#### **A COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF PEC - EWI PROVINCE**

# The Information

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



#### Matthew 4 vs. 4

# **GOD MAKES THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE**

Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis Chairman of PEC

August 13 is a very significant date in the life of the Moravian Church. It was on this date 1727 that the Moravians had its spiritual rebirth. It began with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at the Bertlesdorf Chapel with the Holy Communion and then the 100 year continuous Prayer meeting. This year then marks the 291<sup>st</sup> year since the Moravian Revival.

The Moravian brethren had sprung from the labors and martyrdom of the Bohemian Reformer, John Hus. They had experienced centuries of persecution. Many had been killed, imprisoned, tortured or banished from their homeland. This group had fled for refuge to Germany where the young Christian nobleman, Count Zinzendorf, offered them asylum/refuge on his estates in Saxony.

They named their new home Herrnhut, 'the Lord's Watch'. From there, after their baptism in the Holy Spirit, they became evangelists and missionaries.

Fifty years before the beginning of modern Foreign Missions by William Carey, the Moravian Church had sent out over 100 missionaries. Their English missionary magazine, Periodical Accounts, inspired William Carey. He threw a copy of the paper on a table at a Baptist meeting, and said, "See what the Moravians have done! Cannot we follow their example and in obedience to our Heavenly Master go out into the world, and preach the Gospel to the heathen.

That missionary zeal began with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Count Zinzendorf observed "The Saviour permitted to come upon us a Spirit of whom we had hitherto not had any experience or knowledge. ... Hitherto we had been the leaders and helpers. Now the Holy Spirit Himself took full control of everything and everybody".

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#### Vision Statement

A Church - Transformed, United, Victorious in Christ

#### **Mission Statement**

By the grace of God, we seek to be faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ; without distinction, we use all that we possess to call all peoples to the truth of the Gospel through worship, evangelism, discipleship and service.

"Advance the Kingdom" - Live as Kingdom Citizens

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#### When the Spirit came!

It is said that Prayer precedes Pentecost. The disgruntled community at Herrnhut early in 1727 was deeply divided and critical of one another. Heated controversies threatened to disrupt the community. The majority was from the ancient Moravian Church of the Brethren. Other believers attracted to Herrnhut included Lutherans, Reformed, and Baptists. They argued about predestination, holiness, and baptism.

The young German nobleman, Count Zinzendorf, pleaded for unity, love and repentance.

Converted in early childhood, at four years of age he composed and signed a covenant: "Dear Saviour, do Thou be mine, and I will be Thine." His life motto was, "I have one passion: it is Jesus, Jesus only"

It is said that Count Zinzendorf learned the secret of prevailing prayer. He actively established prayer groups as a teenager, and on leaving college at Halle at sixteen he gave the famous Professor Francke a list of seven praying societies he had established.

Everywhere he went; his passion for Jesus controlled him. In the Dusseldorf Gallery of paintings he was deeply moved by a painting of the crucifixion over which were the words:

Hoc feci pro te; Quid facis pro me?

This have I done for thee; what hast thou done for me?

As we reflect on another August 13, where are we and what does the Lord require of us? God wants us to be men and women of integrity and model before others what He would have them to become. In addition, God wants us to develop an effective Prayer Life. Developing an effective Prayer Life depends on keeping our relationship with God strong and uncluttered by sin and disobedience.

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1Peter 3:12 says, "The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

If we strive for righteousness and confess our sins, we will remain close to God. Maintaining our relationship with him is an ongoing process. Every day we need to go to God and ask Him to reveal anything that may be hindering our progress.

In Psalm 139: 23-24 David, a man after God's own heart, who had one of the best relationships with God said,

"Search me, O God, and know my heart;

test me and know my anxious thoughts,

See if there is any offensive way in me,

and lead me in the way everlasting."

David overcame some horrible sins in his life to be close to God. He was a murderer and adulterer, yet he humbled himself before God and confessed his sins. It allowed him to have gotten closer to God and he kept growing and building his relationship with Him.

David is a great model for us to follow. If God was able to forgive him and build a special relationship with him, then He can do the same with us. If we are faithful, God will draw us close to Him. CH Spurgeon once said, "Whenever God determines to do a great work, He first sets His people to pray." May the Revival begun in 1727 be reignited in us as individuals and in our churches worldwide?

God can make what seems impossible, possible.

#### UTCWI HERE I COME.

Mrs. Judy Winspeare Philip has been accepted as a candidate for the Supplementary Ministry of our Church. She will enter UTCWI on August 23rd, 2018 to prepare herself for the Ministry of our Church. She will be at UTCWI for one year. Congratulations!

### Hymn of the Month for August, 2018 by Rev. Dr. Mikie Roberts, Provincial Director of Music



The hymn for the month of August is # 716 – *Jesus, our Lord, how rich Thy grace.* 

It was written by Philip Doddridge. The name of the tune that has been assigned is **Tudor**.

So often we hear the question, what's the church doing about this or that? The question tends to bring

into the focus the official response of the church, as an organism, to social issues that may be plaguing societies. Drafting statements to provide our answers to such questions may be our initial response. However, it ought not to be the only one. In this hymn we are called to realize that as servants of God who have been placed here on earth, we are the ones God will use to minister to those in their need. Though the words of this hymn draw attention to the plight of the poor specifically, the hymn nudges us to broaden our horizon and to see the many ways that God can and will use his people to humbly serve humanity. It is by so doing that we fulfil the law of Christ to love one another. The hymn also reminds us of the words of Jesus in Matthew 25: 40 ....

#### "I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!"

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

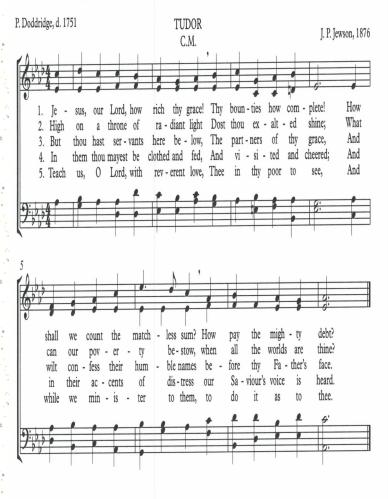
- Jesus, our Lord, how rich Thy grace! Thy bounties how complete! How shall we count the matchless sum? How pay the mighty debt?
  - 2 High on a throne of radiant light
    Dost Thou exalted shine;
    What can our poverty bestow,
    When all the worlds are thine?

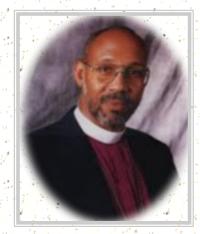
 But Thou hast servants here below, The partners of thy grace,
 And wilt confess their humble names Before thy Father's face. 3

 In them Thou mayest be clothed and fed, And visited and cheered; And in their accents of distress Our Saviour's voice is heard.

5 Teach us, O Lord, with reverent love, Thee in thy poor to see, And while we minister to them, To do it as to thee. *P. Doddridge, d. 1751, a.*

# 716 Jesus Our Lord How Rich





## A Service of Thanksgiving Celebrating the 45th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate of

#### The Rt. Rev. Dr. Albert Kingsley O'Reilly Lewis

Spring Gardens Moravian Church, St. John's Street, St. John's, Antigua July 15, 2018, 4.30 p.m. Liturgist: Rev. Bonnie E.B.W. Smith (Superintendent-Antigua Conference) Organist: Marion O'Reilly –Byron Preacher: Rev. Dr. Frank Alvin Barker

Bishop Albert Kingsley O'Reilly Lewis was born in St. John's, Antigua. He was baptized in infancy at the Spring Gardens Moravian Church where he was nurtured and confirmed on Palm Sunday 1963.

He candidate for the ministry after receiving a Divine call in the summer of 1965.

He was ordained a Deacon at Spring Gardens on the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, July 15th, 1973 by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Edwin W. Kortz and consecrated a Presbyter on August 22nd, 1978 during the Provincial Synod by the Rt. Rev. John E. Knight at the Zion Moravian Church in Basseterre, St. Kitts. He was elected a Bishop on August 16, 1999 and consecrated to the episcopate on the day of the Chief Elder's Festival, November 13, 1999 by the Rt. Rev. Neville C. Brown, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stanley F. Thomas and the Rt. Rev. Robert G. Foster.

He studied for his vocation at the United Theological College of the West Indies in Jamaica. He attended Codrington College in Barbados, and the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, where he read history. He holds a Ph.D from the University of Birmingham, England, and a D.Min from Reformed Theological Seminary, Orlando, Florida. He taught undergraduate courses in West Indian History for the University of the West Indies at the Antigua State College.

He has served congregations in Barbados, Trinidad, St. Thomas, Tortola and Antigua.

During his ministry her served as Superintendent of the Barbados, Trinidad and Antigua Conferences

and as Acting Superintendent of the Tobago Conference.

In 1991, he was elected as a President of the Caribbean Conference of Churches, and Chairman of its Presidium.

In 1993,he was elected to serve as President of the Unity Board of the Worldwide Moravian Church and was re-elected to serve a second term in 1996.

He was elected to the Provincial Elders Conference of the Eastern West Indies Province in 1978 and served until 1996, the last nine years as Chairman of PEC.

Bishop Lewis is married to Maureen née Ranjitsingh. They have two adult children, Marguerite and Albert and three grandsons Ethan, Kamal and Evan.

#### **Quote of the Day**

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

James 1:12

### Appreciation/Farewell Service -Rev Selvin G. McMillan Chaguanas Moravian Church Sunday July 8th, 2018 at 5.00p.m.

Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Kingsley Lewis

Ministerial Staff:

Rev. Dr. Ulston Patmore Smith (Superintendent-Trinidad Conference) Rev. Liselle M. Roberts Rev. Catherine Governor

#### **PERSONAL PROFILE:**

Rev. Selvin McMillan was born in Tobago on June 25, 1948.

He married June McMillan NEE Romeo on August 20, 1983 in Trinidad

- Children: 1. Walter McMillan
  - 2. Patrice McMillan
    - 3. Lisa McMillan who were all born in Trinidad

Rev. Mc Millan was ordained a Deacon in the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province on August 11, 1974 by Bishop Selvin U. Hastings at the Montgomery Moravian Church in Tobago.

He was consecrated a Presbyter on August 09, 1989 at the by Bishop Selvin U. Hastings at the Montgomery Moravian Church in Tobago.

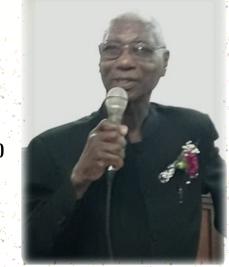
#### **EDUCATION:**

During the period 1970-1974 he attended the United Theological College of the West Indies where he obtained a Diploma in Ministerial Studies. He also received an L. Th., B.A. and Diploma in Education from the University of the

West Indies Mona Campus.

#### CALLS/APPOINTMENTS:

• In September of 1974 he first worked in the Tobago Conference in All the Churches until July 1975.



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- In September of 1975 he was called to work in the Antigua Conference at the Spring Gardens, Potters and Bethany Moravian Churches, this he did until February 1976.
- In July of 1976 He returned to the Tobago Conference and worked in All churches until 1981.
- In September of 1981 September 1982, He was called to the Antigua Conference where he served at the Cedar Hall and Greenbay Moravian Churches.
- Rev. McMillan went on Leave during the period for Three (3) years 1982 1985.
- In 1986 He was called to the Trinidad Conference where he served at Rose Hill and Lanse Noire Congregations.
- Rev. McMillan was appointed Superintendent of The Trinidad Conference for (Two) 2 years as of June 01, 2004.
- On July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2018, he served at Chaguanas in the Trinidad Conference.
  - Rev. Selvin McMillan retired from active service on June 30, 2018.



Rt. Rev. Dr. Kingsley Lewis Bishop of the EWIP delivered the message on the Occasion



Members of PEC attended the Farewell service of the Rev. Selvin McMillan

#### **"COME SEE A MAN"**

#### Submitted by : Sis. Beverly Job

I stand on behalf of the executive board of the Trinidad conference to express thanks to a wonderful genuine human being named Selvin Dalton Godato Mc Millian.

- Come see a man! Come see a man called Selvin. A man who we were privileged to experience in the Trinidad conference and more specifically, on the executive Board.
- Come see a man with a name that I had never heard before, but then there is no one else like him.
- Come see a man whose name means, in part 'you have an ideal especially early in life to accomplish something outstanding and do something very worthwhile for humanity.' Come see a man who lived up to that name.

Come see a man who served selflessly in this Trinidad conference, opting for minimal remuneration at times. I know the times when he took no payment.

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- Come see a man who earnestly and eagerly gave of his time and energy, enduring the tests of time.
- Come see a man who remained loyal to the end unwavering in his commitment, not too senior to undertake any task.
- Come see a man who is vivacious; I've never seen him get angry; he made his position clear but in love.
- Come see a man who is an inspiration to us all, the epitome of humility
- Come see a man who is just plain and simply nice; everybody loves Mac. Selfless, Earnest, Loyal, Vivacious, Inspirational, Nice. That spells Selvin, the historian, the teacher, the preacher, the pastor, the advisor on conference matters, the walking Google on church history and related matters.
- Come see Selvin, a dedicated, helpful, very well-respected servant of God.
- Come see Selvin, one who was willing to go where no one else had gone before, literally; and do what no one else would do.
- Come see Selvin, a well loved and respected Pastor, who worked as Superintendent of the Trinidad Conference, clergy on the executive Board; who is down to earth, unfazed, charming, affectionate, a doo doo darling for all.
- Thank you, Reverend Selvin Dalton Mac Millan for your sterling contribution to this conference.

On behalf of the Superintendent, The Rev. Dr. Patmore Smith and members of the Executive Board, I thank you!

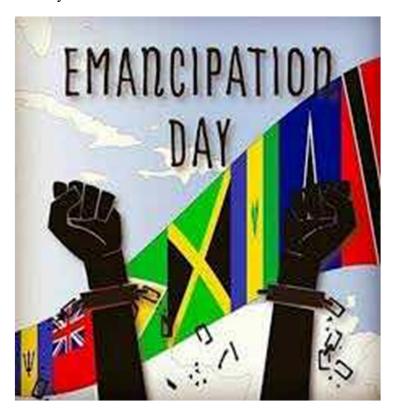
May you continue to bless the Lord at all times and may He satisfy your mouth with good things; so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

#### **PROVINCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### The PEC makes the following announcements:

- 1. The Rev. Anique Elmes-Matthew, Pastor of the New Herrnhut Moravian Church on St. Thomas, in the Virgin Islands Conference, requested and was granted 4 months Furlough from July 01 to October 31, 2018 and 2 years Study Leave from November 01, 2018 to October 30, 2020.
- 2. The Rev. Kirk Barker, Pastor of the Cedar Hall and Cashew Hill Churches in the Antigua Conference, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the New Herrnhut Moravian Church on St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands Conference, with effect from November 01, 2018.
- 3. The Rev. Denise Smith-Lewis, Pastor of the Spring Gardens Moravian Church in the Antigua Conference, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the Cedar Hall and Cashew Hill Moravian Churches in the Antigua Conference, with effect from August 01, 2018.
- 4. The Rev. Algernon Lewis, who is currently on Study Leave, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the Spring Gardens Moravian Church in the Antigua Conference, with effect from August 01, 2018.
- 5. The Rev. Selvin Mc Millan, Pastor of the Chaguanas Moravian Church in the Trinidad Conference will retire from the Pastoral Ministry of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province, with effect from June 30, 2018. We thank Rev. Mc Millan for the yeoman service he has provided to God, the Church and the Community. We wish him every blessing in all his future endeavours.
- 6. The Rev. Liselle Roberts, Pastor of the Rosehill Moravian Church in the Trinidad Conference, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the Rosehill and Chaguanas Moravian Churches in the Trinidad Conference, with effect from July 01, 2018.
- 7. The Rev. Catherine Governor, Pastor of the Memorial Moravian Church in the Trinidad Conference, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the Memorial Moravian Church and as Minister of Christian Education in the Trinidad Conference, with effect from July 01, 2018.

Let us remember our brothers and sisters in prayer as they assume their new responsibilities. "A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots." Marcus Garvey



..It's been a few years since 1834, and as it relates to freedom, my prayer is for so much more. That all the shackles be gone: slavery itself, foreign domination, self doubt, partisan small island politics, victimization...and the list goes on. We should continue the fight against all of these. But remember that most deadly enemy called mental slavery.... for if that battle is not won .... the war is always lost.

So I encourage all to take heed from the apostle Paul, "Renew Your Minds."

With love to all celebrating emancipation today.

Written by: Rev. Dr. Patmore Smith Superintendent, Moravian Church Trinidad Conference

Letter To A Young Leader Conrad Spencer Piedmont International University LEA 704 Summer 2018



#### Dear David,

Young leaders today need to be aware of the changing environment in which they are called to lead, and they must be adequately and appropriately prepared to lead in this dynamic and uncertain situation. Clardy (2013) noted that, "forces for change come from several sources"

(p. 33). This view is supported by Barentsen (2015) who wrote, "These changes are fueled by such phenomena as globalization, the development of a knowledge and network society, and continual technological innovation" (p. 49). Further, Mathews (2016) argued that, "effectiveness of a global leader is dependent on the ability to contend with an everchanging environment"

(p. 50).

Global competition, diversity in the workplace, technological advancement and communication, understanding other cultures, and the demands of consumers require leaders, in the twenty-first century, to be adequately prepared educationally, emotionally and experientially in order to be innovative. responsive, adaptive, effective. efficient and accountable. Furthermore, young Christian leaders, in being innovative, adaptive, responsive and accountable must approach their leadership with the awareness of who they are in Christ and what He expects of them. To this end, here are some of the attitudes that St. Paul exhorts Christian leaders to possess. He wrote, "Exhort the young men to be sober-minded, in all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works; in doctrine showing integrity, reverence, incorruptibility, sound speech that cannot be condemned, that one who is an opponent may be ashamed, having nothing evil to say of you" (Titus 2: 6-8, NKJV). Again, St Paul wrote, "A bishop must be blameless, as a steward of God, not self-willed, not quicktempered, not given to wine, not violent, but hospitable, a lover of what is good, sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled" (Titus 1:7-8, NKJV). Further, Baer et al. (2015) wrote, "Authentic leaders demonstrate a passion for their purpose, practice their values consistently, and lead with their hearts as well as their heads... They know who they are. Their leadership strengths come from their life stories" (p.5).

Additionally, young Christian leaders must be flexible, adaptable, be able to work well with others and be respectful of different cultures, while being able to articulate and inspire a shared vision for the future of their organizations. Northouse (2016) states, "Globalization has created a need for leaders with greater understanding of cultural differences and increased competencies in cross-cultural communication and practice" (p. 464). Further, Kotter (2012) wrote, "As the rate of change increases, the willingness and ability to keep developing become central to career success for individuals" (p. 186). Be a lifelong learner.

Sincerely,

**Conrad Spencer** 

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#### THE WALTER VIVIAN MOSES LECTURE IN MORAVIAN STUD-IES

**Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts** " Evangelical Protestantism In Antigua And Barbados, 1834-1914 "

#### THE MORAVIAN MUSIC FOUNDATION PRESENTS A Night of Chamber Music MORAVIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL LECTURE

#### Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood

Creation of the Modern Moravian Unity in 1957



## Wedding Anniversary Celebrants for August

Bro. Winston & Sis. Bernadine Sis. Matthew & Sis. Jasmin Crooks Bro. Selvin & Sis. June McMillan Bro. Dion & Sis. Eulencine Christopher





Sis. Julie Joefield-Parris

#### July 16, 1991

Bro. Neilson Waithe Bro. Mikie Roberts Bro. Adrian Smith Sis. Catherine Governor August 08, 1982 August 16, 1993 August 17, 2003 August 16, 2015

#### A Little Humour

When Nelson Mandela was studying law at the University, a white professor, whose last name was Peters, disliked him intensely.

One day, Mr. Peters was having lunch at the dining room when Mandela came along with his tray and sat next to the professor.

The professor said, "Mr. Mandela, you do not understand, a pig and a bird do not sit together to eat"

Mandela looked at him as a parent would a rude child and calmly replied, "You do not worry professor. I'll fly away," and he went and sat at another table.

Mr. Peters, reddened with rage, decided to take revenge.

The next day in class he posed the following question: "Mr. Mandela, if you were walking down the street and found a package, and within was a bag of wisdom and another bag with money, which one would you take ?"

Without hesitating, Mandela responded, "The one with the money, of course."

Mr. Peters , smiling sarcastically said, "I, in your place, would have taken the wisdom."

Nelson Mandela shrugged and responded, "Each one takes what he doesn't have."

Mr. Peters, by this time was fit to be tied. So great was his anger that he wrote on Nelson Mandela's exam sheet the word "**IDIOT**" and gave it to Mandela.

Mandela took the exam sheet and sat down at his desk trying very hard to remain calm while he contemplated his next move. A few minutes later, Nelson Mandela got up, went to the professor and told him in a dignified polite tone,

"Mr. Peters, you signed the sheet, but you did not give me the grade."

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