



LAY CERTIFICATION EVANGELISM TRAINING



The personal ministries department of the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is committed to providing resources and training church members to unite their efforts with the ministry and church officers in the final proclamation of the gospel of salvation in Christ. The department aims to enlist every member in active soul-winning service for God.

It is in the context of this divine responsibility that the lay certification evangelism training was planned virtually for a period of seven months for all personal ministries leaders of the local churches and other interested persons. Every first Sunday of the month, from February to August 2024 we had well able and qualified persons who presented on various topics that were intentionally selected.

In the month of February, we began the training with Guest presenter, Pastor Chimus Isidore, the personal ministries director of the North Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. He presented on “How to reclaim the missing.” In his presentation, he outlined some of the reasons for which many of our members are missing and offered ways by which the church should reach out to them. In the month of March, we invited Pastor Damian Chambers, who is the associate professor at the School of Religion & Theology at Northern Caribbean University. He presented on “Sermon preparation and delivery.” His presentation was timely and

relevant. Then In the month of April Pastor Wilson Isnord presented on “The Theology of Bringing People to a Decision for Jesus.” In this presentation, some valuable principles were given to the members on how to be effective in leading others to Jesus.

In the month of April, Dr. Michael D. Toote was our guest presenter. He presented on “Impact for Christ in 2024.” His presentation further equipped the laity with many evangelistic tools to be successful in making an impact for Christ. Then in the month of June, Pastor Wilson Presented on “Nurturing New Members in the Church.” In this presentation, vital strategies were presented that can help the church to properly nurture the new members. Then In July Pastor Wilson Isnord continued the training on How to Participate with God in the Ministry of Reconciliation of Former Members. Then On the first Sunday of August, Pastor Wilson Isnord concluded the training with Sharing the Gospel, the Divine Mandate.

On Sabbath August 10, 2024, a graduation service was conducted at the Grant’s Town Church where many received their certificates. In attendance was the president of the South Bahamas Conference, Pastor Kenny Deveaux who brought kind remarks. Dr. Peter Joseph presented the charge. I want to express special thanks to all those who participated in the training. May God’s continued blessing be upon you for your unwavering support during the seven months of training. The Lay Certification Evangelism Training was intentionally planned and executed to equip and empower leaders of the local churches to be more effective in evangelism.

Ellen G. White posits, “The work of God in this earth can never be finished until men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers. Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 117.

May God help us in the South Bahamas conference to cooperate with His son Jesus in the final work of persuading men and women to surrender to Jesus through the enabling power of the Holy Spirit

Pastor Wilson Isnord
SBC’s Personal Ministries Director



CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUGUST

- 1 IAD Continuation of Annual Activities for Conservation and Soul-Winning
- 3 Global Mission Evangelism
- 3 Lay literature distribution community impact
- 5-11 International Pathfinder Camporee, Wyoming
- 10 Reach the World: Church Planting
- 10 Lay Pulpit Exchange/Graduation of Lay Certification Evangelism Training
- 17 Adventist Education Day
- 17 Adventurer Bible Connection
- 17 Men’s Power Hour (MPH)
- Mission Project (to be determined)
- Back to School Initiative (to be determined)
- 18 SBC Lay Campaign
- 22 Executive Committee Meeting
- 24 Pathfinder Bible Connection
- 24 Evangelism with Laity
- 24 Adventist Education Day (Bahamas Academy – Special Offering)
- 31 AY Bible Connection
- Baptismal Day



ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE 2024 AUGUST

- July 28- August 3 World Church Leaders
- 4-10 Adventist World Radio & Hope Channel
- 11-17 Northern Caribbean University
- 18-24 Graduates Seeking Admission to University
- 25-31 Graduates Seeking Employment



BIBLE CLASS

There will be no Bible class this Sunday, August 17th, 2024. Bible Class will resume on August 25, 2024. For further information contact Pastor Lynden Williams: lwilliams@sbcadventist.org.bs at



SOUTH BAHAMAS RETIREES ASSOCIATION

The South Bahamas Conference Retirees' Association will be holding its monthly meeting on Thursday, August 29th, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. The venue is the Philadelphia SDA Church in Elizabeth Estates. All members and those wishing to become members are asked to be present. If you are retired and a Seventh-day Adventist, you are invited to be a part of the association.

-Rowena Smith, President



HEALTH MINISTRIES INITIATIVE

For the rest of 2024, SBC Health Ministries is challenging you to improve your overall health. Each month you have a challenge, and you will be given tips on how to accomplish those challenges.

August Challenge: Be more active!

We want you to be social with us! Post and tag us (SBC Health Ministries on Facebook) when you are being active, drinking your water, preparing and/or eating your vegetables, and practicing self-care. It is our desire that you achieve the highest level of health possible. We want you to be happy and healthy!



GHANA MISSION TRIP

Interested individuals who would like to travel and assist the Amazing Grace Seventh-day Adventist church in Ghana, beginning October 15, 2024, can contact David Williams at 433-6917 for more information.



GRAND BAHAMA ACADEMY

The School Board of Grand Bahama Academy invites applications for the post of Business Manager.

The successful candidate will be responsible for providing fiscal leadership and management for Grand Bahama Academy of Seventh-day Adventists, a K-12 institution.

Core Responsibilities

- Prepare financial statements.
- Oversee the assets of the academy.
- Oversee the Business Office.
- Produce annual budget.

- Collect school fees/tuition.
- Assist in the smooth functioning of the school environment.

Minimum Candidate Requirements

- Bachelor's degree in business administration with an emphasis in accounting.
- Five (5) years of experience as an accountant.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Understands and is committed to the distinctive qualities of Seventh-day Adventist education.

Interested persons should submit their resume and cover letter to:

Chairman Grand Bahama Academy School Board at:

Email: jscavella@nbcadventist.org

Deadline for receipt of application: August 30, 2024



BAHAMAS ACADEMY

New Student Orientation: August 23, 2024

Returning Students: August 26, 2024

Alumni Weekend



END IT NOW

The Adventist Church has designated August 24, 2024, as #EndItNow Day, an initiative aimed at raising awareness and providing practical solutions to combat violence in all its forms. This year, we are promoting the theme "Find My Sheep," which encourages active participation to shelter and support those suffering from violence and help bring justice. The Women's Ministries Department invites all to join the annual march and rally on August 24, 2024.



ATCU WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Atlantic Caribbean Union will host its 2024 women's conference under the theme Rescuing Your Value for Mission. The conference will be held at Atlantis, Paradise Island from October 11-13, 2024. The international guest speaker will be Jill Morikone, 3ABN Vice President.



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SUNSETS NEXT SABBATH

Saturday, August 24, 2024

@ 7:33 p.m.

Have a Happy Sabbath!