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PRAY FOR:



- **Rev. Dr. Henry Samuels** who lost two relatives in the recent Grange Hill shootings.
- **Rev. Bevis Byfield** who is not well.
- **Ms, Joy Williams** (NERMC) who lost a niece recently.

YOUTHQUAKE 2018, A HIT!

The event was held on May 5, 2018 at Andrews Memorial United Church, Manchester, under the theme, "Discipling Across Boundaries for Jesus". The United Church Young People's Fellowship (UCYPF) members came out in their numbers, and competed robustly, as a lively audience cheered for their Regions.

It was a day of fun and purposeful engagement for the Youth, who showcased their visual and performing arts talents in a splendid way. It was clear, that much time had been dedicated to the preparation of the teams, who engaged in song and dance, culinary arts, dub-poetry, choral speech, mime, drama, bible quiz, and more.

The SRMC carried home the winning trophy, with 264 points, after a very spirited, determined, excellent effort.

The NERMC placed second, scoring 211 points. They displayed tenacity and competed with such enthusiasm.

WRMC placed third with a very close finish, scoring 208 points. A well-trying effort indeed! They too displayed energy and perseverance,



SRMC accepting the winner's Trophy



Part of the crowd of youth

and we are proud of them.

All who participated won in their own respects, as the passion and sense of mission that was demonstrated indicated that all who played a part were stars of the show!

We are so proud of our Youth, who glorified God in ways that mattered to them. Not only were persons ministered to through the expressions of the day, but indeed the audience was **Discipled for Jesus!**

CELEBRATIONS



70:

Rev. Dr. Dave Hazle

May 12.

Rev. Kevin Calvert

May 14.

Rev. Delroy Johnson

May 15.

AD CORNER



MOUNT OLIVET CHARGE
OF UNITED CHURCHES

PRESENTS

IT'S ANNUAL ONE DAY EVANGELISTIC CONVENTION

Theme: RETURN TO GOD *Zachariah 1:3*

SUNDAY
MAY 27
2018

Baillieston United Church
Baillieston, Clarendon

SPEAKERS:

BISHOP STEVE HEPBURN (MORNING SESSION)

TIME: 10:00AM - 1:00PM

REV. KEVIN CALVERT (AFTERNOON SESSION)

TIME: 2:00PM - 4:00PM

COME AND EXPERIENCE PERSONAL
AND SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

JESUS CHRIST: IS STILL THE ANSWER

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.

YOUTHQUAKE 2018.



NERMC IN DRAMA



WRMC IN SONG



Happy Mother's Day

**SUPPORT SHIRLEY RETREAT'S MOTHERS' DAY LUNCH
ON SUNDAY, MAY 13...ENJOY DELICIOUS MENU
FROM \$1,500 PER DISH
EXCELLENT SERVICE, AND RELAXING ATMOSPHERE
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LEADERSHIP CORNER

Five Levels of Leadership

If a leader doesn't have influence, then he or she is ineffective. In the military, leaders can use rank to exercise authority. In business, bosses have tremendous leverage in the form of salary, benefits, and perks, as most followers are cooperative when their livelihood is at stake. But in voluntary organizations, such as churches, the only thing that works is leadership in its purest form. Leaders there, have only their influence to aid them. Followers in voluntary organizations cannot be forced to get on board. If the leader has no influence with them, then they won't follow.

We can increase our influence and leadership potential if we understand the following levels of leadership:

POSITION – This is the basic entry level of leadership. The only influence you have is that which comes with a title. However, real leadership is more than having authority; it is more than having the technical training, and following the proper procedures. Real leadership is being the person others will gladly follow. A real leader knows the difference between being the boss and being a leader.

PERMISSION – On this level, people follow you because they want to. People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care. Leadership begins with the heart, not the head. It flourishes with a meaningful relationship, not more regulations. The agenda is People Development. On this level, the leader donates time, energy, and focus on the follower's needs and desires. People who are unable to build solid, lasting relationships will soon discover that they are unable to sustain long, effective leadership.

PRODUCTION – On this level, people follow because of what you have done for

the organization. Morale is high, turnover is low, needs are being met, goals are realized; and accompanying the growth is Momentum. Leading and influencing others becomes fun, problems are solved with minimum effort, fresh statistics are shared on a regular basis with the people who undergird the growth of the organization, and team members are results-oriented.

PEOPLE DEVELOPMENT – On this level, people follow because of what you have done for them. A leader is effective, not because of his or her power, but because of his or her ability to empower others. Loyalty to the leader reaches its highest peak when the follower has personally grown through the mentorship of the leader. You win people's hearts by helping them grow personally.

PERSONHOOD – On this level, people follow because of *who you are* and *what you represent*. The leader would have spent time mentoring and moulding leaders, and the followers are loyal and sacrificial because of the standards of the leader.

For your leadership to **remain effective**, it is essential that you take the other influencers on your team with you to the higher levels. You must know what level you are on at this moment. You also need to know which people are on which level. When either the leader or the follower is unwilling to make the sacrifices a new level demands, influence will begin to decrease. Notice the progression from Level Two through Level Four. The focus goes from liking you to liking what you do for the common interest of all concerned. Each level climbed by the leader and the followers adds another reason why people want to follow. However, each level stands upon the previous one and will crumble if the lower level is neglected.

Source: "Real Leadership: The 101 Collection" by John C. Maxwell

CAN YOU ASSIST?



Nyle Stewart is the 21 year old son of Pastors Michelle Ashwood and Roger Stewart from the Greendale Charge.

Nyle is well known within youth circles at both the regional and national levels of the UCJCI and continues to make a positive impact on the lives of young people.

Nyle has been diagnosed with cancer and requires treatment which is not currently available in Jamaica.

The cost of this treatment overseas is in the region of **US\$500,000**. The family has established two accounts towards raising the required funds.

Those who wish to contribute may deposit amounts to the following currency accounts:

- Nyle Stewart Fund BNS savings account # 415873 UWI (US\$)
- Nyle Stewart Fund BNS savings account #415872 UWI (J\$)

Your assistance in this effort is truly appreciated by the family so too your continued prayers for Nyle's healing.