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### **EMMANUEL – God Is With Us**



Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:9 NKJV)

Welcome, 2024! God has spared our lives to see a New Year, another year of second chances and opportunities. As we embark on this New Year, some will undoubtedly be apprehensive because of past failures and challenges. However, despite the past, we are encouraged by the Lord to "Move Forward." The Lord is with us! Of that, we can be confident!

With God on our side, 2024 will be a great year! Jeremiah 29:11 reminds us, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

At the South Bahamas Conference, we praise God for His leadership, direction, and protection in 2023. The countless stories and testimonies of deliverance, restoration, and victory from our membership last year were all inspiring! Thanks to all our Departmental Directors, Pastors, Educators, and church members for your labors of love in the cause of Christ during 2023. As the Lord commanded Moses in Exodus 13:14, I, too, wish to admonish the membership to move forward now and see the great things that the Lord has in store for us in 2024.

We began 2024 on our knees, thanking God for His past blessings. We anticipate newer and richer blessings in this New Year as we continue our journey. Brothers and sisters, prayer is the key and will be our watchword for 2024. However, as we earnestly pray, we must work with much determination.

This year, we welcome the newest addition to our ministerial team, Pastors Arthur Angila and Moise Arboite, and their families. We pray that God will use them mightily to help advance the Mission in the South Bahamas Conference to the honor and glory of God.

The South Bahamas Conference will engage in "10 Days of Prayer" from January 10 – 20. Concurrent with this initiative, on the weekend of January 12 – 14, we welcome the Family Ministries Directors of the General Conference, Dr. Willie and Sis. Elaine Oliver, who will be our guest presenters for the Family Ministries weekend. The emphasis for the weekend is "Families in Mission," which is the overarching theme for 2024. The venue for this weekend is the Centreville SDA Church.

We will commence at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12, with the topic "Back to the Altar". I invite ALL family members to join us for this exciting and informative weekend.

Following the Family Ministries Weekend, guest presenter Dr. Peter Roennfeldt from Australia will conduct a week of evangelism and discipleship training for all pastors and members from January 15 to 18. This unique training is in preparation for our two (2) Mega Campaigns during the first quarter of 2024. Further details on the venue and Zoom information will be available later.

Winter Convention 2024 will be held 19-21 January at the William Thompson Auditorium, Jean Street, with Pastor/Evangelist Steven Gates. We anticipate that the presence of the Holy Spirit will resonate very well throughout that weekend.

As we move forward in 2024, we foresee tremendous and exciting happening to the Honor and Glory of God. I encourage each of you to allow the Holy Spirit to transform your lives and intentionally fulfill your purpose in Mission during 2024. The harvest is great, but the laborers are few. I invite you to join the army of God by supporting the initiatives of the South Bahamas Conference as we move forward to accomplish more incredible things for God. Despite the challenges that may arise, remember "Emmanuel - God Is With Us"!

> -Pastor Kenny Deveaux South Bahamas Conference President



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY

7 Men's Ministries Directors Meeting 7 Music Ministries Directors Meeting 10 Let's move to Live Fun Run/Walk 10-20 Ten Days of Prayer 20 Men's Power Hour

20 Men's Power Hour 12-14 Family Life Weekend

13 Launch of the Lay Certification Evangelism

13 IAD Launch of the Women's Ministries "Rescuing Values" Program

13 IAD Launch of the "Love Olympics" Program

13 Health Ministries Emphasis Day

15-18 Evangelism and Discipleship Conclave

20 Religious Liberty Day

19-21 Nassau Convention

26-28 Family Island Convention

27 Launch of "I WILL GO" Mentoring

28 Health Training Seminar



### ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE 2024 JANUARY

Jan7-13 Family in Mission Jan14-20 Success for the Ten Dyas of Prayer Jan21-27 Elected Church Officers for 2024 Jan 28-Feb 3 Commitment to Soul-winning



### **BIBLE CLASS**

Bible Class will resume on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m. under the theme, "Time Travel: Getting Past the

Past". For further information contact Pastor Lynden Williams: lwilliams@sbcadventist.org.bs or 803-9793.



### PASTORAL INSTALLMENTS

On Sabbath January 06, 2024, the following pastors will be installed in the churches listed:

**Moise Arboite** - Ebenezer, and Francophone

Raydel Duffis - Trinity Jamal Franklyn - Living Faith Arthur Angila - New Englerston



### **MEN'S MINISTRIES MEETING**

There will be a meeting on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 5:00 pm for all Adventist Men interested in attending the Florida Conference Men's Convention that will be held at Camp Kulaqua from March 8-10, 2024. The meeting will be held on Zoom.

**Meeting ID:** 995 7833 5611 **Passcode:** 590902

-Michael McCoy Men's Ministries Director



### **MUSIC MINISTRIES**

There will be a rehearsal for all singers who would like to be a part of the South Bahamas Conference Convention Choir on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Maranatha church.

-Annette Dorsett Music Coordinator



### MONTHLY BURIAL SOCIETY MEETING

The S.D.A. Burial Society will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Grants Town Church Annex. We've had five (5) deaths for 2020, Six (6) for 2021, Fourteen (14) for 2022, and Three (3) for 2023. Members are encouraged to become financial and persons wishing to join the society are invited to attend.



### GRANT'S TOWN CHURCH Daniel Fast

Our Health Ministries Department invites you to begin the new year with a Daniel Fast. The Demo will be held on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Grant's Town Church located on Wellington Street. Space is limited!



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### FAMILY MINISTRIES WEEKEND Families in Mission

All families are invited to a special weekend with Dr Willie and Elaine Oliver, Family Ministries Directors of the General Conference at the Centreville Church from January 12-14, 2024.





#### 2024 CONVENTION

Convention for the South Bahamas Conference is set for January 19-21, 2024, at the William Thompson Auditorium on Jean Street under the theme: **Commissioned for Mission**. Our guest speaker will be Pastor Steven Gates.

On Sabbath January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Youth Department will host Youth Convention at the Hillview Church, and the Children and Adolescent Ministries (CHAM) Department will host the CHAM Convention at the Living Faith Church.

The Family Island Winter Conventions will be held on January 26-28, 2024.



### CONFERENCE TRAINING

There will be a special Evangelism and Discipleship training for all Deacons, Deaconesses, Personal Ministry, and Sabbath School Directors, along with other Leaders and Elders from January 15-16, 2024, at the Hillview Church from 6-8 pm. There will be a joint service held on January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Hillview Church. All pastors will receive training from January 15-19, from 8:30 am-12 pm at the Conference office. Our guest presenter will be Dr. Peter Roennfeldt.



### YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS Youth Leaders Course

The Youth Department will host its yearly youth leaders' refreshers course on January 12-13, 2024.



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SUNSETS Saturday, January 13, 2024 @ 5:50 p.m.

Have a Happy Sabbath!