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Revelation: A Message of Hope



FEATURE ARTICLE

Written by Kenneth A. Strand

The book of Revelation is filled with images, wild beast, angels and so much more. But what is the Book of Revelation all about? The Book of Revelation is about Jesus. It paints a picture of how God will come out triumphant through the crisis. There are eight basic visions in the Book of Revelation and each one is followed by a heavenly vision. It is as if John is constantly having his attention shifted from the horizontal which represents earth to the vertical representing heaven.

In Revelation before John is shown the carnage, the bloodshed, and the difficulties that the people of God must experience. His attention is diverted upwards towards heaven where he sees God on His throne, and he is in charge of the universe and there is order in heaven.

Revelation begins with hope and it ends with hope. Revelation begins by showing John a vision of the glorified Christ, it ends with a vision of the earth made new. Each heavenly vision that John sees shows that God is in control.

The Book of Revelation is not written in chronological order and has some repetition. The 7 churches, 7 seals and 7 trumpets cover the same time period. It is structured in such a way that the second half is a mirror of the first half. In Revelation 1:10-3:22 the church is militant but in Revelation 21:5-22:5 we see the church is triumphant. In Revelation 4:1-8:1 under the seven seals we see the work of salvation, however Revelation 19:1-21:4, God is involved in the judgment process and giving out rewards. This is repeated throughout the book.

In John's visions it begins with John's attention focused on heaven. Then it moves to a basic prophetic description (e.g. Seven Seals), followed by an interlude then it concludes with and end time events. The lesson we learn here is that God is in control, and before we go out

to fight the enemy, we should first face the throne.

Each vision ends with an Eschatological culmination (end-time event). The message God wanted John and the rest of us to leave with is that He always wins. Truly God is in control, and He wants us to have hope that we may shine as the stars in the sky and know that His church will come forth triumphant through the crises.

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FROM THE EDITOR

Are you interested in writing the lead article for the Logos?



Please send an email to

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

OCTOBER

- 2 The Pink Impact (WM & Health)
IWILLGO: "Cancer Patient/Survivor"
Local Church
Day of Prayer and Fasting/All Night
Prayer Meeting (7:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.)
- 7 IWILLGO: "Church Community"
Local Church
- 9 IAD ONLINE AY
- 10 Pathfinder Exhibition
- 11 Let's Move to Live Fun Run
- 10 – 16 C.H.A.M Week of Prayer
- 15 – 16 SBC WM Conclave
- 15 – 17 Public Campus Ministries Weekend
- 16 Spirit of Prophecy Day
- 17 Father and Children Summit
- 17 - 23 Week of Prayer
- 21 Creation Sabbath
- 23 Ministerial Department Deacons and
Deaconesses Appreciation (7:00 p.m.
– 9:00 p.m.)
- 28 Executive Prayer Meeting
- 29 – 31 New Believers Growth Forum
- 30 Park 'N' Praise (Joint AY)
Communications Leaders Meeting /
Production begins for Christmas

Broadcasts (ATV)



ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

WORSHIP SERVICES

Regarding the resumption of in-person worship in our Sanctuaries, please note that the administration of the South Bahamas Conference is requesting that all Pastors work closely with their leadership team to see what is practicable at this time. We ask that all health protocols be strictly followed to keep our members and those that visit our congregations safe as possible. All services held in-person, including memorials and weddings, are to be kept to one hour. We are not to prolong our services for any reason as we are still in a worldwide pandemic. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter, and we ask that the same be communicated to the church at large. With the above in mind, you may commence in-person worship as of October 2, 2021.

– Administration.



CHILDREN & ADOLESCENT MINISTRIES – C.H.A.M.

DEPARTMENT

WEEK OF PRAYER

In the month of October under the theme 'Paper Prayers' the children and teens within our Conference will participate in an interactive, virtual week of activities. The objective is to engage their imagination and provide a new, practical personal experience to help connect their hearts more intimately to God. To encourage them to make prayer a habitual part of a genuine relationship with God. More information on 'Paper Prayers' will follow.

C.H.A.M - CREATION SABBATH

Creation Sabbath will be celebrated on October 23, 2021. We would like to involve our children as well. Please see the link below for resources for the children on that day.

<https://www.faithfinders.com/creation-sabbath>

–Mrs. Lavern A. Sturup, Children &
Adolescent Ministries Director.

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY CREATION SABBATH

The Seventh-day Adventist Church has designated the fourth Sabbath in October as Creation Sabbath. Church services which focus on God as Creator started in 2009, with the South Bahamas Conference joining the global celebrations in 2019. On Sabbath, October 23rd, Dr. Ronald Nalin, Director of the Geoscience Research Institute will be our guest speaker during the 11 a.m. Divine Hour. His presentation at 4:30 in the afternoon will be followed by a Question-and-Answer session. Plan to join us as we commemorate God's creation. Further details, including streaming links, will follow.

-Pastor Lynden Williams, Bible Studies & Spirit of Prophecy Coordinator.



EDUCATION DEPARTMENT Job Opening at Bahamas Academy

Bahamas Academy is seeking the services of a Music teacher for Grades 7-12. The successful candidate must be a trained teacher with a bachelors degree in the subject area.

At least 5 years teaching experience would be an asset. Interested persons may submit applications to aburrows@sbcadventist.org.bs by October 1, 2021.

-Elder Anthony Burrows, Education Director.



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Upcoming Events

Women's Ministries 2021 Virtual Conclave
October 15-17th, 2021

Remember to Pause & Pray with us virtually each Wednesday at noon.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions or need additional information on any of our initiatives, kindly email us at SBCwomensministries@sbcadventist.org.bs

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--Mrs. Jacqueline Gibson, Women's Ministries Director.



YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Youth Leaders Certification Program 2021

The Ministry of Youth is excited to launch another cohort of the National Youth Leaders Certification Programme, and this time it will be Virtual, which means ALL islands are welcomed to participate. This Programme commences on the October 5th and lasts for 16 weeks.

The primary goal is to strengthen social support systems and collaborate with key stakeholders in youth development; promote the participation of young people in decision making, professionalize the youth work sector

and monitor and evaluate the progress of youth development in The Bahamas.

We hope to see you there!!!!

Be sure to follow the Division of Youth 242 on Facebook and Instagram!

Please click the following link to register. And feel free to share this information with other interested persons!!!

<https://bit.ly/30Wk0JV>

-Pastor Jamal Franklyn, Youth Director.



Grant's Town Church The Path to Life Gospel Series

The Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church presents, The Path to Life Gospel Series with Pastor Samuel N. Miller, October 16 – 30, 2021 nightly at 7:00p.m. There will be great singing, intercessory prayer, prizes and surprises, but most of all, great gospel preaching.

Register to be a part of this series and invite your friends to do the same at gtadventist.com today. We want to see you there.



Stop Smoking and Breathe Free Community Program

Do you want to stop smoking? You can kick the habit and improve your health. Tobacco smoking is a known risk factor for many respiratory infections, and it increases the severity of respiratory diseases such as COVID-19. Participate in the BreatheFree2 plan to stop smoking and learn how you can become tobacco free and eliminate this threat to your health.

BreatheFree2 is an evidence based smoking cessation seminar that has helped millions of persons quit smoking. This training seminar consists of nine 90-minute sessions and will be presented virtually on the zoom platform as follows:

Date: Thursdays, September 23 to November 18, 2021.

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

To find out more and register for the seminar, you may call: (242) 502-4728, or 502- 4862, or 557-2037.

Sponsors: MOH, HBC, SBC, and PAHO

-Dr. John Carey.



JOHNSON PARK CURCH

The Johnson Park Church with Pastor Jamal Franklyn presents, "The Rescue Project". Discover prophetic messages for your pain, promise & purpose. Featuring local and international music ministers, prayer calls, trauma therapy, food vouchers and more.

Beginning October 2 to 23, 2021 on Saturdays at 11:00a.m., 5:00p.m. and Wednesdays at 7:00p.m!

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WHAT WE BELIEVE:

BELIEF 25: THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

The second coming of Christ is the blessed hope of the church, the grand climax of the gospel. The Saviour's coming will be literal, personal, visible, and worldwide. When He returns, the righteous dead will be resurrected, and together with the righteous living will be glorified and taken to heaven, but the unrighteous will die. The almost complete fulfillment of most lines of prophecy, together with the present condition of the world, indicates that Christ's coming is near. The time of that event has not been revealed, and we are therefore exhorted to be ready at all times.

REFERENCES: Matt. 24; Mark 13; Luke 21; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Cor. 15:51-54; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; 5:1-6; 2 Thess. 1:7-10; 2:8; 2 Tim. 3:1-5; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:28; Rev. 1:7; 14:14-20; 19:11-21.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.adventist.org/second-coming>



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October 9, 2021 @ 6:48p.m.

