



PRAYER: A POWERFUL TOOL

n March 10-12, 2011, the South Bahamas Conference welcomed Pastor Samuel Telemaque, to the sunny shores of The Bahamas. In his capacity of Assistant Sabbath



School and Personal Ministries Director and Prayer Coordinator of the Inter-American Division of Seventh-day Adventists, he delivered a sobering message on the power of prayer in Evan-

gelism. With the guiding text, Matthew 6:6, he emphasized two points: prayer in secret and God's promise of an open reward.

According to Pastor Telemaque, prayer admits the following:

God is sufficient. We are insufficient and God identifies with our struggles for he is able to provide all our needs. This is seen in the open prayer of the intercessors in Acts 4:24.

God is imminent as seen in the prayer of Hezekiah (cf. Isaiah 37:17). Such prayer shows God's nearness.

God is omniscient, • He knows all things. Therefore, we need to submit all things to His care.

In employing illustrations from Biblical references he highlighted six principles of prayer that can enhance one's walk with God: 1) Time spent with Jesus in private will result in a large movement of people making decisions to walk with Jesus in newness of

life. 2) Intercessory prayer in private will result in a large movement of people making decisions to walk with Jesus. 3) Spiritual healing precedes emotional and physical healing. 4) Faith in the Word of God and obedience to His Word will provide the conditions for physical healing. 5) Intercessory prayer increases visitors' receptivity of the gospel. 6) Intercessors must first be reconciled to Christ before praying for others to be reconciled. Prayer, a powerful tool for evangelism can be used by 'whosoever will'. Our heavenly Father is ready to hear our prayer!







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CONFERENCE CELEBRATES BAHAMAS ACADEMY STAFF

t is amazing how organizations can introduce policies that confine workers to a modus operandi and when workers respond with dedication, loyalty, commitment and consistency, no appreciation is shown! Unlike other educational institutions that celebrate Teachers' Appreciation Week, Bahamas Academy

uses this time to focus on ALL of its employees by giving special recognition for the services they render. During the week March 7 - 11, teachers and other workers were showered with gifts to remind them that their services are greatly appreciated. Each day of "Workers' Appreciation Week", the school administrators and parents showed, in a tangible way, their gratitude for the services of the entire staff. The South Bahamas Conference identified with the staff as the School Board Chairman, Pastor Paul Scavella and Elder C. Melvin Lewis, Conference Treasurer, shared in an evening of dining and camaraderie at the Shoal Restaurant where workers

took a reprieve from the daily school routine to fellowship. At this occasion, the school's principal, Mr. Anthony Burrows, thanked Mrs. Scavella for her dedicated and unselfish service to Seventh-day Adventist Christian education.

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ecently, Mrs. Mabel Williams a long standing member of the Cockburn Town Seventh-day Adventist Church hosted His Excellency, Sir Arthur Foulkes, Governor General of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas at her home in San Salvador. Upon His visit



to San Salvador on Saturday, February 26 to Tuesday, March 1, 2011, he calendared an appointment to sit and listen to the stories pertaining to life as she knew it in San Salvador.

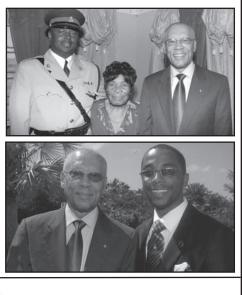
She told of her humble beginning in a single parent home, how she would go to

the well and fetch water before she went to school. She spoke of flour pop dinner and salt and water breakfast. Sister Williams remarked, 'Though this was my story it was a familiar story to the families of San Salvador'.

She recalled instances when difficulty was cushioned by the kind gestures of governing officials of the day. The Governor General was astonished at the ability of this 88 year old Bahamian woman to recall such intricate details of the 'then San Salvador'.

A great woman of faith, Sister Williams was baptized by Pastor Moat in 1964. Since then her involvement in sharing the Word of God has impacted hundreds of persons across the archipelago. She now serves as the Prayer and Community Services leader for the Cockburn Town Seventh-day Adventist Church where she has mobilized the church in constant prayer and community outreach.

The Bahamas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists salutes Sister Mabel Williams, a faithful servant of God. Pastor Larry Green, Cockburn Town Seventh-day Adv



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NEW LOOK FOR BLACKBEARD'S CAY

ho said sleeping with the critters was not fun? Twenty-five eager pathfinders along with their counselors met the overnighters on Blackbeard's Cay at 7 o'clock on Sunday, March13. Assistant Counselor, Dwain Wallace and his family were so excited about the beach clean-up that they

camped out the night before in anticipation of the event. As a humanitarian effort, the **Centreville Pathfinders under** the leadership of Director



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Sherry Burrows responded to the need to rid the beach of a deluge of debris resulting from a shipwrecked vessel.

On their arrival, it was serious business as the laborious duty was at hand. This activity provided opportunities for the pathfinders to bond in a special way while undertaking a worthy

cause. As the work progressed, the pathfinders were ably taught by Port Head Commander McNeil about the hazards discarded items bear on the reefs.

The rewarding experience, one of service to country, was punctuated with moments of fun and frolic. It will be logged in humanity's diary as an honor in

"Principled Responsibility to Nature and the Environment."

Others attending and supervising the Pathfinders were: Assistant Youth Director of the South Bahamas Conference, Mr. Curtis Bryan and Assistant Counselors: Coolridge Gooding, Harrison Moxey and Sabrina Lockhart.

Curtis Bryan - Assistant Youth Director, South Bahamas Conf



UNION COLLEGE GYMNASTS VISIT BAHAMAS ACADEMY

and ahh's filled the Bahamas Academy Gymnatorium on Friday, March 11, 2001 as the eyes of every student from the three divisions were peeled in awe of the flips, jumps and tricks being performed. We all waited in amazement as we watched our special guests warmed up. The occasion was a special Chapel Exercise conducted by our guests, the Union College Gymnaires from Nebraska and the Lyford Cay Afronites. After the National Anthem and prayer the fun began. The gymnasts from Union College were the

first to perform.

Their routine consisted of a series of daring back flips, jumps, three man handstands and eight feet towers, which sparked excitement in each child. Subsequent to their performance were four younger children from the Lyford Cay School. They also gave an incredible performance that displayed their promising gymnastic skills.

This then gave way to the section of the programme where Bahamas Academy students had a chance to participate with the performers. The gymnasts invited volunteers from the audience to teach

them a few of their routines. The gym went up into a loud frenzy, with almost every student trying their hardest to get the attention of the performers. Many were chosen and it was truly a delight to see our classmates and friends as they started off with simple balancing moves, flips and hand stands, which turned up a notch or two when they ended up doing six feet handstands! It was an amazing sight to see how the students were enjoying themselves as noted by their bursts of laughter and ear-to-ear smiles on their excited faces.

The performances were a smashing success and when the show came to a close we were asking for more! Special thanks goes out to Mr. Gerard Brennen an alumnus of Bahamas Academy and Union College, and the gymnastic coach at the Lyford Cay School for co-coordinating this delectable performance. We anticipate their visit next year where once again they will demonstrate how fearfully and wonderfully God made our bodies (cf. Psalm 139: 14).

Ashli Gordon, Ree-Anne Jones, Shantel Romer,

and Jonae Wood-(Students, Bahamas Academy)

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Everyone is invited to attend the nearest Seventh-day Adventist Church this Saturday. Sabbath School Starts at 9:15 a.m. Divine service begins at 11 a.m. For the church listing call the Conference office at 341-4021, or visit the website www.bahamasconference.org. Come and see what blessings the Lord has in store for you.

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