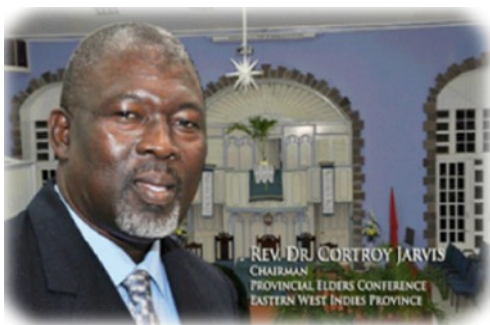


The Information

World Communion Sunday



World Communion Sunday – celebrated the first Sunday in October – is one of the most venerable of “special Sundays.” The day has taken on new relevancy and depth of meaning in a world where globalization often has undermined peace and justice – and in a time when fear divides the peoples of the earth. On this day we celebrate our oneness in Christ, the Prince of Peace, in the midst of the world we are called to serve ; a world ever more in need of peacemaking.

I became very curious and sought to find out the origin and significance of World Communion Sunday. Wikipedia.org gives this response to the question: **World Communion Sunday** is a celebration observed by several Christian Denominations, taking place on the first Sunday of every October, that

promotes Christian unity and Ecumenical cooperation. The tradition originated in the Shady-side Presbyterian Church in 1933, was adopted throughout the US Presbyterian Church in 1936, and subsequently spread to other denominations. In 1940, the Federal Council of Churches (now the National Council of Churches), led by Jesse Moren Bader, endorsed World Communion Sunday and began to promote it to Christian churches worldwide.

The key word for World Communion Sunday is communion, or unity. It is a day when we mark the almost universal Christian practice of breaking bread with one another and remembering both the night of Jesus’ betrayal—when Jesus instituted what we now call the Lord’s Supper as a lasting remembrance—and of Jesus’ sacrifice. So accounts of the last supper feature prominently, by virtue of World Communion Sunday being a celebration of the Eucharist. World Communion Sunday is a time for remembering that around the globe—in different languages, with different traditions and customs, and in various forms of liturgy—the Lord’s Supper is celebrated throughout Christendom. At its best, therefore, World Communion Sunday serves two purposes: it is both a joyous and meaningful partaking in Jesus’ sacred meal with his friends and a mind-opening exposure to different Christian traditions from around the world.

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VISION STATEMENT

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World Communion Sunday
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World Communion Sunday is on the Christian calendar for a reason: it can and should be a time of profound Christian unity, marked by our shared celebration of the Lord's Supper. Jesus instituted the first such meal, and World Communion Sunday is a helpful way in which Christ calls us back together to celebrate the liturgy "in remembrance of me."

Every time we celebrate Holy Communion, we bring to memory the words of St. Paul to the Christians at Corinth in 1 Corinthians 11: 23-33:

"For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: the Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.' ²⁵In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.' ²⁶For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

²⁷ So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. ²⁹ For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves. ³⁰ That is why many among you are weak and ill, and a number of you have fallen asleep. ³¹ But if we were more discerning with regard to ourselves, we would not come under such judgment. ³² Nevertheless, when we are judged in this way by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be finally condemned with the world. ³³ So then, my brothers and sisters, when you gather to eat, you should all eat together."

Let us therefore approach the Lord's Table out of hearts filled with thankfulness. Indeed, let us remember that On Christ Alone Your Hope Is Found. Natalie Grant shares with us this song which has great meaning and significance for those who would follow Christ.

In Christ alone my hope is found
 He is my light, my strength, my song
 This Cornerstone, this solid ground
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
 What heights of love, what depths of peace
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
 My Comforter, my All in All
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.

Walk in the light of God and point others to the King of Kings.

NEW DAWN BREAKS GROUND AT KEYS
 by Rev. Hilton Joseph Superintendent,
 Moravian Church St. Kitts Conference

Sunday 8th September 2013 was greeted by the people of the St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies

Province as yet another beautiful day that the Lord had made. Indeed, they rejoiced and were glad in it. It was the day when the ground was



officially broken, the site dedicated and the visual sign unveiled to signal the beginning of work on the erection of a new Sanctuary to house the New Dawn Moravian Church at Keys Village on St. Kitts.

Members from different congregations on the island joined their New Dawn counterparts as the ceremony to mark the occasion was staged at the site of the future home of the newest Moravian Church to be accorded congregational status within the provincial family. The three pastoral staff on the island: Superintendent Rev Hilton Joseph, Rev Jeremy Francis and Rev Nasel Ephraim (Pastor of New Dawn) led members of their respective pastorates in the turning of the soil and dedication of the site followed by the unveiling of a sign depicting the artist's impression of the future building.

The short ceremony was a fitting tribute to the stalwarts of New Dawn. Accordingly, members of the Building Committee, including some of their longer standing members who were present, were afforded the privilege of wielding the spade to break the newly hallowed ground. Sisters Sherlene Johnson, Doreen Elliott, Olivia Stevens, Carmen Jennings and Cynthia Bart did justice in assisting the three pastors in the execution of the ground breaking function. With shouts of praises to Almighty God, they all proudly dug the spade into the ground and loosened the earth in preparation for what is yet to come by way of construction.

New Dawn was officially inducted into the Eastern West Indies family during the 30th Provincial Synod, which was held in St. Thomas U.S.V.I in July of 2012, after traversing several years under the status of a Fellowship.



Fulfilling the Mandate - Submit to God's Rule

Congratulatory Message to The Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts

Earl Nightingale once said, "The Key that unlocks energy is desire. It's also the Key to a long and interesting life. If we expect to create any drive, any real force within ourselves, we have to get excited." I believe that desire was at the heart of the Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts. She has a desire for God in his own unique way.

Today, we thank God for Jesus and the blood that heals and makes us whole. We thank God, for the transforming message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, has made a difference in the life of Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts. The Eastern West Indies Province has been richer for the unselfish service offered by Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts.

The Provincial Elders Conference is pleased to know that WGod (**The Word of God in the Caribbean Radio Station**) is honouring and recognizing Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts for her dedicated service to the Church and Community. She is very sound theologically and she takes her time and prepares well in whatever she is doing. Whenever she goes back to Barbados, she is well sought after, because of the impact she made on the lives of so many persons.

Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts is also a family woman. I had the honour of being the Preacher at her wedding when she and the Rev. Mikie Roberts were united in holy matrimony at the Sharon Moravian Church in Barbados. Rev. Dr. Winelle and Rev. Mikie are very close to their family and have led by example.

The Virgin Islands Conference of the Moravian Church and indeed the Eastern West Indies Province are richer for having such a wonderful couple as Pastors within the Church. To both of you I say, Continue to connect and reconnect to persons within and around the community. Continue to call the community of faith to make itself relevant where it is planted. Continue to let others know that the Church does not exist in a vacuum. It has to minister to real people as they face the challenges and the vicissitudes of life.

I challenge you, never to lose your zeal and determination to tell people of the love of God, through Jesus Christ.

At a time when crime, violence, gangs, drugs, selfishness and anti-social behavior have surrounded us, you must continue to be the „Salt of the Earth“. Our young people are crying out for guidance and are looking for role models. You must be that model. You need to model before our people, what God would have them to become.

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On behalf of the Eastern West Indies Province, we wish you every blessing and congratulate you on being honoured by WGod on its 31st Anniversary. God did not call you, for you to turn back. The journey has begun. Congratulations to you, Mikie and the entire family and may God Bless you more than you can ever imagine.

Best Regards



Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis
Chairman of PEC

September 24, 2013



Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton Roberts and her husband, the
Rev. Mikie Roberts

**Hymn of the Month
for October 2013
Mikie Roberts (Rev.) Chair,
Provincial Hymnal Committee.**

Over the next three months the hymns will focus on three separate seasons within the Church. For the month of October the hymn will bring into focus the mission of the Church as we observe missions throughout the Province. The month of November will have us focus on the theme of Thanksgiving as many congregations will celebrate their harvests ingathering. And for the month of December, we will highlight the focus of the Church which will be on the Advent/Christmas seasons.



For the month of October the hymn of the month is **Lord, you Give the Great Commission**. This is a 20th century hymn that will be included in the final edition of our new hymnal. It was written in 1978 by Jeffery Rawthorn. The recommended tune is **ABBOT'S LEIGH**.

However, the tune **HYFRYDOL** can also be used as an alternate. The primary message of the hymn is centred on the general mission of the Church as the Body of Christ. It serves as a timely reminder of what we as believers have been empowered by the Holy Spirit to do within this world in which we live. Below is the text for this hymn that has been appointed for the month of October:

Lord, you give the great commission:
"Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission,
And the Gospel go unheard,
Help us witness to your purpose
With renewed integrity;
With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
For the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service;
"In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise
Life abundant meant for each
Give us all new fervor, draw us
Closer in community;
With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
For the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy;
"This my body, this my blood."
Let us all, for earth's true glory,
Daily lift life heavenward,
Asking that the world around us
Share your children's liberty;
With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
For the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure:
"Father, what they do, forgive."
Yet we hoard as private treasure
All that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us
To a just society;
With the spirit's gifts empow'r us
For the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring:
"I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring,
May we serve as you intend,
And, amid the cares that claim us,
Hold in mind eternity;
With the Spirit's gift's empower us
For the work of ministry.



PEC MEETING

Your prayers are requested for the members of PEC as they convene the final meeting for 2013 from October 10- 12, 2013 in Antigua.

At this meeting, the Provincial Budget for 2014 will be prepared, passed and presented to each conference for information and distribution.



Scripture Quote



Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

1 Corinthians 13: 4 - 7 [NIV]

Reflection on Provincial Staff Retreat

On September 9, 2004, Hurricane Ivan barreled through the spice Isle of Grenada damaging 90% of the homes, taking the lives of 12 and shattering the morale of the ever-achieving Grenadians. Very few expected that the phenomenal devastation from Ivan would have, within a decade, sprung into new life, new hope, new dreams and new aspirations for the people of Grenada. The 43 Moravian members of staff who gathered for retreat September 14-18, 2013 experienced every aspect of this newness as we marveled at the goodness and handiwork of God.



Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton Roberts

The warm Grenadian welcome from True Blue Bay Resort staff was matched with the comfort of the rustic yet modern rooms, delectable meals, scenic view and peaceful environs. Etched on the South coast of the island among tropical gardens, the Resort was very conducive to fellowship, reflection and recreation. The tone was set for a spiritually enriching Retreat.

Diversity in Worship

Although some were worn from the predictably unpredictable LIAT, the opening worship on Saturday evening was uplifting albeit quietly provocative. Bishop Kingsley Lewis in speaking on the diversity of the gifts God gave to the Church, as recorded in 1 Corinthians 12, encouraged all leaders to seek and affirm their unique spiritual gifts. Specifically, an appeal was made for Staff to put in action our spiritual gifts towards the building up of the Grenada mission.

Mount Tranquil, Here we come

This message had greater meaning after we completed the 45 minute journey to our new mission at Mount Tranquil, on Sunday for Worship. The newly built wooden



Sanctuary has clearly become a beacon of hope in the community and its presence has been to the people a House of Peace (Beth Shalom is the unofficial name of the mission). It was heartening to see the children, youth and seniors who were glad to be in the house of the Lord. The lively spirit-filled worshippers were challenged by Bro Errol Connor, the preacher, to "Press On" based on Hebrews 12. This meant soaring with divinely inspired encouragement, running with desire and devotion and walking in faith.

The new believers at Mount Tranquil were beaming with pride and joy, none more than our resident missionary Sis Hyacinth Taylor, to whom much commendation was given. As we embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ we recognize that they may not have grown up singing "Te Deum Laudamus," or may not have memorized that hope or testimony for Confirmation but have the depth of the Love of God that has no bound. Hence, the traditional Moravian Love feast was a fitting end to the time of worship. We were on the mountain top.



What a fellowship

The evening's devotion, led by Bishop Sam Gray called us to see this Grenada mission in the context of the Worldwide mission of the Moravian Unity. With visual aids depicting the missions in the four regions we prayed for our brothers and sisters in the Unity. This reflective time together was a timely reminder as to the purpose of the Moravian Church. Why are we here?

Worship throughout the Retreat involved morning devotions, Midday Word of



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the Day and evening services, all led by the various Conferences. Through these, there was diversity yet the one Spirit brought a message of hope, encouragement and challenge.

The Cup of Covenant held on the Ministerial covenant day, September 16, 2013 was a time of intimate sharing. Recognizing that we all have different experiences and are all at different phases in ministries, we shared our joys, victories, celebrations, burdens, struggles, disappointments and hurts. We prayed and cried together. This spirit of prayer continued through the Singstunde evening of Singing, the following evening. We sang, we worshipped and interceded on behalf of one another.

Business Unusual

A brief but necessary meeting with the PEC preceded the Sunday evening devotions. The chairman, Bro Cortroy Jarvis, used the opportunity to remind us of the administrative structure of the Church, our commitment to certain characteristics that befit the Servant of God and updated on the progress of some work of the PEC. A limited discussion begged continued conversation in the respective Conferences.



We recessed at the end of the evening in preparation for our spiritual flight the next day.

MM Air: Daily Flights

Bishop Sam Gray, Director of Intercultural Ministries with the Board of World Mission facilitated the Retreat under the theme: Gifted for Ministry. Furnished with our airline tickets for our MM Air, Moravian Missions Airlines, we set out on a spiritual journey that was introspective but yet called



Bishop Sam Gray

up to look outside of ourselves. The creative and intriguing sessions were divided in groups each one representing an important gift to the body of Christ. Each group had a member of staff who had the following:

Glasses: Vision
Car: Movement
Balloon: Spirit
Dinosaur: Heritage
Magnet: Attraction
Bug: Keeping back
Skeleton: Ideas not fleshed out
Foreign Currency: Mission

In addition each bag contained other miscellaneous items that symbolized aspects of mission and ministry. For example, there was the capsule that reflected growth and life-saving mint that is a reminder that salvation is free. Purposeful discussion was guided by the Bishop.

By the end of the day, the groups came together to phrase statements that speak to our mission and ministry in the Eastern West Indies Province. These statements, compiled by Bishop Gray, ought not to be forgotten and as we work in partnership in the Lord's vineyard.

Same spirit but different manifestations

On the next day, Staff collectively reflected on the both individual and congregational spiritual types. The four broad categories:

Mind: The dogmatic or intellectual type. Keen on teaching and Bible Study

Heart: Charismatic or emotional. Yearns for personal renewal and talks about walk with the Lord

Mystic: Prayerful and reflection. Prefers silence and solitary prayer,

Revelatory: Kingdom spirituality. Feels more inclined to be doing something for God.

Pastors and congregations were more inclined towards a spiritual type which can sometimes differ. It is therefore important for Pastors to acknowledge and affirm the differences in members and for members to recognize the difference in their Pastors. The Bishop reminded us that no one type is right and that we should allow for diversity. This can be facilitated in blended worship.

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Our homework in preparation for the Retreat was finally reviewed as we shared with Bishop Gray our Spiritual gifts inventory. The list of spiritual gifts among the staff was unsurprisingly impressive. It should be noted that the highest area of giftedness was exhortation. And while apostleship was the least, our numbers were higher than the average.

Perhaps the highlight of the Retreat was the asset mapping. It sought to accomplish what most retreats do not which is to bridge the gap between the mountain top experience and the return to the valleys. Each Conference came together and, based on their gifts and resources, penned their commitments to the task of mission in Grenada. As most Conferences embark upon the "Mission seasons," these are tangible reminders of how we can be involved in mission.

The wonders of God's creation

Just as there is no work without play there is no retreat without a tour. After a morning of "work," we boarded two buses and first headed for St George's to purchase those little souvenirs of spices and t-shirts that express our gratitude to friends and loved ones or our peace offering in some cases. Putting aside the journey which was not for the fainthearted because of the corners and hills, we climbed to the highest point where we had a breathtaking view of one of the Lakes. We then went to one of the waterfalls where we witnessed two brave young men just about 25 feet.

As we headed back to the town we stopped at Mount Parnassus where we prayed in the new acquired rooms and claimed them as new areas of mission for Grenada.

Conclusion

The Moravian staff is thankful to God for being present among us during the time of Retreat. We are thankful to those we serve for their support and prayers. We left with the words: Have it, Love it, Live it and give it. Our primary task and commitment is to stay close to Jesus Christ, become and equip disciples and go out and send disciples back into the world.

Respectfully submitted by:
 Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton Roberts



50 Years of Work and Praise in God's Service

A Fiftieth Anniversary Service of Thanksgiving was held at Sharon Moravian Church, Barbados on Thursday August 15, 2013, in honour of the Reverend Dr. Frank Alvin Barker.

Born on December 25, 1937, Reverend Frank Alvin Barker was ordained a deacon on August 15, 1963 by the late Rt. Reverend Peter M. Gubi during the 13th Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church, Eastern West Indies Province, held at Montgomery, Tobago.



A young Frank Alvin Barker



This year, 2013, marks the Fiftieth Anniversary for the Rev. Dr. Frank A. Barker in Christian ministry and faithful service to the Moravian Church.

On this momentous occasion, he felt it imperative to compile a publication not only to commemorate his individual milestone, but to also share this celebration with the many others who have impacted on his life, and ministry, and he, theirs.

The Reverend Dr. Frank Alvin Barker answered some questions about his life and work and has shared them here with you .

When asked, **Why did you join the ministry?** He responded:

I did not join the ministry; I was called, and I do not know if I am coining a new word, I was prenatally called. My English may be rotten at this point. Prenatally called or called prenatally. I like to think of myself as Jeremiah the prophet. I could do no other.

After ordination, where was your 1st congregation?

My first charge was in St. Kitts where I was called to serve the Estridge and Bethesda (Cayon) congregations. It was a difficult charge for a novice for many reasons. The Estridge church was padlocked as there was a bad situation not quite understood by the members. Tempers flared to boiling point and it was not safe for the Superintendent to visit that particular congregation. I believe that I am the only pastor who can repeat every word at the installation service. Breaking into a morning worship service, the superintendent came in the side door and said: "This is Rev. Frank Barker, your pastor and I hope you work well with him." And before the congregation

even realized that he was there, he was gone in an instant. It was not safe for him to be there. He went through the burial ground, down a slope and into his car which was parked between two carts loaded with sugarcane.

St. Kitts was a pleasant place to work even with difficulties. Only four members were present at worship for sometime. But, by 1966, when I was called to Antigua, 201 members participated in communion. I was alone for two years serving the four congregations on St. Kitts. This was my testing ground and my spiritual formation

was challenged as I was a very brash youth.

Moving from St. Kitts to Antigua, then to Barbados was a challenge as I had to adapt many and varied forms of worship. What was basic to all was this saying: Pastor we don't do it that way." Not every island, but every congregation has its own identity which must be respected. I used to challenge the congregation by responding in this way: "What do the By-laws and the Bible have to say about such and such a matter, I am governed by these."

In Antigua I served Gracehill, Cana, Potters and Gracebay congregations. While in Antigua, I was Headmaster of the Hill Secondary School, the only Spanish teacher at that time in the Grammar School, President of the Antigua Christian Council. Religious instructor at the Teachers' Training College, Commanding Officer of the Cadet Corps, looked after the rebuilding of the Potters church building, did devotions on radio and religious news on TV. In Barbados I served the Sharon, Shop Hill and Dunscombe congregations.

Why did you accept the call to UTCWI, Jamaica?

I love teaching and especially teaching a language. This was a unique situation. I was on the verge of retirement and the EWIP was due to send a Warden and someone who could teach both Hebrew and Greek. I told the PEC that I would like to be reinstated and that I would also like to go to Jamaica to fill both spots that needed to be filled. I met with the PEC in April of 2005 in Trinidad and expressed my desire to do the work. I took up the position in January 2006.

Being a teacher was the easy part. Challenging, but rewarding. Being a Warden was a bit more demanding yet it is not the present that should dictate one's life, but the sight of students being ordained to the sacred ministry with

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The Moravian Church has lost A Sun of the Soil

Rev. Leon Matthias after a period of illness, passed into the nearer presence of God on Monday September 23, 2013 at a Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, USA. Rev. Matthias candidated from the Gracefield Moravian Church in Antigua and served the Eastern West Indies Province with distinction for many years before migrating to the USA, where he served in the Moravian Church, Northern Province.



One of his three sons, Leon II wrote this morning the following:

**“My father is resting peacefully with His Lord and Savior this morning.
Leon III enters and Leon Sr departs.
I'm thankful that my dad was able to see our son on Friday via Face Time. Everything has its time.**

To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven:

A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck what is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to gain, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

A time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 NKJV).”

The Rev. Leon Matthias planned his entire service of celebration in great detail and the family is seeking to be faithful to all of his plans. The following are the plans so far:

1. There will be a Wake in Maryland at Faith Moravian on October. 4, 2013.

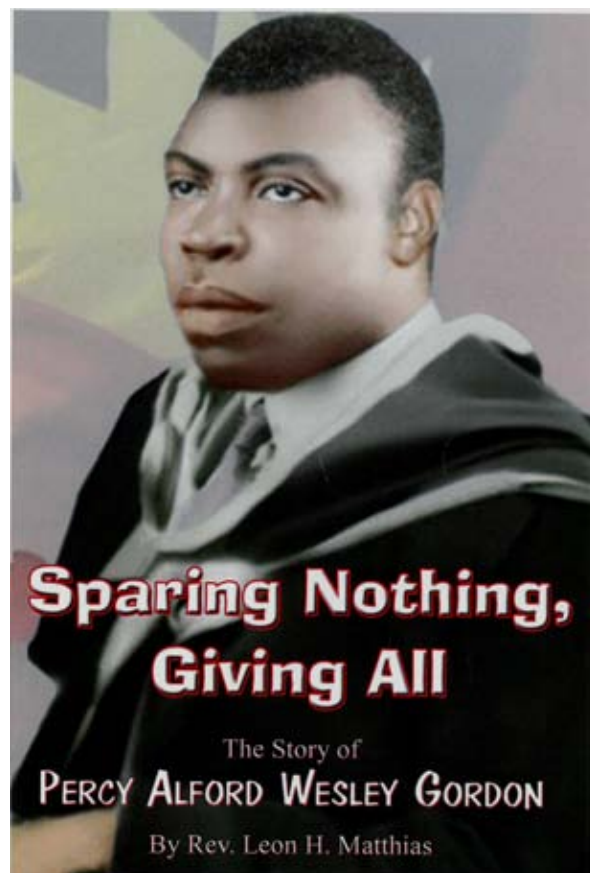
2. There will be a service at the United Moravian in New York on Saturday October 5, 2013 at 10.00 am.

3. A Memorial Service will take place in Antigua at a date and time to be announced in conjunction with the family.

4. Rev. Leon Matthias has indicated that the services ought to be celebratory. He has therefore requested that persons attending should refrain from wearing black and or white. You are therefore requested to wear celebratory colours.

The Moravian Church EWIP is grateful for the service rendered by our departed brother. He touched many lives and impacted many of us as younger Pastors. He will be missed by all those who had an opportunity to have known him. Let us remember his wife, Mabel and sons, Lennox, Leon II, Lucien and their families in our prayers.

The Late Rev. Leon Matthias Authored Nine (9) Books, the last of which was written in 2012 entitled “Sparing Nothing Giving All”. In this book he chronicled the story of Percy Alford Wesley Gordon, who was a Teacher, Chief Education Officer and local Preacher in the Moravian Church.





**Birthday-Greetings
for the month of October is extended to:**

Bro. Winston Jones	02
Sis. Georgette John	06
Sis. Zenaida Ramsay	08
Bro. Joseph Nicholas	15
Sis. Anique Elmes-Matthew	22
Bro. Algernon Lewis	24
Sis. Julie Joefield-Parris	28



**Belated Birthday greetings to
Bro. Samuel Jacobs
who celebrated on September 07**



**Anniversary Greetings
for the month of October is
extended to**

Bro. Vankys & Sis. Myrtle Isaac	26
Bro. Derick & Sis. Lexs Forrester	27
Bro. Joseph & Sis. Patricia Nicholas	27



Condolences



Sister Bernice Clarke, 80 years, the mother of Earlene Simmons and 15 others and the mother-in-law of Rev. Rowan Simmons, passed into the nearer presence of God on Thursday September 6, 2013. The funeral service was held on Thursday September 12, 2013 at the Bethesda Moravian Church in Tobago.

Her husband who has been bed-bound and ailing for years, is in great grief. May God help their fifteen surviving children and her husband of 53 years to experience comfort at this time. Let us remember them in our prayers.

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whom one had dealings. From my years of experience, I could tell my story with its faults, its failures and triumphs.

I went to UTCWI to teach Hebrew and Greek and ended up adding two more subjects to my load. I also taught Introduction to Worship and Introduction to Ministry.

Besides being the Warden/Tutor, I was also the Moravian Chaplain to the University and for a time, the Chairman of the Student Development Committee for the Moravian Church.

Do you have any advice to persons considering entering the ministry?

It is absolutely important that whoever wants to enter ministry must be absolutely sure of the call. Also, develop a structured prayer life, humble yourself in the sight of God and man and always remember that you are a servant.

If you had to live your life again, would you choose the work of ministry to God's people?

Since my call to ministry was before I was born, I can do no other.

I plan to continue with the ministry until the Lord calls me home. My wife, Gloria, has also encouraged me to one day compile my autobiography.



Joke of the Day A Very Faithful Woman

An elderly lady was well-known for her faith and for her boldness in talking about it. She would stand on her front porch and shout "PRAISE THE LORD!"

Next door to her lived an atheist who would get so angry at her proclamations he would shout, "There ain't no Lord!!"

Hard times set in on the elderly lady, and she prayed for GOD to send her some assistance. She stood on her porch and shouted "PRAISE THE LORD. GOD I NEED FOOD!! I AM HAVING A HARD TIME. PLEASE LORD, SEND ME SOME GROCERIES!!"

The next morning the lady went out on her porch and noted a large bag of groceries and shouted, "PRAISE THE LORD."

The neighbour jumped from behind a bush and said, "Aha! I told you there was no Lord. I bought those groceries, God didn't."

The lady started jumping up and down and clapping her hands and said, "PRAISE THE LORD. He not only sent me groceries, but He made the devil pay for them. Praise the Lord!"



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Our balcony provides a refreshing view of undulating hills and valleys.

The conference center has a seating capacity for 200 persons.

We are situated on a hill overlooking the picturesque outskirts of the city of St. John's, Antigua.

There are **EIGHT LARGE APARTMENTS** which are available for rental. Each room is self contained with kitchenette. The rooms are air-conditioned with Available internet and cable TV. All utilities are included with the exception of telephone.



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