



THE INFORMATION

A communication from the Chair of the PEC of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province

To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. (Ephesians 4:12-13)

MORAVIAN MINISTRY & MISSION IN ST. KITTS

Our Identity, Our Intent. Our Impact.



St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church Clergy: (Left to Right)
Rev. Adelyn Mgonela- Pastor of Ebenezer (Estridge), Rev. Erwin R.R. Warner -Superintendent of Conference and Pastor of Bethesda; Rev. Onita Samuel - Warner - Pastor of Zion and Bethel.

A Church Determined, NOT Deterred!

"Do not be distracted by the noise, but be determined to make God known!" Rev. Erwin R.R. Warner

In a world filled with clamour and chaos; where the noise of societal strife, political discord, and personal challenges can be overwhelming, the church must stand as a beacon of hope and purpose. Amidst the noise, the church ought to stay focus on its mission of making Christ known. The church must be determined, NOT deterred!

The constant barrage of news, social media debates, and everyday stresses can easily divert focus from what truly matters. Economic uncertainties, social injustices, and moral relativism threaten to divert attention and diminish resolve. However, for a church determined to fulfil its mission, these external pressures serve not as deterrents but as reminders of the urgent need for a steadfast witness to the love of God and God's truth. These challenges also present an opportunity to exemplify resilience and unity as the Church heeds the call to redeem the time (Ephesians 5:16). In cahoots with fervent prayer, study of scripture and intentional fellowship, the church must actively pursue unity!

When the church stands united, it reflects the body of Christ, where each member, regardless of their differences, works together for the glory of God and the common good. Therefore, unity should not merely be an abstract ideal but must become a lived reality for the church; - It is to be seen in congregants coming together to worship, serve, and support one another. It is to be demonstrated in acts of kindness and compassion that cut through the noise and offer a glimpse of God's kingdom on earth. It is to be illustrated in speech and situation handling. It is to be alive and well in the various contexts of church. Through unity, the church becomes a living example of Christ's prayer for all believers (John 17:22). For where unity resides, there is strength to overcome and a central communal purpose to fulfill.

Essentially to uphold unity and focus, the church must personify forgiveness, not just preach it! The church's actions ought to reflect its teachings, fostering a culture of forgiveness and understanding.

The church's commitment and capacity to forgive will set it apart in a world where grudges and divisions are common. Equally, it positions the church to be a catalyst for positive change and transformation in its various contexts. Forgiveness is not a sign of weakness but of strength, a reflection of God and God's grace to all of humanity.

Forgiveness allows the church to move past internal conflicts and external provocations. It heals wounds and restores relationships, enabling the church to continue its mission without being bogged down by past hurts or bewildered by present happenings. The church must be Christ-like in its speaking, thinking and doing.

In order to do so, the church, determined not to be deterred, prioritizes the will of God. This putting first the will of God requires listening to God's voice above all others, discerning God's will through prayer and study, and obeying God's commands. It is then the church becomes a vessel through which the purposes of God are fulfilled. It becomes a place where God's love, justice, and mercy are made known.

It becomes a lighthouse, guiding those lost in the noise and turmoil of life towards the peace and salvation found in Jesus the Christ.

In these times of unprecedented distraction and challenge, the church should not be daunted, discouraged nor deterred, rather the church must be determined to remain resolute in making God known. As such, may the church embrace the call and make the commitment to pursue unity, personify forgiveness, and to prioritize God's will. The church is being offered an awesome opportunity to be a powerful force for good in the world; cutting through the noise, offering hope, healing, and truth of God's love for all.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Moravian Mission in St. Kitts began June 14, 1777, sparked by the transformation of enslaved Africans in Antigua through missionary work. John Gardiner, a Christian planter in St. Kitts, was pivotal in this movement. He was so impressed by the changes he witnessed that he invited Moravian missionaries to the island and even provided access to his plantation. The first missionaries to take up this call were Brother John Daniel Gottwalt from Germany and Brother James Birkby from England, marking the start of a significant chapter in the island's religious history.

Our Identity . Our Intent. Our Impact.

The St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church refuses to be distracted or deterred by the world's cacophony and instead chooses to focus on its divine calling. As a Conference, we strive to embody the teachings of Jesus the Christ, reach out to community through worship, evangelism, discipleship, and service. It is our goal to reflect Christ daily, offer hope and a sense of belonging. This requires a tangible representation: - people embracing people, people caring for people in and beyond the walls of our sanctuaries, people forgiving people. Ephesians 4:1-2 reminds us to *"walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love"*. Consequently, this is the will of God, and as Conference God's will is priority.

So, in this issue of the Information, we share with you some of the doings of God in the St. Kitts Conference.



St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church Clergy and Administrative Staff Mental Health Retreat: "My Sanity: Shorts, Sneakers, and Snacks"

MINISTRY TO THE LEAST

The Ministry to the LEAST, since its establishment in 2018, has been a beacon of hope, providing hot meals to those in need every fourth Sunday and Christmas Day at Independence Square in Basseterre and the McKnight Community. In 2019, the ministry's impact expanded, reaching out with witnessing services and providing clothing every quarter. Despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, the ministry's dedication remained unwavering as it started serving families in need outside of the regular locations that the organisation identified.

BETHEL SOUP KITCHEN

The Bethel Soup Kitchen, a testament to our commitment, was established to provide hot meals to seniors from Dieppe Bay to Saddlers Village every 2nd and 4th Saturday. The ministry's services were not just about the meals, but also about the care and attention given to seniors who either lived alone or needed assistance.

MARTHA'S KITCHEN

Martha's Kitchen is a Community Outreach ministry which had been established by the Bethesda Moravian Church, Cayon on February 24th, 2015 with 12 kitchen volunteers.

Sis Anita Prescod, deceased was the Kitchen Supervisor, assisted by Sis Muriel Liburd. Presently, Sis Muriel Liburd is the Supervisor. Approximately 70 persons from Lodge Village to Canada Estate are served every Tuesday with a hot meal,

Our aim in this initiative is to reach out to those in need and to have a Godly relationship with them. It gives us an opportunity to share the love of God and to encourage them to have a personal relationship with Christ.

This initiative is funded by donations from members of the congregation, community and persons abroad. Over the years, the Kitchen has contributed significantly to a need in the community. So much so, in 2019, Martha's Kitchen was recognized by the Ministry of Labour, Social Security and Ecclesiastical Affairs, for its outstanding devotion, dedication and excellent service to the public and its significant contribution to society's well-being and development.

We give God thanks and praise for enabling us with health and strength to perform our task. We also thank our Pastor, Rev. E. Warner for the vision and members of the congregation for their support. We are grateful for the feedback from the family and those who are served with the meal.

To God be the glory! We say, Thank You!

CONFERENCE FOOD PANTRY & CARE PACKAGES

As Moravians we are encouraged to live our faith out through service to those in need, and our mission work has concentrated on the poor, the homeless, the sick, and the powerless. As a Church we are called to reach out to these individuals, and so for the past four (4) years the St Kitts Conference has heeded the call through its Care Package Project. This initiative had its genesis in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic. It was during that time the Church recognized that there were a number of persons within the communities who were faced with the challenge of having access to prepared meals and basic staple food items. It was this realization that birthed what has now become the St Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church's Annual Easter and Christmas Care Pack Distribution.

In 2020 during the time the country was on lockdown, prepared meals were distributed to persons within the communities, including some Government entities where essential workers were on duty. Additionally, packages containing staple foods such as milk, oatmeal, flour, rice, peas, beans, crackers, canned foods, and personal care items were also distributed. During Holy Week the following year, 2021, seventy-five (75) Care Packages containing items that are traditionally used to prepare a Good Friday meal were dispensed. Later that same year during the Advent Season, roughly one hundred (100) packages were prepared, with twenty-five (25) being distributed by each of the four (4) congregations within the Conference. The same volumes were distributed in 2022.

The distribution of Care Packs is made on a needs basis. It is strictly non-denominational and therefore serves a cross section of individuals in communities within St Kitts. In 2023, having examined the demands from the previous years, the Churches were able to better assess the quantities required, and this led to an expansion of the Project. In December of that year, one hundred and sixty (160) packages were prepared, evenly distributed amongst the Churches, and handed out to persons within their surrounding communities.

With the continued support of our Church members and friends on St Kitts and in the diaspora, and with the help of the Almighty God, we envision this to be an ongoing initiative.

The Brother's Keeper Ministry of the Bethesda Moravian Church seeks to provide care packages on a quarterly basis to some inmates of His Majesty's Prison in St. Kitts. These packages provide the incarcerated individuals with items needed for their basic sustenance. Items included are toothpaste, bath soap, washing soap, soap powder, fabric softener, deodorant, toilet paper and bottled water. It is important to provide this level of assistance and support after learning that most of these items are not provided, and the inmates depend on family members to supply them. The reality is, however, that not everyone has family members who may be able or willing to provide these items and therefore, the Brother's Keeper Ministry seeks to fill this gap.

The Ministry seeks to make this donation to the inmates on a quarterly basis as a demonstration of our brotherly love for each other. Because of their circumstances, it is easy to cast judgement on them, but as our Lord and Saviour has forgiven us, so too must we forgive and show love and compassion to our fellowmen. Ephesians 4:32a says that we must "Be kind and compassionate to one another..."

SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

In 2017, the Ebenezer (Estridge) congregation initiated an outreach programme to several Moravian congregations in Zambia through Evangelist Ruth Nkamba Sinyangwe, who the pastor met at a Unity Women's Consultation in Suriname. Financial assistance was provided for the purchase of sewing machines for women's groups and the construction of a barn to house a mill for grain preparation.

In 2018, after visiting Zambia and learning about the challenges faced by the pastor's daughter, Mebbe Nyanyangwe Sinyangwe, Ebenezer agreed to sponsor her Secondary School Education. Mebbe completed 6th form in December with commendable results: English: 1, Literature: 3, Civic Education: 1, Ichemba (local language): 2, Mathematics: 1 Biology: 1, Science: 1, Food and Nutrition: 1

As she transitions to university, our financial support will continue to ensure her educational journey.

In 2022, Bro and Sis Levi Bradshaw expressed a desire to contribute more substantially to mission ventures in Tanzania. Consequently, the Dr. Levi A. K. Bradshaw and Mr. Brandon L. A. Bradshaw Scholarship for an Ordinary Diploma in Clinical Medicine was established at Teofilo Kisanji University (TEKU), a Moravian university in Tanzania. This scholarship aims to support students pursuing medical education, reinforcing our commitment to global missions and community up-liftment.

For more information, visit [TEKU Clinical Medicine Scholarship] (http://oas1.teku.ac.tz/files/CLINICAL_MEDICINE_SCHOLARSHIP.pdf).

"The breakfast program at the Cayon Primary School supported by the Bethesda Moravian Church has been a true blessing for our school community. Every morning, it offers not just nutritious meals, but also a sense of warmth and togetherness. For many, this program is a vital source of support, providing a reliable start to their day. This initiative has significantly improved the well-being of countless students. We are immensely grateful for this initiative."

Javan Cannonier
Principal, Cayon Primary School



MORAVIAN
OUTREACH & IMPACT

BREAKFAST PROGRAMME MINISTRY

The Need
The UNICEF Situation Analysis of Children report, published in 2017, highlighted that children ages 5 – 15 are perceived to be vulnerable in St. Kitts Nevis and one thing that makes them vulnerable is malnutrition, poor health and nutrition resulting in poor school attendance.[1]

In St. Kitts and Nevis there is a centralized school meals programme which provides daily hot lunches to all primary and secondary school children. This programme is coordinated by the Ministry of Education. The school meals initiative by the Ministry of Education is commendable.

While engaging with families in the community, the Bethesda congregation became aware that children were going to school without having breakfast, and staying away from school because there is no breakfast at home. The Bethesda Moravian Congregation readily became committed to the need to feed the children in the Cayon and Lodge villages.

[1] UNICEF. (2017, March). [https://www.unicef.org/easterncaribbean/media/2836/file/St. Kitts n Nevis report on child protection systems.pdf](https://www.unicef.org/easterncaribbean/media/2836/file/St._Kitts_n_Nevis_report_on_child_protection_systems.pdf)

The Mission
Bethesda Moravian Congregation is genuinely devoted and supports the nourishment and well-being of others in the community. A person putting food in a pan Description automatically generated Bethesda seeks to provide daily breakfast to children attending the Cayon Primary School and Violet Petty Primary School.

The Ministry

A person cooking in a kitchen Description automatically generated The Breakfast Ministry started on Monday 6 February 2023 and served approximately 30 hot breakfasts to students at the Cayon Primary School and Violet Petty Primary School. A team of 12 volunteers dedicate their weekdays by going to the church's kitchen, as early as 6:30 am, to prepare, and deliver hot meals to the schools before the children arrive. A person putting food in a container description automatically generated the children indulge in a well-balanced meal by 8:00 am which sets prepares them for success to learn for the day.

The Breakfast Ministry continues to partner with key stakeholders in the community – Fraites Bakery & Sons – who provides bread weekly for the programme. Members of Bethesda and other supporters continue to assist the Ministry financially and in-kind. The Ministry is eternally grateful for God's continued blessings of provision and faithfulness in its one year of operation.

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Hunger makes it more difficult for children to learn and focus. The Breakfast Ministry understands the importance to take pattern as Jesus did when he fed the crowd of 5000. The Ministry remains committed to its Mission so that our nation's future can be well sustained and nourished.



To God be the glory great things he has done! With God’s help, the dedication of the members, and the contribution of individuals and organizations within the Federation and the diaspora, the Bethesda Moravian Church (BMC) Learning Centre was launched on Sunday 28th April 2024. The inauguration of this learning centre was one of the highlights of the BMC’s 205th commemorative service.

The primary goal of the establishment of the BMC Learning Centre is to contribute to the intellectual, moral and spiritual growth and development of children and adults residing in the communities within which the BMC serves.

Through the implementation of various programmes, the learning centre aims to:

1. *provide a safe environment where students can access technological resources to aid in the completion of after-school assignments.*
2. *boost the reading competencies of beneficiaries, enabling improvement in their general educational achievements.*
3. *partner with parents, teachers and other stakeholders to help them in providing some of the resources that students need for their educational journey.*
4. *promote continuing education and life-long learning.*

Programmes

The BMC Learning Centre will facilitate the execution of initiatives including:

1. Afterschool Learning Programmes
2. Reading Scripture Values Prayer (RSVP) Programmes
3. Information Technology literacy programmes for adults.



3.Adult Information Technology Training Programme

Objective: To provide opportunities for the acquisition of skills for persons in the community who are deficient in basic Information Technology skills.

This Information Technology era has left a segment of our adult population excluded from many educational, social and religious activities. The BMC learning centre will offer Information Technology skills training to those adults desirous of bridging the gap between their aptitude and the technology related

1.Afterschool Learning Programmes

Objective: To provide a safe environment where students with no internet access or device at their homes can engage in research, do assignments, and complete School Based Assessments (SBAs) under the supervision of responsible adults. Assistance would be given to students when needed.

Awareness of the issue of lack of internet access emanated from conversations with students, teachers and parents of the schools in the community. This being an era where information technology is an integral ingredient in the education of our children, including out of school assignments, students with no internet access or device at home are at a great disadvantage. Some students are often unable to complete homework assignments and School Based Assessments while some access internet from the homes of neighbours and relatives, which are not always safe environments. These issues not only prohibit children from performing at their full potential academically but may also negatively affect their emotional and social wellbeing and development thus inhibiting the achievement of their life goals.

2. RSVP Programme

Objectives:

To engage struggling readers in primary schools in learner directed activities which will:

- equip beneficiaries with reading skills in which they are deficient in.
- help students to attain grade level proficiency.
- improve students’ general reading competence and confidence.
- develop Christian characteristics and values.

Reading is the foundation for all learning; therefore, students who are deficient in reading skills are handicapped in other areas of their education. The results of a recently conducted survey of reading competencies at all of the primary schools in St. Kitts revealed that a significant number of students are reading below their grade level. This includes students attending the schools within the BMC community- the Cayon Primary and the Violet Petty Primary Schools. Discussions with the principals of these schools confirmed that the problem still exists and has been affecting the students’ general performance in school. Research has shown that the more often students receive instruction and the more they engage in reading related activities, the greater their progress in reading. The RSVP programme will supplement the instruction which the students receive at school and provide additional practice.

Also, there has been a general outcry for the lack of values amongst the youth of our nation. Furthermore, the Information Technology revolution has resulted in increased exposure of our children to varying values and standards of behaviour. Undoubtedly this has created much confusion in the minds of our young people. Therefore, there is need to supplement the formal instruction in social, moral, and spiritual values in our primary institutions.

The BMC learning centre will also enable the implementation of various other programmes with information technology components. These would include new initiatives and the enhancement of existing ministries, including the enhancement of the Church’s annual Vacation Bible School, the Jesus’ Explorers ministry and local youth camps.

With a rich history of active involvement in the provision of education for members of the surrounding communities, the BMC is once again responding to the educational needs of the community through the institution of the Learning Centre. Our highest notes of thanks and praises to God our Father for guidance and strength; and our sincerest appreciation to all who contributed to this initiative of supporting the students’ success.



Members of The Moravian Senior Club .

THE MORAVIAN SENIOR CLUB

The Need Identified

The MSC was founded in 2011. A group of retired members of the Zion Congregation met on the invitation of Sis Doris Adams to discuss the formation of an organization to meet the needs of active, retired, senior members of the congregation. There was a need for Christian fellowship, mental stimulation, age-appropriate physical activity. As ideas were discussed surrounding an appropriate time and meeting place, and a programme of activities, even non-Moravian Christian seniors began to show an interest in participating. By the time the organization was launched, it was already a fully ecumenical group with members from several churches and even coming from rural areas of St. Kitts. Thanks to our Methodist friends, meetings were held in the Wesley Church Hall.

Growth and Expansion – The first phase 2011 to 2020

During this first period, guided by the Holy Spirit, the MSC grew from strength to strength. Weekly meetings included morning devotions, a period of physical exercise, varied set of activities including guest lectures on health, local history, financial management for Seniors, bible quizzes, word games and board games to stimulate the mind. There have been occasional field trips to places of interest, meditations on Christian life and worship and much, much more.

Covid and Beyond - From 2020 to the present

The Covid epidemic disrupted, for a time, the smooth operations of the MSC. We could not meet as regularly as before, and we could not use the same meeting place as before as the Methodists needed it for their school. But the Lord opened a way for the group to continue. We adopted the technology of the day and began to meet on Zoom. This was a real blessing. Our meetings continued online, and members who were at home in St. Kitts and some of those who spend part of the year abroad, in England, Canada or the USA, were able to log on and participate. With the epidemic over, we now have a new meeting place, the Zion Church Hall, and our meetings are still carried live on Zoom for those who are unable to attend whether they are here in St. Kitts or in the diaspora. To God be the glory!

The Youth in the St Kitts Conference continue to make great strides! The Youth are studying Genesis 16 and 21; focusing on the Biblical Character Hagar. The introduction of this Biblical Character provided opportunities to reassure our youth that while they may go through difficult times, they are not forgotten. There is one who sees, hears and loves them.

PURPOSEFUL ADULTS UNDERSTANDING LIFE

P.A.U.L (Purposeful Adults Understanding Life), a young adult ministry group, established in 2018 in the Bethesda Moravian Congregation, has since launched another chapter in the Bethel Congregation in March 2024, with further plans to launch Chapters in the Zion and Ebenezer Congregations. This group caters specifically to both male and female aged 20 –35. The focus of this ministry is to bring together young adults for moments of fun and faith building.

Along with navigating relationships, seeking to further career, family and church ministries, young adults experience their own struggles daily. In 2 Corinthians 12: 8-9, Paul said, “Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me.



PAUL Group – Bethel Chapter.

And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” This community of Paulites help to keep each other both accountable and encouraged through the word, prayer, conversations and life skill sessions. Some have had the opportunity to lead and declare the preached word during corporate worship.

We believe that God is both intentional and wise. Though we are hard pressed on every side, we are not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, we are not destroyed. Despite the thorns, we fix our eyes on Jesus who is the Author and Perfector of our faith.

P A U L

PAUL Group – Bethesda Chapter.



The Ebenezer's Youth engaging in Community Visitation.

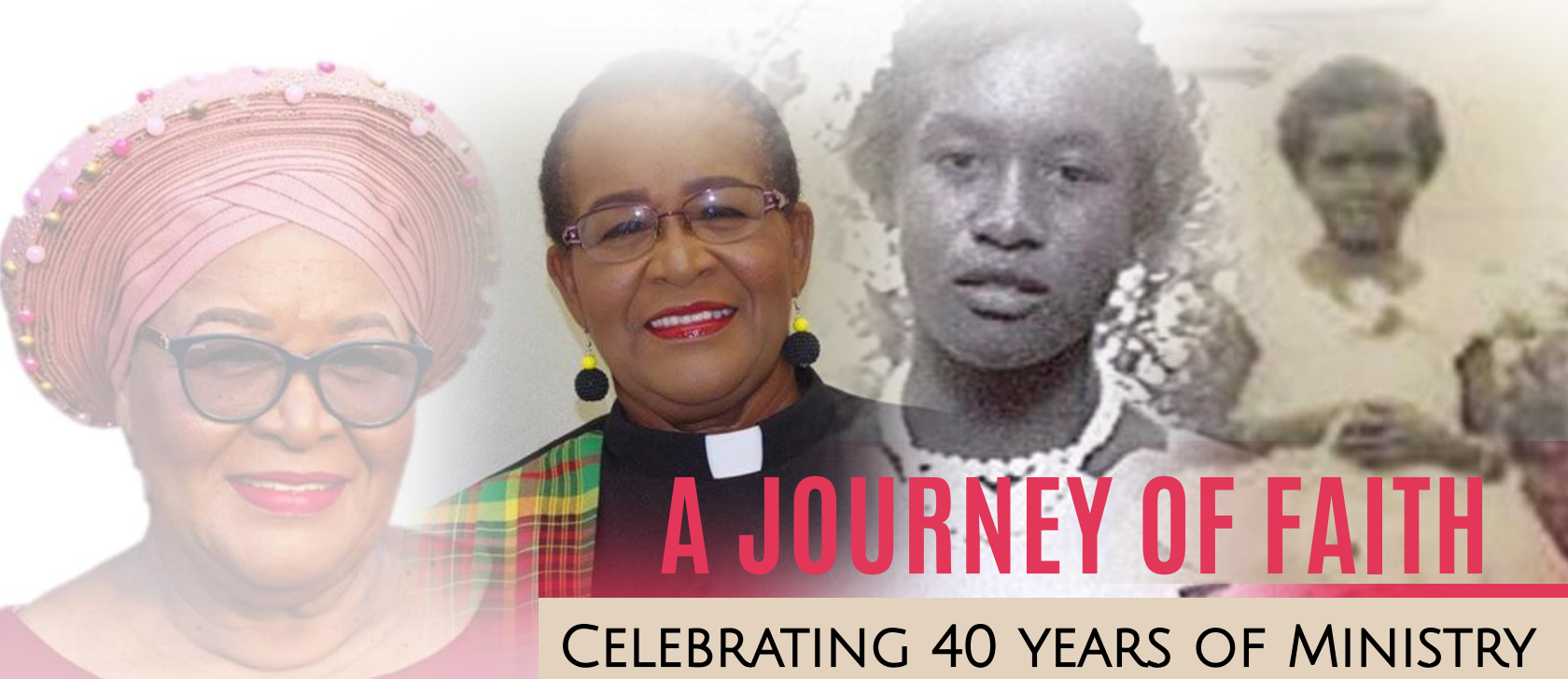


Conference Youth Dancers

Delving into Hagar’s life, her journey through the wilderness, and her encounters with God, created moments for deep and thought-provoking revelations about God and self.

The purpose of this study was for us to bring our young people to understand that:

- 1.They, like Hagar who encountered God in the Wilderness, too would be able to find God as they go through their own wilderness experiences.
- 2.They understand prayer, its importance and relevance, while encouraging them to cultivate a life of prayer.
- 3.They can freely and confidently talk about the all-seeing, all-knowing God, and come to trust in His Promises.
- 4.They can build a faith Community by encouraging and supporting others who also find themselves going through their wilderness experiences.



A JOURNEY OF FAITH

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF MINISTRY

written by Rev. Adelyn Mgonela

February 4, 2024, is a day that will be etched in my memory forever. I knew that the Conference had tasked a committee with the responsibility of organizing a celebration for my 40+ years in ministry. But walking into that compound that Sunday afternoon far exceeded my expectations. The event was a trailblazer, and I am deeply moved by the incredible effort and dedication of the Superintendent, Executive Board, and the various committees.

From the moment I arrived at the venue, I was overwhelmed by the warmth and love radiating from everyone present. The String Band, the grand entry, and the children greeting me as I entered were extremely moving. The decorations were stunning, and every detail was meticulously arranged, creating a joyous atmosphere that I will cherish forever.

I was deeply moved by the heartfelt speeches, touching tributes, and beautiful performances shared throughout the evening. It was a humbling experience to see the impact of my ministry reflected through the words and actions of those in attendance as well as the video tributes online.

When one thinks of 40, especially in religious circles, images of wilderness and desert immediately come to mind. This is because of Moses leading the children of Israel in the wilderness for 40 years and Jesus being led into the wilderness or desert for 40 days and 40 nights to be tempted by the devil. Due to these incidents and similar situations where other biblical characters encountered various challenges during periods of 40 days or 40 years, 40 is symbolic of a period of testing and trial.

It is easy to focus on the trials, testing, difficulties, and obstacles I have encountered over the past 40 years. But praise the Lord, there is a third aspect to periods in the wilderness, and that is triumph.

Yes, in the wilderness there are attacks and hardships, barrenness and loneliness, hunger and thirst; and I certainly encountered all of them. But there is much more to the wilderness, in the wilderness, and through the wilderness.

In the wilderness, one can find green pastures and water, and God is always there with you, guiding and leading you through it. The amazing thing about going through the wilderness is that one day you will arrive at your Promised Land, or the Land of Promise, whichever way you want to look at it.

The word "midbar" is the Hebrew word for wilderness, and it implies momentum, driving forward, and a journey with a purpose.

Today, I can say that I have been in and through the wilderness. I have been moving forward and still moving forward on this journey with a purpose. In my wilderness times, God revealed Himself more and more to me. As a result, I have learned to trust Him; I have learned to obey Him; I have learned the meaning of constant fervent prayer; I have learned the meaning of walking with Him. Walking with Him has proven to be the healthiest activity and the best safeguard in my life. That is why I do not necessarily wear and tear, because I have known Him as my healer; I do not necessarily wax and wane because I know Him as my strength; I do not necessarily waver and doubt because I know Him as the one who sustains.

So, although I have arrived at a promised land, there is much more traveling to do, for the journey is long. But I embrace it with a joy unspeakable and full of glory as I move forward with momentum on a journey of purpose to yet another promised land.

I will continue to bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; I will magnify the Lord and exalt His name. I sought the Lord, and He heard me and delivered me from all my fears.

Therefore, I embrace the future with the words of the Moravian Daily Text for January 11, 1981, the day I was commissioned:

The Watchword: "I will not let you go unless you bless me." – Genesis 32:26b

The Doctrinal text: "When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways." – Acts 3:26



In the Third Epistle of John, the Elder in bestowing blessings upon Gaius, wished above all things that he mayest prosper and be in health, even as his soul prospereth. He commended him for doing faithfully whatsoever he does to his brethren and strangers. Likewise, we will endeavour to assist our brethren and strangers to be in good physical and spiritual health!

Provincial Elders Conference Calendar of Events

JULY
1 – Provincial Day of Prayer

AUGUST
1 – Provincial Day of Prayer

16-20 – PEC meeting Tobago

29 – Staff Development

SEPTEMBER
1 – Provincial Day of Prayer

16 – Ministers Covenant Day

22 – Widows’ Offering

OCTOBER
1 – Provincial Day of Prayer

25-31 – PEC meeting Antigua

31 – Staff Development session

NOVEMBER
1 – Provincial Day of Prayer

DECEMBER
1 – Provincial Day of Prayer

The St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church recognizes the physical, psychological and socio-economic burdens that cancer inflicts on individuals and their families. Against this backdrop, the Conference accepted the challenge, through its Healthcare Ministry, to assist its members in reducing the prevalence and burden of this preventable disease. We recognize that screening aids in early detection, facilitates early treatment interventions, and reduces the complications associated with the disease and even death. Our primary goal, therefore, is to assist in encouraging persons to access screening for cancer early and on a regular basis. This will be accomplished through conversations, and activities such as health talks and fairs.

It is on this premise that an entity, known as the St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church Cancer Assistance League, hereinafter called the SKCMC Cancer Assistance League or the Cancer Assistance League, was established to assist members of the congregations in the fight against cancer and its related complications. It was founded under the auspices of the St. Kitts Conference of the Moravian Church Healthcare Ministry, hereinafter called the SKCMC Healthcare Ministry or The Healthcare Ministry, with the assistance of Superintendent, Reverend Erwin Warner, supported by the Pastorate. It is a non-profit organization that is funded by donations and fundraisers. Relationships would be established with cancer support groups and other agencies such as the Ministry of Health for the purpose of fostering a collaborative approach in the fight against cancer.

A Screening Committee has been established to screen requests for financial assistance. The Committee is comprised of a Pastor, Medical/Nursing personnel, the Conference Treasurer, a Legal Representative and Chair of the SKCMC Healthcare Ministry. The criteria for financial assistance include age, stage of the cancer, financial status of the applicant and reason for requesting assistance. An application form has been designed for this purpose.

Prayer, counseling and peer support will be offered; also, confidentiality will be assured. Measures to ensure accountability and a reporting mechanism have been factored into the guidelines.

Although the primary function of the SKCMC Healthcare Ministry is to screen the members of the Conference for chronic non-communicable diseases and to enhance their knowledge base regarding other health conditions, The Healthcare Ministry is pleased to serve in whatever way the Lord directs. Paul has reminded us in Romans 12:6 that our gifts come from God so we must dedicate them and use them wholeheartedly to build up the Church. Therefore, we shall continue to enquire of the Lord for guidance and wisdom as we endeavour to enhance the lifestyle of our members and improve the quality of their lives.

We are grateful to all who would have contributed to this worthwhile venture and to those who will contribute in the future.

Sonia Daly-Finley
Chair, SKCMC Healthcare Ministry

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Provincial Newsletter Committee

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Birthday Celebrants

June 16 – 30

Sis Jocelyn Connor	17
Sis. Elva Richards-Goodwin	25
Bro. Selvin McMillan	25
Sis. Jasmin Crooks	26
Sis. Roslyn Hamblin	29

Birthday Celebrants

July 1–15

Sis. Movelle Kellman	05
Sis. Yvonne Jean	07
Bro. Winston Chase	08
Bro. Michael Goodwin	09
Bro. Neilson Waithe	10
Sis. Cherice Job-Lewis	10
Bro. Ralph Prince	11

Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

June 16 -30 & July 1-15

Sis. Elva Richards Goodwin & Bro. Michael Goodwin	23
Sis. Anique Elmes Matthew & Bro Colin Matthew	04
Bro. Nigel Daniel & Sis. Belinda Manswell-Daniel	06
Bro. Neilson Waithe & Sis Vera Waithe	07

Ordination Anniversary Celebrants

Sis. Julie Joeffield Parris	June 16, 1991
Bro. Errol Connor	June 18, 1991
Bro. Dion Christopher	June 16, 1991
Bro. Nevin Lewis	June 27, 2010
Bro. Ezra Parris	June 29, 1992
Bro. A. Kingsley Lewis	July 15, 1973
Sis. Cicely Athill-Horsford	July 11, 1982
Bro. Conrad Spencer	July 11, 1982
Bro. Joseph Nicholas	July 11, 1982
Sis. Yvonne Jean	July 11, 2015
Bro. Moise Jean	July 11, 2015
Bro. Erwin Warner	July 11, 2015
Bro. David Ince	July 11, 2021

MORAVIAN
MULTIPURPOSE
COMPLEX

Conference Center & Apartments

Conferences | Weddings | Banquets | Meetings |
Dinners | Graduations



“ Only ten minutes away from the stores, shops and banks in St. John's. Our International airport is also just ten minutes away.

“ Our balcony provides a refreshing view of undulating hills and valleys.

“ The Conference Center has a seating capacity for 200 persons.

“ We are situated on a hill over-looking the picturesque outskirts of the city of St. John's, Antigua.

“ There are EIGHT LARGE APARTMENTS which are available for rental. Each room is self contained with kitchenette. The rooms are air-conditioned with available internet cable TV. All utilities are included with the exception of telephone.

Our Vision Statement: A Church -
Transformed, United, Victorious in Christ

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

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