

# The Information

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.” II Timothy 2: V 15 [NIV]



## We get what we inspect, not what we expect

Leaders must assess and reassess situations constantly to see how effective the plans and programs are and how they can be improved. However, as leaders, we sometimes expect so much, but inspect so little. At the center of every team, organization or Church is a common purpose, a mission that rises above and beyond each of the individual team members. To be successful, the team's interests and needs must come first. This requires giving up the “I” (What’s in it for me?) and embracing the “We” vision. It is a challenge to step up from the common selfish mindset and look to the bigger picture of the team, organization or Church.



Sadly, this mind set, has crept into the Church of all places, or maybe, it has always been there. When one understands that the Church is the body of Christ, it is important to know that the body functions best, when all the individual parts are working together in unison.

Effective team players understand that personal issues and personality differences are secondary to team demands. This does not mean abandoning who you are or giving up your individuality. On the contrary, it means sharing your unique strengths and differences to move the team forward. It is this focus and vision, this cooperation of collective capability that empowers a team and generates synergy.

Cooperation means working together for mutual gain; sharing responsibility for success and failure and covering for one another on a moment's notice. It does not mean competing with one another at the organization or team's expense, withholding important data or information to "one up" your colleagues, or submitting to group thinking by going along so as not to make waves.

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### VISION STATEMENT

A Church - Transformed, United, Victorious in Christ

### MISSION STATEMENT

By the grace of God, we seek to be faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ; without distinction, we use all that we possess to call all peoples to the truth of the Gospel through worship, evangelism, discipleship and service.

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It takes a joint effort to synergize, generating power above and beyond the collective individuals. It is with this spirit of cooperation that effective teams learn to capitalize on individual strengths and offset individual weaknesses, using diversity as an advantage.

It is critical for each member of the team to be aware or to get to understand the mission and vision of the team. It is also important for team members to share the vision at every available opportunity he or she gets. This certainly calls for constant assessment. We get what we inspect, not what we expect.

The Eastern West Indies Province of the Moravian Church is comprised of six conferences which encompasses ten Islands. It is therefore incumbent upon each Staff member and the entire membership to assess time and again the Mission and Vision statements of our Church, so that we understand what is meant by, we get what we inspect, not what we expect. The Vision Statement is: ***A Church Transformed, United, Victorious in Christ.*** The Vision Statement speaks of where the Church hopes to get. It is its desire. On the other hand, the Mission Statement speaks of how the Church intends to get to the Vision. In other words, it is the road map to get to the Vision of the Church. The Mission statement declares: ***By the grace of God, we seek to be faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ: without distinction, we use all that we possess to call peoples to the truth of the gospel through worship, evangelism, discipleship and service.***

Our Worship, Evangelism, Discipleship and Service must challenge us every day to move to another level with the King of Kings.

Let us challenge ourselves to strengthen the Grenada Mission. Let us do so not only by lip service, but rather in practical ways. Each congregation can give a portion of its Mission funds to help to fortify the Mission. Can we together contribute towards the purchase of a vehicle for the use of the Missionary? If each of our 50 congregations contribute \$1000.00 in your own currency, it will go a long way in acquiring such a vehicle. We can do it. Remember, we get what we inspect, not what we expect. The Missionary has been without transport for three years.

## **Summer Mathematics Enrichment Program**

The Summer Mathematics Enrichment Program was held from July 15-26, 2013 at the Moravian Headquarters, Cashew Hill, Antigua. This year saw a record number of participants in the program. A total of 71 persons participated; included 39 fifth formers, 30 fourth formers and two adults. The two adults include a second year University student who is studying in Canada, Mr. Theon Barnes and Ms Oluichi Morton, a Bank employee in Antigua.



**Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis**

It was a very engaging two weeks of classes under the tutorship of Dr. Vanere Goodwin and the Rev. Dr. Conrad Spencer. Dr. Goodwin is a senior Mathematics Professor at the University of the Virgin Islands, St. Croix, while The



**Dr. Vanere Goodwin**



**Rev. Dr. Conrad Spencer**

Rev. Dr. Spencer is Pastor of the Faith Moravian Church and Adjunct or part time Professor of Mathematics at the same institution. They really made mathematics come alive and students were able to link theory and practice in a way never before understood. No longer were they asking why I am doing a particular problem, because they were taught how to relate it to something on the ground.

Most of the students were eager to learn and so many of them were early every day, whether it rained or not.

One of the highlights of the two weeks came on the last day of classes. Dr. Paget Henry, Sociology Professor at Brown University, one of the 8 Ivy League Universities in the North Eastern United States, addressed the students for approximately 35 minutes, after which he fielded questions from them. He spoke on personal development, professional development, discipline, University life and what it takes to be successful in life.

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# Montgomery Moravian Steel Ensemble



The Montgomery Moravian Steel Ensemble made a tour to Antigua from June 21—28, 2013 and presented two concerts entitled, “Gospel on Steel”. The first concert which featured the Cana Youth Choir and the Gracehill steel Orchestra, was held at the Cana Moravian Church in Swetes. The second concert featured the Moravian Mass Choir and the Spring Gardens Steel Orchestra. This concert was held at the Spring Gardens Moravian Church. Both concerts had record attendances and the audience lapped up every moment. At the end of both concerts, persons were begging for more.

The Montgomery Steel Orchestra thrilled our hearts with very uplifting music and we thank God we were able to host the group of 20 individuals. We bless God for you.

Odette Joseph, Captain of the Montgomery Steel Ensemble, wrote on July 06, 2013, upon their return to Tobago:

Greetings from the members of the Montgomery Steel Ensemble and by extension the Tobago contingent to Antigua.



We wish to express our sincere appreciation to you and the entire Antigua Conference for the hospitality that was bestowed on us during our one week stay in your beautiful Island, where ‘beach is just the beginning’!

We were indeed impressed with the high level of preparation which included the clearing of the pans through immigration and customs, the sourcing of pan stands, accommodation, meals and most of all the transportation and drivers that were allotted to us to make our journey to and from practice sessions, concert venues and tours around Antigua so comfortable and enjoyable. Indeed, we felt special and royally treated.

We were also happy and grateful that we were able to use the talents that God has blessed us with to minister to the people of Antigua and thankful too that we received such a warm and appreciative reception. The entire experience was awe inspiring as we witnessed the outpouring of God’s blessing upon his people both at Cana and

Spring Gardens Moravian Churches. Our heartfelt thanks must be conveyed to you and the entire Jarvis family for hosting us at your home. What a beautiful and nostalgic evening that was!

As we pledge to continue our mission to spread the gospel through the steel pan, we wish to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to share our culture with God’s people. We pray that someday we will be able to host members of your conference in a similar manner, all with the intention of winning souls for Christ.

*Odette F. Joseph*  
(Captain)





Fulfilling the Mandate - Submit to God's Rule



Cana Moravian Church Jr. Choir



Spring Gardens Steel Orchestra



Moravian Mass Choir



Gracehill Steel Orchestra



## Good Hope School Senior appointed to West Point

A Graduating Senior at Good Hope School on St. Croix has accepted an offer to enroll at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Jaleel Christopher, 17, signed a letter of acceptance to the academy during a ceremony at Friedensberg Moravian Church in Frederiksted on Sunday May 19, 2013.

“When I got the acceptance, it was a great honor for me.” Christopher said of receiving an acceptance letter from V. I. Delegate to Congress Donna Christensen.

Christopher graduated from Good Hope School on June 01, 2013.

Christopher worked for two years on his application to the United States Military Academy.

“When I first applied, and then to get accepted was a huge honor, Christopher said.

In addition to earning a letter of nomination from Christiansen, Christopher had to demonstrate his academic fitness and his physical fitness.

He said when he decided he wanted to be an Army officer, his father introduced him to West Point.

“Once introduced to West Point, I was very impressed by the program, and I found it to be the best way to pursue my dream of being an Army officer,” Christopher said. He plans to study Electrical Engineering and will participate in soccer and football. He wants to play the drums in the West Point jazz band.

Jaleel Christopher, is the Son of the Rev. Dr. Dion Christopher and Rev. Eulencine Christopher. Congrats!



The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart.

**Helen Keller**

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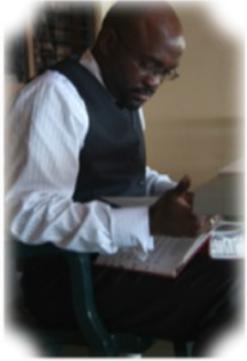
### PEC Meeting

The PEC will meet in St. Croix, the Virgin Islands Conference August 02-04, 2013. Any matter that Staff and members need for the PEC to deal with should reach at least 2 weeks before the meeting.

**Hymn of the Month**  
**July - September, 2013**  
**Mikie Roberts (Rev.) Chair,**  
**Provincial Hymnal Committee.**

With the arrival of June we enter the 2013 hurricane season. And so as we continue to observe within the Province our hymn of the month.

**Who fathoms the eternal thought?** is the hymn of the month for **August**. In the Trial Hymnal it is #362 and in the current hymnal it is #339. The recommended tune is **CREDITON** and the alternate is **GREENHILL**. It was written by J. G. Whittier. This hymn is filled with some remarkable images that all remind us of this one truth – God is good, no matter what! That is a message worth recalling especially during this time of the year when we live under the threat of having to live through potentially dangerous hurricanes.



We do hope that these hymns are being used each month within the congregations and we welcome any feedback that you may wish to make. And as usual we ask for your continued prayerful support in this venture.

Who fathoms the eternal thought?  
 Who talks of scheme and plan?  
 The Lord is God! He needeth not  
 The poor device of man.

Here in the maddening maze of things,  
 When tossed by storm and flood,  
 To one fixed ground my spirit clings:  
 I know that God is good.

I know not what the future hath  
 Of marvel or surprise,  
 Assured alone that life and death  
 His mercy underlies.

And if my heart and flesh are weak  
 To bear an untried pain,  
 The bruised reed he will not break,  
 But strengthen and sustain.

And so beside the silent sea  
 I wait the muffled oar;  
 No harm from him can come to me  
 On ocean or on shore.

I know not where his islands lift  
 Their fronded palms in air;  
 I only know I cannot drift  
 Beyond his love and care.

*Crediton 1865.*  
*GreenHill (Meth 513)*

*J. G. Whittier.*

## Watchword for 2013

The Watchword assigned to the Eastern West Indies Province for 2013, is the one drawn for August 25, 2013.



## Unity Youth Heritage Tour 2013

The PEC has chosen Pastor Onita Samuel and Brother MJ Byron as the two (2) persons who will represent the Eastern West Indies Province at the Unity Youth Heritage Tour 2013, to be held in Europe from August 10 - 24, 2013. The Unity



**MJ Byron**

Youth Heritage Tour will begin in Herrnhut,

Germany, and will take participants on a Moravian Historical Educational journey, through Germany, the Czech Republic and the Netherlands or Holland. All Moravian Provinces will have a maximum of two (2) participants attending the Heritage Tour.



**Pastor Onita Samuel**



## Emancipation Come!!

On August 01, 1834, Emancipation came to the former slaves in the English speaking Caribbean. A Happy and Blessed Emancipation to All.

Let us pray that the Christ who came to Emancipate us from sin will rule in our hearts and lives. It was Bob Marley who sang:

Emancipate yourselves from mental slavery;  
 None but ourselves can free our minds.  
 Have no fear of atomic energy,  
 'Cause none of them can stop the time.  
 How long shall they kill our prophets,  
 While we stand aside and look? Ooh!  
 Some say it's just a part of it:  
 We've got to fulfill the Book.

Won't you help to sing  
 These songs of freedom?  
 'Cause all I ever have:  
 Redemption songs,  
 Redemption songs,  
 Redemption songs.

## New Herrnhut Celebrates Freedom, Independence in Patriotic Service

by Sis. Joycelyn Hewlett

Six choirs, not including the combined choirs of the Senior Choir and Men's Chorale, and three pianists would have been more than enough for most church services. But at New Herrnhut Moravian Church's Emancipation and Independence Day Service held July 3 on St. Thomas, it also required a conch shell, guitar and guiro to complete the musical ensembles.

Bro. Peter Francis played the guiro, which is a percussion instrument made of a hollow gourd with a serrated surface,

played by scraping with a stick or rod. Bro. Carl Birch played the conch shell as part of a presentation by



Bro. Glenn Davis. Bro. Davis played the guitar during his presentation on the slave rebellion on St. Croix, which led to the Proclamation of Emancipation on July 3, 1848 by Governor-General Peter Carl Frederik von Scholten, who declared: "All unfree in the Danish West Indies are from this day forth free."



Bro. LeRoy Trotman, the second presenter, said it was only fitting that New Herrnhut hosted a program commemorating Emancipation Day because of the role the Moravian missionaries played. Moravian missionaries arrived on St. Thomas in 1732, and established New Herrnhut, the



oldest Moravian church in the Western Hemisphere in 1737.

Retired Moravian pastor Ralph Prince led the service, which began with the National Anthem and Virgin Islands March performed by the New Herrnhut Men's Chorale, accompanied by pianist Monet Davis. The Men's Chorale also performed On the Lord's Side, composed by Bro. Davis, and a Negro spiritual, Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen, featuring soloist Bro. Howard Francis. Bro. Davis said that while on travel to St. Croix with the Men's Chorale, he was inspired to compose On the Lord's Side based on the question the revolting slaves asked when they encountered anyone in their path: Whose side are you on?



The Litany for National Occasions, which included prayers for all those who are in authority, was followed by a series of patriotic songs, including: God Bless the USA, My Country Tis of Thee, God Bless America and God Bless Our Native Land. The Men's Chorale and Senior Choir, accompanied by Rebecca Faulkner on organ and JoSandra Jones James on piano, concluded the service with an amazing and inspirational rendition of the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

The other performing choirs included the Little Folks Chorale, Gospel Choir and Women's Chorus. One guest choir, the American Legion Post 90 Choir, also performed.

After the service, Sister Prince hosted a delicious reception in the fellowship hall.





**Belated Birthday greetings to  
Sis. Elisa Hodge- July 29**

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**Birthday Greetings  
for the month of August is  
extended to:**

Sis. Winelle Kirton-Roberts	20
Bro. Reuben Vessup	22
Sis. Anique Elmes-Matthew	22
Bro. Conrad Spencer	29
Sis. Angela Frederick	30



**Anniversary Greetings  
for the month of August is ex-  
tended to**

Sis. Cherice & Bro. Fabian Lewis	11
Bro. Winston & Sis. Bernadine Chase	12
Bro. Matthew & Sis. Jasmin Crooks	13
Bro. Selvin & Sis. June McMillan	20
Bro. Leon & Sis. Mabel Matthias	28
Bro. Dion & Sis. Eulencine Christopher	29



**Happy 51st Wedding Anniversary**

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Knight from the St. Phillips Fellowship in Barbados. Mr and Mrs. Knight were united in marriage at St. Giles



Parish Church in Reading, England, 51 years ago. Mr. Knight worked at the Ford Motor Company. They stated the following, "***There must be that union between a***

***husband and wife but each one still pulling their weight and keeping good relations.***"

**Fun Corner  
Joke of the Day**



driver is pulled over by a policeman. The police man approaches the driver's door. "Is there a problem Of-ficer?", the driver asked. The policeman says, "Sir, you were speeding. Can I see your licence please?"

The driver responds, "I'd give it to you but I don't have one"

"You don't have one?"

The man responds, "I lost it four times for drink driv-ing."

The policeman is shocked. "I see. Can I see your vehicle registration papers please?"

"I'm sorry, I can't do that."

The policeman says, "Why not?"

"I stole this car."

The officer says, "Stole it?"

The man says, "Yes, and I killed the owner."

At this point the officer is getting irate. "You what!?"

"She's in the trunk if you want to see."

The Officer looks at the man and slowly backs away to his car and calls for back up. Within minutes, five po-lice cars show up, surrounding the car. A senior officer slowly approaches the car, clasping his half drawn gun.

The senior officer says "Sir, could you step out of your vehicle please!"

The man steps out of his vehicle. "Is there a problem sir?" "One of my officers told me that you have stolen this car and murdered the owner."

"Murdered the owner?"

The officer responds, "Yes, could you please open the trunk of your car please?"

The man opens the trunk, revealing nothing but an empty trunk.

The officer says, "Is this your car sir?"

The man says "Yes," and hands over the registration papers.

The officer, understandably, is quite stunned. "One of my officers claims that you do not have a driving licence."

The man digs in his pocket revealing a wallet and hands it to the officer. The officer opens the wallet and examines the licence. He looks quite puzzled. "Thank you sir, one of my officers told me you didn't have a licence, stole this car, and murdered the owner."

The man replies, "I bet you the liar told you I was speed-ing, too!"

## Summer Mathematics Enrichment Program Cont'd from page 2

The students lapped up every word that he spoke, as he motivated them to reach for higher heights in their quest to pursue higher learning at University. It was a real boost to the program.

Two Students from the Mathematics Enrichment program Kaii Joseph and Jevante Paige spoke on behalf of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> form groups respectively, expressing their gratitude and thanks for the program and for the professors who helped them tremendously and opened their eyes to Mathematics and how it relates to life.



**Kaii Joseph**



**Jevante Paige**

The program climaxed with a closing exercise, where all of the students received Certificates of attendance. The Certificates were distributed by both Dr. Goodwin and Dr. Spencer. At the closing exercise, the Provincial Headquarters was full to capacity with parents and guardians of the students who came to support, not only the students, but the importance of the program itself. As the refreshment was served to everyone, profound thanks and praises went to Dr. Goodwin and Dr. Spencer for the sacrifices they made to see the program continue and reach to the point where it has reached. Indeed, thanks and appreciation went out to the Moravian Church for the role it continues to play in the education of our people.



**Parents and Students sharing in the closing exercise**

God deserves all praise and Honour, for it is HE who planted the vision, and now, it is bearing fruit. Let us look forward to the next installment of this program with eager anticipation.



**Dr. Spencer and Machaella Hamblin**



**Dr. Spencer and Kaynas Phillip**



**Dr. Goodwin and K'neil Coates**



**Dr. Goodwin and Kelly Graham**

## Progress Report of Grenada Mission.

by  
Sis Hyacinth Taylor

Greetings Brethren!

The year 2013 began with the mission work experiencing an avalanche of visitors from near and far, which is really a fulfillment of the prophetic word which was spoken on Old Years' night, declaring this year as the year of visitation, and truly it has seen the miraculous hand of God in so many ways as a result of His presence.



In April 2012, one of our members at the mission at Mt. Tranquil, after her eyes of understanding were opened, decided to return to her parents' home at Mt. Parnassus, St. George's. As a means of following up with our member, we decided to visit her for encouragement at Mt. Parnassus. As everything else, we weren't well received, even though she was aware of our visit, but that was only a distraction by the enemy, so we weren't deterred because we know when Jesus says yes, nobody can say no. The rest is history, she was baptized some months after, and to date she is one of the worship leaders at the mission and the delegate to the Provincial Youth Leaders' Conference. She is no other than Sister Samara Sylvester.

During that first visit to that new area, I felt led in my spirit to host a VBS there, based on what we encountered on the streets. This was held in August 2012, for one week. From that time to now is a historic one, because I've been studying the word every Thursday in that area with four families at the same venue, which I am allowed to use miraculously at no charge, by the owner Mr. Thomas Simon.

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In October I invited the group to worship with us at Mt. Tranquil and they have been attending ever since. On the 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2013, we held our first worship service at the same venue in Mt. Parnassus, jointly with the members of the mission at Mt. Tranquil, which was well received; a little fewer than one hundred persons were in attendance.

Vacation Bible School will be hosted there once again from the 29<sup>th</sup> July- 9<sup>th</sup> August, as we promised last year. God miraculously provided three ceiling fans, a podium, curtains, 20 song books and 22 chairs. Special thanks are being extended to Mrs. Margaret Wright Stephenson of the Spring Garden's Moravian Church, Tobago and the Health and Men's ministry of the Faith Moravian church for their assistance in the work there. Bible study continues every Tuesday and Thursday at present, worship services will commence fully at the Lord's directions.

The mission has not been one without its challenges and missteps. However, I've realized the only way you won't stumble is if you're standing still, and you'll hardly bounce your feet going backward, because it's familiar ground, therefore when it's new territory, you're more likely to bounce your feet, but God's word continues to be a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.



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