



INFLUENCE OF EXCELLENCE- NATIONAL YOUTH MONTH



As The Bahamas celebrates National Youth Month, under the theme, “Youth: Excellence is the Standard”, we give God thanks for the accomplishments of Adventist Youth evangelistically and nationally. At our Pathfinder Day Festival of Missions held on September 16th, more than 200 Community Projects and 76 baptisms were reported by the Pathfinder Clubs thus far for the year. That is 35.35% of the 215 baptisms reported thus far for 2023. We congratulate and encourage every Club Director, AY Leader, Pastor, Elder, Parents, and Youth who continue to engage in youth evangelism and discipleship. It is true that “youth must be taught how to labor for the Master. They must be trained, disciplined, drilled, in the best methods of winning souls to Christ.” *Gospel Workers, p. 210.1*

During National Youth Month we remember the 3 reasons why we exist:

1. Redeemed by His Blood-1 Peter 1:18-20

Young people need to continuously hear about the grace of Jesus and how He provided forgiveness, peace with God, victory, assurance of salvation, and a brand-new royal identity at the cross! Interestingly, all our Adventist Youth Ministries logos highlight either the blood of Jesus or the centrality of the cross! In fact, our AYM mission statement reads “To lead young people in a saving relationship with Jesus and help them embrace His call to discipleship.”

2. Revived by His Spirit- Acts 1:8

Youth and young adults must saturate themselves daily in prayer and Bible study. **Ezekiel 37:10** reminds us that when the Spirit is poured out on Adventist youth, they rise to become an “exceedingly great army”. When filled with the Holy Spirit our young people become more than just arrows, they become firebrands!

3. Rightly Trained by His Leaders-Ephesians 4:11, 12

Young people must be trained by youth leaders and adults who themselves are living out the great commission. Effective training should also be combined with enlisting young people in global and local mission initiatives. The South Bahamas Conference provides mission-driven initiatives for youth to elevate the standard of excellence by serving Christ, the Church, and their community.

Our youth who are redeemed by His blood, revived by His Spirit, and rightly trained by His leaders have excelled with excellence nationally. Mykel Mackey, from the Grant’s Town Church, made history as an Adventist Youth by receiving the Valedictorian Award, in the National Youth Leader’s Certification Course by the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas. Scharlee Thompson and Chinyere Ijeoma, from Grants Town and Living Faith SDA Churches respectively, received the awards for the Most Outstanding Group, in the National Youth Leader’s Certification Course.

More importantly, because of the positive national influence of excellence Seventh-day Adventist Youth in the South Bahamas Conference, the Ministry of Youth, Sports, and Culture inaugurated the observance of a National Youth Month Sabbath Service last year, to be held on the first Sabbath of October annually. For Adventist Youth, excellence is not the Standard we do, excellence is who we are. We believe, that “the youth, if right, could sway a mighty influence.” **Messages to Young People, p.204**

-Pastor Jamal Franklyn

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Youth Director



CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER

- 13 – 15 Publishing Weekend of Prayer
- 14 Children’s and Adolescent Ministries Week of Prayer – Baptism
- 14 Ministerial Family Appreciation Day
- 20 – 22 Public Campus Ministries Weekend #PCM
- 21 Men’s Power Hour (MPH)
- 25 Continuing Education Recognition and Certification Day
- 26 Executive Committee Meeting
- 28 ATCU End of “The Olympics of Love” Program
- 28 Creation Sabbath
- 28 Baptism Sabbath
- 28 Youth Rescue Project



BIBLE CLASS

The South Bahamas Conference Bible Class resumes online and at the Maranatha Church on Sunday, October 15, 2023, under the theme, Focus on Revelation. For further information contact Pastor Lynden Williams: llwilliams@sbcadventist.org.bs or 803-9793.



INAGUA DISTRICT

Funding for the Pastors Residence in Inagua

The membership of the New Life Church is small and transitory. Therefore, to grow the work we need a stationary person there which will require a residence. Thus, we are building a Pastor’s residence. Brothers and sisters, New Life Church, is seeking your assistance in the construction of this residence. Your help is desperately needed. Funds can be sent to the South Bahamas Conference by the online giving portal or to New Life Church’s account at BOB # 1611350004323.

-Missionary Elder Winston Ash

HEALTH MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

The Health Ministries Department and the Adventist Health Professionals Association will conduct a Health Screening Training (weight, height, BMI, waist circumference, foot screening, blood pressure, blood cholesterol & cholesterol assessments) and a Food Handler's Course on Sunday, October 22, 2023, at 9 a.m. Persons serving on Fellowship Committees are especially invited to attend. A First Aid, AED & CPR Course will be conducted on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 9 a.m. The venue for both events is Bahamas Academy, Marshall Road. These trainings are available to all interested persons. To register and for more information see your Health Ministries Leader or call 428-4251.

- Shandera Smith
Health Ministries Director



MUSIC MINISTRIES UPCOMING EVENT:

Choir workshop with Bishop Trent Davis. Thursday, November 9 to Sabbath, November 11, 2023. Details to follow.

- Annette Dorsett
Music Ministries Director



SBC RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

Members of the South Bahamas Conference Retirees' Association are planning to travel to Eleuthera from October 27 - 30, 2023. We are collecting items for care/food packages for the elderly in Eleuthera. Items can be given to Rowena Smith and Dr. John Carey or dropped off at the conference office by October 18th. Thank you for your support.

- Rowena Smith
President



MEN'S MINISTRIES EVENTS

Calling all Men and boys to join us for the October edition of SBC Men's Ministries **Power Hour** at 6:00 AM on October 21st. Share the link and invite a friend. A blessing awaits you! Men's Power Hour is held on the third Sabbath of every month on Zoom.

Zoom Meeting ID: 936 6757 8924
Passcode: 663401

All Adventist men and boys who wish to sing in the **SBC Men's Chorale** are invited

to a choir rehearsal scheduled for Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 8:00 AM at the Berea SDA Church on Blue Hill Road. "

Save the date. SBC Men's Convention will be held on November 24 and 25, 2023. All men of SBC are asked to prepare themselves for this major event where we will gather and hear powerful presentations, dynamic preaching, and informative and interactive breakout equipping sessions. You don't want to miss it.

-Michael McCoy
SBC Men's Ministries Coordinator



AGAPE CHURCH

Early Morning Prayer Meeting

The Agape Church invites you to their Early Morning Prayer Meeting held every Sabbath morning from 8 a.m.-9 a.m. at the church. We believe that God has a blessing for each one of us. We hope to see you there! A light breakfast will be served.

-Agape Prayer Coordinator



CHAM WEEK OF PRAYER

The children and adolescent ministries department concludes its Week of Prayer on October 14th, 2023, at 11 a.m. with a joint service at the Living Faith church.



CREATION SABBATH WEEKEND

OCTOBER 26 (6:00 P.M.)
Evolution or Creation, Which is True?
University of The Bahamas
HCM Library Auditorium

OCTOBER 28 (8:00 A.M.)
At Dawn We Slept
Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church
Wellington Street

OCTOBER 28
9:45 A.M. Sabbath School
Real Faith vs. Blind Faith
Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church
Tonique Williams-Darling Highway

OCTOBER 28
11:00 A.M. Divine Worship
When the Impossible Has Been Eliminated
Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church

OCTOBER 28
4:30 P.M.
God Invented Science
Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church

You Tube LIVE - WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/SOUTHBAHAMASCONFERENCE

A Faith and Science Weekend is scheduled for October 26-28, 2023, in Nassau. The weekend begins with a lecture on Thursday evening October 26th at the University of The Bahamas at 6:00 p.m. The weekend will conclude with a Creation Sabbath Celebration.

Sabbath Services' Schedule:

8 a.m.-Grant's Town S.D.A. Church

Topic: At Dawn, We Slept

9:45 a.m.-Hillview S.D.A. Church (Sabbath School)

Topic: Real Faith vs. Blind Faith

11:00 a.m.-Hillview S.D.A. Church (Divine Worship)

Topic: When the Impossible Has Been Eliminated

4:30 p.m.-Hillview S.D.A. Church

Topic: God Invented Science

The featured speaker will be Dr. Major Coleman.



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SUNSETS
Saturday, October 21, 2023
@ 6:37 p.m.

Have a Happy Sabbath!