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THE ULTIMATE CHOICE



The book of Revelation is filled with symbols, and as we saw earlier, Babylon represents a confused and fallen system of worship that tramples on the law of God. The warning given by the angel of Revelation 18 brings into focus the life and death decision that everyone will face at the end of time—the choice to follow God and be true to His Word, or to follow human devised legislation that goes against God’s law.

We read in The Great Controversy that “the Sabbath will be the great test of loyalty, for it is the point of truth especially controverted. When the final test shall be brought to bear upon men, then the line of distinction will be drawn between those who serve God and those who serve Him not” (The Great Controversy, p. 605).

For you see, friends, although it does not seem possible now, there will come a time when “The powers of earth, uniting to war against the commandments of God, will decree that ‘all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond’ (Rev. 13:16), shall conform to the customs of the church by the observance of the false sabbath. All who refuse compliance will be visited with civil penalties, and it will finally be declared that they are deserving of death” (The Great Controversy, p. 604).

Before this happens, however, everyone will clearly understand what the issues are and will have the opportunity to choose for themselves whether to follow God’s law or human-devised legislation that goes against the law of God. Those who accept “the sign of submission to earthly powers will receive the mark of the beast,” while the others, “choosing the token of allegiance to divine authority, receive the seal of God” (The Great Controversy, p. 605).

We are told that “thousands upon thousands will listen who have never heard words like these. In amazement they hear the testimony that Babylon is the church, fallen because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth sent to her from heaven” (The Great

Controversy, pp. 606, 607). And as the eyes of the people are opened, despite opposition from the established church leaders, many will take their stand for God and His Truth.

On the other hand, there will be those who have known God’s Truth, but in the end will decide to take their stand with the world. Nevertheless, despite opposition and persecution, God’s people will continue to move forward, facing similar trials to the Reformers of the past—Wycliffe, Huss, Luther, Tyndale, Wesley, and others who urged that all doctrines must be tested by the Bible and the Bible alone.

My brothers and sisters, amazing times are just ahead of us. Jesus is coming soon. He longs to pour out His Spirit upon His people in latter rain power so we can finish the work He has given us to do. Now is the time to draw close to Him in full confidence, trusting in His Word and following Him wherever He leads.

Ted N.C. Wilson, President, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists



CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER

- 1 Adventist Teacher Recognition Day
- 1-29 Club Certifications
- 5 Day of Prayer and Fasting
- 5 World Teacher’s Day
- 5 SDA Inter-America Youth Society (Online)
- 6 CHAM Council Meeting
- 7 8 Weeks 2 Wellness Monthly Meeting
- 8 Let’s Move to Live Fun Run/Walk
- 11-13 ATCU Women’s Ministries Weekend
- 12 Ministerial Family Day
- 12-18 Creation Week
- 13-19 CHAM Week of Prayer
- 17-19 Mission Symposium
- 18-20 IAD Spirit of Prophecy Symposium
- 18-20 Public Campus Ministries Weekend
- 19 Spirit of Prophecy and Adventist Heritage Day
- 19 Men’s Power Hour (MPH)
- 24 Executive Committee Meeting
- 26 Creation Sabbath
- 28 Full Circle
- 28 Closing Program for Children’s and Adolescent Ministries “Olympics of Love”
- 28 Closing Program for Women’s Ministries “Rescuing Values”



ATCU PUSH INITIATIVE 2024 OCTOBER

- Sept 29-Oct 5 Adventist Teachers
- 6-12 General Conference Autumn Council Meetings
- 13-19 Evangelism efforts by Women and Children
- 20-26 Leaders of Church and Nation
- Oct 27-Nov 2 IAD Year-End Meetings

BIBLE CLASS

Bible class will be held online on Zoom and YouTube on Sunday, October 06th, 2024, at 6 p.m. **TOPIC: Why so many versions; Translations of The Bible.** For further information contact Pastor Lynden Williams: at lwilliams@sbcadventist.org.bs.



BETHANY CHURCH

The Bethany Church will hold a Gospel Series titled, “The Messages of Hope”. The evangelist will be the host pastor, Kareem Black from October 5th-26th, 2024. **Off nights:** Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.



ASI BAHAMAS

A huge thank you is extended to all those who donated and supported the Ghana Mission Trip Fundraiser. We truly appreciate you!



COMMUNITY SERVICE

There will be a Community Services Meeting on Sunday, October 06th, 2024, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the South Bahamas Conference Office.

- Anthony Burrows, Community Service Director



MONTHLY MEETING BURIAL SOCIETY

The Adventist Burial Society will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, October 7th, 2024, at 6:30 pm at the Grant’s Town Church Annex. We’ve had fourteen (14) deaths for 2022, three (3) for 2023 and five (5) for 2024. Members are encouraged to become financial and persons wishing to join the society are invited to attend.

-Elder R. Henry Moncur



MUSIC MINISTRIES

Choir Rehearsal for SBC Children’s Choir will continue this Sabbath afternoon beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the Maranatha Church. Children between the ages 6-14 who are not members are also invited to attend. We are rehearsing for a Christmas Production.



FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

All singers who would like to be a part of the 2024 Festival of Carols and Conference

Convention 2025 are invited to attend rehearsals for these events this Sabbath afternoon, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the MARANATHA church.

-Annette Dorsett, SBC Music Coordinator



CENTREVILLE CHURCH

The Centreville Church Adventist single adult ministries present "The Single Pulse" Poolside Spoken Word Event- A Night of Short Stories & Poetry, on Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 7:30 pm. This event is open to SBC Singles of every category, and their friends. Venue & **Entry Fee: TBA** Attendees are asked to bring a short story or poem to share. Indicate your attendance now.

-Chilé Fernandez, CTV ASAM Team



SOUTH BAHAMAS CONFERENCE RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

The South Bahamas Conference Retirees' Association plans to travel to The Berry Islands for its annual mission trip, October 18-21, 2024. We will worship with the Adventist members, make a courtesy call to the local government administrator, and assist and distribute care packages to the elderly and shut-in residents. Anyone who would like to contribute cash or items may contact Rowena Smith, at 3593169, Dr. John Carey at 557-2037, members of the association in the individual churches, or drop off at the conference office Thank you for your support in advance.

-Rowena Smith, President of SoBCRA



BIBLE CONFERENCE

During the weekend of November 1-3, 2024, the South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be having its Bible Conference under the theme, "Rediscovering Biblical Truth".

Friday, Nov. 1 (evening) – Online
Sabbath, Nov. 2 (morning and evening) – In person



CHAM

The Children and Adolescent Ministries' week of prayer will be held from October 13 -19, 2024 under the theme "The hope that saves". The week of prayer will conclude with joint services on Friday, October 18th, at 7 pm and Sabbath October 19th, at 11 am at the Berea Church on Baillou Hill Road with Pastor Terry Tanis.



HILLVIEW CHURCH

The Hillview Church will be hosting an evangelistic series open to all. The speaker for this series will be Ministerial Intern: Elder Rumeke Young; and will begin November 3rd and run until November 16th, 2024. Meetings

will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m., 5 nights a week, excluding Thursday and Saturday nights. The series theme is "In His Good Hands".



JOHNSON PARK CHURCH

If you are interested in becoming a member of a Toastmasters Club to enhance your speaking and leadership ability, please email Elder Barry Shane Saunders at barryshanes@gmail.com, giving your name, church affiliation, and DOB. You must be 18 years or older to apply. **Deadline:** October 21st, 2024



MARANATHA CHURCH

The Maranatha Church health ministry's department is inviting all to a fun run walk on October 13th, 2024, beginning at 6 am. It will begin at Seagrape's Shopping Centre to Yamacraw Beach and back.



ATCU WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

We are eagerly looking forward to the grand convocation taking place at Atlantis, Paradise Island, from October 11-13, 2024, under the theme "Rescuing Your Value for Mission." As we approach this significant event, we invite everyone to join us in praying for its success. Let us collectively seek God's guidance and blessings in the following areas:

1. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all who attend.
2. The safe travel and arrival of participants from our islands and overseas.
3. That our guest speaker, Jill Morikone, 3ABN Vice President, will be empowered by God to deliver His message. Together, let us anticipate a powerful and transformative experience in the presence of the Lord.



MEN'S MINISTRIES CONFERENCE

Dates: November 15-16, 2024

Location: SuperClubs Breezes, Cable Beach, Nassau, Bahamas

Theme: "Powered By God"

Join us for an inspiring and empowering weekend filled with fellowship, worship, and spiritual growth. This convention is designed to strengthen our faith and equip us to be powerful men of God in our homes, churches, and communities. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with other men and experience the transformative power of God. Mark your calendars and prepare to be "Powered By God"!



YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Month Sabbath Service

Under the theme: Homecoming: Let's Make More Memories, National Youth Month 2024 is here! The Ministry of Youth Sports and Culture will host the Saturday church service at the Hillview church this Sabbath, October 5th, 2024, at 11 am, with SBC youth director Pastor Manasseh Simms as the speaker.



2024 Pathfinder Rally

The 2024 South Bahamas Conference Pathfinder Rally will be held this Sabbath, October 5th, 2024, at the Hillview Church at 5 pm. Come out and support our pathfinders as they share their testimonies under the theme, "Jesus camps with you!"



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SUN SETS NEXT SABBATH

Saturday, October 12, 2024

@ 6:45 p.m.

Have a Happy Sabbath!