



Missionary Book: Words of Hope



Think about the last time you scrolled through the news or sat through a conversation about the "state of the world." Usually, within about sixty seconds, there's a collective sigh.

A feeling of weight. We live in a world that is incredibly well-informed about its problems, but deeply starved for solutions.

We often talk about "the mission" as a task to be completed, but at its heart, the mission is a response to that sigh. It's an answer to the person who is looking at their life, or the horizon, and wondering: Is there anything more than this? That is exactly where the book *Words of Hope* meets people. It's not just a publication; it's a conversation starter for a heart that's ready to hear something different.

Now, if you haven't received a copy of *Words of Hope* yet, let me give you the "view from thirty thousand feet." This isn't a complex theological textbook or a dry history of a denomination. It explores the parables of Jesus, providing practical, daily lessons on faith, optimism, and Christian living. In my personal view "Words of Hope" is a curated journey through the four Gospels of the New Testament. This book is designed for wide distribution by members to neighbors and communities to share hope.

It takes the big, often intimidating themes of the Great Controversy—the struggle between light and darkness, the character of Jesus, and the promise of His Second Coming—and it translates them into the language of the everyday. It answers the three questions every human being is asking: Who is Jesus? Can I trust Him? And what does the future hold for me? It's designed to be a compass for someone who feel they've lost their North Star.

So, why this book? And why now? As Adventists, we've been given a unique perspective on history. We understand that we aren't just waiting for the end; we should be preparing people for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.

In our missionary context, we often worry about saying the "right thing" or having all the answers to complex prophetic charts. But *Words of Hope* reminds us that most people don't start their spiritual journey with a chart; they start with a need. They need to know that grace is real. They need to know that the chaos they see on social media isn't the final word on humanity. They need to know that Jesus has the final say.

When we share this book, we aren't just handing out paper. We are acting as "hope-bearers." We are saying, "I've found something that lowered the volume of my anxiety and increased the volume of my peace, and I want you to have it too." It's about being a bridge between a person's current struggle and the eternal rest found in Christ.

As I conclude, I want to leave you with a thought. A book on a shelf is just ink and binding. But a book in the hand of a friend—or even a stranger—is a seed. My challenge to you isn't just to read *Words of Hope*, though I highly recommend you do. My challenge is to think of one person in your circle—the neighbor who's going through a rough patch, the coworker who's always asking the "big" questions—and realize that you are the delivery system for that hope.

Let's not just be a people who know the truth; let's be a people who are sharing and living the truth in these last days. Because a single word of hope, given at the right time, can change the entire trajectory of a life.

*Pastor Nikita Thompson,
South Bahamas Conference Publishing Director*



CALENDAR OF EVENTS MAY 2026

- 2 Community Literature Distribution (All Churches)
- 3 Continuation of Lay Certification Evangelism Training
- 3 Elders Meeting
- 5 SBC Adventist Men's Council Meeting
- 9 Mother's Day/NCU Special Offering
- 10 Health Promoters Certification – ATCU Health Ministries
- 10-15 Family Life Week of Prayer
- 14-17 San Salvador Mission Trip (ASL)
- 16 Global Adventurers Day
- 16 CHAM Leadership Training
- 16 International Day of the Boy Child
- 16 Men's Power Hour (MPH)
- 17 Church Music Coordinator's Meeting
- 17 Student Literature Evangelist
- 20 Mental Health Seminar
- 21 School Board Meeting
- 23 World Day of Prayer for At-Risk Children
- 24 Health Promoters Certification – ATCU Health Ministries
- 24 Summer Sports Begins
- 24 Community Service Free Hot Breakfast Day
- 26 Adventist Men's Directors Meeting (virtual)
- 28 Conference Executive Committee Meeting
- 30 SBC Men's Ministries Day
- Adventist Men's Mission Project Workshop and Concert
- Children's and Junior Choirs' Concert



PUSH ATCU INITIATIVE 2026

- 26-May 2 Mothers
- 3-9 IAD Spring Meeting
- 10-16 Students sitting Examinations
- 17-23 ATCU Mid-year Meetings
- 24-30 Children at Risk
- 31-June 6-Protection from Natural Disasters



BIBLE CLASS

Bible class will be held Monday, April 27, 2026, at 7 p.m. online on ZOOM and YouTube. **TOPIC: Biblical principles for voting in the next election.** For further information, contact Pastor Lynden Williams at williams@sbcadventist.org



BAHAMAS ACADEMY Job Openings (2026-2027)

Bahamas Academy is currently accepting applications for the 2026-2027 school year. We are seeking qualified teachers for the following subject areas:

- Mathematics
- Agriculture
- Physical Education
- Science
- Elementary Education

Interested candidates must possess a bachelor's degree in the relevant field along with a valid Teacher's Certificate.

How to Apply

Please submit your written application to: The Education Director, South Bahamas Conference P.O. Box N-356, Nassau, Bahamas
Email: jsands@sbcadventist.org



WORD SBC 88.3 FM

After weeks of prayer and hard work, we are pleased to announce that the station is back on air, currently broadcasting our partner station, LifeTalk Radio.

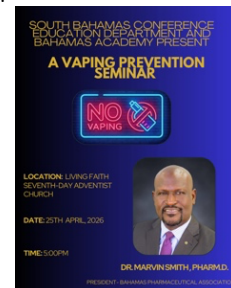
We thank God for His guidance and faithfulness throughout this process. We kindly ask for your continued prayers as we work diligently to restore our local programming in the near future.

Stay tuned, and may God continue to bless you.



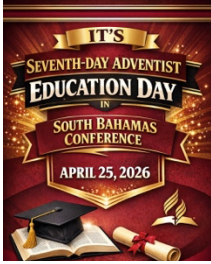
VAPING PREVENTION SEMINAR

The South Bahamas Conference Education Department and Bahamas Academy are pleased to announce a Vaping Prevention Seminar to be held this Sabbath, Saturday, April 25, 2026. At 5:00 p.m. at Living Faith Church. This informative session will be led by Dr. Marvin Smith, Pharm.D., the President of the Bahamas Pharmaceutical Association, who will provide expert insight into the health risks associated with vaping.



EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

This Sabbath, April 25, 2026, is Seventh-day Adventists Education Day! The education department is inviting all churches to celebrate the importance of Adventist Education with its members.



SABBATH SCHOOL TRAINING

A Sabbath School Training session will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2026, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Bethany Church. The keynote speaker will be ATCU Sabbath School director, Nelda Rose Dracket. All Superintendents, Adult Sabbath School Teachers, and Secretaries are invited to participate.



SBC RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

The South Bahamas Conference Retirees' Association will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 30, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the Philadelphia Church. All are invited to attend.

*-Mary Morris
Secretary, Treasurer*



MARANATHA CHURCH

The Maranatha Church invites all to join them in celebrating its 56th Church Anniversary, under the theme, "Look where God has brought us". The thanksgiving services will begin on April 29th, 2026, and will conclude on May 2nd, 2026.



AUDIO TRAINING

The Communication Department of the South Bahamas Conference will postpone its audio training series to the month of June. All audio team members in their respective churches are encouraged to attend.



REAL HARVEST CHURCH

The Real Harvest Church invites you to their 23rd Church Anniversary celebration, which will be held on May 2, 2026. The service will be held under the theme "Celebrating His Faithfulness, Embracing the future with Hope". The celebration begins with sabbath school at 9:30 am, followed by divine service at 11 am, led by host pastor Waldo Casildo-Bennett.



LIVING FAITH CHURCH

The Living Faith Church Community Service department will host a grand social on May 2, 2026, on the church grounds. The social will begin at sunset and will include music, games, and fun for the whole family.



BEREA CHURCH

Wellness & Rejuvenation Retreat

The Health Ministry Department of Berea Seventh-day Adventist Church invites you to its 4-Day Wellness & Rejuvenation Retreat, May 22-25, 2026, at the Adventure Learning Center, Nassau, Bahamas. This all-inclusive, dormitory-style retreat focuses on preventing and managing lifestyle diseases while promoting spiritual renewal. Participants will enjoy plant-based meals, health lectures, natural remedies, hydrotherapy, massage, facials, soap making, blood work analysis, spiritual strengthening sessions, and much more. For more information, contact Nathelyn LaCroix at 828-6387. Invest in your health. Renew your mind. Strengthen your faith.



CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENT MINISTRIES

CHAM Tithe & Offering Envelope Launch

The SBC Children's and Adolescent Ministries (CHAM), in collaboration with the Stewardship Department, invites you to the official CHAM Tithe and Offering Envelope Launch. This event, hosted by Pastor Lee Burrows, is designed to encourage our young people to experience the joy of giving and will take place on Saturday, May 23, 2026. Please join us at Living Faith starting at 5:00 p.m. as we empower

our children and adolescents to become faithful stewards in the Lord's work.



MEN'S MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Men's Ministries Emphasis Day

Theme: "Eyes on the Mission"

Men across the South Bahamas Conference are invited to prepare for the Men's Ministries Emphasis Day on May 30, 2026, under the theme "Eyes on the Mission". The day will conclude with the Adventist Men's Concert in the afternoon.

Adventist Men Chorale

All former members of the Adventist Men Chorale, originally formed by Anthony Roach, are invited to attend weekly rehearsals every Sunday morning from 8:00-9:00 a.m. at the Grant's Town Church. These rehearsals are in preparation for the Adventist Men's Day Afternoon Concert, scheduled for May 30, 2026.



ASI CONVENTION 2026

ASI Bahamas is inviting all to the 2026 Inter-American Division's ASI Convention in Punta Cana, the Dominican Republic from August 12-19, 2026. For more information call 556-0492 or 428-4251.



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SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH

Saturday, May 2, 2026

@ 7:39 p.m.

Have a Happy Sabbath