



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

## Reconnect with the Triune God

“Relationships are difficult and challenging. It takes effort to maintain harmony in relationships, and our relationship with the Triune God is no different except that any shortcomings are on our part because God, our Heavenly Father, has already done His part. He is always there waiting on us. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, as a sacrifice for our sins, and we remain connected with God through the Holy Spirit. That connection is vital to our spiritual wellbeing, and sometimes we need to reconnect. To coin the words of the Psalmist, as the deer pants for the water, so our souls should be longing after the Triune God.” – (UCJCI Preaching Themes – Sunday, June 4, 2023)

The doctrine of the Trinity, affirming the three-in-one nature of God, was an integral part of Christian theology from the early centuries. Eventually, in 1334 became an established feast day in the Western Church. Its formal inclusion in the liturgical calendar served as a dedicated day to honor and reflect on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, providing the people of God a distinct occasion for worship and spiritual contemplation.

The Holy Trinity is an awe-inspiring mystery that defies human comprehension. No matter how assiduously the theologians of the Church tried to explain it and elaborate on its nature over the centuries, we are still left bereft of words. Maybe the best we can do is to humble ourselves before this profound nature of our faith and acknowledge the threefold revelation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

According to our faith, God is one yet three; the Father, who created us in His image, the Son, who redeemed us through His sacrifice and the Holy Spirit, who guides us on our spiritual journey. They represent distinct members of an eternal communion of love. Even though we cannot fathom the depth of this mystery, at least we can discern the interconnection and harmonious relationship between the three persons. For within God's heart there is perfect unity and a bond based on divine love. Just as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit exist in perfect unity in the bond of love, we are called to foster unity and harmony within our spiritual fellowships, Congregations, and communities.

Let us then approach Trinity Sunday with open hearts and minds. Let us be ready to Reconnect to our Triune God and one another. The truth is, we cannot separate the two. We cannot reconnect to God and, at the same time, remain in unkind, judgmental, and dysfunctional relationships with one another. Let us be inspired and transformed by the boundless love and

grace of our Triune God and strive for the same in our interactions with our sisters and brothers.

On this Trinity Sunday, may we rejoice in the depth and richness of our faith. Let us be grateful for the eternal love that sustains us and seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our pursuit of personal and collective holiness, unity, and love. May the mystery of the Holy Trinity continue to inspire and nourish our souls as we journey together as a community of believers and as members of the UCJCI.

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name  
in earth, and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

~ Reginald Heber ~

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## Changes to the composition of the Cayman United Church Corporation (CUCC) and the NPO Registration

During the recent Ordinary Meeting of the Cayman Islands Regional Mission Council (CIRMC), held on Saturday, May 27, 2023, the following resolutions were presented on the recommendation of the Council Executive Committee and the Leadership MAT of the CIRMC.

1. Mrs. Debra Humphreys JP, was added as a new member to the CUCC.
2. Ms. Theresa Bodden replaced Mr. John Macmillan as the Chair of the CUCC and as a Controller on the NPO register.
3. Mr. Bryan Bothwell was replaced by Mrs. Debra Humphreys as a Controller on the NPO register.
4. Mr. Donnell Dixon replaced Mr. Heber Arch as a Senior Officer.
5. Mr. Bernard McGrath replaced Mr. Leonard Ebanks as a Senior Officer.
6. Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield (RDGS) was re-added as Controller/ Secretary.
7. Mrs. Debra Humphreys was added as a Signatory to the Scotia Bank account.
8. Mrs. Debra Humphreys and Ms. Theresa Bodden were added as Signatories to the RBC account.

The Motion for the acceptance of these resolutions was made by Mr Clive Hinds and seconded by Ms Melody McLean and passed unanimously.

## **CPHS Primary School Leaders' Retreat at the Council Office**

In keeping with the United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands' historical commitment to education, the Cayman Islands Regional Mission Council and the Cayman Prep and High School continue to work together to ensure the highest quality education, social development, and spiritual undergirding for the students.

The Council Office has, in recent months, become the venue for planning retreats for the leadership team from both the High and Primary Schools. The RDGS is delighted to share in this partnership with the school by providing this space for the school leaders to engage in retreat as they prepare for the 2023-2024 academic year.



(Top/left to bottom/right: Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield, Mrs. Debra Humphreys, Ms. Tessa Bodden, Mr. Donnell Dixon and Mr. Bernard McGrath)

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### **Crisis Preparedness and Response Capability Guidelines for Congregations and Council**

Another hurricane season is upon us and although we hope and pray that we will be spared once again, it is time for all of us and our congregations to take the necessary steps to be ready for all eventualities. In addition to the annual, government-issued hurricane preparedness guidelines to aid us, we also have the 'Crisis Preparedness and Response Capability Guidelines for Congregations and Council' document prepared by the UCJCI to assist us in this process. The leadership and membership of the CIRMC are strongly encouraged to make every effort necessary in their local context to satisfy the requirements outlined in the document. "Be Storm Ready! Make a Plan!"



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### **"UCJCI ManFest: Real Men...Real Vibz"**

The UCJCI, inspired by the 43rd Synodical Theme: "Rooted! Resilient: Re-ignited by the Spirit", will host "UCJCI ManFest: Real Men...Real Vibz" at the Knox College High School in Spalding, Clarendon, on Saturday July 1, 2023, starting at 9:00 a.m. It will be a time of electrifying music, fun (outdoor and indoor), food and fellowship.

According to the Rt. Rev. Gary Harriott. "We have determined and have declared that we are a church that is on the MOVE; we have pulled up anchor and are now sailing. The sail in our Men's Ministry suffered a significant blow COVID 19 winds. The call at the recently held Synod was loud and clear that something needs to be done to re-ignite our Men's Ministry at the congregational, regional and synodical Levels. We heard the call, and a dynamic team of our men is responding."

"NO MAN SHOULD MISS THIS! A BLESSING AWAITS EVERY MAN. So, begin to rally your troops; hundreds of men will gather – young men, middle-aged men, and older men; take along some community men as well. Prizes and surprises for the Council with the most men in attendance."

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 **ELMSLIE MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH**  
presents a

**MISSIONS WEEKEND** | **JUNE 9 - 11 2023**

**“NATIONS UNITED FOR CHRIST”**  
*Jesus said, “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations”.  
Matthew 28:19*

**GUEST SPEAKERS**  
Mr. Paul Wheatley, OM Caribbean Executive Director  
Mrs. Keitra Vilma, Regional Director Northern Caribbean

**MAIN EVENTS**  
*All events will be held at the Elmslie Memorial United Church*

**FRI** Opening Worship Service @ 7pm - “Missions in our Backyard”  
Youth Group @ 8:30pm

**SAT**  
Breakfast & Workshop @ 8:30am - 11:30am  
• Session 1 – Missions  
• Session 2 – Everyday Evangelism

**SUN** Worship Service @ 10:30am  
Worship & Fellowship @ 6:00pm - “A Heart for the Nations”

 **Registration is required for the Breakfast on Saturday, June 10**  
Please scan the QR code to register online or  
Contact the Elmslie Church Office at (345) 949-7923



   
The United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands

**SUMMER DAY CAMP**  
*Cayman Islands*

   
**Children's Camp** July 12-16  
**Teens' Camp** July 19-23  
8am - 6pm

**"Ketch Di Fyah"**

Cost: CI\$125  
Venue: Prospect Youth Centre  
Submit forms to [cirmc.summercamps@gmail.com](mailto:cirmc.summercamps@gmail.com)



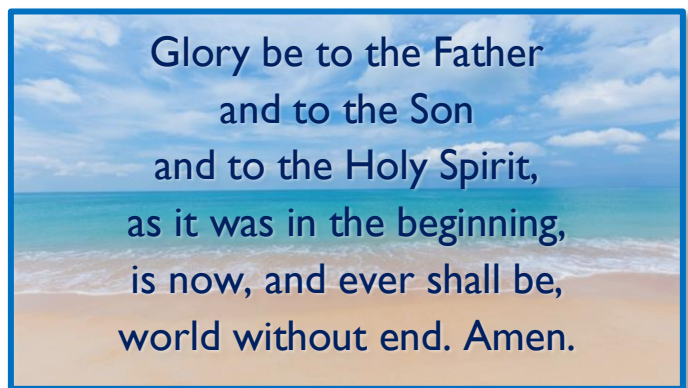
**BE STORM READY!**

**MAKE A PLAN!**

**MAKE A KIT!**

**HURRICANE SEASON**

**JUNE 1 – NOV. 30**



Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

**SAVANNAH UNITED CHURCH**  
**VBS 2023**

  
**Babylon**  
Daniel's Courage in Captivity

**JOIN US ON A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE**

 **Celebrations with Daniel**  
Meet Daniel and hear of his amazing adventures in Babylon, how God rescued him in difficult times and celebrate with exciting action songs.

 **Craft & Music Shops**  
Visit the market place and try doing your own fun art and craft. Experience the food court with all the best foods in Babylon. Make sure to drop in at the music shop to learn how to play an instrument or two.

 **Palace Playground**  
What would a palace be without some sports and recreational games. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes and come prepared to have fun.

**JULY 3 - 7**  
**5PM - 8PM**  
**AGES: 4-13YRS**

**Register Now !!**  
email: [youthminister@savannahunited.ky](mailto:youthminister@savannahunited.ky)

  
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