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FORTY-TWO BAPTIZED



St. Kitts: After three weeks of evangelistic services, forty-two individuals responded to the transformational message of God's love and power and were added to the Seventh-day Adventist Church in St. Kitts, through baptism. The mass baptism took place on Sabbath, November 17, 2012 at the Frigate Bay Beach in St. Kitts; it was the first baptism on the first Sabbath celebration of the Power in the Blood Gospel Extravaganza.

In a brief interview, Evangelist for the Extravaganza, Pastor Sherwin A.E. White, humbly expressed his gratitude for the individuals who publicly committed their lives to God.

"I am happy that folk responded positively to the call of Christ. As an evangelist, I have seen many more being baptized in a first baptism and I have seen less. Forty-two is a good first harvest. I

am filled with gratitude and my focus is to make sure that all those who have surrendered to Christ continue to walk with Him. I am committed to proclaiming the unadulterated word of God; this is my assignment. I am leaving the transformation of hearts to the Holy Spirit."

Among the forty-two baptized, Ms. Kishma Liburd, shared her joy in being newly baptized. "Satan is seeking to devour the young people of this world and I do not want to be a part of that. I want to serve God. I was baptized because I realized that the world has nothing to offer. God is the only way to live a fulfilling, happy and just life. I now feel joyous, free and richly blessed."

The baptism was preceded by a morning's service that was packaged with inspirational and uplifting musical

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praise provided by several musical soloists, choirs and groups of the Adventist Church on the island including the Power in the Blood Gospel Extravaganza's Choir and the Children's Choir of the St. Kitts Seventh-day Adventist Primary School. Also, inspiring testimonies highlighted the power of God in the lives of Adventist members and brief addresses were made on "Sabbath Keeping", "Stewardship", "Christian Conduct: Modesty" and "The Spirit of Prophecy" by Elder Floyd Revan of the Zion Seventh-day Adventist Church, Pastor

Prince Harris of Antigua and Barbuda, Pastor Kay White, Pastor of District Two, St. Kitts and Elder Myron Percival of the Molineux Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Evangelist Pastor Sherwin White indicated that the Extravaganza is scheduled to continue for two more weeks and baptismal services will be held on the two remaining Sabbaths. He additionally pinpointed that the crusade team is prepared to conduct additional services if it becomes necessary.



WORD OF PROPHECY CRUSADE ENDS WITH 25 PRECIOUS SOULS



Antigua: Saturday November 17, 2012 after two weeks of solid gospel preaching the New Bethel SDA Church rejoiced with Evangelist Whitfield Philip as they saw 25 persons give their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Evangelist preached powerfully every night and even though the enemy attempted to discourage him he kept on preaching for the Lord. During the two week period the Evangelist had to lean on the Saviour who brought his son through life threatening injuries. God was good and his son is now at home recuperating from his injuries. Also, one evening the Evangelist's voice almost failed him, but during the appeal his voice came right back and he was able to appeal powerfully.

There were many miracles during the two week period it was a joy to see so many people accept Jesus.

Another wonderful moment was experienced as the Pastor of the Church, Pastor Mark L. Braithwaite had the privilege of baptising his son, Shemar, who gave his life to the Lord.

Pastor's Braithwaite and Greene conducted

the baptism at Pigeon Point beach where lots of church members turned up to witness the baptism of friends and loved ones. After the baptism lunch was provided and then a thanksgiving service was held at the church.



SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS AWARDED IN NEVIS' 100 MEN'S AWARDS



Nevis: Monday, November 19, was celebrated as International Men's Day worldwide. As part of the activities to celebrate this significant day, Voices of Women (VOW) held a very significant ceremony at the Red Cross Headquarters on Chapel Street, Nevis.

The ceremony was held in order to celebrate 100 men of Nevis. The ceremony commenced with prayer by Canon Ernest Flemming, followed by the national anthem sung by all present. The huge gathering was warmly welcomed by Chairperson Mrs. Nicole Lawrence. She then asked for a minute's silence in honour of the late former Premier of Nevis, Simeon Daniel, who was originally on the list of the 100 men to be honoured but had since died.

President of the Association, Sister Gweneth Browne, then addressed the gathering and warmly congratulated the honourees telling them that it was their 'time to shine.'

Featured speaker for the afternoon's proceedings was Pastor Jerry Languedoc of the Sev-

enth-day Adventist Church on Nevis. He congratulated the VOW team for taking such an initiative to honour the men.

Using a previously used quotation, he admonished and challenged the men to:

- 1) Improve their life expectancy—by getting regular medical checkups, eating right; exercising and getting involved in other similar healthy life-style habits;
- 2) Improve education- He noted that women were normally more motivated to seek after higher-learning;
- 3) Put a stop to violent behaviour and practising anger management;
- 4) Be a role model for younger ones to follow.

Another instructive address was delivered by Mr. Hensley Daniel, Special Advisor to Premier of Nevis, Honourable Joseph Parry, who apologized for the absence of Premier Parry who was otherwise engaged.

Women of Excellence Awards – 10 years and growing



Antigua: It was indeed a service fit for a diamond celebration as hymns of thanksgiving and Psalms of praise filled the Parham Seventh-day Adventist Church. The grand occasion was in recognition of the Women of Excellence Awards 10th Anniversary.

This special service, hosted by the Antigua Seventh-day Adventist Women’s Ministries Association, was held under the theme, “Thanksgiving.” The Praise Team set the tone for the service.

Words of welcome were offered by Genevieve Browne. Olive Gardener approached the throne of grace while Sherry-Ann Henry read Psalm 136.

In her greetings, Women’s Ministries Assistant Island Co-ordinator, Christine Steele, made a clarion call for women, especially mothers, to become a part of the ministry.

The feature presentation was well delivered and received. Mrs. Carolyn Heskey told the gathering that God showers us with blessings we do not deserve and in amounts we cannot measure. These blessings – which we receive through Christ – she likens to a cornucopia basket of gifts. In this basket we find a **wonderful, unconditional love** and she reminded the women that they were special and chosen by God who gives us **helpers**: the Holy Spirit, angels encamping around us, and the Word for our soul, our

weapon against the enemy. The third gift in the basket is **prayer** – the wonderful privilege of continuous access to the throne room where we can find help in the time of need. Next, was **salvation** which is graciously wrapped in Christ’s righteousness gridded with truth, peace and faith. These, she admonished, were “our spiritual weapons” with which to defend against the enemy.

Among the other potpourri of blessings are **patience and longsuffering**. According to Mrs. Heskey, “God gives us time to see ourselves as we are, so we can see our weakness and un-Christ-like selves,” thus allowing us the opportunity to ask God to mold and fashion us after His will.

To mark the momentous occasion, the association, in keeping with its mission, made a special presentation to ten female students of the Antigua and Barbuda Seventh-day Adventist Secondary School. The ten “gems” **Satrechia Constant, Ashley Sheppard, Kharnel Park, Jermica Parker, Adassa Thomas, Unique Samuels, Tekesia Haynes, Danielle Ford, Teriann Christian and Zenaida Dharangit** were each given a certificate of excellence, \$100 towards their **CXC** expenses and an inspirational music cd. The students were admonished by the Women’s Ministries Island Coordinator, Brenda Ashe, to be “ambassadors ... outstanding and exemplary young ladies,” and to “represent women well at all times.”

The association will climax its diamond celebrations with the much anticipated Women of Excellence Awards and Banquet slated for Sunday, 25th November at Sandals Grande Antigua Resort.



GOD WILL SEND YOU RAVENS

Written by: Tessa Bango

The whole world is presently going through an economical drought, and we know as people of God that it will get worse. If ever there was a time we needed to know our God and to trust Him for all things, it's now more than ever. God has promised to supply all our needs and He will always come through for His people.

In 1 Kings 17:2-6, God led Elijah to a source of water and commanded ravens to feed him twice daily while Samaria was going through a drought. When the water from the Brook Cherith dried up, God sent Elijah to Jarephath where he was provided for by the widow woman(1 Kings 17:7-16).

God knows exactly what we need, how much we need and where to get exactly what we need. With God, our bread and water are sure, we just have to learn to trust God to supply our needs. We also need to note that God is always right on time

and this is because we serve an all knowing God. Our God knows the future so He knows exactly which green pastures to lead us to.

There is no need for us to grumble or complain when hard times are upon us, instead be thankful to God for what you have now and what He is about to do for you. Remember your ravens are coming with just what you need.

For some persons it might be a job, financial, medical, social, emotional, spiritual or a life changing decision to make, tell it all to Jesus and He will work all things out for your good. God will answer you in the most unusual ways and send you help from persons and places unexpected. He will lead you where waters are flowing, He will cause your oil and meal to keep flowing until this economical drought has passed. Nothing is impossible with our God!!!

MEN AT BROWN HILL MEN HONOURED

Nevis: It was a very important moment for the men at the Brown Hill Church as they were all recognized last Sabbath by the Women's Ministries Department.

In recognition of the upcoming International Men's Day, the



women of the church, took time out to celebrate their men. The men all received certificates of appreciation during the Sabbath School period.

They were also in for another treat as it was also the day when the children featured and they certainly gave a good account of themselves. It was definitely a high day in Zion.

CHARLESTOWN DEACONS AND DEACONESSES FEATURE



Men's Quartet

Nevis: Sabbath last, was a very special day at the Charlestown Church. It was the day that the Deacons and Deaconesses featured.

The Deacons and Deaconesses took care of the Sabbath School program and also took charge of the Divine Hour Service. Pastor Jerry Languedoc preached the sermon of the day and he reminded the Deacons and Deaconesses that their role was not simply one of collecting the offering and mow-

ing the grass in the church yard but that they had to be example setters and live in accordance with God's will.

However, they were even more in focus during the AY session as they were the main contributors to an exhilarating concert. Members from all around the island were present as part of the packed audience.

Some of the highlights of the afternoon included: 1) A treasure hunt which saw the participants from three of the churches doing a search for key words in specific texts in the bible and finding certain objects that were placed at strategic positions throughout the church. 2) Sisters Shenikah and Amy were the two winners receiving an apple cider and a fruit basket for their efforts. 3) A "People will talk," by Sister Parry; 4) A song by little Sister Pearl Clarke; 5) Songs by the Deacons and Deaconesses choir; 6) A poem by Brother Oneil and later a song; 7) A song by a children's choir; and 8) A men's quartet and later a men's group.

ELIZABETH ROMEO, A MONT'SERRAT MISSIONARY



Elizabeth Romeo

Montserrat: After the volcanic eruption in 1995, Sister Elizabeth Romeo, moved to the United Kingdom.

In London she belongs to the Hampstead SDA church where a number on Kenyans attend.

During and Education Day, one of the Kenyans testified that his family was extremely poor, he went on to explain that such was his thirst to obtain a formal education that he went to school naked. His father could just manage to scrape together his tuition fees but not enough for cloths as well.

Mrs. Romeo decided to travel to Kenya to obtain first hand information about the needs of the underprivileged children there. Having experienced herself the dire situation of majority of the people in Kenya, Mrs. Romeo felt that she could then make a practical Christian response to the problem.

ELIZABETH ROMEO, A MONTSERRAT MISSIONARY



In 1998, she initiated the Children Ministries Programme that was given the name *Good Health for Africa (GoHFA)* in 2004. The programme was to do five main things: 1) Prevent and relieve poverty; 2) Provide Education for the children; 3) Provide proper and free health facilities; 4) Help the community to develop economically; 5) Provide clean water for drinking and household purposes.

Khayegais a small town in the district of Kakamega with a population of over one million. The main source of income comes from growing maize. However most of the population do not own or have access to enough land to grow sufficient food to feed their families, and at the same time have enough to sell and to obtain an income.

Mrs. Romeo was moved when she saw the suffering of the children as a result of disease such as Aids, Malaria, Typhoid, dental problems and various forms of serious skin diseases. The impact of Aids on the family life is devastating often resulting in orphan hood, homelessness, hunger and crime. The lack of basic care for pregnant mothers, babies and the mentally ill was moving. Mrs. Romeo saw a great need for adult education, for example literacy, numeracy, food production and basic life skills.

Over the past ten years Mrs. Romeo and her

GoHFA team with the help of sponsorship and contributions were able to: Create a multipurpose primary school with 8 classrooms, a staff room and an office. The school is now established as a church. Two other Sabbath Schools have also been established. There is a Pathfinder Club which is integrated into the school programme from Kindergarden to Grade Ten. There were also purchases of school furniture, a van and school uniforms for the children. Additionally, accommodations were provided for some of the staff. The school has a roll of 390 students and each child is given two hot meals a day, for some it's the only meal they will get. Also, there is a vegetable garden in the school which is used to supply the kitchen.

The Donald Romeo Academy placed number two in the KCPE exams for the district, it was also named best private school in the district, and during the tribal troubles it was the only operating school in the district.

The school is an on-going project and depends on donations to survive, it only costs \$2.00 EC a day to feed a child.

For more information on this project you can visit: www.goodhealthforafrica.com. You can also call Mrs. Beth Romeo at 1664 491 2797 or UK011 44 207 837 8315 Email beth_romeo@yahoo.co.uk.

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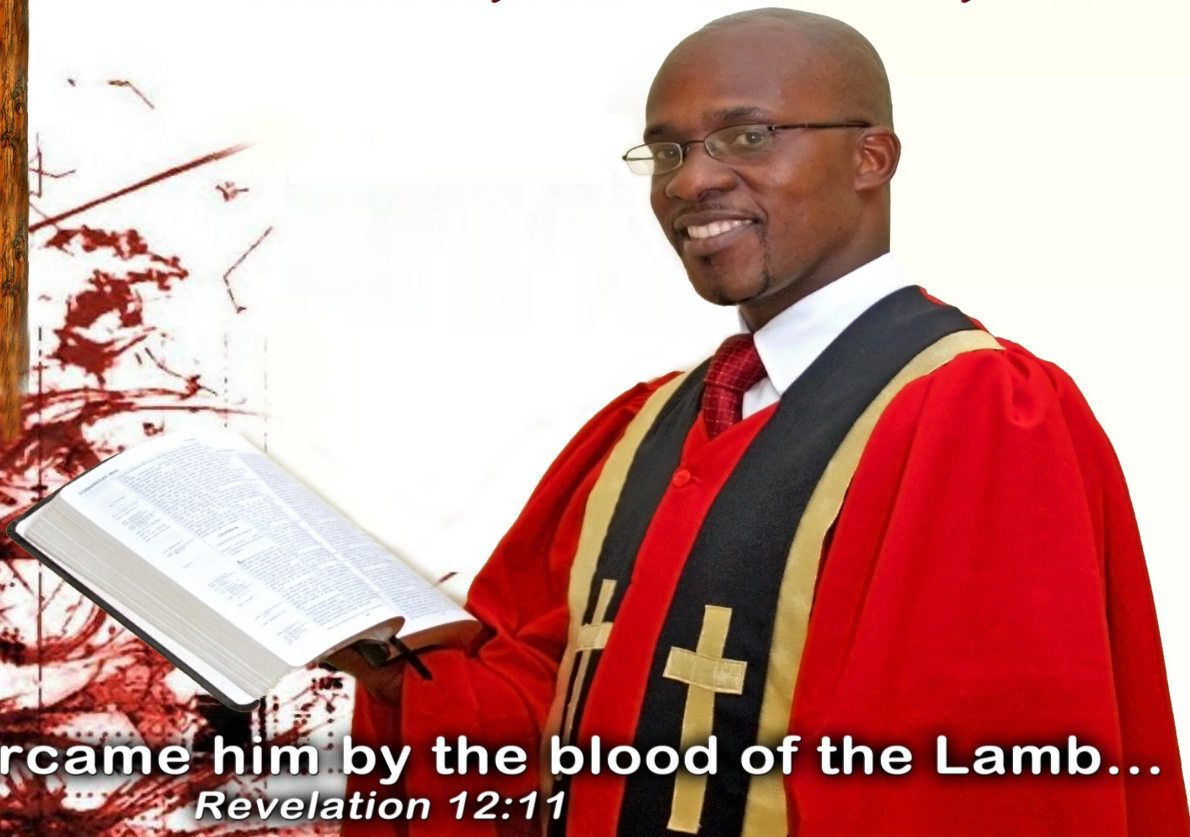
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And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb...

Revelation 12:11

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What are some of the options for use of the interest on investment?

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How can I learn more about investment opportunities in C.U.R.F.?

Personnel from your local conference, institution or the Caribbean Union Revolving Fund are available to provide materials and conduct seminars so that you can make informed decisions about investment opportunities and long-term financial planning.

Is the Caribbean Union Revolving Fund available online?

You can interact with C.U.R.F. and download forms or other pertinent data.

Website: www.legacy.vg/caribbeanunionadventist

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C.U.R.F. is a non profit organization established by the Caribbean Union Conference Executive Committee. The fund handles savings, loans, and investments via the Revolving Fund, also known as C.U.R.F. (Caribbean Union Revolving Fund).

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