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OUR VISION: "Touching
Lives, Nurturing Disciples,
Seeking Transformation
through Christ"

SYNODICAL THEME:
"Renewal and Transfor-
mation: Discipleship for
Life"

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PRAY FOR:



- Rev. Dr. Dave Hazle, whose uncle, Mr. Gladstone Hazle, has passed on. His thanksgiving service will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 12 p.m. at May Pen New Testament Church of God.
- Mr. Alja Dias, whose uncle, Mr. Dean Campbell, has passed on.

2020: The Year of Evangelism

The United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands has declared 2020, "The Year of Evangelism"!

In doing so, we have committed to strengthening our focus on this area of ministry, to fulfil Christ's Great Commission to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you".

Castleton United Church, St. Mary, continues to make this a priority in this year, feeding off their week-

end crusade held on August 30 and September 1, 2019, where thirteen members of the congregation.

(13) persons made commitments for Christ.

It was their first weekend crusade, and also the first crusade advertised solely by social media, with visiting Minister,

Since then, the new converts have been attending the church on a regular basis. One (1) of those persons was baptized in December 2019, while others are slated for baptism this year.

We praise the Lord for this expansion of God's kingdom, and thank Pastors Audrey

Lecky and Peter Neil of Castleton United Church and their team for their concerted effort to fulfil this mandate and mission of Christ. *To God be all the glory!!*



Castleton United Church, St. Mary

the Reverend Clifton Chambers of the Church of God International. Approximately sixty (60) persons attended the crusade each night—a gathering of community members un-

attached to the congreg-

CELEBRATIONS!

DAVYTON UNITED CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS



70:

Rev. Ranford Hewitt

January 17

Mrs. Carlene Andrade

January 19

**Mrs. Najahuldin Bennett-
Martin**

January 21



Above: Rev. Clement Reid, Minister of Davyton United Charge, Manchester, baptizes two (2) men at Scotts Pass on December 14, 2019. **Below:** Christmas dinner at Davyton United Church. Complimentary tickets were awarded to members of the adjoining community, and members of the community, especially farmers, were honoured.

UCJCI MISSION



Mission Statement

“The United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands (UCJCI) exists to bear holistic development of all persons and God’s creation through life-giving worship and evangelism, social and educational engagement, personal empowerment, advocacy and faith formation toward a just and peaceful society and the ultimate experience of God’s kingdom.”



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LEADERSHIP CORNER

Lead Yourself Exceptionally Well

Leading yourself is where leadership starts. If you wouldn't follow yourself, why should anyone else?

Have you ever worked with people who didn't lead themselves well? Have you ever worked for people in leadership positions who couldn't lead themselves? Consider the crow in this fable.

The crow was sitting in a tree, doing nothing all day. A small rabbit saw the crow and asked him, "Can I also sit like you and do nothing all day long?" "Sure," answered the crow, "why not?" So the rabbit sat on the ground below the crow, following his example. All of a sudden a fox appeared, pounced on the rabbit, and ate him. The key to leading yourself well is to learn *self-management*. I have observed that most people put too much emphasis on decision making and too little on decision managing. As a result, they lack focus, discipline, intentionality, and purpose.

We often think that self-leadership is about making good decisions every day, when the reality is that we need to make a few critical decisions in major areas of life and then manage those decisions day to day.

Your leader will appreciate your ability to manage yourself. If your leader must continually expend energy managing you, then you will be perceived as someone who drains time and energy. If you manage yourself well, however, your leader will see you as someone who maximizes opportunities and leverages personal strengths.

If you want to gain credibility as an

up and coming leader, focus on taking care of business in these areas:

MANAGE YOUR EMOTIONS. I once heard that people with emotional problems are 144 percent more likely to have auto accidents than those who don't have them. The same study evidently found that one out of five victims of fatal accidents had been in a quarrel with another person in the six hours preceding the accident.

It's especially critical for leaders to control their emotions because whatever they do affects many other people. Good leaders know when to display emotions and when to delay them. By letting the team know what you're feeling, you're helping them to see what you're seeing. And delaying your emotions, does not suggest that you deny them or bury them. The bottom line in managing your emotions is that you should put others—not yourself—first in how you handle and process them. Whether you delay or display your emotions should not be for your own gratification. You should ask yourself, "What does the team need?" not, "What will make me feel better?"

MANAGE YOUR TIME. Time is valuable. Psychiatrist and author M. Scott Peck said, "Until you value yourself, you won't value your time. Until you value your time, you will not do anything with it." What is worth spending your life on?

MANAGING YOUR PRIORITIES. Try to get yourself to the point where you can manage your priorities and focus your time in

this way:

80 percent of the time—work where you are strongest.

15 percent of the time—work where you are learning.

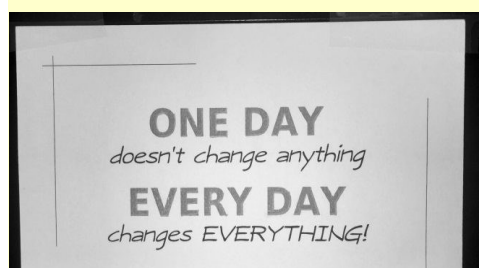
5 percent of the time—work in other necessary areas.

You must be ruthless in your judgment of what you should not do. Just because you like doing something doesn't mean it should stay on your to-do list. If it is a strength, do it. If it helps you grow, do it. If your leader says you must handle it personally, do it. Anything else is a candidate for your "stop doing" list.

MANAGE YOUR PERSONAL LIFE. You can do everything right at work and manage yourself well there, but if your personal life is a mess, it will eventually turn everything else sour. What would it profit a leader to climb to the top of the organizational chart but to lose a marriage or alienate the children? No career success is worth it. If I blow managing myself at home, then the negative impact will spill over into every area of my life, including work.

The better you are at making sure you're doing what you should be doing, the better chance you have for making an impact on others.

Source: "The 360 Degree Leader" by John C. Maxwell



UCJCI FAMILY AD CORNER




SPORTS DAY

FEBRUARY 8 2020


DELIBERATELY NURTURING ANOTHER (D.N.A) FOR CHRIST

NORANDA SPORTS COMPLEX, DISCOVERY BAY, ST. ANN

ADMISSION	EVENTS
\$200 GENERAL	TRACK & FIELD
\$100 CHILDREN UNDER 12	FOOTBALL
	NETBALL ETC


REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8 AM

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"YOUNG ADULTS SUNDAY"



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JANUARY 19, 2020

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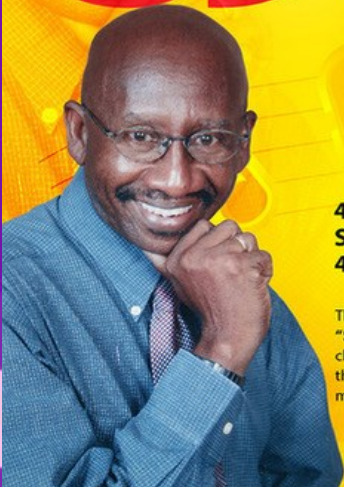
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39 "SING DI CHORUS CLAP YU HAND"



In dedication to the music of our Musical Mentor, and Composer Extraordinaire Noel George Dexter.

43^A Duke Street, Kingston Sunday, January 19, 2020 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

This is an open invitation to all to come and "Sing De Chorus"-of as many hymns, choruses, songs as possible, as we give thanks to God for the wonderful legacy of his musical servant.