

#### **Special Mission Goals**

- To facilitate spiritual and numerical growth among Brethren.
- To enable workers from across the region to seek the Lord together.
- To strengthen networking and fellowship.
- To raise awareness of the spiritual challenges of current trends and cultural developments.
- To assist in the coordination of disaster response activities.
- To encourage younger workers.

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CBACC Newsletter

Brethren Assemblies' News from around the Caribbean and sometimes beyond

#### Volume 6 Issue I

#### March 2020

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**F**irst of all let me say how grateful I am to be part of such a great family of God. Thank you, for your concern and interest for me, family, believers and for our country: altogether 50,418 have been infected. Many people have been or are in hospitals, thousands sick at home and 6,077 died amongt whom 24 medical doctors! Journalists says that the figure of the deaths is higher as many die at home and are not inserted in the official figures. Your prayers, and those of the other brothers too, are much appreciated.

#### North

One elder, in his seventies, who lives in the area where the problem started - of coure in Italy - was hospitalised but is now at home. Another one is in quarantine. A medical doctor, a young sister in her 30s, is hospitalised, too. A sister in her late forties has the problem but we don't know if she is in isolation at home or if she is in the hospital.

Two sisters passed away, one was 80 and the other one, from Ukraine was in her late forties. Last evening a very aged brother passed away, too. The sadness of all this situation is that those who are hospitalised remain alone. For example in the case of the 80 yrs old sister, her husband saw her the last time on Feb 24th .....

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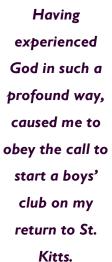
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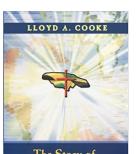


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#### Who is this missionary?

- Who is a full time worker among the Brethren in St. Kitts and Nevis?
- Who is founder of Women of Purpose?
- Who was called to work in Child Evangelism since November 2010?
- Who is now the CEF National Director in St. Kitts and Nevis?
- Give up? The answer is . . .

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#### Coming from . . . St. Kitts and Nevis

#### My Call to Ministry

I was just an ordinary woman who loved the Lord, I also had a burden for the children of St Kitts & Nevis who were lost, vulnerable, abused, misguided and neglected.

In November, 2010, while in Connecticut, as I was interceding and agonizing on my knees on behalf of the children of my Federation, God clearly and distinctly called me into children's ministry. Having experienced God in such a profound way, caused me to obey the call to start a Boys' club on my return to St Kitts.

A month later, I shared the goal of starting a boys' club in the community with the Women of Purpose, a group the Lord allowed me to start several years prior at Grace Gospel Hall, my home assembly. They were excited and some pledged their support. Many of these women are still currently involved in my ministry. At the end of January 2011, after visiting homes in the community, we launched the Boys' Club at Grace Gospel Hall. Twenty-nine boys and a two and a half year old girl attended our first meeting. That was the beginning of a great harvest! In a few short years, the club grew to more that ninety children and youth. A room was built on the church to house the club, which we soon outgrew.

In February 2011, the Lord sent a youth pastor, Brandon Grayson and family from Indiana to St Kitts. Having heard about the Boys' Club through my son, Brandon visited my sister Dolly and I and offered his assistance. He also brought along other students to help and work with the children. The following month, Child Evangelism

Fellowship CEF came to St Kitts and Nevis, and offered training in the Teaching Children Effectively (TCE) Level I course. I enrolled in the course and God continued to unfold His plan for my life slowly and precisely. In 2013, God called me into fulltime ministry, sent me to the Children's Ministry Institute in Missouri for training and the rest as we would say, is history.

I am currently the National Director for CEF, supported by a dedicated Chairman and National Board, faithful prayer partners, reliable volunteers, sacrificial donors and the devoted regional and International staff of CEF. Through the support of these faithful co-labourers in Christs, thousands of children in St Kitts and Nevis have been reached with a clear presentation of the Gospel and hundreds have been counseled for salvation. Over the past seven years God has also used me to train dozens of teachers through workshops, Super Seminars, Sunday School Conferences and Teaching Children Effectively (TCE) Level I courses.

I give God thanks for the support given to CEF by the local Assemblies. I am especially grateful to my home assembly, for their sterling support. I am also thankful to God for my husband and very supportive family who were; and still are unwavering in their encouragement support, prayers, and commitment to me in ministry.

"The harvest is great, the laborers are few. Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out more laborers into His vineyard." (Luke 10:2)

Mavis Huggins.

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#### Please Help Kishma Fight Breast Cancer



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Dear Brethren.

I greet you all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

I'm reaching out to you on behalf of a sister at our church Kishma Richardson. She grew up in the church and three years ago got saved. She has been diagnosed with cancer and is presently in The USA awaiting surgery but has difficulties with financing.

Her disclosure to us came late as we would understand that sickness of this nature creates fear and families a highly sensitive with information shared.

Sister Kishma's friends and family have orgainsed a "**go fund me**" page. She has asked that the church continue to pray for her and share the relevant information with the hope that persons will be moved with compassion to assist.

Thanks for you your prayers and circulation of the link below.

Regards Rodwell

**Bethany Gospel Hall** 



Kishma Richardson, our beloved friend, daughter of Gwyneth Richardson, and mother of Kaiheem, has always been a strong woman of unwavering faith. A lover of life, a nurturer in her own right. A person who couldn't simply sit by and watch someone face a hardship. She'd find some way to help in any way possible. But little did Kishma know, the most difficult hardship would befall her. One day Kishma walked in for medical care, and was given the most devastating news she's ever received; she was diagnosed with breast cancer, but its stage couldn't be determined without further testing. She traveled to the United States for a 2nd opinion and treatment. It was here that her diagnosis was confirmed, at a Stage II level. To prevent the cancer from spreading, this young and vibrant lady is in dire need of our financial assistance to cover costs for an urgent surgery to the tune of USD 25,000.00, and radiation that will cost another USD 25,000.00. With the cancer being at a stage II, and if her treatment is received immediately, her chances at beating this terrible disease is will be greatly improved. We humbly ask that you support her in any financial way you could, in her fight to live, & her fight to survive.

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" Ephesians 3:20-21 needed for our beloved fellow believers who work in hospitals: doctors, nurses technicians and others and also for those who work as bus drivers, train conductors, etc.

**Prayers** are

#### Gary N Joanne Akehurst II

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#### Inside Italy 2020 cont'd

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when she was hospitalised and, of course, nor he couldn't see her dead. And the other sad thing is that there is not the possibility to have funerals.

In spite of what I wrote above, we received vesterday a great testimony given by a medical doctor. He was an atheist and was almost in despair as, humanly speaking, he could do very little to save people's lives. About two weeka ago an evangelical pastor of 75 arrived in his hospital having the covid-19. He was carrying his Bible in his hands. In spite of his hard situation he started to witness and to give comfort to his fellow patients when he had the strenght to do this. He went to the patients and holding their hands he read some Bible verses, preaching the gospel and praying for them. The doctor, as well as others, where so much impressed by all that this humble yet faithful servant of God did. He became a believer! The pastor passed away, but surely the seed will be seen in heaven!

#### Centre

In Rome several old sisters are in isolation at home. One sister in her forties is at home, too.

#### South

One entire family in our assembly is on isolation. Stefania, a nurse, a young lady from the other assembly in our town, is in isolation, but at home. Graziano, has been hospitalised and has pneumonia. He's the Head Physician and a well-known cardiologist in a town not far from us.

Having said that above, others could be infected being at home.

Prayers are needed for our beloved fellow believers who work in hospitals as doctors (several), nurses (many) or technicians but also for those who work as bus drivers, train conductors, etc. And, generally speaking, for our country so that people may be eager to listen to the gospel being preached in many ways with the mass media. The Prime Minister signed another decree recently with more restrictions which were indeed needed as the doctors say that the peak will be in this week and the following one; but who can tell? For me to be lockedown is not a problem as I can write and talk on the phone or through skype etc. However I feel a lack not having the "face to face" fellowship with my dear brothers and sisters where I live and, of course, in many other places where I was supposed to preach/teach.



In the south east, where we live, there are 27 assemblies. Since we have a radio station which broadcasts 24 hrs per day we are using this mean twice a week. On Thursday evenings when there is the midweek service - and Sunday mornings at the same time all of us listen to a live programme where there are songs, prayers, news and the preaching of the Word. At home the three of us gather in our dining room and each Sunday participate, at the Lord's table and this at the same time with hundreds of other believers who too are listening to this broadcast. This radio station is listened to by many unbelievers too, and we pray that what they will hear in these troubled days will have a positive effect on them.

Let's remain firm on the solid ground and on the Lord's promises. Thank you for your prayers: we need them and we feel them, too. Let's pray for one another till we'll be ALL TOGETHER with no restrictions to sing and worship the Lamb of God! And for eternity!

Blessings, Fares

#### Chairman's Message 2020

"It is the best of times; it is the worst of times..."

I have taken some liberties with the opening lines of A Tale of Two Cities to try to describe this present time, in which the world is grappling with COVID-19. Up to the time of writing, there have been over seven hundred thousand cases and over thirty-three thousand deaths worldwide. We are dealing with a disease that threatens to overwhelm the health systems of countries that are much more developed than the countries of our region. How are God's people to function in such a time as this? What might an appropriate response to COVID-19 look like?

First and foremost, it is crucial that we do not panic. At a time when men's hearts are failing them for fear, we must draw upon the resources God has provided to enable us to live above fear. The antidote to fear is faith. As the psalmist puts it, "When I am afraid, I will trust in you." (Psalm 56: 3) This is a time for us to put our trust in God, our refuge and strength, our very present help in trouble. I am not talking about a flippant denial of the devastating effects of COVID-19; I am talking about a sober recognition of the power of God to protect his people, which will enable us to stay calm in the face of the bad news that we receive every day. After all, the worst that can happen is that we die, and even death cannot defeat those who have put their trust in God (Philippians 1: 21). It is this understanding that will enable us to minister effectively to those who are currently in the grip of fear.

Secondly, we need to exercise wisdom; trusting in God to protect us does not absolve us of this responsibility. It is foolhardy to claim that one is covered by the blood of Jesus and proceed to ignore the basic principles of hygiene. It makes sense to listen to the health professionals and do what they tell us we need to do to keep ourselves safe. This is like locking our doors, even as we trust in the Lord to protect us from burglars. We also need wisdom to deal with the information that is floating around, especially on social media. There are many 'experts' who are telling us how to deal with COVID-19. We need to check the information we receive. Let us not be quick to pass on what is sent to us. Let us seek the Lord for wisdom to be able to test the spirits.

Even as we seek to keep ourselves safe, we must not miss out on opportunities to demonstrate Christian love. A crisis can bring out the best, or the worst, in people. We see examples of the worst in price gouging and in the selling of fake medicine. However, we also see the best in the sacrifice of the many healthcare workers who, daily, put their lives on the line to save others. We must support them in any way that we can. This is a time to serve, a time to help the weak and vulnerable. God has put his love in our hearts. This is an opportune time for us to allow it to shine out in acts of kindness to others.

Finally, we need to remain focused on the mission to make disciples of all nations, even as we deal with COVID-19. Gatherings are being restricted or cancelled in some territories, and those who are able to meet have to modify their practices. The key, however, is not to lose sight of the mission. People still need the Lord. It is for us to find creative ways of reaching out, even as traditional options become more and more unavailable. COVID-19, too, shall pass. Our mission will continue until the Lord returns for his church.

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#### Beresford Findlay impacted his generation and fell asleep.

Versatile Camp Worker who never complained • Counselor • Camp speaker • Musician • Host of bible quiz during lunch; • Life guard during pool; • Hike leader • Security • PTI Instructor everything done the "Berry way" • "Parade commander" for March past...(Well-dressed with sword, blanket, and helmet) • Moderator question time after pool • Then get behind the projector for the movie • If you needed he would do night cap - without complaining • A gas tank caught fire in Tobago Camp kitchen and another worker had to be beg him to leave him to fight the fire; but he was up front with water etc...No fear! • Anywhere, anytime, anything....just say Berry

#### Loved People – especially Young People

Pleasant and Personable • Inspirational, always jovial and smiling • Even in disciplining he did it with a smile yet the young men embrace him he knew how to win the campers. • One counselor remembers remember when he would take the male campers, who needed an "incentive" to sleep, outside in the middle of the night, to read and memorize Scripture...and he still get up early to have devotions normal, normal..

• Jovial while being solid and thoughtful [he changed when preaching started] • Seldom angry at the campers • Great friend and brother • "Hah! I tell you!" Was his standard expression for varying circumstances... From Surprise to excitement to dismay...

Humble, big-hearted, simple yet effective in dealing with young people • One way all his life

Innovator • Introduced us at CAC to puppets Chico and Big Mouth Bertha • Never let finances bother him in doing what he did. he jùst went about serving. • Knew how to make \$5.00 gas complete the journey in cases of emergency • Who else could get a President (Sir Ellis Clarke) to visit and speak at a Camp

Mentor to many • Some could say that "Every time Berry met me he would say Bro, you and James, I am always praying for you. Keep the faith, keep serving the Lord."



• He roped young men to counsel at RIM Camp... • He always had a bunch of young people around him in whom he was intentionally investing his time and talents. [e.g. Alistair, how he mentored him especially in the area of music as he attended Ekklesia camp in Point Fortin, and now after so many years Alistair is still the main musician at that camp • Always investing in people's lives • "He did RI in my school WGSS then convinced me to start up ISCF group. So he would come for RI and then come back on lunch times for ISCF" • "Many things I did in camp in my earlier days as a counsellor was as a mentored successor of Berry • Faithful Minister / Servant • Involved in all areas of ministry i.e.  $\sqrt{RI}$ , IS/IVCF, Teaching  $\sqrt{}$  Film  $\checkmark$  Tele-evangelism, U-Tube evangelist • Touched thousands of lives • A man of faith... who would step out brave and big with nothing in his pocket... • Great example

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#### Alfred Ince impacted his generation and fell asleep.

## Alfred Anderson Ince

aged 87, of Kendal Hill B, Christ Church, Elder of Dayrells Road Gospel Hall, and former Insurance Agent and Entrepreneur went to be with the Lord peacefully at home on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 2020. **Husband of** Cynthia Ince (Retired Storeroom Keeper of St. Michael Geriatric Hospital);

Father of Muriel-Anne Ince-Ramsay (Little Switzerland), Jacqueline Ince-Harris (USA), David Ince (Associate Pastor of Bethlehem/Faith Moravian Pastorate), Samuel Allan Ince (Sagicor) and Felton 'Gerald' Ince (Government Information Service);

Adoptive father of Verneta Durant (Retired Nurse-Psychiatric Hospital); Grandfather of Geri-Ann, Shena-Ann, Ajani and Allana Ince, Christopher and Daniel Ramsay, Christal and Fontashia Sealy (both of the USA);

> Great-grandfather of two; Brother of Val Prescod (USA);

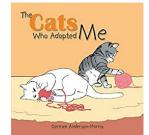
Father-in-law of Jo-Anna, Lillian and Cherryann Ince, Patrick Ramsay and Ronnie Harris (USA);

Brother-in-law of Fitzgerald Brereton and Enid Anderson (Canada); Relative of the Burrows, Niles, Edey, Brereton, Agard, Ashby, Lashley and Evelyn families;

Friend of many whose lives he touched locally and Abroad. A Thanksgiving Service for the life, work and witness of Alfred Anderson Ince will take place on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at the Chapel of Coral Ridge Memorial Gardens, The Ridge, Christ Church, where relatives and friends are asked to meet 10.00 am. The cortege will then proceed to the Christ Church Cemetery for the interment.

His body will repose for viewing on Saturday from 9.00 am until the start of the service during which time floral tributes will be gratefully accepted. If desired, e-mails of condolence or tributes may be directed to the family to jojonesfuneral@gmail.com or by phone to (246) 418-0879 or 262-8745.

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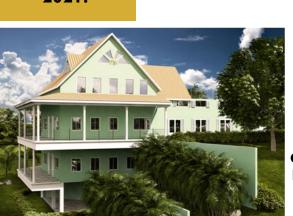
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"This event is being convened to celebrate the many years of the annual 'Sisters' Anniversary Programme', which is held on the last Thursday of August and hosted by the sisters of the Calivigny Gospel Hall "

Look out for the next CBACC sponsored Brethren Conference in 2021.

# "Give Thanks" 50th

You Are Invited to: "The 50th Anniversary Celebrations of Our Annual Sisters' Programme" <u>Sunday 23rd to Saturday 29th August 2020</u> • Sunday 23rd - Opening Ceremony—5 p.m.—7 p.m. • Monday 24th—Visit to Senior Citizens Home—TBA • Monday 24th—Visit to Senior Citizens Home—TBA • Monday 24th—Panel Discussion—7 p.m.—9 p.m. • Tuesday 25th—All-Night Retreat—8 p.m. until ... • Wednesday 26th—FREE • Thursday 27th—Anniversary Programme—7 p.m.—9 p.m. • Friday 28th—Anniversary Banquet—7 p.m.—10 p.m. • Saturday 29th—Bus Tour—9 a.m.—5 p.m.



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So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. Colossians 2:6 &7



#### Strengthening the things that remain.



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#### Please Pray for the People of the Caribbean

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#### Suddenly Empty

**C**ountries all over the globe are imposing "lock down" measures with the intention of containing and exterminating the highly infectious and even deadly disease, 'The novel <u>Corona Virus Disease 2019</u>' (COVID-19). The immediate effect of these several lock downs is that all of the usually teeming tourist hotspots have now been turned into ghost towns. Times Square in New York: Empty. Trafalgar Square, London: Empty

Venice and Rome in Italy: Empty.

No one visiting the Colosseum, no one lining up trying to view the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Paris in France: Empty.

Singapore, New Delhi, Sydney, Madrid. Empty, empty, empty, empty. The streets, the parks, the beaches, the restaurants, the shops and the airports: All empty.

It all brings to mind the first verse of an old song which was often sung by the Dayrells Road Gospel Hall youth group in Barbados...

- The marketplace is empty,
- No more traffic in the streets.
- All the builders' tools are silent,
- No more time to harvest wheat.
- Busy housewives cease their labors,
- In the courtroom no debate,
- Work on earth is all suspended
- As the King comes thro' the gate.

#### <u>CHORUS</u>

- O the King is coming
- The King is coming
- I just heard the trumpets sounding,
- And now His face I see.
- *O the King is coming*
- The King is coming
- Praise God, He's coming for me.

As young believers, we sang the song with all our hearts, declaring hope and confidence in the promise of our Lord, to come Himself for His own. As sincere as we were, I wonder if any of us could have imagined the scene. While the King is still on His way, we now get a glimpse of how life globally, can change so drastically and so suddenly.

What should our response be?

Well... This is mine:

"Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. <sup>3</sup> For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me....<sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow....<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

What is yours?

The Caribbean Brethren Assemblies Conference Committee (CBACC) headed by Dr. Hadyn Marshall of St Vincent was born out of the need to unite brethren in the Caribbean and to prepare for future Brethren conferences. This Newsletter is the committee's way of linking Brethren in the Caribbean and beyond.

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