

# THE LOGOS



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## VOP Director/Speaker Visits the Bahamas

On Tuesday of next week, a team of Voice of Prophecy personnel headed by its director/speaker Pastor Lonnie Melashenko will visit the Bahamas.

Accompanied by his wife, Jeannie Melashenko, Pastor Walter Arties, Del Delker and Phil Draper, pianist, Pastor Melashenko will serve as featured speaker in a series of services commencing on Wednesday, May 22 at 7:15 p.m. at the Hillview Church. Additionally, Pastor Melashenko will present the main address at a service marking the official opening of the Adventist Audio and Video Studio and the recommissioning of the Bible School. Elizabeth Moses, the second secretary of the Voice of Prophecy Bible school, since its inception in the Bahamas, will cut the ribbons.

It is anticipated that the visit of the Voice of Prophecy team would be gratifying for many of its radio listeners. In fact, the VOP broadcast is possibly the longest continuous radio religious program in the Bahamas and is aired weekly on ZNS 1540. For over 50 years thousands of Bahamians have been blessed through the ministry of Pastor H. M. S. Richards Sr., founder, Pastor H. M. S. Richards Jr. and currently, Lonnie Melashenko.

During his stay, Pastor Melashenko and local conference administrators will pay a courtesy call on the Governor-General and the management of the Broadcasting Corporation.

Del Delker, a long-serving singing artist, and Pastor Walter Arties, responsible for Evangelism, will render special music at each service.

All of the services are opened to members and visitors. Members are encouraged to invite neighbours and friends. Bible lessons will be available for persons interested.

Once again, we remind you that services will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. There will also be a Sabbath afternoon service. All of these will be held at the Hillview Church on Harrold Road.

### Berea to host Parent/Teacher Seminar

The Children's Ministries Department of the Berea Church is hosting a Parent/Teacher Seminar May 17 to 18, 2002, at the Church on Blue Hill Road. "When Parents Nurture Children Blossom" is the theme for this seminar which will feature presentors such as Mrs. Miriam Knowles on Friday, May 17, on the topic "Discipline and Behavioral

Problems." Pastor H. A. Roach, Ph.D., will speak during the Divine Hour. On Sabbath afternoon at 5:30 Mrs. Blanche Spence will cover "Education- K-5 to Adolescence." Parents and guardians are especially invited to attend these sessions. You will discover and learn meaningful skills to cope with children in these ever-changing times.-A. Dean, CM Leader

### Bahamas Academy Elementary Honours Convocation 2002

Herbert Hoover once said "children are our most valuable natural resource." Realizing this to be true and wanting to encourage academic excellence, BA Elementary held the annual Honours Convocation on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2002, at the Church of God Auditorium, Joe Farrington Road.

Hundreds of expectant students, anxious parents, relatives and friends made their way in the cool of the evening to the beautifully decorated auditorium. On cue, Dr. John Carey, Education director of the Bahamas Conference of SDA welcomed the large expectant audience, the principal, Mrs. Estherlean Ash in her brief opening remarks, applauded the teachers for their commitment, commended the parents for their support and congratulated the students for their outstanding performances and encouraged them to continue to work hard. Lashan Brown and Danna Clarke set the stage for the evening's proceedings by thrilling the audience with their melodious renditions.

The Bahamas Conference was represented by a high-level team of officials headed by the President, Pastor K. D. Albury, who delivered the timely keynote address. He drew from the stories of blind poet Helen Keller and world renowned neurosurgeon Dr. Benjamin Carson and urged the students to use their "big brains" to shine as lights and strive for academic excellence.

Finally came the moment everyone was waiting for: the presentation of awards. The K5 students received from their teachers packages with ribbons and certificates denoting mastery in their large and fine motor skills, cognitive, social and spiritual development. The grades 1 to 6 students who achieved A, A-, B+ and B averages were awarded trophies. The boys and girls, bedecked in their finery, walked proudly to center stage as their names were called to collect their trophies while proud parents were eagerly waiting to catch the "Kodak" moments.

Vice-principal Mrs. Hermia Brown presented the Special Awards to the students who gained top positions in their classes and those who excelled in Spots, Music, Computer and drama. Honesty trophies were also given to students who found monies and other valuables on the school campus and reported them.

The evening's programme climaxed with the vote of thanks by grade 6 student Michelle Toote, followed by the benediction by Pastor E. D. Clarke. And thus it was, that Honours Convocation 2002 went into history.-Carol Jackman/Chloe Weir, Teachers at BAE

### Adventist Spotlight'

"Adventist Spotlight" may now be viewed on Cable Bahamas, Channel 12, from 11 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Pathfinder Day at the Hillview Church will be featured this week. Rebroadcasts of "Adventist Spotlight" can be viewed on Tuesdays from 8 p.m.

### BSDAEA Educational Seminar

On April 14, 2002, at 9 a.m. educators of the Bahamas SDA Educators' Association convened at the Annex of the Philadelphia Church, Elizabeth Estates, to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Educators' Seminar held under the theme "Empowered to Meet the Challenges of Education."

The session began with a devotional period by Pastor W. T. Adderley. His discourse was centered on "A New Vision, Breaking the Cycle." To do this, he told the participants that they must see all children as their flock. With Christ's power, they can win against insurmountable odds.

Colyn Major, Vice-president for Student Affairs of the College of the Bahamas, in his presentation on "Stress Management", emphasized that stress is a fact of life and we must learn to transfer our stresses to the Lord Jesus and not to internalize them. He described stress as putting garbage in a can that is never emptied. As a result, too much stress leads to ill health. Seventy percent of all doctors' visits are stress related. Those who are exposed to high anxiety are four to five times more likely to die of strokes.

He quoted Murphy's Law - "Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong." What is needed is a change in one's perception of how one sees things. Stress can be used to motivate one to pursue goals. It can be utilized as a means of pushing on in the right direction, says Mr. Major. He gave several suggestions as to how to relieve stress. They can be placed under the

following headings - anticipate situations, be proactive, eat and dress properly, exercise and learn to say NO!

Dr. John Carey, Education Director of the Bahamas Conference of SDA, made brief remarks to the assembly, expressing his appreciation for the seminar as it sought to improve its members. Dr. Sonia Higgs, Head of the Behavioural Management unit at Social Services, made a timely presentation on the Legal Aspects of Education and the Safe School document. She listed the factors that led to the development of the Safe School Document such as; children who defy authority, abuse drugs or are abused and are sexually active.

She explained that the document provides the school system with guidelines on how to discipline problem students. It is to protect legally all the stakeholders in the system. It is not a restrictive document but rather it empowers teachers and administrators in the following areas: it makes punishment commensurate with the infraction, it allows teachers to document repetitive behaviours and it allows for police involvement when necessary. It steers away from corporal punishment as a solution, for it suggests violence as a means of dealing with conflict.

Dr. Higgs further stated that although the document does not address every disciplinary issue, it does allow the system to discipline with dignity. She added that the only way the Safe School Document will work is if all the teachers buy into it.

To conclude the presentations was Mrs. Ella Collie, Principal at Columbus Primary School who spoke on the Psychology of Teaching and Learning. She started her presentation with a quote from Henry Adams, "A teacher affects eternity." She acknowledges that something wrong is occurring at school and the Philosophy and teaching strategies have to be re-examined. Teaching is more than a job but a calling; it should promote more than the 3Rs, but also good values. Discipline and temperance should be taught. She stated that the discipline the teachers receive depends upon the type of person the teacher is.

She listed some teaching strategies to enhance learning in the classroom. Participants were allowed to role play various school situations and their solutions. The participants found this exercise most delightful.

A special thank you to all the presenters who took time out of their busy schedules to facilitate the seminar. Gratitude also to Sis. Pansy Hamilton-Brown and her team for developing this seminar. Finally thanks to

those who contributed the light refreshments.  
-Darlene Edwards

### West Indies Union Youth Ministries Weekend

Thousands of youth from all territories of our Union, Jamaica, Bahamas, Cayman and Turks and Caicos, and from the USA flocked to Northern Caribbean University for the first ever West Indies Union Youth Ministries Weekend.

Pastor Balvin Braham and his team of Youth Directors, namely Pastor E. D. Clarke [Bahamas], Pastor Reynaldo Drackett [Cayman], Pastor Michael Harvey [West Jamaica], Pastor Michael Henry [Central], (Continued on p. 2)

### West Indies Union Youth

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Pastor P. Kerr [Turks & Caicos], Pastor G. P. Williams [East Jamaica], and their Youth Leaders and the team at NCU must be congratulated for a job well done. All weekend the youth were reminded to be trend setters in all that they do and everywhere they go. Pastor Braham, Pastor G. P. Williams and Dr. Patrick Allen, Union President, all encouraged our young people and reminded them that they are indeed a peculiar people and they must continue to keep up the standards of God and the Church.

The Sabbath School was different in every way and those responsible did a great job with presenting the marriage and the second coming of our Lord and Savior. Music for the weekend was the best and the Music Festival for me was the Highlight of the Weekend, where choirs, groups and soloists came from all over to present good items for the church service. The sporting activities, the drill and band displays also drew huge crowds, and at the end of the day, every Trendsetter left with a good feeling. This Youth Weekend, I am sure, will continue because it has the support of our Union and all of the Conferences and Missions involved. I encourage all of our young people and older ones to continue to be trendsetters and examples as you spread the message to the entire world.

The Bahamas delegation was small, but everyone knew that Ray Jennings, Rohan Creighton, Elvardo Perpall, Alfred Styles and Curtis Bryan were there, and of course we did set the trend for all to follow. Our hosts for the weekend were Drs. Wendell and Althea McMillan, Alfred Styles stayed at the home of Pastor Ronnie and Pat Henry, and to them we are most grateful. Our Students at NCU who assisted in making the Weekend a success are Etosha Rahming, Anistacia Forbes, Johnette Brown and Valentino Campbell. On Sabbath, we invited everyone over to the McMillans' home for a real Bahamian meal and that was a great time of fellowship. -C. Bryan

### Congratulations on Promotion

The Administration, departmental directors and staff of the Bahamas Conference express congratulation to Mrs. Donna Mae Humes on

her recent promotion to Corporal at HM Prison. Donna is the wife of our friend and colleague Philip Humes. Best wishes to the Humes family.

### Adventist Book Centre

New sets of SDA Bibles and Hymnals (all-in-one) are at the ABC; come and check them out. Vacation Bible School Order forms are also available. -S. Neil McKinney

### 15th Annual Jeff Rodgers Basketball Camps

Registration for the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Jeff Rodgers Basketball Camps began April 1, 2002, at Bahamas Academy Secondary School and at the Adventist National Headquarters Youth Department, Harrold Road. The camps will be held in collaboration with The Bahamas Conference from July 1 to 26, 2002. Please phone 393 3381 or 341 4021 for additional information on this ministry for helping young people develop a balanced Christian lifestyle.

### BA Elementary Walk-A-Thon

Bahamas Academy Elementary will be having a Walk-A-Thon on Monday, May 20, 2002, beginning at 6:00 a.m. at the R. M. Bailey Park. This event will culminate with a Family Fun Day at the R. M. Bailey Park from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets are available from the school. All are encouraged to participate and make these events truly successful. -Michelle Stubbs, PTA President

### BA Secondary Walk-A-Thon

All parents and guardians are requested to support the BA Secondary PTA Walk-A-Thon on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 a.m. at the Secondary school on Wulff Road. -BAS PTA President

### Softball Jamboree

The Softball Jamboree that was planned for Monday, May 20, has been postponed. Watch the Logos for future announcements.

The softball season begins June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2002. Remember our moto: "Be a Player and not a Spectator" -Tyrrell Miller, president -361-8306 Lay

### Activities Department

A Lay Preachers' course will begin on June 8 and continue on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and Sabbath, June 29<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. Additionally, meetings will be conducted on Wednesdays, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26, at 7 p.m. at the Centreville Church.

Community Services Parley will be conducted from May 29<sup>th</sup> to June 1, 2002, at the Centreville Church at 7 p.m. -M. D. Toote, Director

### Medical Help Requested

☼A cook-out in aid of Sis Elthora Dennis' medical expenses is scheduled for Monday, May 20, 2002, from noon to 6 p.m. at the Park in Elizabeth Estates. Sis. Dennis is a member of the Philadelphia Church. Your support will be most appreciated. -A. Dorsett

☼A cookout has been organized to help defray medical expenses of Bro. Wayne Rolle, son of Sister Lillian Rolle of the Centreville Church. Dinners can be collected on Whit Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2002, at Montagu Beach from noon until. Your support will be appreciated. -L. Rolle

### Kenya Evangelism

Five pastors have been invited to conduct a crusade in Kenya, Africa. They are Jeremiah Duncombe, T. Basil Sturup, Roger Moncur, Gary C. King and Eric D. Clarke. These meetings (from May 26 to June 18, 2002) are coordinated by Elder Robert S. Folkenberg, former General Conference president, The North Carolina Conference and the Quiet Hour radio ministry. It is hoped that at the conclusion of these 1600 Crusades, we will experience the largest number of conversions to the truth in our world church. The crusades will all begin and end the same time with massive baptisms at several sites. A number of lay persons are travelling in support of the ministers. These include Bursil Wallace, Bro and Sis. Keith Watson.

Members are encouraged to support this venture financially through the Conference. -E Clarke and J. Duncombe, pastors

### Youth Ministries

♥ A Masterguide investiture service is set for today, May 18, at 5 p.m. at the Living Faith Church, Old Trail Road.

♥ National Youth March May 26. Practice for the upcoming National Youth March will be held tomorrow, Sunday, May 19, at 8 a.m. at Fort Charlotte. All Pathfinder Clubs are expected to be there.

♥ Pathfinder Camp June 30 to July 7<sup>th</sup>.

♥ Adventurers' banquet will be held Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4 to 6 p.m. Adventurers' Camp will be held July 7 to 14<sup>th</sup>. Venue to be announced.

♥ Youth Crusade/Revival July 28 to August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Hillview Church.

♥ Youth Concert August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Hillview Church.

♥ August Monday -- Family Fun and Sports Day (Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>). All sports representatives are asked to contact Lester Stuart in preparation for August Monday holiday activities.

♥ All persons wishing to attend the Masterguide Camporee may register with their youth leaders at local churches by May 20, 2002. (Deposit is required).

### Youth Series of In-depth Bible Studies

The Hillview, Breath of Life, Good News and Berea Churches present "Man Shall Not Live By Bread Alone, But By Every Word That Proceedeth Out of the Mouth of God" – a series of in-depth, youth Bible studies commencing May 26, 2002, at the Berea Church. It promises to be innovative, spiritual and youthful.

### Candidates for Bachelor's degree Programme Requested

Persons in possession of 30 credits or more and interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree in Professional Management via Nova University may contact 325-6173 for details.

### Long Bay School

Long Bay School in Marsh Harbour, Abaco, is accepting applications for high school English Language and Religious Knowledge teachers. Applicants should hold bachelor's degrees and teacher's certificates.

For more information, please write to P.O. BOX AB-20377, Marsh Harbour, Abaco, or phone 242-367-2382. *Principal*

### SDA Health Professionals

You are invited to join the Health Professionals for an exciting, educational, fun-filled time featuring Massage, Prizes and surprises and refreshments at the Hillview Church tonight, Saturday, May 18, at 8 o'clock sharp!

### All Stars Nite at New Providence Church Grounds

The New Providence Church Social Club invites you to participate in its All Stars' Nite tonight from 8 o'clock until. Basketball competition: Free throws, 3 on 3, 3-points shootout, and half-court shootout; Domino tournament, and steps competition will take place. Come, be a part of the fun. Call S. Lightfoot at 392-1225 for more details.

### SDA Educators' Association Boat Cruise

The SDA Educators' Association is sponsoring a Boat Cruise Saturday night, June 15, 22. Beginning 8 o'clock. The site of departure will be east of the new bridge on Paradise Island. Tickets may be purchased from Dr. Carey at the Conference Office, or from any member of the Association.

### Centreville Church Women's Ministries Department

The Centreville Church Women's Ministries Department cordially invites you to attend its "Take Time to Know Him" weekend at the South Ocean Club from May 31 to June 1, 2002. Contact any of the following persons for further details: Lillian Rolle @392-4234, Claranell Smith @322-4515, Valarie King @393-8521 and Victoria Forbes @323-1679.

### Living Faith Carnival Fun Day

The Living Faith Church is hosting a Carnival Fun Day under the tent at the Church from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds to aid church building programme. Fun for the whole family will be available in addition to Volleyball and a basketball shootout.

### New Amendments to The Triple 'C' Family Plan

For additional and current information on the Triple "C" Family Plan, please contact your pastor and person responsible at your church for the plan. Remember, we need a minimum of 1,000 persons throughout the entire Conference to sign up in order for the programme to be fully implemented. Church treasurers are reminded that the first month's report should now be submitted to the conference. -Pastor M. A. Smith, Stewardship Director

### Bahamas Academy Secondary

Bahamas Academy Secondary School is looking for a social studies, history, biology and Bible teacher for grades 7 to 9 to begin in September, 2002. Each applicant should have a bachelor's degree and a teaching certificate. Interested persons should pick up job applications from the school during normal working hours.

For further information, please contact the school at 393-3381.

### Bahamas Academy Elementary

Bahamas Academy Elementary School is accepting applications for two classroom teachers and one physical education teacher for the school year 2002/2003.

Applications are available at the school between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday to Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Fridays. For further information, please contact the school at 393-8898.

### BA Early Learning Centre

The Bahamas Academy Early Learning Centre is now accepting enrollment applications for K2 to K4 at the centre on Soldier Road. Applications may be collected from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. -Desiree Brown, Coordinator ELC

Sun sets today at 7:49 p.m.

Sun sets next Sabbath at 7:52 p.m.

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