



# CAYMAN ISLANDS REGIONAL MISSION COUNCIL

WEEKLY UPDATE

## Season of Epiphany

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UCJCI 43<sup>rd</sup> SYNOD THEME – **Rooted, Resilient: Re-ignited by the Spirit** (Return, Reconnect, Realign, Re-ignite)

# Congratulations!

## 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

**Godfrey Edward Meghoo & Lynette Lauretta Sessing**



They met 64 years ago at a Presbyterian Church in Jamaica, while they both were leading separate groups of children nearby. Their marriage took place four years later at another church in Kingston on the 28th of December, 1962. This was just after the groom was ordained as a minister of Word and Sacraments. Ministry in Jamaica officially took twelve years, with some time spent at KNOX College.

A few days after the wedding, they arrived in Grand Cayman on New Year's Eve---just in time for a Watchnight Service, with a special welcome festivity held the same night for the newly married couple. They have spent a total of fifty years in Grand Cayman, most of this at Bodden Town, North Side, Gun Bay and East End Churches—all at the same time, with an additional preaching point at Old Man Bay. "I believe in pastoral work," he says, and his wife believes in youth and Women's ministry.

They have two sons, and had a daughter now deceased. Sadly, both their daughter (Jacqueline) and the groom's father died within a few weeks of each other. They also have four grandchildren.

Mrs. Meghoo worked with the government's Judicial Department, serving in the Law Courts as Secretary to five Chief Justices. In-between she gave volunteering Service to the Boys' and Girls' Brigade organizations, other church groups, the Red Cross and the Cancer Society. For hobbies, both enjoy Gardening, Art and Crafts, Scrabble, and other volunteering activities especially, since their retirement.

The photo above was taken after the Queen's Birthday celebrations in 2003 when the Reverend was awarded a QUEEN'S CERTIFICATE AND BADGE OF HONOUR for services to the people of the Cayman Islands.

As part of post-graduate studies, Rev. Meghoo wrote a thesis on cancer, based mainly on his own cancer experience. This was later revised and expanded to become a publication entitled THE TRAUMA OF CANCER (2009). It includes interviews with nine (9) other cancer survivors.

Council extends to Rev. and Mrs. Meghoo the heartiest congratulations on the celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

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## Annual Girl's Brigade Tea Party



The 13th Annual Girls' Brigade National Council Tea Party took place on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at Mr. Handel and Audrey Whittaker's residence in Frank Sound depicting the theme "Valentine's Teatime".

The over 80 persons in attendance included Mrs. Marisa Crawford (Cert. Hon.), President of the Cayman Islands Girls' Brigade, who also acted as Masters of Ceremonies, Dep. Chair Mrs. Wendy Stenning, and Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield (RDGS, Girl's Brigade Chaplain).

The event was a great success. The programme included special items presented by each company (songs and an instrumental solo by Kezzia King on Cello). For refreshments, tea, sandwiches, fruit and juice were served. As a special treat, a chocolate fountain made the event even sweeter. Special thanks are in order to the gracious hosts and all those who planned, facilitated and contributed to this memorable event.

*Mia Groves sang the solo item "Hallelujah".*



*D'Leah Cardoza performed a solo (with her mom, Ms. Ivana).*

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## SYNOD CORNER

### Bulletin #5

**Theme:** Rooted and Resilient: Reignited by the Spirit.

**Moderator-Elect:** Rt Rev Gary Harriott

**Date:** April 23-30, 2023

#### Synod Bible Study

During the 43rd Synod, the Bible Study will explore the Synodical Theme, 'Rooted and Resilient: Reignited by the Spirit', through the Regional sub-themes. Each Regional Mission Council has been assigned a sub-theme that reflects its theological and ministry focus. The Cayman Islands Regional Mission Council's focus is **REALIGN**.

The following is an indication of the theme for each day and the underlying focus:

- Monday **REALIGN** with Worship
- Tuesday **RECONNECT** with Children and Youth
- Wednesday **REIGNITE** our Stewardship
- Thursday **RETURN** to Witness/Evangelism

The Bible Study will be available on the UCJCI YouTube Channel at 6:00 am each day. Join us for an enriching experience as we explore the Synod Theme and sub-themes.


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## In Other News

The Congregational Deputy Chairs and Secretaries gathered together on Wednesday evening, February 15, 2023, at the Council Office for the Annual Examination of Congregational Records. The examination included the Minutes of Congregational Board Meetings, Minutes of Congregational Meetings, Members' List and Logbook.



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Savannah United Church  
Men's and Women's Fellowship &  
Prayer Team  
invite you to join

## Lenten Prayer Breakfast

Theme: "Repentance, Intercession and Self-Denial"

Saturday, February 25, 2023,  
at 8:00 a.m.  
Venue: Savannah United Church Hall  
Speaker: Mr. Kemar Ferron  
Telephone: 947-6071

## UCJCI-UCYPF National Sport Day

### 2023




# SPORTS DAY

ROOTED, RESILIENT: REIGNITE BY THE SPIRIT

NORANDA SPORTS CLUB

18 MARCH, 2023  
8:00AM

## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 19. (Sunday) 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

February 22. (Wednesday)

Ash Wednesday Gathering – 6:30 am – 9:00 am  
Prospect Youth Centre

March 04. (Saturday)

Training for Lay Leaders Certificate Course Module 1  
Orientation – 9:00 am via Zoom



# NOTICEBOARD

## TRAINING FOR LAY LEADERS

*Equipping the saints for the work of ministry*

**IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!**  
Register now for Module 1.

Training begins **March 11, 2023** and continues **2nd and 4th Saturdays** (9-1:30 pm) and **Thursdays** (6-8 pm) following each training Saturday. Module 1 concludes in August.

Delivery online via Zoom. Learners may join online from one location in each region by special arrangement with Regional Mission Council offices.  
**Cost: \$9000**

**ORIENTATION SESSION**  
Come and learn about the Training

An Orientation session is planned for those who register as well as others who are interested in learning more about the Training for Lay Leaders Course.

This will be held on Saturday **March 4, 2023** online from 9 am - 11:30 a.m. via Zoom  
Meeting ID: 879 2238 3834  
Passcode: 192859

### UCJCI Lay Leaders Certificate Course is designed to prepare lay persons to serve in leadership.



For more information, contact your Regional Mission Council or email: laytraining.admin@ucjci.com or WhatsApp 876 8818783


Anyone interested in the **UCJCI Training for Lay Leaders Certificate Course 2023** please speak with your Minister and/or call the Council Office for Registration Form and further information.

Telephone: 947-1963 or Email: cirmc.info@gmail.com or rdgs@cicucjci.com

### Remember in your prayers!

All those God has placed on your heart and those brought to your attention in some way. Please also include in your prayers at this time

Lay Pastor John Macmillan (RYMC), Mrs. Itza Bodden, Youth Worker (EE-GB), Mr. Trevor Watler (GB)



on Radio Cayman 89.9 every Sunday at 7:45 am

**February 19, 2023**  
**Mr. Herman Wilson**

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