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Post-Election Message from The President

On Thursday, May 2nd, the citizens of the Bahamas were privilege to participate in an exercise that many countries still do not enjoy—a peaceful General Election. We joined thousands in voting for the candidates or parties of our choice while respecting the rights and opinions of others.

While many of us are rejoicing at the outcome of the Elections and while there are many who are saddened by the results, let us remember that Our God still rules in the kingdoms of men and through His divine providence orders the events of human history toward the ultimate setting up of His everlasting kingdom.

Therefore, we can and should come together in praying for the newly elected leaders of our country and ask that God's wisdom would prevail as they lead out in the process of governance. Notwithstanding our political persuasions, the Government of the Bahamas is the government for all the people of the Bahamas.

We should also keep in mind that as Christians we face the dilemma of dual citizenship. On the one hand we belong to God's kingdom, and on the other, to our country of citizenship. We are part of the "new humanity" and we live in the midst of the "old humanity." Most of the times there is no conflict with these two conditions but we need to be mindful of the fact that on occasions there may be a conflict when the demands or duties of one citizenship collide with those of the other. In such cases the Scripture is clear: "We must obey God rather than any human authority" (Acts 5:29, NRSV).

Furthermore, God's kingdom is not isolated outside of the present world; it "is among you" (Luke 17:21, NRSV). In other words, the kingdom of God is a sphere, a commitment, an attitude, and a way of life and thinking that permeates our total existence and gives special meaning to national citizenship. It is God's sovereignty invading human living. I pray that this disposition would be ours as we relate to one another and to those who have been elected to lead us over the next five years. Have a Happy Sabbath! -K. D. Albury, president of the Bahamas Conference

Adventist Educator/Author to Conduct Book-Signing

Tonight from set of sun until closing time, Dr. Althea L. McMillan will hold a book-signing session at United Bookshop at the Town Centre Mall. Her latest book, "Definitions of Love," will be available for sale and signing.

Voice of Prophecy to Recommission

Bible School

Beginning May 22, 2002, Bahamas Voice of Prophecy Festival will be held at the Hillview SDA Church.

Invited to share in this festival are Pastor Lonnie and Jeannie Melashenko, Del Delker and Pastor Walter Arties. Pastor Melashenko is the director-speaker for the Voice of Prophecy, the world's second oldest religious broadcast. He began working with the radio ministry in January, 1989, serving as announcer while continuing as senior pastor of the 1,400-member Paradise, California, SDA Church. He was associate director-speaker from May, 1991, through December, 1992, and, on the retirement of H. M. S. Richards Jr., became director-speaker on January 1, 1993

In 2001 the Voice of Prophecy launched "The Voice to the World," a new strategy of global evangelism, composed of three parts: Plant the Word, Preach the Word, and Preserve the Word. These involve, respectively, setting up Bible schools in countries where there is none, conducting evangelistic meetings around the world each year, and following up persons who make decision through radio broadcasts and Bible study materials.

Beginning at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, the re-commissioning of the Voice of Prophecy Bible School will be launched. Special guests along with Elder Lonnie Melashenko will be present to witness this momentous event.

Additionally, services will be held nightly at 7:30 from Wednesday, May 22, to Saturday, May 25, at the Hillview Church. Elder Melashenko will be the guest speaker. Guest artists for this VOP Festival are Del Delker and Pastor Walter Arties.

We are encouraging all members to pray for and attend these meetings. Let us let this be a time of refreshing from the Lord.

'Adventist Spotlight'

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

15th Annual Jeff Rodgers Basketball Camp

Registration for the 15th 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.

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

Breath of Life Concludes 9th Anniversary with Baptism

On Sabbath, April 27th, the Breath of Life Church culminated its 9th anniversary with a baptism of four persons, bringing to 25 the total baptized during their crusade.

The sermon on Sabbath was delivered by first elder Sis. Marva Farquharson. The service was attended by visitors from several churches throughout New Providence, including Pastor and Sis. S. N. McKinney.

The anniversary services began on Sunday, April 21, with a gala musical concert at the Nassau Marriott Crystal Palace in appreciation of Pastor and Mrs. Jeremiah Duncombe. Pastor and Mrs. Walter Arties headlined the concert, and Pastor Arties was the guest speaker at the church from Monday to Wednesday night. The anniversary was truly an inspiring spiritual experience. -J. Duncombe, Pastor

Women's Ministry Crusade

Sunday, April 14th, came and the women of The Bahamas Conference of SDA headed for the Berea Church, where the first annual Women's Ministry Crusade began.

Women from all across the region came to hear other women share the word of God with them and be blessed.

The focus of the two-week crusade was the family with the theme "Home Sweet Home." Speakers included The Bahamas Conference of SDA Women's Ministry Director, Alwhyne Scavella, Women's Ministry assistant leader for the Centreville Church Barbara Carey and the Good News Women's Ministry Leader, Celeste Creighton. (Continued on p. 2)

Women's Ministry Crusade

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Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the people came night after night to hear topics such as "How to Check the Family you Marry," "Home Sweet Home," "Sweet Sixteen," "How to Stop the Quarrelling and Fighting," and "Good Man, Bad Man." The messages were timely and heaven sent, as all who attended received their blessing. The meeting concluded on Sabbath morning, April 29, with a baptism of four precious souls.

Sister Scavella and the Women's Ministry Department wish to thank Pastor Adderley, the church board at Berea, deacons and deaconesses and all who assisted in making the crusade a success.

May God continue to bless all as we work together to bring souls to the light of his truth..

-Celestine Creighton, WM Leader, Good News Church

Congratulations

Congratulations are extended to Mrs. Maureen Gilbert (nee Rahming) and Mr. Carlton Wright, both members of the Centreville Church, on their promotions to the post of Under Secretary in the public service.

Since joining the service, Mrs. Gilbert has served in the Ministries of Education, Health, Transport, Justice and Office of the Attorney-General, and Housing and Social Development, and is now serving in the Ministry of Public Service and Cultural Affairs.

She holds an associate degree from West Indies College (now Northern Caribbean University), a B.Sc from Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, and a certificate in personnel management from The Royal Institute of Public Administration, London, England. She has completed all course work leading to a master's degree in public administration.

Mrs. Gilbert is married to Elder Andrew Gilbert, and has two daughters, Morgan, who has completed her freshman year at Oakwood College, and Manishka a junior at Bahamas Academy.

Mr. Wright has served in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs both at home and abroad. He served as Counsellor in Haiti and Miami, and at the Ministry of Labour and Immigration. He now works in Counsellor Section of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Wright is married to Mrs. Audrey Wright (nee Dean), and has four children.

May --Nurses' Recognition Month

On Sunday, 5th May, 2002, at 3:30 p.m. nurses from throughout The Bahamas will gather at the Golden Gates Assemblies of God on Carmichael Road to launch officially Nurses' Recognition Month celebrations. This service will be preceded by a procession from the Golden Gates Shopping Centre on Blue Hill Road to Carmichael Road. The parade leaves the shopping centre at 2:15 p.m. All nurses are invited to wear full uniforms as they celebrate International Professional day.

Mrs. Betsy Duvalier is inviting all SDA nurses to participate in this procession and attend the church service that follows.

Youth Ministries

▽All churches are asked to submit information, articles, etc. for a youth supplement to be published in the newspapers during National Youth Month. Please contact Audley Mitchell at 362-1258 or the Youth Department at 341-4021/2.

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

▽National T-Shirt Day May 17, 2002.

▽National Youth March May 19th.

▽Pathfinder Camp June 30 to July 7th.

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

▽Youth Crusade/Revival July 28 to August 4th at the Hillview Church.

▽Youth Concert August 4th at the Hillview Church.

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

▽All Masterguides are requested to register with the Youth Department and complete a Masterguide profile form.

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

▽May 10 to 12, 2002, youth leaders' meeting will be held in Jamaica. Youth leaders are asked to register to attend.

▽All Adventurers' leaders are asked to meet at the Good News Church today, May 4, 2002, at 8:30 p.m. with Rohan Creighton.

▽A meeting for all youth leaders, Monday, May 6th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Grant's Town Church.

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.

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, Co-ordinator ELC

Long Bay School

Long Bay School in Marsh Harbour, Abaco, is accepting applications for a high school English language teacher. 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*

Education

Review and reinforcement classes are available for BJC English, BGCSE maths, off ice procedures, English language and typewriting. Call 393-1493 or 380-4091 for details.

SDA Burial Society to Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the SDA Burial Society will be held on Monday, May 6, 2002, at 7:30 p.m. at the Grant's Town Church Annex. Books can be updated. Interested persons are invited to attend and become members of the society. -H. R. Moncur

Softball Update

Sunday, May, 5 at 11:30 a.m. there will be a meeting/training session at the Berea SDA Church for all persons interested in scoring for the softball season.

The names of the teams are on the Conference Youth Webpage. Please visit to see who will be playing whom. The softball season begins June 2nd, 2002. Remember our moto: "Be a Player and not a Spectator" - Tyrrell Miller, president -361-8306

Car Wash

Members of the Grant's Town Youth Choir will hold a car wash tomorrow, May 5, at the Bahamas Academy Secondary School from 9a.m. To 3 p.m. Your support is welcomed!

SDA Health Professionals

You are invited to join the Health Professionals for an exciting educational fulfilled time featuring: Massage, Prizes and surprises and refreshments at the Hillview Church Saturday, May 18 at 8:00 p.m. sharp!

Sun sets today at 7:41 p.m.

Sun sets next Sabbath at 7:45 p.m.

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