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COOKING UP HOPE: MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT DELIVERS VITAL HURRICANE RELIEF



Mrs. Carol Smythe-James presents Ms. Violet Tummings with the six-burner stove courtesy of Kiuki Tours and a portion of the proceeds from the Mother's Day Concert and Extravaganza held on May 9, 2026. [Photo:]

MONTEGO BAY, ST. JAMES — While her kitchen had sat quiet since Hurricane Melissa devastated her home, Violet Tummings of Lacovia, St. Elizabeth, is cooking again. In a strategic move to provide direct, practical disaster relief, the West Jamaica Conference Women's Ministries Department transformed its annual Mother's Day celebration into a lifeline, surprising Ms. Tummings with a brand-new, six-burner stove.

"This year we were more strategic in identifying our recipients," explained Carol Smythe-James, Women's Ministries Director of the West Jamaica Conference. "Our primary goal was to find mothers who suffered severe losses from Hurricane Melissa. Ms. Violet was one such individual; her stove was completely destroyed during the storm. Through a sponsorship from Kiuki Tours, combined with a portion of the concert's ticket proceeds, we were able to purchase a new 6-burner stove for her."

The surprise announcement was made during the "Expression of Love" Mother's Day Concert and Extravaganza, held on May 9, 2026, at the Seventh-day Adventist Conference Center. On May 17, 2026, the team traveled to St. Elizabeth to deliver the appliance directly to Ms. Tummings' home.

Fighting back tears of relief, Tummings noted that the donation could not have come at a better time for her family.

"I am so glad because I needed a stove very, very badly after Hurricane Melissa," she shared. "I want to thank Sis. James and her team for thinking about me and helping me in this meaningful way."

Mr. Menard Clarke, owner of Kiuki Tours, explained that his decision to sponsor the initiative stemmed from his personal faith and an innate desire to uplift others.

"My main reason for coming on board is having experienced the existential goodness of God myself, which leaves me with no choice but to share my resources with others," Clarke said. "Any opportunity I get to give back brings me great joy, allowing me to contribute positively to humanity."

An Evening of Celebration and Honor

The outreach was the centerpiece of a larger, vibrant celebration that drew an enthusiastic crowd of over 400 attendees to the conference center. Organized entirely by the Women's Ministries Department, the annual concert and extravaganza celebrated mothers from both the church and the wider community.

The evening featured a lineup of uplifting musical performances from various local artists, while

event host Mical Forsythe kept the audience thoroughly engaged with lively crowd activities—including a spirited round of “Bible Family Feud” that put the women’s scriptural knowledge to the test.

Another major highlight of the evening was the special recognition of 40 mothers who demonstrated exemplary punctuality.

“Before the doors even opened, these women were pinned with special ribbons, and during the program, each was called to the stage and presented with a token of appreciation on behalf of the department for their punctuality,” Director Smythe-James noted.



Forty early-bird mothers received tokens of appreciation during the Women’s Ministries Department’s “Expressions of Love” Mother’s Day Concert and Extravaganza held on May 9, 2026, at the Seventh-day Adventist Conference Center.

Numerous other tokens of appreciation, including custom bouquets and gift baskets, were distributed throughout the program. Special categories highlighted the youngest mother, the oldest mother, and the mother with the most children in attendance, ensuring that the sacrifices of mothers from all walks of life were honored.



West Jamaica Conference Women’s Ministries Director Carol Smythe-James presents a Mother’s Day gift basket of appreciation to Cherrlynn Bryce at the Mother’s Day Concert and Extravaganza.

A Continuing Legacy of Community Care

The Women’s Ministries team emphasized that this relief effort is not a one-time event, as they remain deeply committed to identifying more women in need and providing practical, community-focused assistance across the constituency wherever possible.

Expressing deep appreciation for the collective effort that made the massive undertaking a success, Mrs. Smythe-James stated:

“We express heartfelt gratitude to the administration and staff of the West Jamaica Conference, the patrons, the planning committee, and all corporate sponsors who made the evening a success, noting that such outreach initiatives continue to make a lasting difference in communities across Western Jamaica keeping hope on the front burner.”

By Karissa Shaw and Shantel Neal

WEST WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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With these principles in mind, the St. Elizabeth Adventist Youth Federation hosted its Investiture Service at the Goshen Seventh-day Adventist Church on May 9, 2026. The service was presided over by Pastor Allan Green, Youth Ministries Director of the West Jamaica Conference.

Reflecting on the event, Pastor Green noted, “We had over 70 Pathfinders being invested. It was a day where six Pathfinders received top performer awards in their respective classes, namely: Friend, Companion, Explorer, Ranger, Voyager, and Guide.” He added, “Special trophies were also given to youths who won games during the Parish and Camp Sports Days. These awards were sponsored by Dr. Balvin Braham, Vice President for the Inter-American Division and former Youth Director of the West Jamaica Conference.”

The Charge was delivered by Pastor Warren Gillen, Youth Ministries Director of the South England Conference, who was on the island for a courtesy visit ahead of an upcoming mission trip. Focusing on Psalm 51:10—“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me”—he encouraged the Pathfinders to seek the heart of

God, just as David did.

A major highlight of the evening was the presentation of a plaque to Pastor Delbert Brown, of the Lititz District, in recognition of his unwavering support for Youth Ministries.

“I am truly humbled and grateful for this honour. Serving alongside dedicated leaders, young people, and church members has been a rewarding experience,” Pastor Brown noted. “I remain committed to supporting the growth and development of our youth as they serve God and their communities. This recognition has inspired me to continue working faithfully and to encourage others to do the same.”

Other officials present on the platform included Pastor Kristoff Hyman, Associate Youth Director; Kevin Seaton, Area Coordinator for Logistics and Camping; Rayan Bent, Federation President; Adeima Laderick-Leslie, Youth Ministries Department Secretary; and Bryan Palmer, Area Coordinator for Camping.

Pastor Green concluded with words of praise for the organizers: “We give commendations to the St. Elizabeth Adventist Youth Federation, under the leadership of Area Coordinator Anice Lyn-Wedemire and Pathfinder Secretary Barrington Tavares. The team did an excellent job. Overall, it was a beautiful day and we give God thanks.”

by Anice Lyn-Wedemire



PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

Advent Health and Andrews Hospital Medical Mission Trip held at New Market SDA in St. Elizabeth on May 19, 2026.





Union presidents from across the Inter-American Division pose with signed Hope Channel agreements following the special media evangelism commitment ceremony during the Spring Meeting on May 6, 2026, in Miami, Florida, United States. [Photo: Daniel Gallardo/IAD]

NEWS FROM THE INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION

Adventist Leaders Sign Hope Channel Agreement to Expand Media Evangelism Across Inter-America

Union presidents pledge greater collaboration in using television, radio, and digital communication to reach communities throughout the territory.

May 12, 2026 | Miami, Florida, United States | Libna Stevens, Inter-American Division News

Top Seventh-day Adventist administrators representing the 25 unions of the Inter-American Division (IAD) joined in a special signing ceremony committing their territories to strengthen the evangelistic mission and media outreach of Hope Channel Inter-America during the Executive Committee Spring Meeting on May 6, 2026, in Miami, Florida, United States.

The ceremony formalized a memorandum of collaboration and representation between Hope Channel Inter-America and each union across the territory for the 2026–2030 quinquennium. The agreement outlines how each union president will serve as the official representative of Hope Channel within his territory while working with local coordinators to promote media evangelism, oversee content production, and strengthen the use of Hope Channel, Hope Media, and Hope Radio platforms.



Abel Márquez, executive director of Hope Channel Inter-America, speaks during the special Hope Channel agreement signing ceremony at the Inter-American Division Spring Meeting on May 6, 2026, in Miami, Florida, United States. [Photo: Daniel Gallardo/IAD]

Expanding a Regional Media Network

Abel Márquez, executive director of Hope Channel Inter-America, said the network has grown significantly since the IAD Executive Committee voted 12 years ago to adopt the Hope Channel brand throughout the territory and since the channel officially launched 10 years ago.

“What began as a television channel has become a

network of digital and traditional media throughout Inter-America,” Márquez said, explaining that the organization now operates as a broad media network serving multiple unions and countries across the territory.

Márquez explained that the division administration voted last year to establish a new administrative board to oversee the entire Hope Channel media network in Inter-America, composed of union presidents from across the territory and chaired by the president of the division. One of the first actions of the board was to renew and formalize representation agreements between Hope Channel Inter-America and each union.



Sam Neves, vice president for Advancement and Communication at Hope Channel International, addresses church leaders during the Hope Channel signing ceremony on May 6, 2026. [Photo: Daniel Gallardo/IAD]

Using Every Technology for Mission

During the ceremony, Sam Neves, vice president for Advancement and Communication at Hope Channel International, reminded leaders that the Adventist Church has always embraced communication technologies to proclaim the gospel.

“If someone invents a technology to communicate with others, you can trust that the Adventist Church will use it to fulfill its mission,” Neves said.

Neves emphasized that Hope Channel exists primarily to reach people outside the church rather than simply communicate internal church information. He noted that Hope Channel now broadcasts in 120 languages worldwide through a global network of 90 channels, but stressed that much more work remains to reach additional language groups.



Pastor Abner De los Santos, president of the Inter-American Division, encourages leaders to fulfill the mission “through every possible means” during the Hope Channel Inter-America agreement ceremony on May 6, 2026. [Photo: Daniel Gallardo/IAD]

“God is calling you to represent this 24/7 evangelistic campaign through internet, television, radio, images, and every possible medium,” Neves told union presidents gathered for the ceremony.

Commitment to the Mission

Pastor Abner De los Santos, president of the IAD, described the agreement as a commitment to continue strengthening evangelism through all forms of communication across the territory.

“Inter-America is all of us,” said De los Santos. “God wants us to fulfill the mission as never before, using every possible means and involving every person who is part of the church in Inter-America.”



Sam Neves, vice president for Advancement and Communication at Hope Channel International, signs the Hope Channel agreement during the special ceremony on May 6, 2026, in Miami, Florida, United States. [Photo: Daniel Gallardo/IAD]

He also connected the media initiative to the church's broader mission focus throughout the territory, saying Hope Channel is one of the tools God is using to illuminate the earth with the message of hope and salvation. “Hope Channel reaches people outside the church, but it also prepares the church to receive those who will come as a result of that work,” De los Santos said.

The agreement signed by union presidents outlines responsibilities related to local representation, media coordination, production development, brand oversight, training, and collaboration with Hope Channel Inter-America leadership. The document also affirms the partnership between the unions, the Inter-American Division, and Hope Channel International in advancing evangelistic media outreach across the territory.

Please click to view more

CALENDAR OF MISSION 2026

May

- 1 - 31 CELEBRATIONS - Emphasis on Beliefs
- 1 - 31 Stewardship - Emphasis on Treasure
- 1 - 31 Child's Month/ Children in Mission Evangelism
- 1 - 31 Drug Addiction & Awareness Month
- 2 Community Services Day/ Lay Preachers & Bible Workers' Federation Rally - St. James
- 3 Communion with God - Hour of Prayer
- 3 Community Services Expo
- 2 - 4 May It Go Well with You - Public Campus Ministries
- 6 Teachers' Day
- 9 Adventist Volunteer/ VividFaith Day
- 9 Men & Beams, and Couples Rally - St. Elizabeth
- 10 Mother's Day Concert
- 10 - 15 Celebration of the Family in Schools - Family Week of Prayer
- 12 Executive Committee Meeting
- 16 Global Adventurer Day/ Church Clerk 7th Sabbath Attendance Count
- 21 Ministerial Development Seminar
- 23 UNASSIGNED
- 24 - 25 Labour Day Projects - EYES Hurricane Outreach Projects: See the Need, Meet the Need (GOS, KMG)
- 24 - 30 Children's Evangelism Week (CSJ)
- 25 Public Holiday - Labour Day
- 30 Children's Baptismal Day (CSJ)

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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2026, May 1

To: All Pastors and Members
The Seventh-day Adventist Church
West Jamaica Conference

Fellow Servants of the Living God,

Please accept Christian greetings from the administration of the West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The devastation left by Hurricane Melissa has exacerbated some of the key spiritual markers that generally define or represent the identity and health of the church. The trends in church attendance in general, participation in Bible study, prayer meeting, stewardship, and mission have given pause for concern and require immediate action from those who lead the Church at all levels. Consequently, the administration will be hosting a special **Conservation Summit** from **May 29 - 31, 2026**, at the Noel Fraser Auditorium, Seventh-day Adventist Conference Centre, Montego Bay, St. James. Details are as follows:

Church officers invited: First Elders, Conservation Elders, Sabbath School Superintendents, and Youth Leaders.

Cost: \$3,000 per delegate; \$2,500 if four or more delegates are sent.

Theme: "Grounded in the Bible, Focused on the Mission, Restoring Hope."

Registration begins at **3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 29**. While we are aware that many congregations are still grappling with the aftermath of Melissa, we cannot allow the Mission to suffer. Together, we rebuild; together, we recover; and together, we push the Mission. A pre-registration link will be provided to aid information flow.

Yours in the Master's Service,

Vincent G. Rose (Pastor) M.A., J.P.
PRESIDENT

PERSONAL MINISTRIES

MAY



WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

Personal Ministries Department

LAY PREACHERS' & BIBLE WORKERS' FEDERATION RALLY

THEME: **GROUNDING IN THE BIBLE, FOCUSED ON THE MISSION, RESTORING HOPE**

MAY
23, 2026

Venue: Seventh-day Adventist Conference Centre
Mount Salem Rd, Montego Bay

Starting @ **9AM**

Guest Presenters



Pr. **Jermaine Johnson**
President, North Jamaica Conference



Pr. **Omar Oliphant**
PARL Director, EJC & Pastor, Andrews Memorial SDA Church

EXPECTED ATTENDEES:

Personal Ministries Leaders and Secretaries, Lay Preachers, Bible Workers Interest Coordinators and all other Personal Ministries Personnel.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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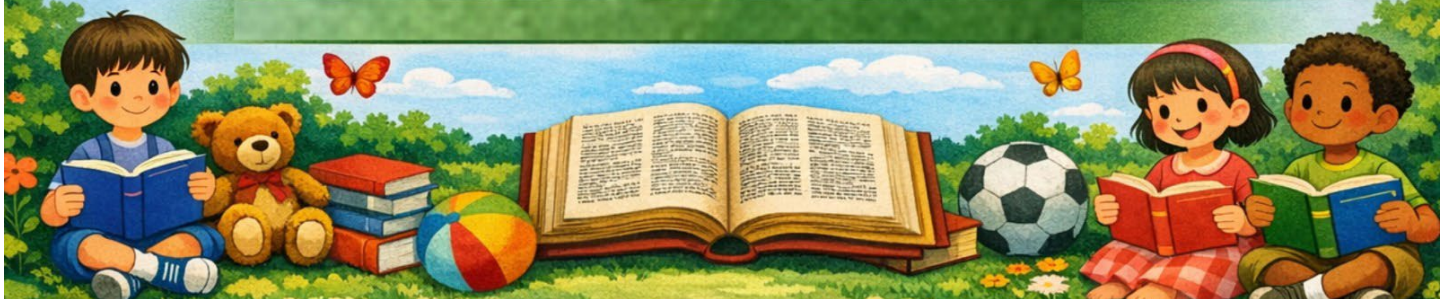


**West Jamaica Conference
Children's Ministries Department**



Child's Month 2026 Bible Verses for Each Day

May 1 Mark 10:14	May 2 Psalm 127:3	May 3 Isaiah 54:13	May 4 Proverbs 22:6	May 5 Psalm 139:14	May 6 Philippians 4:7	May 7 Matthew 18:10
May 8 Jeremiah 29:11	May 9 3 John 1:4	May 10 Psalm 91:11	May 11 Psalm 91:11	May 11 Ephesians 6:1	May 12 Joshua 1:9	May 13 Joshua 1:9
May 14 Isaiah 40:31	May 15 Psalm 34:18	May 15 Luke 2:52	May 16 Psalm 2:52	May 17 Romans 15:13	May 18 Deuteronomy 6:6-7	May 20 1 Peter 5:7
May 21 Psalm 68:6	May 22 Matthew 11:28	May 23 Proverbs 17:6	May 24 Proverbs 17:6	May 25 Zephaniah 3:17	May 26 Psalm 66:6	May 27 Psalm 147:3
May 29 Psalm 147:3	May 27 Colossians 3:21	May 28 2 Timothy 1:7	May 29 James 1:17	May 30 Psalm 46:1	May 30 Psalm 46:1	May 31 Numbers 6:24-26



PERSONAL MINISTRIES

JUNE



WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE
Personal Ministries Department

WESTMORELAND

LAY PREACHERS & BIBLE WORKERS' FEDERATION RALLY

& the Launch of **Proclamation of Hope Series**

THEME: **GROUNDED IN THE BIBLE,
FOCUSED ON THE MISSION, RESTORING HOPE**

JUNE 6, 2026

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
FOOTPRINTS

Savanna-la-Mar, Westmoreland,
Jamaica

Guest Presenters



DIVINE WORSHIP
Pr. Jermaine Johnson
President,
North Jamaica Conference



SABBATH SCHOOL
Pr. Barrington Mclean,
Sabbath School Director
JAMU



AFTERNOON SPEAKER
Dr. Joseph Smith
Vice President / Ministerial Secretary
JAMU

EXPECTED ATTENDEES:

Lay Preachers, Bible Workers, Personal Ministries Leaders
and Secretaries, and all other Personal Ministries Personnel

EYES MENTORSHIP

MAY



EMPOWERING YOUTH ENGAGING SOCIETY
West Jamaica Conference Mentorship Initiative

MENTORSHIP TRAINING 2026

TRAINING SCHEDULE

HANOVER

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026
9:00 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.
FACE-TO-FACE | HANOVER
PROBATION OFFICE

ST. JAMES

MAY 11, 12, 14, 18, 19 & 21, 2026
7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.
ONLINE

ST. ELIZABETH

May 18, 19 & 21, 2026
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Online

WESTMORELAND

MAY 18, 19 & 21, 2026
7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.
ONLINE

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JUNE



West Jamaica Conference
Health Ministries Department

Invites all churches to participate in our

5K HEALTH WALK 2026

SAVE *the* DATES

ST. ELIZABETH
JUNE 7 | 6AM

ST. JAMES
JUNE 14 | 6AM

WESTMORELAND
JUNE 21 | 6AM

HANOVER
JUNE 28 | 6AM



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TIPS:



WEAR COMFORTABLE WALKING GEARS

TAKE A BOTTLE OF WATER

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HEALTH MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT.

CONFERENCE EVENTS

JULY-AUG



West Jamaica Conference
Youth Ministries Department

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CAMP BRAHAM
TREASURE BEACH | ST. ELIZABETH

Save THE Date

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JUL. 21 - JUL. 28

SENIORS

JUL. 28 - AUG. 4

CONTACT YOUR YOUTH LEADER FOR MORE DETAILS!

LOCAL EVENTS

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SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH FLANKER

HEALTH MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT

In collaboration with

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EVANGELISTIC SERIES

Theme:
Journeying from Eden to Heaven

WHEN: May 23, 2026 to June 6, 2026

WHERE: Flanker SDA

TIME: 9:15am Sabbaths & 7pm Nightly



COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR



WHEN:
June 5 & 7, 2026

WHERE:
Flanker Primary School, Flanker, Montego Bay, St James

TIME: 9am-5pm

SERVICES OFFERED:

- Basic Health screening checks
- Papsmear screening
- Medication dispensing
- School medical
- Dental cleaning & Extraction

AVAILABLE DOCTORS & SPECIALISTS

- Pediatricians
- Audiologist
- General Practitioners
- Gynecologist
- Dentists



CONFERENCE EVENTS

JULY

WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

NOTICE THE SEVENTH QUADRENNIAL SESSION FOR WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

Notice is hereby given that the **Seventh Quadrennial Session of the West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists** will be held on **JULY 12 - 13, 2026** at the **Seventh-day Adventist Conference Centre, Mt. Salem Road, Montego Bay. St James.**

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at the Noel Frazer Auditorium.

This session is called to:

- ◆ Receive reports from the officers and the various departments.
- ◆ Elect Administrators and Departmental Directors to serve the ensuing term.
- ◆ Consider revisions and changes of the Conference's constitution and by-laws.
- ◆ Discuss and appropriately adopt the strategic plan to guide the activities of the Conference.
- ◆ Transact such other business as may be placed before the delegates

Vincent Rose, President
Donovan F. Williams, Executive Secretary
Marion Barrett-Popkin, Treasurer



LOCAL EVENTS

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AdventHealth, Andrews Memorial Hospital Ltd.,
Jamaica Union Conference & West Jamaica Conference
of Seventh-day Adventists (SDA)

Medical Mission Health Fair in *St. Elizabeth*



MAY 18-22, 2026

DAILY HOURS:
Registration: 8:00 a.m.
Event: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

FIVE LOCATIONS – ONE MISSION

	MONDAY MAY 18	Junction SDA Church
	TUESDAY MAY 19	New Market SDA Church (Under the Tent)
	WEDNESDAY MAY 20	InTown SuperCentre, School Street, Black River
	THURSDAY MAY 21	White Hill SDA Church
	FRIDAY MAY 22	Santa Cruz SDA Church

SERVICES AVAILABLE

- Doctors' Consultation
- Eye Screening
- Dental Screening
- Pastoral & Psychosocial Care
- Prescription Medication



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06TH JUNE
2026

9:15AM

SPEAKER
PASTOR ADLAI BLYTHE

LOCAL EVENTS

JULY



NORWOOD

SAVE THE DATE

Putting
God in the
Midst of
HARVEST 2026

2 Days for Harvest Celebration 2026.

*Friday Evening Online Vesper Service
& Sabbath Celebration*

JULY 10-11

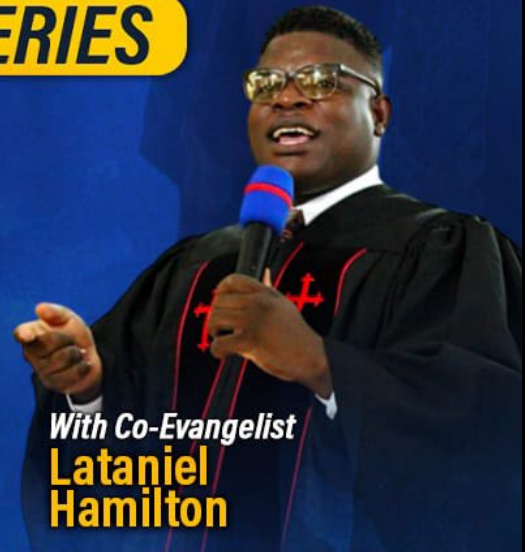
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Seventh-day Adventist Churches
Lilliput, Power of Love & Ocean Heights
invite you to

Prepare to **MEET** *thy* **GOD** **EVANGELISTIC SERIES**



With Evangelist
**Livingston
Burgess**

With Co-Evangelist
**Lataniel
Hamilton**

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SUN-THUR 7:00PM
SABBATHS 9:15AM
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- Bible Study
- Weddings



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Lilliput, St. James

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THE LUCEA SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

INVITES YOU TO

MESSAGES OF HOPE

Evangelistic Series



SPECIAL FEATURES

POWER PACKED PREACHING / PRAYER SESSIONS
INSPIRATIONAL SINGING / BABY DEDICATIONS



WITH PASTOR
DEVON HEATH
EVANGELIST

STARTING: SABBATH,
APRIL 18
2026
NIGHTLY MEETINGS START AT 7:00 PM
SABBATHS AT 9:15 AM



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CHURCH, LUCEA, HANOVER

REST NIGHTS
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LOCAL EVENTS

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Seventh-day Adventist Churches
DIAS & BLENHEIM

invite you to

BUILDING STRONG Families

IT'S ABOUT TIME
EVANGELISTIC SERIES

MAY
02
to
30
2026

NIGHTLY 7:00pm
NO MEETINGS ON FRIDAYS

SABBATHS 9:15am

UNDER THE TENT IN
Blenheim,
HANOVER

◀ CO-EVANGELIST

Pastor
Dwayne Thompson
Pastor, Dias District of
Seventh-day Adventist Churches



WITH EVANGELIST ▲

Pastor
Charles T. Brevitt
Vice President,
West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists



LOCAL EVENTS

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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
WELCOME HALL AND LADEN MOUNT
P R E S E N T

GOD'S FINAL CALL

Evangelistic Series

Starting

16 TH MAY 2026

7:15PM NIGHTLY

9:15AM ON SABBATHS

VENUE: SDA CHURCH,
LADEN MOUNT

Rest Nights

Tuesdays and Fridays

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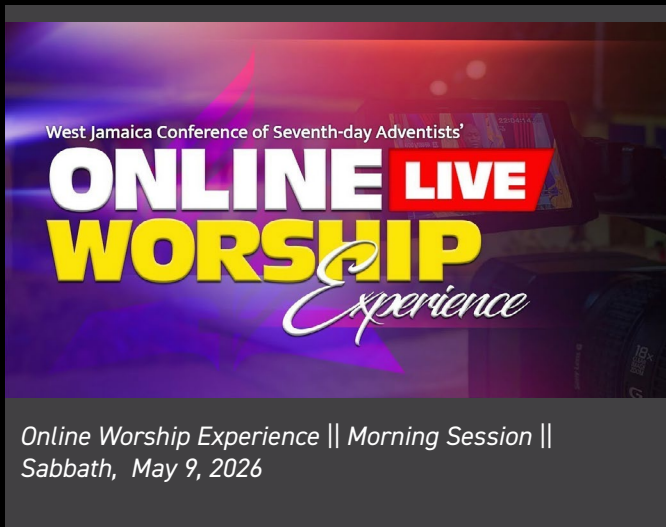
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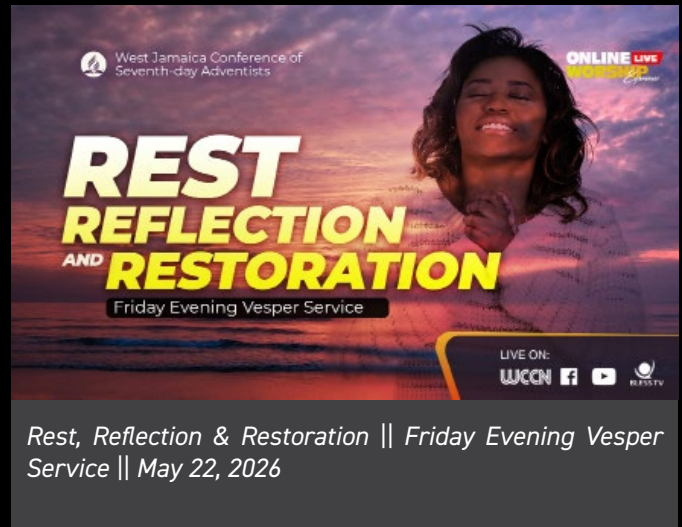
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West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

ONLINE LIVE WORSHIP Experience

Online Worship Experience || Morning Session || Sabbath, May 9, 2026



West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

REST REFLECTION AND RESTORATION

Friday Evening Vesper Service

LIVE ON: WCCN f y BLESS TV

Rest, Reflection & Restoration || Friday Evening Vesper Service || May 22, 2026



The **BIBLE STUDY** Hour

GROWING IN A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Bible Study Hour || 2nd Quarter || Lesson 8 | May 23, 2026



West Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

HOPE AT THE MERCY SEAT

Wednesday Night Prayer Service

LIVE ON: WCCN f y BLESS TV

Hope at the Mercy Seat || Wednesday Night Prayer Service || May 22, 2026

REFLECTING THE LIGHT

Finding Joy



In a world wired for constant stimulation and immediate gratification, joy can feel frustratingly elusive. We chase it through achievements, relationships, possessions, and experiences, only to find that the initial thrill fades, leaving us reaching for the next thing. This is not a failure of willpower but a fundamental design flaw: we were built for a joy far greater than anything this world can manufacture. That joy, enduring and complete, is found not in a thing or an experience, but in a Jesus Christ.

The joy found in Jesus is radically different from the fleeting happiness the world offers. Worldly happiness depends on favorable circumstances—a promotion, a compliment, a sunny day. When those circumstances shift, as they inevitably do, happiness evaporates. But the joy of Christ runs deeper. It is a fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22), a supernatural wellspring that exists independently of our external situation. The apostle Paul, writing from a prison cell—cold, chained, and uncertain of his future—did not tell the Philippians to try harder to be happy. He told them to “rejoice in the Lord always” (Philippians 4:4). His joy wasn’t built on freedom or comfort; it was rooted in a relationship with his Savior.

This joy is also deeply practical. It doesn’t deny pain or pretend circumstances are fine when they are not. Instead, it coexists with sorrow, providing an anchor in the storm. The Christian who has found joy in Christ can weep at a graveside and still say, “O death, where is your sting?” (1 Corinthians 15:55). That same joy transforms ordinary moments: a meal shared with

family, a kind word spoken, a sunset painted across the sky—all become echoes of God’s goodness. Even ordinary tasks like washing dishes or commuting to work become acts of worship when done for His glory.

In the end, the pursuit of joy in Jesus is not a selfish one. It is the most selfless and freeing journey we can take. For in Him, we discover that we were made for more than temporary highs. We were made for an eternal, all-satisfying joy that begins now and stretches into forever. As the old hymn promises, “The things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.” That is the joy of Jesus: not an escape from reality, but the discovery that He is the true reality our hearts have always been seeking. And in finding Him, we find everything we truly need.

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CHRISTIANITY AND DRUG ADDICTION



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How can doctors and church leaders better collaborate to create a safe environment that encourages believers to seek help before a crisis occurs?

Pastors and mental health professionals offer complementary roles that provide whole-person care by merging spiritual discipleship with evidence-based, clinical treatment. Because church leaders are often the trusted first responders who notice early behavioral and emotional changes, they can actively reduce stigma by teaching that seeking professional help is a sign of wisdom rather than spiritual weakness. By collaborating with therapists through educational church awareness sessions, congregations can cultivate safe, non-judgmental environments free from shame or gossip. Ultimately, this unified approach reframes therapy as essential preventative care, encouraging individuals to seek support early and fostering a healthy space where mental wellness can thrive before a crisis occurs.

Scripture reminds us in Proverbs 11:14, “In the multitude of counselors there is safety.” God often works through people, including doctors, counselors, and healthcare professionals, to bring healing and restoration.

How do you counsel patients who believe their addiction is a sign of weak faith, especially when underlying trauma or mental health issues are the actual root causes?

When individuals view addiction as a sign of weak faith, it triggers negative thought patterns rooted in shame, failure, and hopelessness, which ultimately isolates them from the help they need. True recovery requires challenging these distorted beliefs and renewing the mind, helping individuals recognize

that addiction is frequently a manifestation of deeper, underlying issues like trauma and emotional pain. By combining clinical therapy with spiritual support, counselors can help clients acknowledge their struggles without fear of condemnation, reinforcing that they remain deeply valued and loved by God. Ultimately, healing is achieved by addressing both emotional and spiritual pain, transforming the recovery journey into a process of restoration where God’s grace proves greater than the struggle.

Romans 12 reminds us that we are transformed by the renewing of our minds. Healing involves challenging negative thinking patterns and learning to see ourselves differently.

Ultimately, recovery involves healing emotional pain, restoring healthy relationships, addressing underlying biological and mental health factors, and reconnecting to a compassionate spiritual foundation where grace is greater than shame.

What specific guidelines should therapists provide to local congregations to help them effectively support a recovering addict and prevent relapse after rehab?

Therapists can provide guidelines to help local congregations effectively support recovering individuals by: fostering safe, consistent, and non-judgmental environments where mental wellness can thrive.

Because recovery is an ongoing process rather than a single event, churches must practice patience and kindness, recognizing that relapse can occur and responding with immediate clinical reconnection rather than condemnation.

Congregations can actively prevent isolation by creating supportive small groups, promoting



holistic health frameworks like the CELEBRATIONS wellness focus, and continually encouraging professional medical care alongside spiritual support.

Ultimately, by providing structured training to its members, a church can deeply understand the complexities of addiction, equipping the community to offer meaningful, long-term encouragement throughout the recovery journey.

From a clinical perspective, how does a patient's Christian worldview and identity serve as a practical advantage during the recovery process?

A person's worldview fundamentally shapes their identity, decisions, and responses to challenges, making a healthy Christian perspective a profound clinical advantage during the recovery process. Believing that one is inherently loved, forgiven, and valued by God shifts the focus away from past mistakes and replaces shame with a resilient sense of meaning and purpose. This faith-based foundation provides essential psychological assets—such as hope, perseverance, and a deep sense of belonging—which empower individuals to navigate setbacks and difficult moments without losing hope.

Ultimately, this spiritual framework serves as a continuous source of strength, reassuring individuals that divine grace can triumph over human weakness and that their story does not have to end where their struggle began.

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