



Moved With Compassion- EndItNow



If I could've squeeze compassion into three beautiful words, it would be "Denise RoseMarie Pierre" (My Beloved Mother). I said this because she has been living a life caring and giving her all to everyone around her: family, friends, people she knows, and even people she doesn't know! Nevertheless, compassion is more than a feeling; it is LOVE expressed through action. Throughout the Bible, God continually calls His people to care for others with tenderness, mercy, and generosity. In a world often marked by our own personal errands, division, and indifference, we are called to move with compassion, reflecting the heart of Jesus in everyday life.

The greatest example of compassion is found in the life of Jesus Christ. Everywhere He went, He saw people not as interruptions but as individuals worthy of love and care. The Gospel records that "but when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd" (Matthew 9:36, KJV). His compassion was never passive. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, comforted the grieving, forgave sinners, and welcomed those whom society rejected. His actions remind us that genuine compassion always moves us to serve.

As we continue to embrace our "EndItNow" campaign, we as Seventh-day Adventists can practice compassion with simple acts of kindness. It may involve listening to someone who is hurting without rushing to offer advice, preparing a meal for a family facing illness, encouraging someone with a thoughtful message, visiting the lonely, supporting those in financial difficulty, or praying faithfully for those carrying heavy burdens. These seemingly ordinary actions can become extraordinary demonstrations of God's love when offered with a sincere heart.

One of the clearest biblical illustrations of practical compassion is the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). While others passed by a wounded man, the Samaritan stopped, treated his injuries, provided transportation, paid for his care, and ensured

his recovery. Jesus concluded the parable with a simple but powerful instruction: "Go and do thou likewise" (Luke 10:37). With these small acts of compassion, there would be no room for hurt and abuse among us.

Compassion also means extending grace and forgiveness. Ephesians 4:32 reminds us, "And be ye kind one to one another, forgiving one other, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Forgiveness can be difficult, especially when we have been deeply hurt. Yet choosing forgiveness reflects the mercy we ourselves have received through Christ. Compassion seeks restoration rather than revenge and healing rather than bitterness.

Another practical expression of compassion is caring for the vulnerable. Scripture consistently emphasizes God's concern for widows, orphans, the poor, and the oppressed. Proverbs 19:17 declares, "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord, and that which he hath given will he pay him again." Whether through giving, volunteering, mentoring, or simply offering our time, we honor God when we care for those in need.

Living compassionately also requires spiritual sensitivity. We should ask God to open our eyes to the needs around us and to give us the courage to respond. Simply with words of encouragement. At other times it can be through practical assistance, generous giving, or just being present with someone in their time of sorrow. Every act of love, no matter how small, has the potential to point others to Christ.

As Adventists, we are called to be His hands and feet in a broken world. Compassion is not reserved for special occasions; it is a daily lifestyle that reflects God's character. When we choose kindness over judgment, generosity over selfishness, and service over comfort, we become living witnesses of Christ's love.

May we continually ask God to fill our hearts with His compassion so that there may be no Hurt nor Abuse, and that our faith is seen not only in our words but also in our actions. Galatians 6:9 encourages us, "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season, we shall reap, if we faint not." By moving with compassion each day, we bring hope to others and glorify the One whose compassion has transformed our lives.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2026

- 1 SBC Adventist Men's Council Meeting
- 5 CHAM Leadership Training
- 5 Youth Spiritual and Mission Commitment Day
- 5 Community Literature Distribution (All Churches)
- 6 Elders Meeting
- 6-12 Family Togetherness Week of Prayer
- 6-12 CHAM Week of Prayer
- 11 Oasis of Prayer
- 12 Health Ministries Emphasis Day
- 13-19 Pathfinder Scarf Challenge Week (schools and workplaces)
- 18 Doris Johnson Health Expo.

- 17 School Board Meeting
- 19 Men's Power Hour (MPH)
- 19 World Pathfinder Day
- 20 Church Music Coordinators' Meeting
- 20 Men's Health – Prostate Awareness Focus/Health Fair
- 20-26 Health & Evangelism Week
- 23 Executive Committee Meeting
- 26 Sabbath School Community Guest Day
- 27 CHAM-Versation (Adolescents)



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- 16-22 EndItNow Weekend
- 23-29 Government and People of the Turks and Caicos Islands
- 30-Sept 5 Lay Evangelism



BIBLE CLASS

Bible Class will be held Monday, August 24th, 2026, at 7 p.m. online on ZOOM and YouTube. **TOPIC: A prophet among you; Re-examining the role of the Biblical Prophet.** For further information, contact Pastor Lynden Williams at lwiliams@sbcadventist.org.bs



SOUTH BAHAMAS CONFERENCE RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

There will be no meeting held in August. The South Bahamas Conference Retirees' Association will resume its monthly meeting in September.

-Mary Morris
Secretary, Treasurer



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

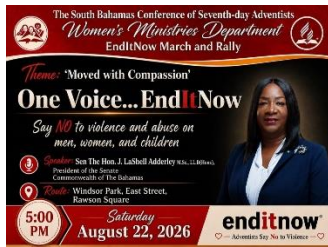
The Atlantic Caribbean Union Women's Ministries Department is calling all women to be a part of their 2027 Devotional Book. Interested individuals are asked to email their stories and testimonies to 2027Devotional@atcunion.org on or before August 31, 2026.



ENDITNOW CAMPAIGN

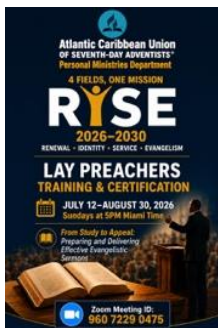
End It Now Emphasis Day will be held globally on August 22, 2026. The year's theme is Moved with Compassion. Let us learn how to be more compassionate, proactive, helpful, and more like Jesus. The Women's Ministries Department will host a rally on August 22, 2026, with keynote speaker, The

Hon. J. LaShell Adderley, President of the Senate of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.



PERSONAL MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

The Personal Ministries Department of the Atlantic Caribbean Union of Seventh-day Adventists invites all members to participate in the Lay Preachers Training and Certification series, themed "4 Fields, One Mission: RISE 2026-2030." This online training program will continue every Sunday at 5:00 pm until August 30, 2026.



FRANCOPHONE CHURCH

Join the Francophone Seventh-day Adventist Church for our upcoming Evangelistic Week from Saturday, August 22, through Saturday, August 29, 2026. Centered on the theme "Jesus Is the Solution," this special week of reflection, blessing, and hope will explore how Christ provides the answer to our greatest daily challenges, needs, and aspirations.



YOUTH MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Youth Sports Day

The annual Sports Day will be held on September 20th, 2026, to conclude Pathfinder Week in the South Bahamas Conference. Stay tuned for more updates.



HILLVIEW CHURCH Hillview Seniors' Week 2026

Hillview Church will conclude its Annual Seniors' Week with a special Sabbath celebration on August 22nd, 2026, beginning with an early morning prayer meeting on Zoom at 7 am. The day will continue with a special church service beginning at 9:15 am,

followed by divine worship at 11 am. Seniors' Week will conclude with a special luncheon held exclusively for Hillview seniors at 1:00 pm.



CHILDREN & ADOLESCENT MINISTRIES

The South Bahamas Conference Children's & Adolescent Ministries invites all young people and families to the CHAM Week of Prayer, taking place September 13-18, 2026, at Johnson Park Church. Meetings will run nightly from 6:45 PM to 7:30 PM under the theme "Made To Follow: I'm Never Too Young To Say Yes," featuring speaker Pastor Arthur Angila. The week will culminate with a special Baptismal Service on Friday evening. Additionally, as this event coincides with Pathfinder Scarf Week, all CHAM children who are Pathfinders are encouraged to proudly wear their Pathfinder scarves.



NEW PROVIDENCE CHURCH

50TH Anniversary

Join the New Providence Church as its members celebrate a monumental milestone: the church's 50th anniversary, under the theme, 'Celebrating God's Faithfulness: We Press On.' The week of celebration kicks off Wednesday, September 9th through Sunday, September 13th, 2026, with a lineup of dynamic guest speakers throughout the week, including Pastor Waldo Casildo Bennett, Dr. Roger Moncur, Dr. Peter Joseph, and Dr. Leonard Johnson!

Summer Basketball Tournament

Get Ready for Game Time! Join us on the New Providence Church grounds for an exciting series of events running from August 8 to August 29, 2026, starting each evening at 8:30 pm. Come out to cheer on and support our participating teams: Community, Grant's Town, Maranatha, and New Providence.



WORLD PATHFINDERS' DAY

On September 19, 2025, Pathfinders around the world will celebrate the General Conference Adventist Youth Ministries Pathfinder Day under the theme, Speak Lord! Connect with your local church Pathfinder leader for more information.



BAHAMAS ACADEMY ALUMNI WEEKEND

Alumni Weekend will be held from October 30 to November 1, 2026. Come and enjoy a weekend of memories, Bahamas Academy style!



SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The South Bahamas Conference Sabbath School Department is excited to present Friendship Sabbath on September 26, 2026. This special day is a wonderful opportunity to invite a friend to Sabbath School as we come together to share Jesus. Mark your calendars, invite someone close to you, and join us to experience the love of Christ together!



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SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH

Saturday, August 29, 2026

@ 7:31 p.m.

Have a Happy Sabbath