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Christ in the Crisis"

Submitted by: Rev. Delroy Burley Read: John 14:1-6

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me

Just a few weeks ago we celebrated Good Friday and Easter Sunday where we reflected deeply on Jesus at the cross. I share this with you as we continue in reflection. We are living at a critical moment in our lives, and these can be called crisis times. But, we are thankful to God, we have an answer for the crisis conditions with which we are faced from time to time!



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Once, when the disciples were going through a period of stress, and they were troubled about the crisis conditions in which they were involved, Jesus said to them,

"Let not your heart be troubled."

Then He told them,

"There are many homes up there where my Father lives, and I am going to prepare them for your coming. When everything is ready, then I will come and get you, so that you can always be with me where I am. If this were not so, I would tell you plainly. And you know where I am going and how to get there."

"No, we do not, Thomas said. We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Thomas reflects the 'lostness' we at times feel in our own times of stress. Though we know the answer deep down in our hearts, our eyes are often blinded by the problem we face in our lives. Be reminded: *"I am the Way,"* Jesus said, - yes, *"and the truth and life"*

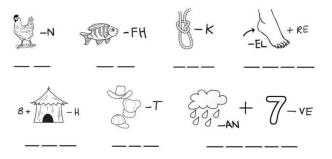
In this reflection, Jesus Christ did not just 'talk about the way' or 'a way'. He <u>is</u> the way. He did not just 'talk about life". He <u>is</u> life. He <u>is</u> the Christ of every crisis and our present help in any and all of our crises. This is the answer I leave with you for the stress and strain of our everyday lives.

Prayer

Lord, we come to you with our doubts just like Thomas. You conquered death and gained the victory of life. Reveal to us your presence as You did with your disciples so much so that we will be reminded of your awesome power to sustain our lives. May these crises in which we live be to us a stepping stone towards a faith of optimism, Amen.

Jesus is Risen!

... then find the hidden message from Luke 24 v 6



PROVINCIAL THEME 2018 *"Advance the Kingdom, Live As Kingdom Citizens"*There are many KEYS but One Door.
By studying the many keys to the Kingdom we will be brought to the knowledge that keys are accessible, available and ought to be fully utilised.
The Key of Jesus (Philippians 2:1-11, Revelations 3:7-13);
The Key of the Word (John 8:31-36; Psalm 1; Luke 4:4)

- The Key of Knowledge (Proverbs 3:5-12);
 - The Key of the Holy Spirit (Luke 4)

OFFICERS/DELEGATES SERVING 2018-2019

| Members of the Elders Board | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Rev. Delroy Burley | Chair & Ambassador for Youth | |
| Bro. Cecil Forde | Vice-Chair & Ambassador for | |
| | Sub-committee & Technicians | |
| Sis. Lena Edwards | Assistant Secretary - | |
| | Ambassador for the Choir & | |
| | Ushers | |
| Sis. Marva Alleyne | Ambassador for Shut-In | |
| | Members | |
| Sis. Margaret Harris | Ambassador for the Women's | |
| | Fellowship | |
| Bro. Maurice Quintyne | Ambassador for the Men's | |
| | Fellowship & Evangelism | |
| | Committee | |
| Sis. Michelle Williams | Not Assigned | |
| Bro. Earl Alleyne | Ambassador for the Worship | |
| | Team & Stewards Board | |

| Members of the Stewards Board | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Sis. Eudora Mascoll | Chairperson | |
| Bro. Victor Nelson | Vice-Chair | |
| Sis. Desma Linton | Treasurer | |
| Sis. Verve Alleyne | Secretary | |
| Bro. Lionel Hollingsworth | Asst. Secretary/Treasurer | |
| Sis. Cicely Spencer-Cross | Floor Member | |
| Bro. Kevin Yarde | Floor Member | |

| Island Conference Delegates | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Bro. Earl Alleyne | Delegate to Island Conference | |
| Sis. Marva Alleyne | Alt. Delegate to Island Conference | |

This Month in Moravian History

"Moravian East/West Synod Meets in the Midst of the Cold War, 1986"

More than forty years after the end of the Second World War a Synod of the European Continental Moravian Church was



able to meet in Herrnhut, East Germany.

Delegates from both East and West came together despite the political divisions caused by the Cold War. For those present but also for the entire church, this was an important and historically significant event.

When Germany was divided by the Allied Forces after World War II, the Moravian Church in difficult Germany faced а situation with congregations on both sides of the dividing line. Herrnhut, traditionally the administrative center of the European Continental Province, lay in the Eastern zone occupied by the Soviets. For that reason, several members of the Provincial Board went to the West in 1945 to secure Moravian interests in the West. In Bad Boll, a small Moravian-owned spa resort near Stuttgart, they established an administrative center to oversee Moravian congregations in West Germany, Switzerland, Denmark, the Netherlands, and Sweden. The churches in East Germany continued to fall under Herrnhut's jurisdiction. Very soon it became obvious that the division of Germany was not going to end in the foreseeable future.

The European Continental Province of the Moravian Church was now divided into two districts: District Herrnhut in the East and District Bad Boll in the West, each with its own Synod and Provincial Board. Despite this factual separation into two districts, European Moravians held on to their ideal of unity; formally the European Continental Province continued to exist with a common Book of Order for both districts. Practically, the districts had a great degree of independence. Each district held their own separate synods to regulate their own affairs; however, resolutions affecting the Province as a whole (such as changes to the Book of Order) had to be passed by both synods. By the 1980s church and society had changed so much that a revision of the Book of Order seemed necessary. Both districts began preparing for a new Book of Order and a draft proposal was read at each District Synod. However, there was a strong desire to pass the final version not separately but by a combined, Provincial Synod. Because of heavy travel restrictions imposed by the communist regime, East German citizens were not allowed to travel to the West, so this synod had to be held in the East. Fortunately, Moravian leaders succeeded in getting permission from the East German government to host this meeting in Herrnhut.

So, when Synod delegates from the West travelled to Herrnhut at the end of March 1986 they received unusually polite and courteous treatment by border patrol, normally reserved for diplomatic travellers. For one week, delegates met in the Herrnhut church and debated the new Book of Order. Some of the technology, such as the Xerox machine, had to be brought in from West Germany. But when the copier broke down because of the excessive amount of copying so typical of synods, the repairman had to come from West Berlin because no East German technician had experience with these machines.

Today the significance of this combined synod may be hard to imagine now that the end of the Cold War occurred more than twenty years ago. But in 1986 German unification seemed nearly impossible to most Europeans. The American Moravian magazine wrote: "The most important achievement of the whole week was that the Moravian Church was able to prove that the fellowship among Christians is much stronger and more powerful than any kind of division in this world, be it different cultures or different ideologies. This is our Moravian heritage, and this must be our witness for the future." In 1989 the East German regime collapsed. Germany reunited and so did the Continental Province: in 1992 the two districts, in existence since World War II, were combined once again into one province. The existence of a common Book of Order, approved in 1986 when the vision of a unified Province seemed so far away, proved fortunate.

Moravian Archives, Bethlehem, Pa. Issue 63, April 2011 Sources: Image: The Church in Herrnhut ca. 1985. Artiicles in Der Brüderbote, no. 443 (1986); The North American Moravian, (June-July 1986).

Fun Corner

'A FAMILIAR GAME' This Month - The Letter "H" do you know what's in your Bible? Choose your own from the Bible using "H"

| A N I A L | Hornet (Exodus 23:28; Deuteronomy 7:20; Joshua 24:12) | HORNET –A very large wasp, when disturbed they can attack cattle and horses. Their sting is very severe, capable not only of driving men and cattle to madness, but even of killing them. | | |
|----------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| P E R S O N | Наваккик The Book of Habakkuk | HABAKKUK – Habakkuk was a prophet, described in the Book of Habakkuk. He is the eighth of the twelve minor prophets. | | |
| P L A C E | HARAN (Genesis; Acts 7:2-4) | HARAN – TAs a place, it is where Terah temporarily settled with his son Abram, his nephew Lot, and Abram's wife – Sarai, during their journey from Ur to the land of Canaan. Abraham's grandson Jacob worked for Laban (his relative) for twenty (20) years in Haran. Haran is mentioned in the Book of Acts in a recounting of the story in Genesis where it first appears. | | |
| T H I G | HONEY (Exodus 33:3; Deuteronomy 8:8; Judges 14:8-9) | HONEY – The word "honey" is referenced several times in the Bible. The Promised Land to the Israelites was described as a land flowing with milk and honey – a sign of abundance, ease, and prosperity to be found there. | | |

CELEBRATION TIME!!

BIRTHDAYS - APRIL

02-Bro. Terrence Edwards

- 02 Sis. Pamela Roach
- 04 Bro. Cecil Forde
- 16 Bro. Kevin Yarde

ANNIVERSARIES - APRIL 04 – Bro. Ricardo & **Sis. Diana** Yarde

DO YOU HAVE A RECIPE YOU WANT TO SHARE?



UNLEAVENED BREAD FOR COMMUNION

Unleavened bread is of great significance in Christianity, used in the sacrament of Holy Communion, and mentioned in the Bible as being eaten at The Last Supper Jesus shared with his disciples, and in many other books of the Bible.

Unleavened bread is bread made without leavening agents (ingredients that cause fermentation to occur) such as yeast, baking soda, baking powder and beaten egg whites.

| Prep time: 10 mins | Cook time: 10 mins | Ready in: 20 mins | |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| Serves 6. | | | |

Ingredients

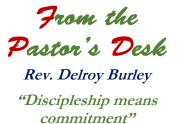
- 1 cup of All-Purpose Flour
- 1/3rd cup of Vegetable Oil
- 1/8th teaspoon of Salt
- $1/3^{rd}$ cup of Water

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees *Fahrenheit* (220 degrees *Celsius*). Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
- 2. Mix flour, oil, and salt together in a bowl; add water and mix using a pastry cutter until dough is soft.
- 3. Form dough into six (6) balls and press into disks onto the prepared baking sheet.
- 4. Bake in the preheated oven until bread is cooked, 8 to 10 minutes.
- 5. Commemorate the Last Supper!

https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/241680/unleavened-breadfor-communion/





Their giving surpassed our expectations; for they gave their very selves... to the Lord 2 Corinthians 8:5

Jesus, gave His very life for us on the cross for the sake of our salvation. Further to this, we just celebrated His victory over death, and we need to commit in accordance to His words in expressing our gratitude to Him.

I share with us a story you may have heard about 'the chicken and the pig'. They were walking along together one morning when they came upon some weary hungry travellers. "Let's give them a breakfast of ham and eggs," the chicken suggested. "That's OK for you," the pig replied. "You would only be making a contribution, but for me that would mean total commitment!"

That is quite a difference! Isn't it? It is really about the same - comparing conversion with commitment. Salvation means giving your heart to Jesus. Commitment means giving our whole self to Him - which is discipleship. Have you? Are you?

A disciple is a **learner** and a **follower of Christ**. This involves a **continuous** reaching out of the soul, a burning desire to know Jesus better so that we become more like Him. We can now sum it up in just one key statement:

> COMMITMENT IS OPENING UP OURSELVES TO THE LIVING CHRIST, AND GIVING OF OUR WHOLE SELF TO HIM IN JOY DAILY.

Prayer

Father, we are not always committed as we ought to as your disciples but allow us through your Spirit to recognised your gifts in us to serve You with diligence as your word have indicated. "We have different gifts according to the grace given us. If someone's gift is prophecy, let him use it in proportion to his faith; if it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is giving, let him give generously; if it is leading, let him lead with diligence; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully...." (Romans 12: 6-8).

Amen.



INVITATION TO THINK "OUTSIDE THE BOX" -SWOT ANALYSIS

The invitation is extended to members of the Boards to carefully consider and carry-out a **SWOT Analysis** for our congregation at Bethlehem.

A SWOT analysis is an analysis of the organisation's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (*Robbins et al., 2005*).

The information gleaned will provide us with ideas to help us re-position our Church to be impactful in our community for God, and to become financially solvent. If thoughtfully undertaken, and prayerfully and strategically addressed, it will also allow our Church to experience steady growth in membership and impact.

Members are also invited to share the **Vision** as to where they would like to see our Church in the next ten (10), twenty (20) or thirty (30) years. You are encouraged to think differently about 'doing Church' in our community in order to come up with fresh new ideas that others have not yet explored or tapped into. **'Think outside the proverbial box'**.

Your thoughts and ideas, and analyses should be submitted to the Minister, Rev. Burley, by Sunday, April 29, 2018 *(you may type or write legibly).* Discussion fora will further inform the process.

SWOT ANALYSIS MATRIX

| | Positive Factors | Negative Factors |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Internal Factors | Strengths | Weaknesses |
| External Factors | Opportunities | Threats |

Greetings, Information & News : From Home & Abroad

EXAMPLE FOR WRITING A SWOT ANALYSIS

Below is a SWOT Analysis example (*Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats*) specifically focussed on marketing a small business (developing a marketing plan).

While a SWOT analysis may be conducted as an overview of a business, they are particularly useful for planning purposes when they are focussed on a specific aspect of a business's operations or as an aid for making decisions.

This small business is a dog grooming business – Delightful Dog Grooming.

PURPOSE: To create a marketing Action Plan.

| Ι | STRENGTHS | WEAKNESSES |
|---|---|---------------------------------|
| | • Have many return | • Don't pay much attention |
| Ν | customers | to marketing – dependent |
| | • Customer satisfaction - | on word-of- |
| T | customers do say they like | mouth and website |
| | the service and | • Website purely |
| Ε | give positive word of | informational and static |
| | mouth - recommending | • Don't have a marketing |
| R | grooming services to | plan |
| | others | • Don't have much of a |
| Ν | • Do get some walk-in | marketing budget |
| | business | How Can We Convert |
| Α | • Mobile grooming van has | Weaknesses To Strengths |
| - | an eye-catching logo and | |
| L | gives some exposure | |
| ⇒ | when performing on-site | |
| | services | |
| → | Do Strengths Open Any | |
| | Opportunities? | |
| | OPPORTUNITIES | THREATS |
| ⇒ | • Take advantage of the | • Other dog grooming |
| | increasing popularity of dogs | businesses in |
| ➡ | Increasing use of social | town, competition is increasing |
| Е | media | • One dog grooming |
| | • Increase the amount of | business has a series of |
| X | • Increase the amount of walk-in traffic | radio ads running and is |
| | Local annual Pet Fair | also running newspaper |
| Т | Kennel clubs, rescue | ads once a week |
| | societies, local SPCA | • Another competitor has |
| Е | What Do We Have To Do | partnered with the local |
| | To Use Opportunities | SPCA to host a dog |
| R | ro ese opportunites | washing and grooming |
| | | day every few months (by |
| Ν | | donation to the SPCA) |
| | | • Expense of running |
| Α | | media advertisements |
| | | How Do We Best |
| L | | Neutralize Threats |

ANNOUNCEMENTS TO NOTE

CONGRATULATIONS – IT'S A GIRL

As a congregation we extend Warm Congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Delroy Burley on the birth of their daughter, Serena Burley, on Thursday, March 29, 2018.

SINCERE CONDOLENCE

We extend sincere condolences to Rev. Vera Waithe (immediate past Superintendent of the Barbados Conference), and Sis. Muriel Carrington (and their entire family), on the passing of their brother, Philip Gilkes. He passed into the presence of God on Sunday, April 1, 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE UNITY

PROVINCIAL WATCHWORD FOR THE EWIP FOR 2018

The WatchWord drawn for the Eastern West Indies Province (EWIP) is the one assigned for December 13th 2018. It reads: "I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to ne, for I have redeemed you." Isaiah 44:22.

NEW BISHOP OF THE UNITY

A new Chair and Vice-Chair of the African region has recently been elected with immediate effect. Bro. Zacharia Sichone of the Moravian Church Tanzania, South-West Province was elected Chairman and Bro. Godfrey Cunningham of the Moravian Church, South African elected Vice-Chairman.

CONSECRATION OF BISHOP

Following the election by Provincial Synod of Rev. Brinmore Phaul as Bishop in the Guyana Province of the Moravian Church, Bro. Phaul will be consecrated on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at the Queenstown Moravian Church in Guyana at 2:30 pm.

This will be a historic Service and occasion for the Guyana Province as Rev. Phaul accedes to the Order of Bishop in the Unitas Fratrum.

Greetings, Information & News : From Home & Abroad

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PROVINCE

UNITY PRAYER WATCH 2018

- The Eastern West Indies (EWI) Province will participate in the Unity Prayer Watch from 12.00 am April 03 – Midnight April 17, 2018.
- The EWI Province seeks your participation in an unbroken Unity Prayer Watch from 12:00 am on April 3rd to mid-night April 17th, 2018 (see Revised Schedule below):

| Name of Conference/ | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Mission | From | То |
| Grenada Mission | 12:00 am, April 3 | 8:00 am, April 3 |
| Tobago | 7:59 am, April 3 | 8:00 pm, April 5 |
| Trinidad | 7:59 am, April 5 | 8:00 pm, April 6 |
| Barbados | 7:59 am, April 6 | 8:00 am, April 9 |
| Virgin Islands | 7:59 am, April 9 | 8:00 pm, April 12 |
| St. Kitts | 7:59 pm, April 12 | Midnight, April 14 |
| Antigua | 11:59 pm, April 14 | Midnight, April 17 |

- Conferences are asked to observe the time allotted for our members to engage in the unbroken prayer chain. This prayer meeting began on August 13, 1727 when the Moravian Church had its Pentecost experience. The Church was so much on fire that the Prayer meeting lasted for 100 unbroken years.
- Let us therefore encourage our members to be in prayer, as we continue to seek God's guidance and direction for our Church, and indeed our lives.

Ref: PEC 69/18

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us keep in prayer our Retired Pastors:

- Rev. Willard Prout. He was rushed to Hospital on Tuesday, April 3rd. He is now warded at Mount Hope Hospital in Mount Hope, Trinidad.
- Rev. Reuben Vessup. He has taken up residence at the Brookdale Sunrise - an assisted living facility in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He currently struggles with Alzheimers. His wife, Sis. Ivy Vessup relocated to Florida to be near him. She can be reach via (954) 655-6200

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CONFERENCE

PRAYER WATCH 2018 BARBADOS CONFERENCE

The Barbados Conference joins with the Unity to complete the unbroken chain of prayer between the period Friday, April 6, 2018 from 7:59 pm until Monday, April 9 at 8:00 pm. The Schedule for the congregations and Pastorates within the Barbados Conference is set out below:

| Pastorate/ Congregation | From | То |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Clifton Hill & Centenary (12 hours) | Friday, April 6 @ 7:59 pm | Saturday, April 7 @ 8:00 am |
| Fulnec (8 hours) | Saturday, April 7 @ 8:01 am | Saturday, April 7 @ 4:00 pm |
| Faith (4 Hours) | Saturday, April 7 @ 4:01 pm | Saturday, April 7, @ 8:00 pm |
| Bethlehem (6 hours) | Saturday, April 7 @ 8:01 pm | Sunday, April 8 @ 2:00 am |
| Calvary & Graceehill (14 hours) | Sunday, April 8 @ 4:01 pm | Monday, April 9 @ 6:00 am |
| Sharon & Dunscombe (14 hours) | Monday, April 9 @ 6:01 am | Monday, April 9 @ 8:00 pm |

Special Prayer concerns are:

- World Peace
- The Worldwide Moravian Church
- The Growth of the Church
- Missionaries in the field
- The Financial Position of the Barbados Conference
- Youth & Young Adults within the Conference
- For a closer walk with God as we 'Advance the Kingdom'
- The Leadership of the Church
- That God would raise up men & women for full-time Ministry
- For Barbados

Please continue in prayer on these topics.

Helping Hands – Our Mission Fields

✓ Church Quota and Arrears – In an effort to help lower our debt to the Conference, it would be prudent for us to pay an additional \$500 each month towards our quota arrears, while maintaining our monthly quota payments. As a result, to aid in achieving this target, each member is encouraged to contribute towards this amount on the 4th Sunday of each month. Any amount donated will be appreciated.

✓ Greetings/Birthdays/Anniversary Cards – Strengthen our fellowship in Christ as we welcome visitors and help celebrate special occasions in the life of members and visitors. You can make a contribution of any amount to Sis. Diana Yarde or Sis. Anthea Barrow.

✓ The new date for the 32^{nd} Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church, Eastern West Indies Province to be held in Barbados is July 5 to 11, 2019. The Barbados Conference will continue to make preparations for this event. Members and friends of the Moravian Church are asked to support the weekly contribution of \$1.00 towards those costs for which the Conference will be responsible. This contribution will be collected on 3^{rd} Sundays.

✓ The Cuthbert Pilgrim Memorial (CPM) Hall is available for rentals – Conferences/Seminars, Meetings, Wedding Receptions, Graduations, etc. Just off the Maxwell Coast Road, minutes away from the Airport, it is situated within a quiet residential area, with ample parking available. To view/book, contact CPM Hall Manager, Sis. Eudora Mascoll (246-428-4784) or Assistant, Sis. Desma Linton (246-428-2962).

✓ **Bethlehem's Beautification Project** (Church and Grounds) is an on-going project. Lend your support.

✓ This Newsletter - The Bethlehem Herald is a monthly publication. You are invited to send ideas and articles to <bethlehemmoravianchurch@gmail.com>

Remember In Prayer



Our Sick & Shut-In/Recovering:
 Shut-in Communion/Visitation – 1st and 3rd Tuesdays

| it-in Communion/ visitation – 1 st and 5 rd Tuesdays | | |
|--|------------------------|--|
| NAMES | CONTACT NUMBERS | |
| Sis. Boothe Chase | 246-428-6069 | |
| Sis. Mavis Chase | 246-428-6258 | |
| Sis. Emily Forde | St. Philip Family Care | |
| | 246-622-1897 | |
| Sis. Gracie Maynard | 246-428-3678 | |
| Sis. Marjorie Worrell | 246-437-1805 | |
| Sis. Odessa Haynes | 246-426-8663 | |
| Sis. Michelle Williams | 246-428-7462/430-0900 | |
| Sis. Gloria Layne | 246-428-7545 | |
| Sis. Valrie Quintyne | 246-428-1102 | |

- Barbados, its Leaders and its Citizens
- Bethlehem, its auxiliary groups and members
- The family of Sis. Dorothy Waite, and persons grappling with the loss of a loved one.

Financial Status

Target: \$ 9,000 monthly

Bethlehem's monthly Quota to Conference: \$4,796.67 Quota Arrears: \$96,444.15

Special Envelopes (April):

EASTER

Please give to God what He truly deserves

| Income for March 2018 | \$ |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Envelopes | 4,359.50 |
| Loose Offering | 875.15 |
| Sunday School | 157.60 |
| Lenten Services | 256.55 |
| Holy Week Services | 113.00 |
| Easter | 20.00 |
| Other Monies raised March 2018 | |
| C.P.M Hall rentals | 3,340.00 |
| Donations to Gas | 5.88 |
| Fundraiser – Flea Market | 228.00 |
| Donation | 25.00 |
| Sub-Total | 9,380.68 |
| Other funds collected | |
| Lenten Booklet | 70.00 |
| Unity | 20.00 |
| Convention | 5.00 |
| Good Friday | 176.00 |
| 'Quota Arrears' to Conference | 133.00 |
| 'Surviving Spouse' | 20.00 |
| "Youth With A Mission" Outreach | 61.00 |
| Theological Sunday | 100.00 |
| "Synod Walk-Up" | 66.00 |
| Sub-Total | 651.00 |
| TOTAL | 10,031.68 |

Walk-Up Offerings - Sundays:

| | | | Youth With A Mission |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 3 rd | 32 nd Provincial Synod | 4 th | BMC Quota Arrears |

Sincere Condolences: We express sincere condolences to Bro. David Waite and entire family on the passing of his mother, Sis. Dorothy Waite (member of Bethlehem). She passed into the nearer presence of God on Thursday, April 6, 2018.

Mark Your Calendar-April

Bethlehem's Hours of Worship:

- Sunday School : Sundays @ 9:00 am
- Divine Worship : Sundays @ 10:00 am
- **Choir Rehearsal** every Wednesday from 6:00 am to 7:15 pm
- Bible Study (Mid-Week) resumes (Mid-Day from 12:00 noon and Evening from 7:30 pm) every 1st, 2nd, 3rd
 ^{cos} 5th Wednesdays – resuming with Isaiah 21.
- Prayer & Fasting resumes every 4th Wednesday (Mid-Day from 12:00 noon and Evening from 7:30 pm)
- **Pastor's Office Hours** : Fridays, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm (*by appointment*)
- Confirmation Class on Fridays, at 10:30 am
- Assisting with the Worship experience this month:
 - The **Stewards' Board** with Cleaning and Preparing the Sanctuary.
 - The Elders' Board with Readings and Prayer.
- ☐ Women's Fellowship Meetings every second Tuesday @ 6:00 pm.
- **Dance Ministry** Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 1:00 pm during the Holiday Break.
- ☐ Shut-In Communion will be administered on Tuesday, April 3rd starting from 10:00 am.
- ☐ Joint Board Meeting on Thursday, April 12th at 7:30 pm at Bethlehem
- Convention Service (Combined Worship) takes place on Sunday, April 22 at Sharon Moravian. No individual corporate worship at any of the Moravian congregations on Convention Sundays.
- The Elders' Board will meet on Tuesday, April 24th @ 7:30 p.m.
- **Family Sunday** on **Sunday, May 20**th at **10:00** am. Invite members of your family and friends.
- Bethlehem's Fundraising Concert under the theme "Worship God With Music" to be held on Sunday, May 27th, in collaboration with the Church Choir, the Central Bank Choir, among other invited orchestra groups. Tickets \$20.00. Your generous support and effort to raise funds is sought.
- Outdoor Worship on Sunday, July 15th, 2018 at King George V Memorial Park at 10:00 am. All are invited to join us in worship

Reminder

- Cost to complete the Bathroom Project is \$47,800
 contributions in cash, material or labour are welcomed. Build a Block cards are available We are invited to faithfully support the completion of the Church's Bathroom Project.
- The Caribbean Moravian Praise (CPM) Hymnal and the Liturgy Book, companion to the New

Hymnal, are in use. Cost: \$70.00 (contact the Treasurer). The Old Hymnal has been phased out.

☐ Membership/Confirmation Class for persons (adults and teens) interested in becoming full members. Registration forms are available at the Church Office.

Announcements

- ☐ The Moravian Voice Broadcast airs on LIFE 97.5 FM every Wednesday @ 8:00 pm. Tune in.
- **PEC** will meet in Barbados from April 5th to 8th, 2018
- □ Lay Academy Programme resumes Mondays 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Calvary Moravian Church. This Module: "Introduction to the New Testament" Next Module: "Introduction to Christian Counselling" starting September 3rd, and every Monday from 6: 00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Cost per course is \$50.00. Lay Preachers, members of Boards, Groups/Organisations are all encouraged to share in this period of study and preparation.
- □ Unity Prayer Watch Barbados Conference participates. Bethlehem from Saturday, April 7th at 8:01 pm to Sunday, April 8th at 2:00 am. Also remember in prayer the Mission work in Peru – one of the newest mission areas in the worldwide Unity.
- Barbados Conference Local Camp (Juniors (7 to 12 years) from Thursday, April 5th to Monday, April 9th, and Senior (13 to 17 years) from Monday April 9th to Thursday, April 12th, 2018.
- Harvest Festivals:
 - Penuel Moravian on Sunday, April 8th at 3:30 pm, and
 - Faith Moravian on Sunday, April 15th at 3:30 pm at the Princess Margaret Secondary School.
- T-20 Cricket continues Fridays at 7:00 pm at Passage Road
- Conference At Prayer on Saturday, April 21st at Bethlehem from 6:00 am
- ☐ Annual Youth Convention (all-day Worship experience) on Sunday, April 22nd from 10:00 am at Sharon. Dress comfortably (jeans, soft-wear) the attire for the day is casual. Come prepared to participate in the afternoon's Indoor/Outdoor interactive competitions : '#REPYOURCHURCH'.
- Conference Fellowship & Sports Day on Saturday, April 28th:
 - Devotion & Parade starting at 8:30 am
 - Track & Field Events follows
 - at the Briar Hall Sports Complex. Wear Bethlehem's colour **PURPLE** and come out and support the young and 'not-so-young' competitors.
- Moravian Music Sunday celebrated on April 29th
- Synod Concert on Sunday, April 29th

Truths [Tips...Something For Every Age

SIMPLE STEPS TO MAKE A HOME-MADE KITE

A Low-Budget Project You Can Do With Children or For Children This Season

Step 1: What You Will Need

- a Plastic Bag
- String
- Two (2) Sticks
- Scissors
- Ribbon

Step 2: Tie the Frame



Take the two sticks – they can be straight twigs or simple skewers, and tie them together with a string. The cross stick should be tied about one-third of the way along the main stick.

Step 3: Tying the Frame Knot

- Wrap string around the back of the main stick and cross the sting across the front of the cross stick. Then wrap the ends of the string back around the back of the main stick and make a single knot.
- Then wrap each end of the string one around either side of the front of the cross stick and back again around the back of the main stick. Then make a double knot.

Step 4: Cut the sail and tie to the frame

- Cut the garbage bag to fit the frame of the kite.
- Tie the ends of the sail to the wood frame. No need to use glue or tape. Just keep the knots tight.

Step 5: Attach the Flying String

- First, tie a piece of string from one side of the cross stick to the other, leaving slack to form a triangle.
- Then, tie the end of a BIG BALL of string to the bottom portion of the main stick, loop under the slack across and tie a simple knot at the intersection of the two strings (so it forms a triangular pyramid shape).

Step 6: Make a Ribbon Balance

Tie lovely ribbons to the end of the kite in order to help balance it. You can even attach a small weight, like a washer, if the ribbons do not seem hefty enough for your kite.

Step 7: The Hardest Step - Find Wind and Fly

- Stay clear of the 'no fly' zone.
- The best way to launch the kite is to have friend hold the kite while you back up slowly into the wind with the string
- Have your friend let go of the kit and let the string out to suit OR
- You could also just hold the kite and run wildly into the wing letting the kite string out as you run

http://www.instructables.com/id/A-Garbage-Bag-Kite/

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"Growing in Spirit, Living as Disciples, and

Serving God's World"

"Advance the Kingdom : Live as Kingdom Citizens"