



**SOUTH BAHAMAS CONFERENCE
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**

**CONVENTION
2024**



Pastor Steven Gates

Southeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

COMMISSIONED
For **MISSION**

JANUARY 19-21, 2024

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19TH

7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

SABBATH, JANUARY 20TH

9:15 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

William Thompson Auditorium
Jean Street off Prince Charles Drive

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church
Tonique Williams-Darling Highway

GREETINGS!



Pastor Kenny Deveau
PRESIDENT



Pastor Leonardo Rahming
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



Elder Okell Damastus
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

On behalf of the Administration of the South Bahamas Conference, I bid each of you a warm welcome to Convention 2024 and a Happy New Year! I also want to take this opportunity to thank you for your unwavering support during the past year, and we look forward to incredible blessings in 2024.

As we begin this New Year, we do so with tremendous hope and faith in Almighty God. God continues to be faithful to each of us because of His unconditional love for us. As we move forward this year, fears and doubts may arise. However, Ellen White, one of our favorite authors, reminds us that we have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us in our past. So, let us continue to keep our faith and trust in God. He is in control of these uncertain times! The Universe is unfolding just as prophecy has predicted, but we know that God's plan for His children will prevail.

This weekend, we have come together under the theme: "Commissioned for Mission". Our existence is simply to bring honour and glory to God by obeying and carrying out the mission to make disciples. We must seek the lost, preach and baptize, then teach them to obey the commands of God as found in His word.

Our guest speaker for this weekend is Pastor Steven Gates from the Southeastern Conference. He is a gifted speaker and one who is dedicated and committed to accomplishing God's Mission. We welcome him to our conference and to our hearts and pray that God will again use him mightily as he ministers during this weekend.

We also welcome to Convention 2024, Dr. Peter Ronnesfeldt, from Australia, who has been with us for the past week sharing on Disciple-making, Church Growth, and Evangelism.

It is our hope and prayer that during this Convention, the name of Jesus will be lifted and that we will all be united in HIM. This is the key to the successful completion of the Mission.

Welcome again, and may God continue to bless each of us abundantly.



Pastor Steven Gates

Committed to being a servant of God and sharing His love through His powerful word, Pastor Steven Gates is a sought-after speaker who delivers life-changing messages. He currently serves as the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church pastor in West Palm Beach, Florida.

In 2016, he received a call to the Southeastern Conference and has worked in that part of the vineyard ever since. Prior to that, Pastor Gates was hired by the South-Central Conference in 2003 and sponsored by them to attend Andrews Theological Seminary. In 2010, he was ordained to the Gospel Ministry. Two years later, he broadened his work in the mission field of the South Atlantic Conference as the pastor of the Victory and Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Churches in North Carolina, USA.

Pastor Gates graduated from Oakwood University with a BA in Ministerial Theology. He is currently pursuing a Doctor of Ministry degree at South University.

Pastor Steven Gates is married to the former Stephanie Campbell, an educator, whom he met in Graduate School at Andrews University and married in 2009. Amidst his busy schedule, he enjoys reading and playing basketball.

Pastor Gates' mission is to populate heaven and depopulate hell. His life as a disciple of God bears witness to the truth he shares and the power of the Holy Spirit.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

William Thompson Auditorium

7:00 p.m.

Prelude..... Pathfinder Band Brass Ensemble

Theme Song.....Pastor Jamal Franklyn

Youth Director

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Praise & Worship.....Convention Praise Team

Opening Prayer.....Pastor Valentino Campbell

Philadelphia & Redemption Churches

Welcome..... Sister Carla Rodgers

Women's Ministries Director

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Special Music.....Bro. Gregory Edwards

Trinity Seventh-day Adventist Church

Greetings & Introductions.....Pastor Leonardo Rahming

Executive Secretary

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Offertory.....Elder Okell Damastus

Chief Financial Officer

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Special Music.....Rachael Bain

Good News Seventh-day Adventist Church

Introduction of Speaker.....Pastor Kenny Deveau

President

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Special Music.....Convention Choir

Sermon/Appeal.....Pastor Steven Gates

Southeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Theme Song.....Congregation

Benediction.....Sis. Kenisha Simms

CHAM Director

SABBATH, JANUARY 20, 2024

William Thompson Auditorium

9:00 a.m.

MODERATORS

El Roy Bryan
Grade 11 Student

Nahla Damastus
Grade 8 Student

Song Service.....Hearts of Harmony
Grade 11 Students

Opening Prayer.....Christopher Strachan
Grade 9 Student

Scripture Reading.....Taraj Uriz
Grade 3 Student

WelcomeCondolezza Knowles
Grade 11 Student

Special Music.....Beyonce Knowles
Grade 9 Student

LESSON STUDY PANEL

Mrs. Juliette Sands, Principal

Mr. Winston Symonette, Vice Principal

Elder Earl Thomas, Head of the Vocational Department

Elder Carlton Reddock, Head of the Science Department

Testimonies.....Phyllis Greene
Administrative Assistant

Tamieka Mamby-Fawkes
Teacher

Closing Remarks Rachel Bain
Grade 10

Personal Ministries.....Pastor Peter Roennfeldt

SABBATH, JANUARY 20, 2024

DIVINE HOUR

William Thompson Auditorium

11:00 a.m.

Prelude..... Pathfinder Band Brass Ensemble

Theme Song.....Pastor Jamal Franklyn

Praise & Worship.....Convention Praise Team

Call to Worship..... Pastor Wilson Isnord

Personal Ministries Director, South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Invocation.....Sis. Shandera Smith

Health Ministries Director

South Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Special Music.....Dr. Junior Joseph & Jeanet Romain

Francophone Seventh-day Adventist Church

Welcome & Greetings.....Pastor Leonardo Rahming

Special Music.....Leante Llyod

Grant's Town Seventh-day Adventist Church

Intercessory Prayer..... Dr. Peter Joseph

Berea & Mayaguana District

Offertory.....Elder Okell Damastus

Scripture Reading.....*Jonah 3:1-4*.....Pastor Kareem Black

Bethany & Coburn Town Districts

Introduction of Speaker.....Pastor Kenny Deveau

Special Music.....Convention Choir

Sermon/Appeal.....Pastor Steven Gates

Benediction.....Sis. Elmore Jacques

Vice Principal, Bahamas Academy of Seventh-day Adventists

Postlude.....Pathfinder Band Brass Ensemble

SABBATH, JANUARY 20, 2024

Sabbath Evening

William Thompson Auditorium

4:00 p.m.

**EVANGELISM & DISCIPLE-MAKING
TRAINING & GRADUATION
NORTHERN CARIBBEAN UNIVERSITY PROMOTION**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

SUNDAY MORNING

Hillview Seventh-day Adventist Church

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Song Service.....Bro. Elgin Hepburn

Theme Song.....Congregation

Opening Prayer.....Pastor Arthur Angila
New Englerston & Johnson Park Seventh-day Adventist Churches

Greetings & Introductions.....Pastor Leonardo Rahming

Introduction of Speaker.....Pastor Kenny Deveaux

Message.....Pastor Peter Roennfeldt

Theme Song.....Congregation

Benediction.....Pastor Craig Williams
Gambier & Cat Island District

***** BREAK OUT SESSIONS *****

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Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt. 28:20

Parts optional

1. Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go, go.
 2. If you love Me, real - ly love Me, feed My sheep.
 3. Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go, go.

Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go,
 If you love Me, real - ly love Me, feed My
 Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go,

go.
 sheep.
 go.
 Bap-tiz - ing them in the name of the Fa - ther and Son,
 Lo, I'll be with you for - ev - er and ev - er, un - til
 Bap-tiz - ing them in the name of the Fa - ther and Son,

Ho - ly Ghost. Go, go, go.
 end of the world. Go, go, go.
 Ho - ly Ghost. Go, go, go.

