

The Information

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Matthew 4 vs. 4



June, 2018

Godly Men Lead Godly Lives



Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis
Chairman of PEC

Although a mother plays a crucial role in her child's life, the child's requirements for his father is distinct and clear-cut. For a child, the father and the mother jointly make up the complete world of the child, put together with affection, safety and thoughtfulness.

There is always a big celebration centered on Mother's Day. Truth be told, Women and Mothers have played pivotal roles in the development and anchoring of the family and for this they must be celebrated and appreciated.

Men too, have played a central role in the development of the family. **Father's Day too ought to be celebrated.** If a man makes a good living at work and is a loving father but can't say "I love you" to his wife/girl friend, then is he still fulfilling his role? If he's an excellent provider materially, but not spiritually or emotionally, how is he measuring up? What exactly should be his role anyway? The role of a man may be evolving, but one thing has not changed, according to Dr. Phil: It's a privilege that comes with a lot of responsibility. Here are five roles men/fathers should embrace:

A Provider

Most men believe that being a good provider means supporting a family financially. It means much more than that. A man should also contribute to the emotional, spiritual, physical and mental well-being of his family. In order to do this, he must recognize that there are other currencies, in addition to money, that need to be provided.

A Protector

This means more than beating up the guy next door if he insults your wife. It means protecting her self-esteem and self-worth as well as your children's.

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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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Godly men lead godly lives

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It can also mean protecting your way of life and guarding against any threats to the things that you and your family value.

A Leader

Instead of waiting for your wife to take the initiative when you are having problems, take the lead. Get in the game and create what you want in your family instead of fussing about your family situation. Marriage is not a 50/50 partnership. It's a 100/100 partnership. That means everyone needs to give 100 percent in order for it to thrive. Remember, you get what you give.

A Teacher

What are we teaching those around us, especially our children, with our behavior? It's important to provide a good example for our children, loved ones and community with both words and deeds. We need to set high standards and teach by doing. For a father, it is vital to develop an attachment with the child even before its birth. Latest studies indicate that babies can distinguish and react to voices even in the womb. A father should attempt in making his affectionate voice as recognizable to the baby as his or her mother's heartbeat.

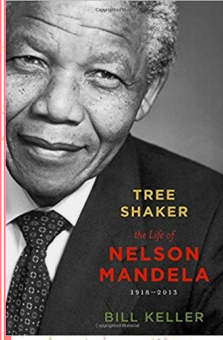
A Priest

The Man must lead his family to the throne of grace daily. He must be the Priest in the house. His wife and children must look to him for godly direction. He must be a man of God, who depends on the scripture, the Word of God for guidance and direction. In Ephesians 6, the Apostle Paul specifically instructed men to model before his children what God would have them to become. "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). The word here is challenging the man to take the lead and embrace godly living.

God owns the cattle on a thousand hills (Psalm 50:10) and has an army more powerful than any man. God knows the heart of a man (2 Chronicles 6:30), and it is the heart God wants. Not his back, not his checkbook. It is a heart focused on God that guides a man to make godly choices. The writer of Proverbs crowns it off by encouraging parents to, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).

Both the father and the mother, have their own distinct contributions to make in the development of a child. Father's have a very important role in parenting. I encourage all men to celebrate their children and to continue to make that important contribution in their child's life, if they are not making it yet.

The Book Corner



The "TREE SHAKER" is a small but enthralling book written by Bill Keller on the life of Nelson Mandela. It's a 128 page book written in 2008. This short book surveys the life and times of Mandela and explains why he was such a force for change in his native South Africa. Bill Keller looks back at Mandela's life and gives a clear view of his legacy and brings his remarkable story to a new generation of readers. Keller says that Mandela was a child of Royalty, born and raised to defend tradition. In African Tradition, every name has its unique meaning. The name his parents gave him at birth, ROLIHLEHLA, was the Xhosa word (one of the South African Languages) for "TREE SHAKER". Mandela says that later in life his people use the word to mean "troublemaker".

The book Chronicles how in 1964, Mandela and 10 other people were on trial for conspiracy to overthrow the Government. Three specific things startled the courtroom at their trial. First, Mandela arrived in traditional Leopard skin cloak of Xhosa royalty to dramatize the fact that he was an African entering a white man's court. Second, "I have fought against white domination, and I have fought black domination", he told the court. Third, "I have cherished the ideal of a democratic and free society in which all persons will live together in harmony and with equal opportunities. It is an ideal which I hope to live for and see realized. But if need be my Lord, it is an ideal for which I am prepared to die." They were all found guilty and imprisoned. Mandela was 44 years old when he entered prison and 71 when he was released on February 11, 1990. He would become South Africa's first black president on May 10, 1994 and became a hero to millions and millions around the world.

The "TREE SHAKER" is a book that will grip your attention from beginning to end.

Hymn of the Month for June, 2018

by Rev. Dr. Mikie Roberts, Provincial Director of Music



The hymn for the month of June is # 428 – ***Almighty God, our Father***. It was written in 1965 by the late Alma Southwell, from the Barbados Conference.

This hymn opens by drawing us to be joyful in God's presence even as we avail ourselves to the Spirit's leading. In the second verse, we realize that we must acknowledge the many

wasted opportunities and seek God's forgiveness for those times. The third verse commends those who faithfully laboured for the Lord and brings to our attention that we are benefactors of their faithfulness. In the final stanza we utter a prayer for God to strengthen us and renew us for the tasks that lie ahead of us.

Below are the words and music for the hymn of the month for June:

Almighty God, our Father,
With joy we seek thy face.
Our praise and adoration
Be hallowed by thy grace;
Send down thy Heav'nly Spirit,
Lend thou a gracious ear;
As in thy house we offer
Our sacrifice of prayer.

- 2 For years of waste and folly
We would forgiveness crave;
From pride and self indulgence
Thy erring children save;
We lay our sins before thee,
Fling wide each fast-closed door,
That we thy wand'ring children
May love thee more and more.
- 3 For all who bravely served thee
In want and great distress;
Who wrought their work before thee
In faith and lowliness;
We who have reaped their sowing,
With them who plant thy word,
With grateful hearts and voices
Now give thee thanks, O Lord.

- 4 Revive thy work amongst us,
Reconsecrate each heart;
That in the years before us
We bear a nobler part.
Feed us with bread celestial;
Kindle within each breast
A holy cleansing fire,
To burn till we shall rest.

1965. Alma Southwell.

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Almighty God Our Father

1965, Alma Southwell

ANNIVERSARY HYMN
76.76.D.

John Fletcher, 1965

1. Al - migh - ty God, our Fa - ther, With joy we seek thy face. Our
2. For years of waste and fol - ly We would for - give - ness crave; From
3. For all who brave - ly served Thee In want and in dis - tress; Who
4. Re - vive Thy work a - mongst us, Re - con - se - crate each heart; That

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praise and a - do - ra - tion Be hal - lowed by thy grace; Send down thy heav' - nly
pride and self - in - dul - gence Thy er - ring chil - dren save; We lay our sins be -
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Spir - it, Lend thou a gra - cious ear; As
fore Thee, Fling wide each fast - closed door, That
sow - ing, Through them who plant Thy word, With
les - tial; Kin - dle with - in each breast A

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in thy house we off - er Our sa - cri - fice of prayer.
we Thy won - dering chil - dren May love Thee more and more.
grate - ful hearts and voic - ces Now give Thee thanks, O Lord.
ho - ly cleans - ing fire To burn till we shall rest.

BISHOP JOHN E. KNIGHT GOLDEN AGE HOME NURSING HOME FACILITY

Community to the Bishop John E. Knight Golden Age Home Project (JEK Project).



By now you should be very familiar with the Bishop John E. Knight Golden Age Home Project (JEK Project) and we hope that you would have taken the opportunity to visit our website at www.bjekhomeandmission.com. If you have not done so we encourage you to do so now.

For the last 4 months we have shared with you about the projects history, the numerous challenges encountered and the services that will be offered at the facility. We also provided a number of pictures to show the progress of the work and hope that you are as excited as we are about this project and how it will serve our community and enhance the Moravian Church's Missionary Outreach Programme in the Antigua Conference.

Please help us to fulfill this divine Christian mandate by making a generous donation to this worthwhile project. This will allow us to get closer to the completion of the construction of the Nursing Home.

We have a duty to the seniors in our community. The number of seniors who need some type of assistance due to advancing age and related factors is increasing exponentially. Longer life expectancies, greater financial need, health care costs, and isolation from family members are exacerbating this problem. Please help us to help them.

PLEDGE REQUEST

Our Vision is "To be the premier caring ministry for the elderly within Antigua & Barbuda while promoting their health, safety, as well as physical, spiritual, mental and social well-being of our residents."

Our mission is "To provide compassionate and affordable elderly care in a purpose built, supportive and nurturing environment, fostering independence and offering meaningful activities."

To accomplice these objectives we need your support, therefore we are making an appeal for contributions to take us to the finish line. **There is an urgent need to raise approximately ECS\$1,009,000 (US\$375,000). These funds will be used as per the following - medical equipment and supplies – US\$50,000, kitchen and laundry – US\$121,000, fixtures and furnishings – US\$200,000.** Every contribution, no matter how small, moves us closer to the actuality of the beautiful vision of a purpose built, excellent facility for our elderly and those recovering from major illnesses.

Please visit our website at www.bjekhomeandmission.com for more information and to make your donations. Thank you for being part of God's mission in the world.

The end is in-sight and we need your help to cross the finish line!

"Advance the Kingdom" -Live as Kingdom Citizens

21st Anniversary of the Moravian Church in Cuba

Havana, Cuba, May 25, 2018

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

Twenty-one years ago, in a very humble home in a neighborhood of the Cerro Municipality in Havana, the foundational work of the Moravian Church in Cuba began; long has been the road traveled since then in the effort to raise on Cuban soil the banner of our beloved Unitas Fratrum.

When we look back on the experiences we have lived in this endeavor, we remember the many efforts we have had to make to move toward our goals, and the difficulties and limitations we have had to face as well as the moments of tension, disappointment and anguish that have not been few on this path, but we also rejoice and praise God in our hearts when we remember the many achievements and triumphs obtained. From that small group in that Havana home, today we are a church present in seven territories of Cuba and increasing the scope of our work and the impact on the life of our people in this particular historical juncture that Cuba is experiencing.

Certainly much has been achieved. We have reached a presence and we are developing a work and obtaining results that were far from being imagined by that small group of dreamers that set out with the goal of including in the Cuban ecclesial panorama this rich Christian tradition of more than five centuries and, without a doubt, which today shows that the Cuban Moravian work is an evident sign that together with the hard work and fervent dedication of very valuable brothers and sisters of Cuba and the accompaniment of those who, from beyond our borders, have lavished their love and their strongest support, many things are possible! Yes, the hand of the Lord has always been with us because, as his Word says: "If the Lord does not build the house, the builders work in vain," so again and again we must say: EBENEZER! Therefore, clearly, God has helped us, the Lord has greatly blessed us!

There is still a long way to go, challenges to face, goals to reach so that our work shines more and more with our own light and honors with ever greater excellence the precious inheritance we have received, the spiritual treasures that have been placed in our hands thanks to the total dedication of their lives and the sacrifice of those men and women who in many nations and throughout 561 years have been the face, heart and hands of our church and the architects of this legacy that we receive today.

The Synod last September, with the statutes and resolutions that received the approval of the assembly, outlined guidelines for the path to follow in order to achieve a church with a more efficient organization and work and a greater impact in the Cuban context but for this achievement we must always keep in mind two presuppositions that are fundamental for the advancement in the great work of the construction of the kingdom of God which is the mission of the church of Christ.

First: our communion, the personal communion of our leaders and members and the communion of our groups, with Him who is the author and finisher of our faith and who very categorically told us: "Remain in me, and I in you, ... for apart from me they can do nothing" (John 15: 4 and 5).

Second: our unity in the love of each other because without that unity of love we cannot certainly be the light and the salt that we have been called to be and we will not be able to overcome the many challenges and tasks that await us because only united with the closest bond with our Lord and Savior and united with fraternal love with our brothers and sisters in this work in which, without love we are nothing, we can take the Cuban Moravian work to greater heights for the glory of the Most High.

I leave you, my beloved, these texts with my most sincere desire to be inspired in the way ahead: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved them; remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept the commandments of my Father and remain in his love. These things I have spoken to you, so that my joy may be in you, and your joy may be fulfilled. This is my commandment: love one another." (John 15: 9-11)

"I, therefore, imprisoned in the Lord, beg you to walk worthy of the vocation to which you were called, with all humility and meekness, enduring with patience one another in love, solicitous to keep the unity of the Spirit in you. bond of peace" (Ephesians 4: 1-3)

"Dress yourselves, therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, of tender mercy, of kindness, of humility, of meekness, of patience, enduring one another, and forgiving one another if anyone has a complaint against another. In the way that Christ forgave you, so do you. And above all these things clothe yourselves with love, which is the perfect bond" (Colossians 3: 12-14)

Your brother and servant in the love of Christ, the Lamb who has conquered.

Armando Rusindo

"Advance the Kingdom" -Live as Kingdom Citizens

Cuban Plane Crash

Friends:

We have gotten more info concerning the crash of a Cubana Air Flight departing Habana in route to Holguin. Ten pastors and their wives from the Church of the Nazarene in Holguin did not survive. I understand from Tania Sanchez (president Moravian Church in Cuba) that a couple from her church and their 5 year old daughter was on the flight as well and dies. Delegates from the Church of the Nazarene were on their way home after attending their national assemble in Habana,. Some had taken a bus or train, while a few of them chose to fly.

Please keep the church and families of these victims in your prayers.

RMF will determine what needs the families may have after we obtain more details.

With a sad heart:

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Joe Jarvis

President & Founder

Armando Rusindo Mission Foundation



The Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province expresses condolences to:

1. Brother Anselm Richards, member of PEC, on the death of his mother, Velma "Vemos" Richards in Tobago. She passed into the nearer presence of God on Monday May 7th, 2018. The funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 16th, 2018 at the Pembroke Anglican Church in Tobago at 1.00 pm.

2. The family of the late Bro. Junie Sterling, who passed into the nearer presence of God on Wednesday May 16, 2018 in Antigua. He was the husband of Sis. Joycelyn Soanes-Sterling and the uncle of Sis. Billie Sterling-Lewis, wife of the Rev. Nevin Lewis. Bro. Sterling had been a Lay Preacher in the Moravian Church Antigua Conference over a number of years. We thank God for the service which he offered. The funeral service was held at the Lebanon Moravian Church in Seaview Farm, Antigua on Monday June 04, 2018 at 2:00p.m.

3. The Rev. Rowan Simmons and family on the passing of his Uncle Morris Christopher in Antigua. The funeral service will be held at the Cana Moravian Church in Antigua, on Wednesday June 06, 2018 at 2.00p.m.

4. The Rev. Hilton J Joseph and family on the passing of his father Mr. Hilton E Joseph Snr. He passed into the nearer presence of God on Thursday May 31st, 2018 in Antigua. The funeral service will be held at the Five Island Moravian Church in Antigua, on Wednesday June 20, 2018 at 3:00p.m.

5. The family of Sis. Shirley Joseph, who passed into the nearer presence of God on Thursday May 31st, 2018 in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. Sis Joseph was the widow of the late Rev. Ray Joseph. As more information comes to hand you will be informed accordingly.

6. Sis. Linda Prout and family on the passing of Rev. Willard Prout. He passed into the nearer presence of God on Friday June 1, 2018 at the Mount Hope Hospital in Mount Hope, Trinidad. The Funeral service will be held at the Montgomery Moravian Church in Tobago, on Wednesday June 13th, 2018.

Let us remember the families in our prayers.



Virtue of the Month: Truth

By The Family Connection

Trust is having faith in someone or something. It is a positive attitude about life. You are confident that the right thing will happen without trying to control it or make it happen. Even when difficult things happen, trust helps us to find the gift or lesson in it.

You are practicing trust when you:

- ❖ Believe there is some good in everything that happens,
- ❖ Look for the lessons in painful experiences,
- ❖ Let trust take away your worries,
- ❖ Know that your best is good enough,
- ❖ Trust others unless you have good reasons not to, and
- ❖ Don't nag, worry, or try to take control.

Affirmation:

I am trusting. I have no need to control others. I release fear and worry. I feel at peace and know I am not alone.

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The Family Connection was established in 2005 by the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands as an early-childhood initiative. The mission of TFC is to strengthen the community child care and early education infrastructure in the USVI by building awareness of the importance of early learning and development for success and working with community agencies to promote quality care and education.

One of its efforts is the Virtues Project, an international initiative focused on building peaceful and caring communities.



Birthday Greetings for the Month of June to

Sis. Stacey Herbert-Mannix	2
Sis. Sharon McCurdy Joseph	5
Bro. Nigel Daniel	5
Sis. Bernadine Chase	7
Bro. Calvin Isaac	13
Sis. Joycelyn Connor	17
Bro. Selvin McMillan	25
Sis. Elva Richards	25
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Sis. Jasmin Crooks	26
Sis. Roslyn Hamblin	29



Wedding Anniversary Celebrants for June

Bro. Reuben & Sis. Ivy Vessup	01
Bro. Kirk & Sis. Nicole Barker	24



Ordination Anniversaries

Bro. Vanys Isaac - June 02, 2002 - {16 years}
Bro. Erflin Browne - June 3, 2001 - {17 years}
Bro. Dion Christopher - June 16, 1991 - {27 years}
Bro. Errol Connor - June 18, 1991 - {27 years}
Bro. Ezra Parris - June 29, 1992 - {26 years}

Congratulations on your Wedding

The Moravian Church, Eastern West Indies Province
offers congratulations to the

Rev. Dr. Jeremy and Mrs. Rena Warner-Francis

who were united in marriage on
Saturday April 28th, 2018

at the St. Anne's Anglican Church in St. Kitts.

We wish them every blessing and pray that they will
have a happy married life together.



Joke of the Day

JEOPARDY

A man from the country went to a popular airport, hysterically carrying his luggage, passport, and other necessary items for travel.

He anxiously asked the agent at the ticket counter, (with deep accent from his country)" Do sell me a ticket to Jeopardy, ma'am."

The agent looked confused."Jeopardy, sir? Where is that?"

The man got even more anxious and agitated."Mi nuh ha' time fi fool. Jus' sell mi a ticket to Jeopardy."

The agent looked through her map and other materials. "Sir, there is no such place! Are you sure that's where you need to travel?"

The man lost his temper and slammed his fist on the counter.

"Look, 'ooman. Mi she minuh have time fi fool. Mi hear pon mi radio dis mawning seh 900 jobs inna Jeopardy so ah de suh mi need fi go NOW!"

May God bless your hearts each day.

Moravian Multipurpose Complex



Conferences Seminars
Weddings Banquet
Meetings Dinner
Graduations

Only ten minutes away from the stores, shops and banks in St. John's.

Conference Center & Apartments



Our International airport is also just ten minutes away.

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 over-looking the picturesque out-skirts of the city of St. John's, Antigua.

the heavens
proclaim his
righteousness

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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