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**Provincial Theme**  
*Fulfilling the Mandate*

**The Thematic Focus**  
*Step Out in Faith*

(Developing God's People –  
Relinquishing Fear; Focusing  
on God) )

**Foundation Text:**  
*Matthew 14:23-33;*  
*Luke 5:1-11*

**Conference Theme**  
*Pursuing the Blessing:*  
*Empowered to do Ministry*

**Motto**  
*In Essentials - Unity*  
*In Non Essentials - Liberty*  
*In All Things - Charity*

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK REV HILTON J JOSEPH



*Rev Hilton J Joseph*

My Family in Christ,

This month's issue of "From the Pastor's Desk" features an article from the Chairman of PEC, Rev Dr Cortroy Jarvis, entitled **Are There Lessons we can learn from the Life of John Hus?**

I take this opportunity to extend gratitude to ALL for your prayers and kind words to my wife Sister Sharon McCurdy Joseph during this time of illness. Please note that she is doing very well and we are grateful to God for His faithfulness.

May God continue to bless us all.

Yours in Christ,  
**Hilton J Joseph**  
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### Are There Lessons we can Learn from the Life of John Hus?

On 06 July 2014, the Moravian Church worldwide reflected upon and memorialized the 599th anniversary of the martyrdom of John

Hus. He was a Bohemian religious reformer whose efforts to reform the church anticipated the Protestant Reformation.

Hus was born of nameless and unknown peasant parents in Husinec, in southern Bohemia, which is now the Czech Republic. His mother taught John to pray and, as he grew older, encouraged him to pursue a career as a priest.

Eventually he made his way to the University of Prague where he studied as a very poor student. Hus recounts his poverty while studying at the university in Prague. "When I was a hungry young student, I used to make a spoon out of bread in order to eat peas with it. Then I ate the spoon as well." In 1396 he received his Master of Arts degree. Two years later in 1398 he became a Lecturer in Theology at the university and in 1401 was made dean of its Philosophical Faculty.

Ordained a priest in 1400, in 1402 Hus took up additional duties as preacher at the Bethlehem Chapel, where the sermons were given in Czech instead of the traditional Latin.

The nationalist and church reformist movement that had been initiated by the popular 15<sup>th</sup> Century Bohemian preacher Jan Milic was prevalent at both the University and Bethlehem Chapel, and Hus quickly became involved in it. Before there was John Hus, there was Jan Milic.

In 1363 Milic renounced all his dignities to begin a life of extreme austerity. He also began to fearlessly denounce the vices of the clergy and the laity, which he was able to do in three languages. A gifted linguist, Jan Milic was able

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Multimedia Team**A Godly Inheritance**

In May we celebrated Mother's Day – a wonderful day to remember and in June we celebrated Father's Day. We spoke about what a Mother should be and how she should train her children. We spoke about how children should treat their mothers etc. On Mother's Day Eve I listened to one of my favorite Bible Teachers/Preachers – Dr Charles Stanley and I will share some of what he said with you. His topic was 'A Godly Inheritance'.

In 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2:5 Paul says this of Timothy: "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy Grandmother Lois, and thy Mother Eunice and I am persuaded that in thee also". This is truly a wonderful statement. All that Timothy's Grandmother and Mother had poured into him was clearly visible. What an inheritance, a treasure that neither moth nor rust doth corrupt and where thieves do not break through and steal.

We are all aware that when a parent dies, the children are looking for their inheritance – material inheritance. They fight about it, they fall out about it and some even "come to blows over it". In some instances these children were not even a helping force in their parent's life. Some of them were as we say "missing in action", but showed up just in time to claim what they consider to be rightfully theirs. However, there is a far better inheritance to leave for our children.

We are to:

**Continually talk about God.**

- To ensure that He becomes a part of their lives. Just as we tell them other things over and over, pour God into them.

**Teach them to reverence God's Word.**

- His Word answers life's questions.
- Make sure they own a Bible... that Bibles in your house are being used. God's Word is the most important information given to man.
- Tell them that they can't live a Godly life apart from God. Get in the Word with them. When questions arise, ask the Holy Spirit to help you with the answers.
- Teach them to respect God's Word.

**They must gain an understanding of how to listen to God.**

- We must listen first and teach them to listen (to be still before God) for His guidance.
- Look up Bible verses that show that God does not contradict Himself.

**They must develop a pattern of obeying God.**

- Obedience comes by submission.
- We must set the example of obedience (they watch us).

**Teach them to develop a faith that conquers.**

- Talk about what God has done in your life, how He has brought you through many situations.
- How He has answered prayers and how they must learn to pray

**To have a forgiving heart.**

- That guilt and un-forgiveness are a heavy loads to bear.
- That God forgives us daily.
- That Christ died for forgiveness of our sins;
- That forgiveness is often painful because we have been hurt in the process.
- They must see a forgiving spirit in us.
- That there are no 'BUTS' in God's forgiveness. In other words, "I will forgive you but....."

**They must develop an orderly lifestyle.**

- See you being orderly in the house;
- In your time keeping;
- In your finances; and
- Disorder brings confusion.

**They must develop a servant's spirit.**

- Ready to help others;
- See you being helpful and loving; and
- Making yourself available

**They must be generous.**

- See you being generous.
- Learn that there is no joy in being misers. The Word of God says "give and it shall be given unto you....". We can't out give God. No need to have much, just share what you have.

**They must have sincere love.**

- Not displaying fake love.
- Not giving things as a substitute for love.
- Make sure they feel love



## My Re-affirmation of Baptism



**Sis Dahlia Henry at her Re-affirmation of Baptism**

*“He who came by water and blood even Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.” 1 John 5:6 -7*

In living as believers of Christ, we become renewed. As fervent followers of our Saviour, Jesus Christ who was born of the Virgin Mary, we have learnt of His baptism by John the Baptist. Following on this, we too must desire to be baptized in this way so that the works of salvation that make us to be born again of water and the Spirit can be manifested.

Therefore, on the morning of Saturday 19 April 2014 (Easter Saturday), when members of the Moravian Church St. Kitts Conference gathered at Friars Bay (near Carambola) to re-affirm their Baptism, I also re-affirmed; this time by full immersion in water. I also renewed my covenant with God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit in the presence of my loving daughter, Chioma Henry, my daughter in Christ, Brianna Williams, my best friend and Sister in Christ, Minister Hazel A Williams, my Zion Family and other well-wishers of the Moravian Conference. The Re-affirmation of Baptism Ceremony was performed by Rev Hilton J Joseph and Rev Nasel Ephraim and ably assisted by Brothers Chessley Williams and MJ Byron.

It was a wonderful and spirit-filled experience, another step upwards for me. I sought, listened and obeyed the Holy Spirit, being mindful that Zion is calling me to a higher place of praise. I left behind the garment of heaviness and put on the Spirit of praise and sang, *“Thank you for the cross Lord, thank you for the price you paid, thank you for bearing all my sin and shame, thank you for your grace but most of all thank your for your love Lord”*.

I thank God for sending His one and only Son to die on the cross for me... thank you Jesus for making the ultimate sacrifice for saying **“nevertheless, not my will but your will be done”**. As my walk in God continues, I will go from glory to glory, keeping my eyes steadfast on Jesus, the author and finisher of my faith. As a child of God, I endeavour to *press towards the mark, running but not growing weary, walking but not fainting, for I shall mount with wings like an eagle, ever soaring, knowing that He who has begun a good work in me is sure to bring it to completion*. Thank You Lord in Jesus' name.

*~ Contributed by Sis Dahlia Henry*



*Receiving blessings and love from her Daughter, Chioma*



## PEC Reports

### MORAVIAN CHURCH — UNITAS FRATRUM Office of the Unity Business Administrator

#### MESSAGE TO THE UNITY

To the members of the worldwide Moravian Church, we greet you in the name of Christ Jesus, our Lord and Chief Elder.

The Unity Board met in Kigoma, Tanzania, 6 to 11 May 2014, and we were welcomed by the Lake Tanganyika Province, which provided wonderful hospitality. Many of us arrived by way of Burundi, where the Moravians also welcomed us with great enthusiasm. We rejoice that our Saviour continues to bring growth to many provinces. The Moravian Church in Zambia, formerly a Mission Province, was received as a Unity Province. Burundi was recognized as a Mission Province, Iringa (Tanzania) and Eastern Congo are new Mission Areas, and Angola and Ruvumaince, Ruvuma---Njombe were recognized as Prospective Mission Areas.

As we listened to reports we had no doubt that Moravians continue the tradition of serving those often neglected by others. Provinces continue to minister to refugees, and in Africa some Provinces' present-day growth is a direct result of Moravian work during times of civil conflict and genocide. Around the Unity, congregations and provinces supplement what governments provide in education and health services. Social justice is a priority, especially confronting gender violence and caring for victims of HIV/AIDS.

Some provinces have business enterprises to provide employment and generate funds for mission, including several environmental projects. One province has an avocado project, another "Efforts in Trees." The delegate from South Africa made a special presentation to other delegates on how to establish effective business enterprises. And, of course, the Moravian Church Foundation reported of substantial income for theological education and projects from its many business enterprises.

Provinces continue to share leadership. A Czech Moravian serves in Peru, a Danish couple serve in the Democratic Republic of Congo, a Swiss volunteer is in Tanzania, and many youth are engaged in volunteer service, especially through the American provinces' "Antioch Servant" programme.

Are the Unity and its provinces facing difficulties as we expand our horizons in fulfilling the Great Commission of our Lord? Yes, just as individuals and congregations do. We rejoice in steps toward reconciliation brought about by the Holy Spirit in some areas (reconciliation is possible!) and we still wait for such steps in other areas. But often it is in our mistakes that we find God's guidance and grace. Furthermore, in the midst of difficult

conversations we as Unity Board members have found both mutual respect and mutual guidance.

We find great joy and privilege in our service and we remain in prayer for continued growth in numbers, ministry, and dedication to our Lord.

*Unity Board of the Unitas Fratrum*  
Kigoma, Tanzania

**10 May 2014**

#### Hymn of the Month – June 2014

The hymn for the month of June is a new hymn that is not in the current hymnal. It is the hymn **You are Wonderful, You are Marvellous** and was written by Sister (Sis) Albertha Titus, a member of the Memorial Moravian congregation in Trinidad. Sis Titus has served the Moravian church at all levels: on her local congregational board, as Conference treasurer of the Trinidad Conference and as a member of the Provincial Elders Conference.

This hymn was penned in 2009 and captures the nature and character of God. It extols the magnificence of God pointing to the beauty of creation as evidence of God's matchless power. As we sing this new hymn with its simple melody we are reminded just how excellent, wonderful and awesome is our God. Throughout this hymn we are made to reflect not only on the greatness of God, to which nothing can be compared, but also to recognize that in all of creation, ourselves included, God's hand is at work. This hymn expresses the sentiment of the Psalmist who declared in Psalm 139: 14, "***I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well.***"

As we celebrate and acknowledge Ascension, Pentecost and Trinity Sundays during the month of June, might this hymn serve as a timely reminder of the greatness of Jehovah God! The hymn was harmonised by Rev Dr Ulston Patmore Smith. Below are the words for this hymn:

*You are wonderful,  
You are marvellous,  
You are good O Lord to me!  
You are faithful,  
You're incomparable,  
You are good O Lord to me!*

*In the annals of creation  
In the history of the world,  
Man has not known nor heard  
Of a God as good as You.*

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## PEC Reports (Cont'd)

*You fill the heavens and the earth,  
You fling the stars in space  
You made us all in Your image  
And there is no God like You.*

*Your goodness fills all the earth  
And your love surpasses all.  
Unmatchable is Your power;  
Lord, there is no God like You!*

### The Trinidad Moravian School Teachers' Retreat

After years of suggesting that a retreat be hosted in Tobago, the Moravian Church, Trinidad, finally materialized the plan. All teachers from both schools - Gloster Lodge Moravian and L'Anse Noire Moravian - responded favourably and on Friday 09 May 2014, we gathered at Works' Conference Hall, Shaw Park, Tobago, to host this memorable event under the theme "Promoting Values at the Center of School Policy and Classroom Practice".

The morning commenced with breakfast prepared by the Moravian Church, Tobago Conference for the teachers who travelled from Trinidad. Following breakfast was an awesome time of devotion led by Rev Onita Kareen Samuel who concluded with having us label a tree with the persons in our lives who could be considered fruits, branches and the trunk.

Rev Esther Moore Roberts, Superintendent of the Moravian Church, Tobago welcomed us to Tobago. Rev Adelyn Mgonela, Chairman of the Moravian School Board of Management, expressed thanks to the Tobago Conference for their preparation and especially to Miss Claudette Governor who was very instrumental in ensuring everything was in place for the retreat. She also extended welcome to all especially the Moravian teachers of Tobago.

The formal session was chaired by Rev Liselle Roberts. The lively featured speaker Dr Verleen Bobb-Lewis, Educational Consultant, gave us much food for thought as we discussed the importance of teachers modeling good values especially being denominational schools. She encouraged us to work as a team to continue spreading the moral principles of the Moravians in our schools.

Among us were members of the Moravian School Board of Management, a representative from the Division of Education, Tobago House of Assembly along with six Moravian teachers who serve in other schools on the island.

After the formal sessions, teachers were treated to ice cream and a tour of the island which was sponsored by our male teachers in honour of Mother's Day.

It was indeed a day full of worship, enlightenment, camaraderie and fun!

### Synod Bulletin #1

#### Hosting of the 31st Provincial Synod

The 31<sup>st</sup> Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province will be held in Antigua from 10 to 17 July 2015 at the Jolly Beach Resort and Spa. The Resort is an all-inclusive Hotel.

- All Members of Staff are expected to be in attendance at the Synod.
- All Conferences are asked to have their delegates elected and the names forwarded to the Provincial Headquarters no later than 28 February 2015.
- Delegates will be required to pay US\$570.00 per person for the Synod, while Observers will be required to pay US\$700.00 per person.
- Children 3 to 11 years can stay in a room with 2 adults for US \$66.00 per person per night. Children 0 to 2 stay free of charge.
- Members of the Moravian Church can begin to frame proposals to forward to Synod for consideration. Once considered and passed, they will become resolutions to guide the administration of the church.
- All Conferences are asked to have their Synod reports prepared and forwarded to the Provincial Headquarters no later than 01 March 2015. The reports will then be duplicated, collated and forwarded to all delegates via email by 01 May 2015, to give persons an opportunity to read and digest the reports, so that our forward planning could be more informed and therefore more intentional. Delegates will collect the hard copy of the reports in booklet form upon arrival in Antigua.

### Provincial Youth Camp

The Provincial Youth Camp will be held in Barbados from 10 to 17 July 2014. Let us remember our young people in our prayers as they prepare for the Provincial Youth Camp.



## My UTCWI Experience

by Brother Moise Jean



**Brother Moise and Sister Yvanne Jean**

Unforgettable! Indeed, there is no better word to describe my experience here at UTCWI during these past four years. Both my academic achievements and formation witness to this fact; but all this was not without challenges.

Academically, I thank God for enabling me to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theology from the University of the West Indies (UWI) and Diploma in Ministerial Studies from UTCWI. It has not always been easy, especially as I sought to balance studies with family life, carry on my music ministry, and deal with denominational activities at the same time. I am glad I was able to complete the programme required by the Church in a timely manner. Praise God! In the same breath, I am particularly grateful for all members of the Faculty and Staff and other lecturers who have impacted my life in various ways. But my time here was not simply about academics; it was even more so about Ministerial Formation.

In terms of formation, it is needless to say that this is the means by which one may or may not be counted worthy of the journey. Everything that is done here at UTCWI is about formation. For instance, I could hardly miss the Chapel, as I was expected to play a musical instrument at just about every service. From the thirty minute services Monday to Friday, to the one hour and a half Chapel services on Wednesdays (10am to 11:30am), to Denominational Classes on Monday (8am-10am), Denominational Worships at the Chapel of Intercession (6:30 am

on Saturdays, and other assignments in the Moravian Churches around Jamaica, other extra-curricular activities, and so on, everything contributed to my formation. But I can say with the songwriter, "I'm not sorry, I'm not sorry, I've answered the Master's call..."

I can now look back and say, through it all, the Lord has been good to me. I must close this short reflection by saying **SPECIAL** words of thanks to Rev Hilton Joseph, my Superintendent and Pastor, who did not only facilitate the process for me to come to UTCWI, but continued to support me and my family in different ways, from the very beginning to the end of the training period. I want to say a big '**Hooray**' for the members of the Zion Moravian Church, other members of the St. Kitts Conference, and PEC members for their continued prayer and support. And now, as I look forward to serving in the field, I pray for God's continued strength and guidance over my life. To God I give all the glory and all the praise!

~ **Brother Moise Jean**

### **My Journey Through to the Finish Line**

As I retrace my journey through the finish line I recall that before I went to UTCWI I said to the Lord, "I don't think I could do this without a sign". I could remember the response; there was a voice that came to me and asked, "*when you did it before, did I give you a sign?*" I replied that I did not want any sign back then. I said to Him if He could try anything I would be the resurrected child: and He said, "*let's go my child*".

The process to attend UTCWI was not too difficult. My God was there in everything which caused me to say *I am happy* because I was figuring out what it was God wanted for me.

Being at UTCWI was not easy, however; it was filled with challenges and opportunities but I can say boldly that this experience has shaped me and placed me where I am today. There were days when I said it was over; there were days when I did not want to leave my room to face those dreaded examinations that I did not study enough for: days I did not want to sit in the boring classroom. But despite all of this, I remembered what my Pastor Rev. Hilton Joseph always said to me, "Stay strong and one day you will see the finish line."

Now I am about to begin a new journey. I know challenges and difficulties are waiting there, but one thing I know, my God, my Church, my family and friends who kept me in prayer through this day will continue to be on my side.

For those of you who are stuck in despair, and think the stress is never going to end, I have good news for you: it will eventually end. I can assure you with the same words of my Pastor to me "be strong and one day you also will see the finish line." God bless you all!



## St. Christopher Outreach Centre

by Sister Desdemona Henry



The St. Christopher Outreach Centre, located on the Irish Town Bay Road, was established in July 2010. It provides hot meals to the underprivileged, particularly the homeless and shut-ins for five days of the week (Mondays to Fridays). It also provides counseling to the mentally ill, as well as a shower and clean clothing when needed.

The Centre is the brainchild of Mr Kishu Chandiramani, proprietor, RAM's group of companies, and is managed in partnership with the St. Kitts Christian Council and the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank Ltd. Mr Chandiramani, now deceased (June 2014), provided the facility, equipment, utensils and other supplies, including food items weekly for cooking. Food supplies are also funded by the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank Ltd and other local patrons who provide vegetables and other supplies, including bread on a weekly basis. The Council is responsible for meeting the wages of the cooks, as well as the cost of gas and electricity and for providing volunteers to assist with the serving and distribution of meals. There is a Steering and Operating Committee, comprising representatives from the Anglican, Catholic, Methodist and Moravian churches, the RAMS group of companies and the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank to assist with the overall management of the Centre

The Centre is a very worthwhile and rewarding venture. Volunteers get an opportunity to serve, to reach out to the underprivileged, the homeless, the lonely and depressed in our society and to make a difference in someone's life.

### Reach Out to Out Reach

The major purpose of the Outreach Centre is the feeding of these needy persons who may be without at least one proper daily

meal. The Christian Council of Churches was sought to assist in this major undertaking. The following Churches – Catholic, Methodist, Anglican, and Moravian - opted to assist in the undertaking, which would be and is a cost to them.

The food, which is supplied by Ram's Supermarket, is prepared by three individuals while help in serving the walk-ins is provided by volunteers during the week of their church assignments. Each church has submitted the names of those needy shut-ins whereby deliveries to them are also done through volunteers from each church. A schedule of individual churches is sent out regularly to Council representatives which indicates the weeks of the various Church assignments. A copy is also posted on Moravian's bulletin board.

Contributions from the churches go toward the payment of staff salaries, Social Security contributions and utility bills. Individual contributions towards this endeavour would be greatly appreciated by Zion!

Presently Zion has volunteers who make the daily deliveries to the shut-ins, and volunteers who, when able and needed, fill in for the regulars. We are aware that there are persons who would like to donate at least two hours per day, (during our week of service) but are full time employees and are unable to take that time from their employment. Consequently we are still in need of volunteers who can assist and serve at the Centre.

If you are willing and able to give some time please let the Church Office know.

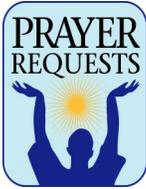
We are thankful to TDC Ltd who has provided paint for refurbishing the gate, tables and benches, and to St. Kitts, Nevis & Anguilla National Bank Ltd and others for their contributions toward assisting with this charitable, needy and worthy cause.



*Kitchen Staff and Zion Volunteer, Sis Diane Sargeant*



### Special Prayer Requests



Whether your need is small or great, you are welcome to use God's direct 24-hour hotline — prayer!

His promise is, "Call to me and I will answer you." (Jeremiah 33:3) **This month, let us remember in prayer** the following persons listed below and be reminded that "you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer." (Matthew 21:22)

Sisters Laverne Huggins, Gloria James and Veronica Stevens (USA).

Brother Tonito Lee (UK).

Sisters Desdemona Henry and Dorette Rawlins and Brothers Ernest Christopher and Earl Brotherson (St. Kitts).

### Sweet Hour of Prayer

Please remember in prayer our Zion Shut-Ins. Their names are as follows:



**Sisters** Connie Smith, Elaine Osborne, Nora Godwin, Winifred Phipps, Brenda Manners, Mavis Deosaw (Overseas) and Abdelita Glasford (Barbados). **Brothers** Vernon Connor and James Phipps.

### College Prayer Watch



*Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him (James 1:12 (NIV)).* Studying abroad and being away from family and loved ones is a stressful time for many students. Hence, this is why the Zion Community is asking members of the Congregation to bear up in prayer our student members studying overseas. Their names are as follows:-

#### UNITED STATES

- Sis Shanelle Sargeant
- Sis Lanelle Sargeant
- Bro Withley Williams
- Bro Zaavan Hobson
- Bro Dujon DeSuza
- Bro Glassil DeSilva
- Sis Vicky Liburd
- Sis Tonya Watts
- Sis Akila Moore
- Bro Christin Scarborough

#### ST THOMAS USVI

- Sis Nadia Francis

#### TAIWAN

- Bro Lindbergh Belle

#### UNITED KINGDOM

- Sis Giovanna Matthew-Mattenet

#### CANADA

- Bro Alester Thomas



### Celebration Corner



#### July Birthday Celebrants

1<sup>st</sup> - Sis Olivia Dias-Taylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sis Nadia Rawlins, Jayzane Hodge, 7<sup>th</sup> - Sis Yvanne Jean, (Antigua), 13<sup>th</sup> - Bro Darryn James, Sis Patrice Belle, 14<sup>th</sup> - Sis Shirley DeSuza, 15<sup>th</sup> - Sis Margaret Henry, 17<sup>th</sup> - Bro Jadell Prentice, Sis Althea Byron, 18<sup>th</sup> - Bro Nigel Mack, 19<sup>th</sup> - Juliet Percival, 25<sup>th</sup> - Sis Tonya De Suza, 27<sup>th</sup> - Sis Patricia Williams, Sis Beatrice Sargeant and Bro Hilton Clarke, 29<sup>th</sup> - Sis Kerry Dunrod.



#### Happy Anniversary

#### July Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

- Bro Carl & Sis Eldora Samuel ..... 16 July
- Bro Moise & Sis Yvanne Jean ..... 20 July
- Bro Carl & Sis Rebecca Skeene ..... 21 July
- Bro Dawud & Sis Marcella Byron ..... 24 July
- Bro Valentine & Sis Carla Williams ..... 25 July
- Bro Brenan & Sis Domina Brisport ..... 30 July



**For Your Calendar**

**July 2014**

**Bible Study** will be on break during the summer and will resume in September.

**Youth Fellowship** will be on break during the months of July and August and will resume in September.

The **Zion Youth Choir** meets every **Saturday** at **3:00pm**. Members are asked to take note and to be punctual.

The **Moravians** will be responsible for ministering at the **St. Kitts Outreach Centre** from **21 to 25 July 2014**. Members are asked to note and assist wherever possible.

All men are reminded of **Men's Ministry Sunday** on **20 July 2014**.

A special offering for the **Zion Bus Ministry** will be taken on **Sunday 20 July 2014** during the morning's worship. Please give generously to this vital church ministry.

Copies of the **2013 Emancipation Concert Collector's Item DVD** are available at the church office at a cost of EC\$40. However, you are welcome to give a love offering of \$50. Persons purchasing five (5) or more copies will be entitled to a special price of \$30 each. This DVD makes a great gift to relatives abroad.

The **Kingdom Prayer Hotline** is available for all who are desirous of prayer. The following are the numbers that persons may call for prayer:

**6007, 662-7007, 766-6577, and 766-6579.**

Copies of the new **EWIP Moravian Church Book of Order** are now available and can be purchased from the Church Office for **EC\$20.00**. There are only **21** copies available.

The **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Zion Youth Fest** is scheduled for 13 July to 05 August 2014; registration forms are available from the Church's office. Please note that if there is more than one child in a family, the first child pays \$60.00 and the others pay \$40.00.

The **Installation Service and Holy Communion** for the new pastor of Bethesda and New Dawn Pastorate, **Bro Erwin Warner** will be held at the **Bethesda Moravian Church** on **Sunday 10 August 2014** at 4:00 pm. All are invited.

The **Joint Board presents "Worship on the Frigate Bay Lawn"** on **Sunday 24 August 2014** at **10:00 am**. Luncheon and games follow the service. All are invited... tell a friend and other family members, come let us worship our God in the beauty of nature (more details will follow).

**Confirmation Class** will commence in September once there is the available resources and all forms are returned to the Church's Office.



**Cross Word Puzzle**

**The Book of Genesis**

**Bible crossword**

The Book of Genesis  
Chapters 3 and 4

**Down**

- (2) Adam's second son
- (3) Cain's first son (Gen.4:17)
- (4) Adam's first son
- (6) Adam's third son
- (7) What creature tempted Eve
- (8) Cain lived in this land
- (10) First man
- (12) First woman

**Across**

- (1) Cain's occupation (Gen.4:2)
- (5) The \_\_\_\_ of Eden
- (6) Adam and Eve's first clothes(Gen.3:21)
- (9) Because of sin the ground was \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen.3:17)
- (11) Abel's occupation (Gen.4:2)
- (13) Cain became a \_\_\_\_\_ and a vagabond (Gen.4:12)

**ZION MORAVIAN CHURCH**  
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**'RISE UP, O MEN!'**

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## Youth Connection

## Zion Youth Fest 2014

Summer vacation is almost here and schools are winding down in preparation for the summer vacation. Many children are excited as they are poised in anticipation of their annual overseas vacation trips, community/sports youth camps and other fun-filled activities. However, it must be noted although summer is a time of sun, fun and relaxation for our youths, God’s work and Youth Ministry do not take a sabbatical during summer months. This is why we here at Zion are making our final plans to host our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Zion Moravian Church Summer Youth Festival: a unique three-week programme of evangelism, fellowship opportunities and fun.

Over the last three years, Zion Youth Fest has been condensed to three weeks instead of one month of activities involving one week of Vacation Bible School, one week of evangelism, skills activities and excursions and one week of camp. Zion Youth Fest 2014 will be launched on Sunday 13 July 2014, and continues for three weeks and concludes on 05 August 2014. Our Thematic Focus is **“Focused, Ready, Determined: I Dare to be Different”**. The proposed theme for this year, although all encompassing, is personal and designed to challenge our youth to be different, step out from the norm and capture the “road less travelled” experience. The objectives for this year’s programme are:

- To equip youths to remain at the feet of God in a world with many distractions;
- To empower youths to serve their generation;
- To encourage youths to be sexually healthy; and
- To encourage youths to face and conquer life’s giants.

Over the last five years the Church made a decision to keep the registration fee of Youth Fest at an affordable cost for all, especially for parents with more than one child. However, due to the rise in cost of executing this programme, the Youth Ministry was forced to increase the registration fee for this year. The registration fee is \$60.00 for the first child and \$40.00 dollars for the second and third child from the same family.

Once again the Committee will be seeking the assistance of members to contribute in making this year’s fest a success. Members, we welcome donations in cash, kind and prayers, as well as persons seeking to volunteer their time to this worthy venture. Please do not hesitate to contact the Church’s office if you are in a position to assist or contribute in any way possible. Your investment in our youths is a positive investment in a better church, community and nation. Remember God loves a cheerful giver and He returns His blessings to us.

Please see the attached tentative Programme of Activities for this year. The Programme of Activities will also be posted at the back of the church for members to review. Some of the venues, dates and time are subject to be changed. Parents and/or guardians will

be notified in advance of any changes.

Summer time offers lots of secular activities for our youths who are already bombarded with negative alternatives and one of the ways we here at Zion are trying to impact them and our community in an affirmative way is by getting ‘jiggy’ for Jesus through our youth summer outreach programme, the Zion Youth Fest. May God continue to grant us His grace and mercies as we run with the vision of feeding His ‘Lambs’.

**2014 Zion Youth Fest  
Programme of Activities  
13 July to 05 August 2014**

13 July	Opening Service @ Zion
14 to 18 July	Vacation Bible School (VBS)
21 to 22 July	Day in the Workplace (16 years & over)
21 July	Kidz Zone (15 years & under)
22 July	Saddle Hill (15 years & under)
23 July	Island Wide Treasure Hunt (Teens)  Brimstone Hill (Children)
24 July	Prep for Outreach
25 July	Outreach @ Independence Square
27 July	VBS Sunday @ Zion
27 July	Arrival of Campers & Registration
27 July to 02 August	Youth CAMP Estridge Primary School (Mansions)
05 August	Beachnic & Evaluation @ Carambola

## Instrument of Peace

On numerous occasions, I have been given the opportunity to **boast about the many wonderful hymns in our Hymn Book.** It starts with songs listed under the caption 'The Holy Scriptures' such as *The Word of God Stands Ever Fast #1*; to the 'God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit' listings; moving through to captions such as Discipleship and Service; Temptation and Conflict; and Reception, Adult Baptism and Confirmation.

In the aforementioned category (Reception etc), there is a well-known Youth Hymn entitled **Now in the Days of Youth (Hymn #509).** This is an inspiring hymn which I am sure that many of us can remember singing throughout our childhood days in the Moravian Church. The hymn reminds us of what we ought to do with our lives and hearts as we give praise for our youthful days. **As we celebrate Youth Sunday today, let us reflect on this hymn and be absolutely clear about God's guidance and His purpose in our lives.** His life is our light; a light which outshines all darkness and never goes dim.

In closing, we have an important responsibility to help with increasing the rays from His light. How can we do this? We can follow through on this by making our lives an example of the Christ who surrounds us so that any perception or sense of darkness can be diminished or eliminated forever. **Shine your light even brighter today! Step out in faith!**

**Now In The Days of Youth**  
*Now in the days of youth  
 When life flows fresh and free  
 Thou Lord of all our hearts and lives  
 We give ourselves to thee  
 Our joyful gift receive  
 And fit us to fulfil  
 Through all our days, in all our ways  
 Our heavenly Father's will*

*Teach us, wher'er we live  
 To act as in thy sight  
 And do what thou would'st have us do  
 With radiant delight  
 Not choosing what is great  
 Nor spurning what is small  
 But take as from thy hand our tasks  
 And glorify them all*

*Teach us to love the true  
 The beautiful and pure  
 And let us not for one short hour  
 An evil thought endure  
 But give us grace to stand  
 Decided, brave and strong  
 The lovers of all holy things  
 The foes all things wrong*

## A Godly Inheritance (Cont'd)

- Show them how to love others

Brothers and Sisters the aforementioned words of wisdom are for Mothers and Fathers. The greatest inheritance you can leave for your children is to teach them to know God. When we leave a Godly inheritance, we leave:

- A pattern of our lives – how we live
- The principles that govern us – what we believe
- Power of our words – what we say

From time to time I hear a song on the Radio and it is about a Parent/Grandparent on the birth of a child, asking God to give him a good heart. Let us all pray that God will give our children good hearts.

~ Sis Carmen Rawlins



## Condolences

The Leadership and Membership of the Zion Moravian Church express condolences to:

**Sisters Andrea Bowry, Patricia Matthew, Giovanna Matthew-Mattenet and Family** on the passing of

**Sister Margaret De La Coudray Seaman**  
*(Aunt and Great Aunt)*

**Sis Hyacinth Gumbs, Bro Jerome Thomas, Sis Lenoa Walters and Family** on the passing of:

**Sister Katherine (Teacher Katie) Thomas**  
*(Aunt and Mother)*



Brother and Sisters, be comforted by the following words from **Revelation 21:4**: *He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.*

May the soul of your loved ones rest in eternal peace.



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QUOTE SCRIPTURE.  
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**From The Pastor's Desk (Cont'd)**

to preach in Latin, the Czech language and German. Hus was influenced by the convictions of Milic.

Also influential on Hus at this time were the ideas of John Wycliffe. Shortly before the appointment of Hus to the Bethlehem Chapel the influence of the English reformer John Wycliffe came to Bohemia through Czech students who had studied at Oxford. Hus found in Wycliffe (1330-1384) an intellectual framework for the practical ideas of the Czech reform movement. "Wycliffe, Wycliffe" he wrote in the margin of a manuscript, "you will turn many heads."

Hus, like Wycliffe, vigorously condemned the sale of indulgences, which gave individuals freedom to sin without guilt or shame. Hus declared it was wrong for the pope to pay for his war against the King of Naples in 1412 by selling pardon for sin. Pope John XXIII claimed that

indulgences were a shortcut way into the kingdom of heaven. Hus said the practice supported brothels, taverns and supplied girlfriends for the priests. In the area of church doctrine both Wycliffe and Hus believed in:

- Predestination, whereby God chooses who will come to faith from the beginning;
- The Bible as the ultimate religious authority in matters of faith and practice; and

They maintained that Christ, rather than any corrupt ecclesiastical official is the true head of the church.

To be Continued



**~ Divine Worship & Youth Sunday ~**

**Sunday 13 July 2014 (5th Sunday After Pentecost)**

**Pastor: Reverend Hilton J Joseph \* Worship Leader: Sister Delyth Christmas**

**Watchword for the Week**

*There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1*

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

- Call to Worship
- Procession of Worship through Placard Display  
.....(*Declaring the Majesty of God*)
- Song ..... *Light of the World*
- Hymn #509 ..... *Now in the Days of Youth*
- Song ..... *We are Going Up*

**Season of Prayer**

- Salvation of All Youths
- Youth Ministry in our Conference
- Neglected and Abused Youths
- Youths Challenged by Drugs, Illicit Sex, Bullying, Suicide and Abuse in Homes
- Prayer for Youths in Transition
- Youth Finding Purpose

Item of Praise ..... Zion Youth Choir

Item of Praise ..... Zion Junior Choir

Worship In Songs

**The Message** ..... **Rev Hilton J Joseph**

Altar Encounter

**Worship in Giving**

*Tithes & Offering, Bus Ministry, Youth Bottle, Free Will Offering, Voice of Zion, Windows Project*

Special Selection ..... Noel Nicholls and Christian Nathaniel

Church Concerns

Prayer Time

Closing Song ..... *Open the Eyes of my Heart Lord*