



# UCJCI UPDATE

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**OUR VISION:** *"Touching  
Lives, Nurturing Disci-  
ples, Seeking Transfor-  
mation through Christ"*

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## PRAY FOR:



- **Rev. Bevis Byfield** who is not well
- **Nyle Stewart** as he grapples with life-threatening illness
- **Mrs. Helen Webley** (wife of the late **Rev. Stanford Webley**) who is not well
- **Rev. Walter Russell** whose mother passed on. Her thanksgiving service will be held on August 2 at Lucea United Church at 10 a.m.
- **Rev. Ranford Hewitt** who is not well

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# CIRMC Summer Camps 2018: Mission Possible!

This year's Summer Camp in the Cayman Islands Regional Mission Council (CIRMC) had as its theme: "Mission Possible!" Children and Youth from across the Cayman Islands gathered for spiritual guidance and an exciting and enriching experience.

The two (2) Camps were held from July 7-19 with children from age 8 to 12, and teenagers between the ages of 13 and 17. Thirty-six (36) persons attended the Children's Camp and twenty-two (22) individuals attended the Teens Camp. Leaders and junior leaders from all the Charges served at the Camps, and Rev. Euthman Wray, Minister of the Savannah/Robert Young Memorial Charge, served as Chaplain for both camps.

As the theme suggests, the Camps were missional in focus! The Camp Ministry sought to create a mind-set among the

campers of charity to the broken, the poor and the needy, while knowing that with God all things are possible!

The children were guided and challenged to Follow the Leader, who is Jesus Christ, adhere to God's plan for their lives, choose God in every situation, know the Mission that God has called them to, and remember that God's mission never ends!

The Youth were likewise taught that mission is about action – going forth and making a difference in the community. Reinforcing these teachings, were inspiring testimonials shared with them by two (2) young Caymanians who are actively involved in local mission.

Two (2) of the camp activities were connected to the "Hannah's Heroes" and "Meals on Wheels" programmes, and by way of these, the campers were challenged to be involved

in meeting the needs of the community.

The latter programme was particularly revealing for many campers, who had not previously realized the impact that the organization has on the community it feeds. They delivered meals in the Bodden Town community from Lower Valley to Pease Bay, guided by Ms. Hope and her "Meals on Wheels" team, and arising from this endeavour, the campers had the opportunity to minister the Word of the Lord to, and pray with, some of the community members.

The CIRMC Summer Camps 2018 stirred children and Youth to see life beyond themselves. They were taught that they are part of a larger community, and that the issues that concern one, concern all. They now recognize that they have been freed to love others: Mission Possible, indeed!



# CELEBRATIONS!



70:

**Rev. Harry Bodden**  
**Rev. Royland Thompson**

**August 2**

**Mrs. Mervia Graham**  
**August 7**

**All Stars Quiz Winners:** From left—  
Joshua Wilson, Richardson Lealofi,  
Kashief Barton, and Joshua Kelly



**The Winning Family:**  
**Kids for Christ**



# UCJCI (JA) Junior Camp 2018!

The Juniors painted the town of Ocho Rios in the colour of PEACE, bearing peace-promoting placards!



**Camp Girl, Toni-May Lindsay and Camp Boy, Kashief Barton**

# The UCJCI Family Ad Corner

United Church in Jamaica & the Caribbean Islands

## YOUNG ADULTS CAMP/CONFERENCE 2018

Theme: "# Now is the time... Dweet Fi Christ Dweet Fi Life"

**Rates**  
\$9000 pp – dorm  
\$10,000 pp-private  
Child 4yrs & under – free  
5yrs – 12yrs – \$5000  
13yrs – \$7000

**AUGUST 16-19, 2018**  
**MADGE SAUNDERS CONFERENCE CENTER**

Ready for TRANSFORMATION? Register today!  
Registration forms can be had from any COUNCIL OFFICE, your CHURCH or COUNCIL REP  
Payment can be made at the COUNCIL OFFICE or to this NCB account: 231070443  
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## LEADERSHIP CORNER

### Building Relationships with your Team

Relationships are the glue that holds team members together. Just about everything you do depends on teamwork, and the more solid the relationships, the more cohesive the team. It doesn't matter whether you are a leader or a follower, you will be involved with other people. The question is, will your involvement with others be successful? Your best chance for leadership depends, in large part, upon connecting with those on your team.

Here is how you know whether you have built solid relationships with others. Look for the following five (5) characteristics in your relationships:

**RESPECT:** When it comes to relationships, everything begins with respect, with the desire to place value on other people. Human relations author Les Giblin said, "You can't make the other fellow feel important in your presence if you secretly feel that he is a nobody."

The thing about respect is that you should show it to others, even before they have done anything to warrant it, simply because they are human beings. But at the same time, you should always expect to have to earn it from others. And the place you earn it the quick-

est is on difficult ground.

**SHARED EXPERIENCES:** Respect can lay the foundation for a good relationship, but it alone is not enough. You can't be relational with someone you don't know. It requires shared experiences over time.

**TRUST:** When you respect people and you spend enough time with them to develop shared experiences you are in a position to develop trust. Trust is essential to all good relationships. Without trust, you cannot sustain any kind of relationship.

**RECIPROCITY:** One-sided personal relationships don't last. If one person is always the giver and the other is always the receiver, then the relationship will eventually disintegrate. The same is true of all relationships, including

those on a team. For people to improve relationally, there has to be give-and-take so that everyone benefits as well as gives. Remember to ask your teammates, colleagues, and friends questions about their hopes, desires, and goals. Give people your full attention. Show others you care about them.

**MUTUAL ENJOYMENT:** When relationships grow and start to get solid, the people involved begin to enjoy each other. Just being together can turn even unpleasant tasks into positive experiences.

*How are you doing when it comes to being relational? Do you spend a lot of time and energy building solid relationships, or are you so focused on results that you tend to overlook others?*

Becoming a highly relational person brings individual and team success. Yes, building positive relationships with others involves risks and is challenging, but the benefits are invaluable.

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



Rev. Dr. Leroy Walters (right) receives a plaque in his honour at his Service of Appreciation in the Mt. Industry United Charge on July 15, 2018. He served as Interim Minister for 26 years. The token was presented by Rev. Obren Thomas, Acting Minister of the Charge.