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'We too can be God's instruments'

Submitted by: Bro. Kevin Yarde

Read: Acts 9: 1-22

15: But the Lord said, "Go, for Saul is my chosen instrument to take my message to the Gentiles and to kings, as well as to the people of Israel."

When Paul was Saul of Tarsus, his focus was to persecute or kill anyone who followed the Lord. He even travelled to Damascus to arrest any followers there. While approaching Damascus, the Lord intervened. A light shone from the heavens, and as he fell on the ground, he heard a voice saying "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?"

When Saul got up off the ground and opened his eyes, he was blind. Saul was in Damascus, blinded for three days and he did not eat. The Lord sent one of his believers, Ananias, to Saul. Ananias found him, placed his hand on him and he regained his sight. This then became a testimony for Saul.



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"Our Lamb has conquered; Let us follow Him"

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The Lord took a man such as Saul, who was persecuting all of Jesus' followers, healed and baptized him, and used him as an instrument. God moves in mysterious ways and he can use any of us to preach the Gospel or spread His Word. No matter what sin we have committed, we too, like Saul, can be used as God's instruments. For when you are in Christ, you are no longer the person you were or the sins you have committed. When you are a follower of Jesus, the Holy Spirit resides in you and you will be set free. Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom

PRAYER: Dear Lord, you know our hearts and our souls. Use us today as your instruments, so we can win souls for you. Wash us clean, that we, too, can be like Paul: renewed and refreshed by the blood of Jesus; in whose Name we pray. Amen.

Faith Moravian Church
Six Roads, St. Philip
Flea Market & Cake Sale
Saturday, October 26, 2019
8:00 am
On the Church Grounds

Cakes
Juices
Fast Food
Clothes
Household Items



*From the
Pastor's Desk*
Rev. N.C. Roslyn Hamblin
Worldwide Communion
Sunday

The first Sunday of October is celebrated in many denominations in many parts of the world as Worldwide Communion Sunday. It focuses on the fact that it is one Jesus Christ who died for us all, thus forgiving us of our sins and calling us to forgiveness and unity.

When we participate in Holy Communion:

- we commemorate the last supper Jesus held with his disciples, when he said: *“This is my body which is broken for you . . . this cup is the new covenant in my blood”* (Luke 22:19-20);
- we remember the sacrifice, which Jesus Christ made for us by giving his life so that we may live freed from sin and justified, redeemed and saved;
- we renew our fellowship with the Lord and with each other,
- we anticipate the Great Feast in the Lord’s presence in glory.

We believe that it is the Lord himself who invites us to eat and to drink and who shares with us, and we trust that He is present in a special way.

We thank God, that he has counted us worthy to stand before Him, but at the same time we do our part to prepare ourselves for this solemn feast. In earlier times such preparation was done at “Speaking” before the Pastor. Today each is called to prepare for Holy Communion for himself/herself.

As you prepare to participate in the Lord’s Supper, you should, as far as possible,

- ❖ clear all that might stand between you and the Lord by confessing your sin (see “prayer for private confession”, pg. 49).
- ❖ seek reconciliation with your neighbour that nothing stand between you and your brother/sister when you go to the Lord’s Table (represented by the first handshake).

Many churches around the world therefore participate together in the Lord’s Supper on this one day, showing our unity in Christ and promoting ecumenical co-operation. Let us then use the second handshake as token of our corporate vow to serve our Lord.

*Come, approach the sacred board
’Tis the supper of the Lord*

Worship Hours at Bethlehem:



- Sunday School: @ 9:00 am
- Divine Worship: Sundays @ 10:00 am
- Holy Communion – every 1st Sunday @ 10:00 am
- Prayer & Bible Study this month at 7:30 pm
- Prayer Meeting, Fasting – 4th Wednesday, 7:30 pm
- Office Hours: Fridays – 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
- Assisting with this month’s Worship experience:
 - The **Stewards** with Cleaning and Preparing the Sanctuary.
 - The **Women’s Fellowship** with Readings and Prayer.
- Liturgical Dance Rehearsals– 3:00 pm on Saturdays. (*Harvest preparations*)
- Learn to Drum – 6:00 pm on Fridays
- Joint Service of Holy Communion (*with Faith*) — Sunday, October 6th at 10:00 am at Bethlehem.
- Holy Communion to Sick & Shut-In – October 8th.
- WF Meetings – 2nd Tuesday @ 6:00 pm.

WF month activities

- AGM — Saturday, October 5th at Faith
- Exhibition & Bazaar — Saturday, October 12th at Sharon
- Concert — Sunday, October 20th
- Quizz — Monday, October 21st at Gracehill
- Candlelight Service — Sunday, October 27th at Mt. Tabor

Conference-wide Events

- **Moravian Voice Broadcast** — LIFE 97.5 FM every Wednesday @ 8:00 pm.
- **Mission Festivals:**
 - **Penuel** — Tuesday, October 1st at 7:30 pm.
 - **Dunscombe** — October 8th
 - **Sharon** — October 15th
 - **Calvary** — October 22nd
- **Gracehill Pre-school Fish Fry** — Saturday, October 26th
- **Flea Market / Cake Sale** — Saturday, October 5th at 8:00 am at Faith (Church Grounds)

Special Greetings This Month

OCTOBER

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

- 8th – Sis. Donna Wiltshire
- 10th – Sis. Desma Linton
- 10th – Sis. Joyce Walcott
- 17th – Sis. Loretta Forde
- 26th – Bro. Maurice Quintyne

ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS TO:

- 31st – Cecily and Tom Cross

Our Moravian Family News

TARA

PROFILE

GENDER: FEMALE

AGE: 17

Schools Attended :

- Erdiston Primary School
- George Lamming Primary (an amalgamation of Carrington`s Primary and Erdiston Primary schools).
- Christ Church Foundation Secondary School.



Share your news of our children with our Moravian Family — Academic, Sports, Entertainment, Other.

Contact Bro. Maurice Quintyne.



Subjects Studied – CAPE

- * Biology; * Chemistry; * Caribbean Studies;
- * Communication Studies; * Environmental Science.

Achievement:

- A grade one (1) in each subject in the final year exams, resulting in a Barbados Exhibition.

Recipe for the success:

Prayers. Encouragement from mother, father, sister, other family members, teachers and friends. Individual and group studying. Allotting time to specific activities and sticking to the timetable.

Initial reaction to the news of success :

Shocked at first; elation; an incentive to continue to do the best possible.

Extra-Curricular activities :

Dance and Key Club

Hobbies :

Riding a bike; reading; going to the beach; watching cricket with dad.

Field of Study

Currently studying medicine at the UWI Cave Hill Campus with a view of specializing in obstetrics or gynaecology, in the future.

Why medicine :

Was a childhood dream, influenced by granny who was a nurse and encouraged by others involved in the field of medicine.

Tara’s advice to students :

Prayer is essential.
Sacrifice when necessary.
Manage your time wisely and effectively.
Do the best you can.
Surround yourself with people who are positive, with similar interest and who look out for one another.

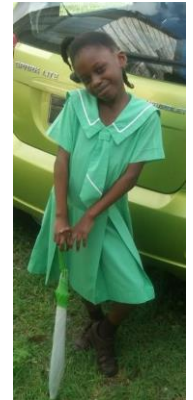
Interviewed by Bro. Maurice Quintyne ☺

KAYLA

PROFILE

GENDER: FEMALE

AGE: 8+



School Attending:

- Christ Church Girls’ Primary

Achievement:

- * Tied for 1st place in Class

Recipe for the success:

Ask plenty questions and make sure you understand

Extra-Curricular activities:

Red Cross, Liturgical Dance Group

Hobbies :

Going to the beach; playing with computer games and jigsaw puzzles, posing for pictures.

Interviewed by Auntie Verve ☺

ZIONNE

PROFILE

GENDER: FEMALE

AGE: 5+



School Attending:

- Luther Thorne Memorial Primary

Achievement:

- * Principal’s Honour Roll
- * Star Pupil

Recipe for the success:

Pay attention inside class, Play outside class

Extra-Curricular activities:

Dancing, AfterSchool Care Programme of Activities

Hobbies :

Singing, going to the beach; riding, painting, making-up games.

Interviewed by Granny Verve ☺

Photos of Mission Brief for 2019



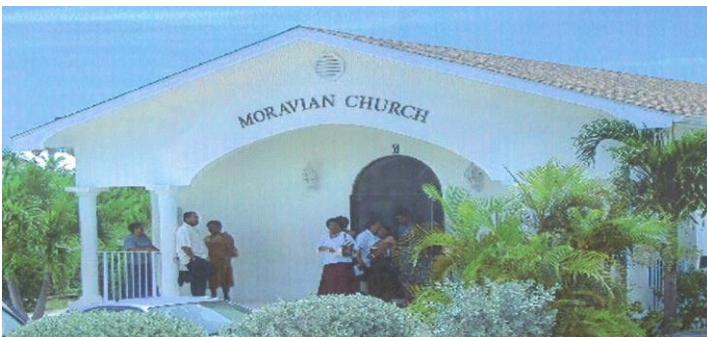
CUBA (ABOVE)



*FAITH MORAVIAN CHURCH
IN SIX ROADS, ST. PHILIP (ABOVE)*



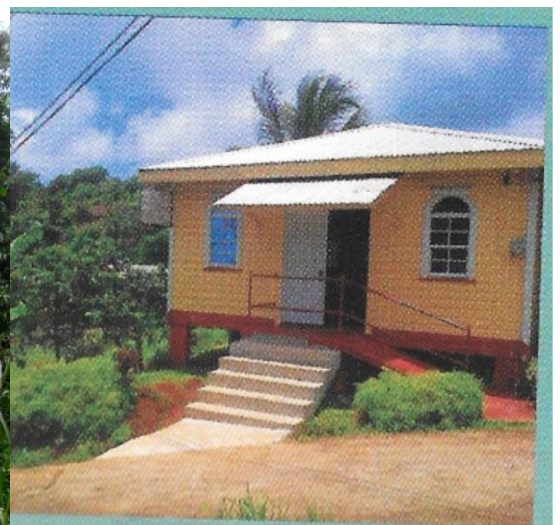
IMMANUEL, ST. MAARTEN (ABOVE)



*CAYMAN ISLANDS
(ABOVE)*



*BETHSHALOM
MISSION IN GRENADA
& SIGNAGE (AT RIGHT)*



TRINITY MORAVIAN IN TORTOLA (BELOW LEFT)



HAITI (BELOW, RIGHT)



Our Mission Festival

“A Call to Advance the Kingdom”

The Mission Festival service was held on Tuesday September 17th, 2019; our preacher for the occasion was the Rev. Suzanne Ellis of the St. Augustine Anglican Church. Rev. Suzanne, in her charge to us under the theme “Advancing the Kingdom – Sharing the Word”, borrowed from the text Matthew 28:16-20 where Jesus commissioned His disciples to go preach and teach the Word. We were reminded that this is the responsibility of all believers, and not a select few on certain occasions. The advancing of the Kingdom is an on-going activity and we were commended as a denomination for the work we are doing here at home and throughout the Region, including the missions to Grenada and Tortola. But she cautioned us not to rest on our laurels as the work continues.

All who attended were encouraged to play their part, and many voiced how blessed and heartened they were to be a part of this mission service and wished that more could have shared in the experience.

The financial report showed a significant improvement over last year, and was only short of the target by approximately \$600, a gap, which our treasurer expected, would be closed and surpassed by the end of the month. As a congregation, key areas of mission this year will be the Gracehill Preschool and the Calvary Feeding Programme. As Rev. Suzanne encouraged us, we are to keep advancing.

Submitted by Pastor David Ince

Bethlehem’s Garden Project

Bethlehem’s Garden Project continues to produce and has expanded its offerings. Crops are Lettuce, Thyme, Flavoured Peppers, Hot Peppers, Sweet Peppers, Okras, Cucumber, Cassava (new), Pigeon Peas (new). This work is undertaken by Bro. Earl Alleyne and Sis. Enid Harris, and encouraged and supported by Sis. Analacia Yarde and Sis. Margaret Harris.

The Garden not only provides physical food, but is a platform for outreach to members and the community – an avenue for demonstrating good stewardship. The Word of

God urges us that in the same way we sow physical seeds and nurture and yield physical food in our own gardens, we are called also to “Go” and join hand in hand with Him to sow spiritual seeds. We are called to be good Stewards of the gifts and talents He has blessed us with, and to use those good gifts to spread the Good News not only with our lips, but demonstrated in our actions, and fostered and encouraged by our own thoughts. 1 Corinthians 3:6-8 says Paul planted, Apollos watered, but God granted the increase. May we each recognize that there is a role for us to undertake in God’s Garden.

Submitted by Bro. Earl Alleyne



POEM
INSTRUMENTS IN GOD'S HAND (WOMEN)

I am a Midianite and my name is Zipporah
I met my husband soon after he fled from Pharaoh.
He was chosen by God to deliver Israel,
If he followed God's instructions then all would be well.
But oh! he had committed a sin of omission
He had neglected to give our son a circumcision
So I took a sharp stone and performed the task,
And God said: it's ok now Moses, you may pass.
I knew what to do to spare my husband
And so I was an instrument in God's hand.

I am a prophetess and my name is Miriam,
I was present when the Red Sea victory was won.
So I took to dance with a timbrel in my hand,
"Come ye women" I said, "come and join the band".
I led them in praise-singing to God Almighty,
He had delivered us safely through the Red Sea.
We must give God praise all the day long,
Whether we use instruments, dance or song.
Thus I set a precedent – dancing through the land.
And so was an instrument in God's hand.

I am a Kenite woman and my name is Jael,
Canaan under King Jabin greatly troubled Israel.
Barak pursued Sisera and he fled to my tent,
I covered him with a mantle and gave him milk to drink.
He was weary and tired and soon fell fast asleep,
So I took a tent nail and a hammer and I did creep,
To him as he laid there, I approached his head
And hammered the nail through his temple till he was dead.
"Come Barak, and see the man you're looking for
He's here in my tent your long search is over."
You see I was available although a one-woman band,
And I became a willing instrument in God's hand.

I am a wife and my name is Abigail
My husband was a fool, for on David's men he railed.
When I heard of the matter I tried to do good,
I got a donkey and secured plenty of good food.
And hurried to David – our lives to plead
For he had decided that we should all bleed
But David kindly accepted my peace offering
As he offered to God a heartfelt blessing
My action fed David's men and reversed his plan
And so I was an instrument of peace in God's hand.

I am referred to as a certain woman
Of significant importance is the deed I've done
I fell at my Lord's feet and washed them with tears
For a towel I used my long mane of hair
I anointed his feet right there in that room
With the ointment I brought – a sweet scented perfume
A man criticized my actions – but I knew I had won
For Jesus had truly lifted my heavy burden

Now my story is recorded for all to see when
And how I became an instrument in God's hand.

I am a poor little widow and in my hand a mite
I gave it not knowing where to get my next bite
But the Saviour was looking and saw my contribution
He commended my action, but gave the rich retribution
"This poor little widow put in all that she had,
But you gave from your abundance – your motive is bad;"
God looks on our hearts he knows when we are sincere
He will supply all our needs and answer our prayer
I willingly gave all my living that day – and was glad
For then I became an instrument in God's hand.

My friend God is willing to use anyone who is available
Whether you are old, young – just know that God is able
He places his 'super' upon our natural and we become
phenomenal
And we do things we never could in the natural.

Whether rich or poor be willing and then
You too can be an instrument in God's hand.

Written by Sis. Clauzel Forde



**Remember in Prayer
our Sick/Shut-In/
Recovering:**

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Sis. Odessa Haynes	246-426-8663
Sis. Gloria Layne	246-428-7545
Sis. Muriel La Forte	246-428-7536

- ❖ **Our Sunday School Programme at Bethlehem, our children and Sunday School Teachers**
- ❖ **Our children's School mates, teachers and ancillary staff, and the home environments as our young people resume focussed studies.**

We express condolences to Rev. Winston Jones (a former Minister at Bethlehem) on the death of his mother, Sis. Veetland Jones of the Fulnec Moravian Church. Sis. Jones passed into the nearer presence of God on Monday, September 16, 2019 in Barbados. The Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Sis. Jones will take place at the Sharon Moravian Church in St. Thomas on Friday, October 4, 2019. Please remember in prayer the family, friends and congregation of the late Sis. Veetland Jones.





Every year our Island Council of Women's Fellowship hosts a competition of Arts and Crafts among the Women's Fellowship Groups of our Moravian Churches in the Barbados Conference. For many years the Island Council of the Moravian Women's Fellowships in Barbados have engaged in this celebratory activity which showcases the skills of our women and their creative use of resources, our imagination, and in recent years our recycling capacity. Categories have expanded. Prizes are offered and trophies acquired.

Throughout this year as a Church we have been challenged to 'keep advancing'. As time passes with this annual celebration, as with other areas of our ministry, improvements must be a continual feature. I would like to suggest areas for continuous improvements with our Arts and Crafts competition. In our culinary arts category, we should seek to focus on the utilisation of our local products such as fruits, ground provision (ie: cassava, sweet potatoes, yams, carrots, beets, cauliflower, beans/peas, spinach, celery). Also, our focus should be on encouraging our young people to get involved in the Women's Fellowship activity generally, but also specifically in this area which could prove to be an entrepreneurial avenue for economic development (businesses) – an area where we would also be paying attention to utilizing the resources which God has provided for us in this our special environment.

As we focus on 'Advancing the Kingdom' and developing and empowering our people in this area, there are resources which are available to us. We have the culinary section of the Samuel Jackman Prescod Institute of Technology from which we can draw our training resource personnel, as well as the Small Business Association (SBA) of the Barbados Industrial Development Corporation (BIDC) to guide our members in areas such as packaging and health requirements.

After the many years of our annual Arts and Craft Exhibition, it is prudent that we plan to move to the next development level; with God's help and direction. As Bethlehem brings to a close the Conferences Harvest Programmes next month, and as together we prepare to celebrate our Nation's 53rd Anniversary of Independence, this is a good time to place emphasis on this type of development. Christmas

will be soon upon us, as well as our national focus for 2020 – “We Gatherin'”, so let us give our overseas Barbadian relatives a special surprise of convenience in accessing our locally prepared and packaged products – good quality, by good stewards of God's gifts. May God direct us accordingly.

Recipe: HEALTHY BAJAN PIZZA

Pizza Base – can be made from cassava, sweet potato, cauliflower, yam and blended with spinach. Topped with carrots, beets, sweet peppers, celery, our local fresh herbs, meats and/or fish.

Submitted by: Sis. Marva Alleyne

Word Search

'Things Moravian'

Z S H O T A P T A N X E
 S Y C O M U I N U T U F
 L T Q S D N H A S G K C
 F I A B Z I R N A K B J
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BAPTISM	HERRNHUT	SACRAMENT
BOHEMIA	JOHN HUS	STAR
BROTHERHOOD	LIBERTY	SYNOD
CHARITY	LOVE FEAST	UNITY
CHIEF ELDER	MAUNDY	ZINZENDORF
COVENANT	LAYMEN'S LEAGUE	

Youth Corner – Our Little Ones



Anaiya

Anaiya

Gender:

- Female

Birth month:

- August

School:

- Luv & Hugs Nursery & Pre-School

Likes: to sing and dance to nursery rhymes, playing with her tea set

First day after Summer break: Enjoyed having her best friend back

Interviewed by:

Mummy Analacia 😊



Adanna

Adanna

Gender:

- Female

Birth month:

- November

School:

- St. George Primary

Likes: Dancing (NCF Dance Group), playing with dolls, kicking ball

First day after Summer break: She loves her new school and her new best friend

Interviewed by:

Grand-dad Maurice 😊



Let us continue to prayer for our little ones!



Lathaniel

Lathaniel

Gender:

- Male

Birth month:

- November

School:

- *not yet applicable*

Likes: eating, sleeping, clapping hands and bath-time

First day after Summer break: *n/a*

Interviewed by:

Mummy Kristen 😊



Janiyah

Janiyah

Gender:

- Female

Birth month:

- October

School:

- St. Giles Primary

Likes: Hotdogs, Puzzles, Singing and Dancing

First day after Summer break: Liked having lots of new friends and teacher

Interviewed by:

Auntie Ana 😊

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