their ministry at ASI convention 2018 in Guadeloupe! The leaders have encouraged as many as possible to be a part of this great event. The ASI theme song says:

"There's a place for every worker in the vineyard of the Lord,  
Where with all our powers united, we can toil with one accord  
There are needy hearts now waiting for the help which we can give  
Let us guide them safely onward, let us show them how to live."

Team ASI plans to have a dynamic, spirit filled year in the service of the Lord.

Some of our plans include:

- The implementation of Jr. ASI for Bahamas Academy
- Collegiate ASI
- ASI for retired professionals
- ASI Sabbath
- ASI business fair in November

All workers, professionals and business owners are welcome to be a part of this team. Come and find out how you can share Christ in the marketplace. For further information you may contact President Ian Greene: 556 0492 or Secretary Shandera Smith: 428 4251/ 803 6543 or email [shiloh4big@hotmail.com](mailto:shiloh4big@hotmail.com) or [asibahamas242@gmail.com](mailto:asibahamas242@gmail.com) -Elder Ian Greene, ASI President

#### "RAY OF HOPE"

The *Ray of Hope* evangelistic series with Evangelist Alton K. Williams will be held at the Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday, September 30 - Saturday, October 21, 2017. Off-nights are Thursday and Friday. - Pastor Mark Ewen, Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church

#### ASI BUSINESS FAIR

The ASI Business Fair will be held at the old Bahamas Academy Gym on November 19, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. All business persons are asked to contact the local ASI representative at their church, President Ian Greene at 556 0492, Secretary Shandera Smith at 803 6543 or Treasurer Victoria Forbes at 427 2341. -Elder Ian Greene, President; ASI

#### PRAYER MINISTRIES CONFERENCE

The South Bahamas Conference Joint Prayer Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 6:00 a.m. at the Philadelphia Seventh-day Adventist church in Elizabeth Estates. The president, Pastor Paul Scavella and Prayer Ministry Leader, Pastor Peter Joseph will be in attendance. Bring your prayer requests, your praise report, and testimonies. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### Save The Date!

The 3rd Annual SBC Prayer Ministries Prayer Conference and Retreat will be held at the Courtyard Marriot on West Bay Street in New Providence, Bahamas on February 1 - 4 2018. Guests across the Atlantic Caribbean Union have been invited and the General Conference will provide a speaker. This will be a special time of prayer and family fellowship as we focus on building the family altar. Stop by the South Bahamas Conference office or call 341-4021 to reserve your room now! Residential and non-residential registration available. Space is limited. Call David Knowles: 4251191, Keble Dawkins: 455-0276, or Ali McIntosh: 423-2709 for package prices -Sister Ali McIntosh & Elder David Knowles

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

October 5 - World Teacher's Day  
October 7 - Churches Celebrate World Teacher's Day  
October 14 - Pastor's Appreciation Day

#### ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE

The prayer focus of The Atlantic Caribbean Union (ATCU) for the week, October 1 - 7, 2017 is: **Personal Health.** -Pastor Peter Joseph, Prayer Coordinator

#### SISTER MADELINE HANNA PASSES



The South Bahamas Conference is saddened by the passing of Mrs. Madeline Hanna. She was the wife of Pastor Royden Hanna and the mother of Martin, Haydn, Edward, Betty, and Esther. Sister Hanna served the church faithfully along with her husband. She taught at Bahamas Academy for over 40 years. Our hearts grieve with the family at this sad hour.

Funeral service will be held at the Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. -Administration

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

All community service departments who are planning to sell food during the Community Service and Pathfinders exhibition on Monday, October 9, 2017 are asked to sign up at the conference or indicate by emailing Pastor Craig Williams at [craigwilliams1000@hotmail.com](mailto:craigwilliams1000@hotmail.com). Additionally, please indicate specific rental supplies (tents, tables and chairs) needed for your church. -*Pastor Craig Williams, Coordinator*

## CHAM UPDATES

**\*Doctrinal Seminar for all children and adolescents** at the Breath of Life Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, **October 8, 2017** at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Parents are urged to register their children and adolescents with their local leader.

**\*CHAM Art Exhibition** at the South Bahamas Conference on **October 23-29, 2017**. The theme is **"The Refreshing"**. Get your entry form from your leader.

**\*Children's Day** at each church on Sabbath, **November 25, 2017**. The Theme is **"Called to be Faithful"**. All leaders and assistants should have the program. Start working with the children and adolescents early!

**\*Children's Agape Praise** at the Living Faith Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath, **November 25, 2017** at 4:00 p.m. The entire family and community friends are invited.

**\*Fun-day** at the Breath of Life Grounds on Sunday, **November 26, 2017** at 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Pay close attention to these dates and let us do our very best for our children and adolescents. -*Joan Scavella, Director*

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

### ATCU RETREAT

Under the theme, "Fulfilling My Purpose", the South Bahamas Conference will be hosting the Atlantic Caribbean Union's (ATCU) Retreat at the Melia Resort, on October 20-22, 2017 with guest speaker, Linda Anderson. She is a mother and an author and currently serves as the Dean of Women at Oakwood University. She comes to us with a wealth of experience having served for years as an on-air radio host and has a deep love for women and in particular, young women. Our retreat services are open to all, so let us not keep this good news to ourselves and invite our sisters from other faiths to join us. -*Sister Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director*

## CREATIVITY MALL

Take your creativity to the next level. Women's Ministries Retreat 2017 will host a Creativity Mall on Saturday night October 21, 2017 at the Melia Hotel. Women can market their ingenious products while inspiring others to tap into their hidden talents. You don't have to be registered to participate. **Spaces are limited so apply now.** Closing date for application is Wednesday October 11, 2017. Call Patrice Williams-Gordon at 341-4021 for more information as to how you can take advantage of this opportunity. -*Mrs. Patrice Williams-Gordon, Special Events Coordinator*

## HEALTH MINISTRIES

### Health Directors Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the South Bahamas Conference office. Plans for 2018 will be discussed.

### SBC Monthly Fun Run Walk

The next scheduled walk is on October 8, 2017 at 6:00 a.m. at Goodman's Bay to Sandy Port and back. Keep moving for overall rejuvenation!

### Thank You

A special *thank you* to all the AHPA Executives and all the individuals who participated in the 1st AHPA Wellness Week.

### Medical Missionary Training

All persons interested in enrolling in a medical missionary programme, free of charge, may contact Nathelyn LaCroix at 323-0610 or email [Lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com](mailto:Lifestylecounselor64@gmail.com) -*Mrs. Nathelyn LaCroix, Health Ministries Director*

## MONTHLY MEETING BURIAL SOCIETY

The Seventh-day Adventist Burial Society will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church Annex on October 2, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. We had five deaths in 2016 and two in 2017. Members are encouraged to become financial and persons wishing to join the society are invited to attend. -*Elder R. Henry Moncur*

## MARANATHA HEALTH SEMINAR

### SAVE THE DATE!

*Natural Remedies Seminar* with Valerie Schreiber ND, Lifestyle Educator from Uchee Pines will be held at the Maranatha Seventh-day Adventist Church on October 25-29, 2017. Learn the benefits of clay, the danger of EMF coming from cell phones, and how to make your own salves, poultices and formulas. Plan now to be there! For further information, please contact Mrs. Farquharson at 327-3760. -*Mrs. Gayle Farquharson, Health Ministries Leader; Maranatha Seventh-day Adventist Church*

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIONS

The following district changes were voted on Thursday, September 21, 2017 by the executive committee of the South Bahamas Conference:

CHURCH/DISTRICT	PASTOR
Ephesus	Nikita Thompson
Agape and Ebenezer	Carl Johnson
Philadelphia and Redemption	Terry Tanis
Maranatha	Larry Green
New Providence and Real Harvest	Asha-Dane Duncan

-*Secretariat*

## ADVENTIST BOOK

### AND NUTRITION CENTRE

\*Sabbath School supplies are now available.  
\*The Adventist Book and Nutrition Centre is pleased to inform our customers that the Mission Study Bible with Ellen G. White Commentary is available for our members and community friends. -*Mrs. Cherry Blackmore, ABCN Manager*

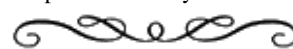
## FORMER WORKER ACCEPTS

### OVERSEAS CALL



Pastor Ashton McFall, a native of The Bahamas, former member of the Bethany Seventh-day Adventist Church, and former pastor of the North and South Bahamas Conferences, was recently installed as a pastor in the Ohio Conference of Seventh-

day Adventists. In 2016, Pastor McFall graduated from Andrews University Theological Seminary with a Masters in Divinity and spent the past year completing 4 units in Clinical Pastoral Education within the Kettering Health Network, an Adventist operated network of hospitals, located in Dayton, Ohio. He is married to the former Sonovia Munnings, who graduated this year from Andrews University with a Masters in Speech Language Pathology. They have three children, a daughter Ashli, and new born twin boys, Stephen and Seth. The South Bahamas Conference continues to pray for Pastor McFall and his family as they move into this new chapter of ministry. -*Administration*



## YOUTH TIDBITS

### National Youth March

The National Youth March is tomorrow (Sunday, October 1, 2017)! All Adventurers, Pathfinders and Masterguides are urged to assemble at Clifford Park in Full Class A uniform no later than 2:00 p.m. Directors are reminded to take their flags to Clifford Park.

### Pathfinder Exhibition

The Community and Pathfinder Exhibition is on Monday, October 9, 2017 at Clifford Park. We anticipate a grand exhibition of talents and skills. Therefore, all clubs are urged to prepare and to be a part of the exhibition in the various events.

### Pathfinders: Key Participants in

#### Hurricane Relief

All clubs are reminded of their contributions to the hurricane relief effort. Whether your donation comes in the form of canned goods or monthly club dues, all should be brought in to the conference headquarters by Friday, October 27, 2017.

### CAMPOREE IN OSHKOSH

All pathfinders interested in attending the North American Division Pathfinder Camporee in Oshkosh, Wisconsin in 2019 are advised to call Mr. Patrick Wilson at the conference office and enquire about the non-refundable registration fee. **The deadline for registration is October 13, 2017!** -*Mr. Patrick Wilson, Jr.; Pathfinder Director*

### SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH OCTOBER 7, 2017 AT 6:51 P.M.

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Have a blessed Sabbath!

