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Advent 4 - Love

During the first three Sundays, -and weeks- of Advent, Christians around the world focused on the themes of Hope, Peace, and Joy as essential aspects of our faith. Now, that we have arrived at the final week of this season, we complete our spiritual journey and preparation for Christmas by focusing on Love.

The miracle of Christmas is the wonderful love of God which was poured out into this world and into every heart that is ready to receive Jesus. He is the love of God in human form, the Love Incarnate, the embodiment of God's love.

The love of God, Jesus, breathes life into the deepest part of our broken and wayward hearts. It changes and transforms us into a new being, a new creation.

How comforting and empowering to know, to embrace, and be embraced by this amazing love. Amid our loneliness, confusion, pain, grief, hopelessness, and disillusionment He comes and in Him, we find acceptance, understanding, healing, hope, peace, and joy. Jesus is, indeed, the greatest gift of all! The priceless gift, the gift that is freely given, the gift that is so much needed!

Indeed, for these reasons, we celebrate! We celebrate His coming. We celebrate His rich, abundant, and unconditional love not only on Christmas day but every day of our lives.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Young Family Outreach Christmas

by Mrs. Carol Ann Ebanks

The Women's Fellowship of John Gray Memorial Church hosted a very special Christmas Celebration for parents and children of the Young Family Outreach Programme on Saturday 12th at The John Gray Church Hall.

A large turnout of parents and children were in attendance. The morning started with a devotion led by Mrs. Laura Ebanks, followed by the singing of Christmas carols. The children were eager to participate and led many of their favorite carols. The mood of those attending was very festive and joyous. A sumptuous lunch was served and was much appreciated by the gathering.

Parents were presented with special gift baskets, especially for the parents, and an added Foster card for other necessities. The Women's Fellowship expressed appreciation to all who contributed in one way or another.



Congratulations!

The Cayman Prep and High School Class of 2020 Graduation Ceremony was held on December 15, 2020, in the presence of families, friends, special guests, and school staff. This event would take place at the end of the school year, but due to Covid restrictions at that time, it needed rescheduling.

Congratulation to the Class of 2020, and best wishes to their present and future endeavors. Congratulations also to the entire staff of CPHS for ensuring that school life and work continued with an exceptionally high standard of professionalism, even under the unprecedented circumstances of this year!



Jasmine Lambert-Wragg receives the UCJCI Ethics Award from Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield, Deputy General Secretary of the CIRMC.



Appointment of General Secretary

The Rev. Norbert Stephens, who has been serving as the General Secretary of the UCJCI for the past ten years has been recommended and confirmed for a third term in office with effect from January 1, 2021, through to December 31, 2025.

The CIRMC extends heartfelt congratulations and wishes God's continuing blessing on his life and ministry.



on Radio Cayman 89.9 every Sunday at 7:45 am

December 20, 2020 Rev. Rohan Forrester

CPHS Christmas Concert

The 2020 Cayman Prep and High School Christmas Concert was hosted by the John Gray Memorial Church on December 10, 2020. The festive program included vocal, strings, senior ensemble, and steel pan performances, a reflection by Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield (RDGS), and plentiful refreshments following the event.





UPCOMING EVENTS

December 17. (Thursday)

Seniors' Tea Party - 4:30pm John Gray M.

December 19. (Saturday)

Christmas Community Meal – 10:30am John Gray M.

<u>December 20. (Sunday)</u> 4th Sunday of Advent (LOVE)

Children's Program - 10:30am John Gray M.

Choir & Youth Christmas Program – 10:30am Elmslie M. Children & Youth Christmas Program

9:00am William Pouchie M.

9:30am Gun Bay U.

10:00am Savannah U.

11:00am Webster M.

11:00am East End U.

Choir Cantata (by Savannah U. Choir)—7:00pm at the Crighton's Gardens

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