MISSION - FAITH THAT CARES!



The South Sound Congregation is currently the host church for the group of children, Moms and the Interpreter from Mongolia. The group was visited at the Health City Hospital by Mr. and Mrs. Heber Arch, Jamalleo Ramoon and Jennelle McLaughlin. Rt. Rev. L.Christopher Mason is the host Minister and he visits with the group on a continuous basis. Once the surgeries are completed, the group will re-locate to the **Mission House** during the period of recuperation. The Mission House, located at 158 Woodland Avenue, Lower Valley, was given as a gift to the United Church by a family. It is to be used in mission and since May of this year, it has been serving as the post-surgery home for the children who come on island for heart surgery.

MISSION – PROMOTING GOOD HEALTH!





The Savannah United Church held a Total Wellness Health Fair on Saturday, September 22, 2018. It was attended by over fifty persons. Several organizations supported the Health Fair including the Cayman Pharmacists Association (pictured at left) promoting a lifestyle without smoking.

Several workshops on topics such as 'Stress Management and 'Air Quality and Health' were held throughout the day. Persons in attendance were able to be screened for diabetes and hypertension.



CAYMAN ISLANDS REGIONAL MISSION COUNCIL

WEEKLY UPDATE!

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COUNCIL MEETING EAST END UNITED CHURCH HALL

SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2018, AT 9:00 AM

Council will be taking the vote for the next Moderator of Synod at this Council Meeting.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

He has told you, O man, what is good— and what does the LORD require of you, but to do justice and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Micah 6:8 Modern English

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 29

Council Meeting - 9:00am East End United Church Hall

September 30

Induction Service - Rev. Euthman Wray at 5:00pm - Savannah United Church

October 6

Women's Fellowship Executive meeting - 10:00am Council Office

October 6

Church School MAT Meeting - 1:00pm - Council Office

October 14

Service of Appreciation for CPHS Staff - 10:00 am at Savannah United Church



OCTOBER

THEME: October – December ADVOCACY

September 30 Mr. Ethridge Netz-Youth Ministry

October 7 Rev. Rohan Forrester World Communion

Sunday

October 14 Mr. Mike Bowerman

Why overseas mission?

October 21 Rev. Alice Blair
The Servant Heart

October 28 Rev. Dr. Noble -Bloomfield /Ms. Tessa

Bodden -

Reformation Sunday

Every Sunday at 7:45am on Radio Cayman

MISSION - SHEPHERDING A CHILD'S HEART!



The John Gray Memorial Church, on Saturday 15th September, 2018 held a special event for young families. In addition to the resources that are distributed through the Outreach Ministry of the Women's Fellowship, Rev. Donovan Myers shared the importance of shepherding a child's heart and the children were prayed for and blessed by the RDGS – Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield. A meal was shared, and the members of the Women's Fellowship and the young families interacted together.

UNITED CHURCH FOCUS FOR OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2018 - ADVOCACY

During October to December 2018, UCJCI will be placing emphasis on **Advocacy** and **Public Theology** at the Congregational, Council and Synodical levels. As a needs meeting Church, UCJCI at all levels must strive to enhance the well-being of not only Congregants but the wider community. To respond to the needs that are glaring and not so glaring in our nations is core to our calling as persons of faith and integrity.

Congregations are being encouraged to identify in the given context the issues that are negatively impacting /striking or influencing the lives of the persons in the community. Once these are identified, congregations must be tasked to speak to/ develop strategies and tactics that can adequately alleviate the challenges being faced.

Some starting questions need to be asked by each Congregation:

Examples of such questions: Who lives in the environs of our congregation? What are the socio-economic realties of the community? What are the pressing issues? What are the needs in our community? What are we doing as a congregation to respond to the circumstances of those around us? Who needs our voice and our support? How can we partner with others to bring change?

Identify one or two manageable issues and respond faithfully to those so that in tangible ways we touch lives, nurture disciples and seek transformation through Christ.

At the Council and Synodical levels, the urgency is to offer hope, to speak to the ills in the society, to challenge those who seek to commodify persons and those who continuously dehumanize and marginalize others in their pursuit of wealth. Further, with vigour, we must find our public voice and use it in the declaration of the sanctity of life of our children, women and men. We must let our voices decry the decadency and the abhorrence that too easily possess the minds and inform the actions of the crudest in our midst. Simultaneously, we must proclaim peace and encourage a renewed understanding of what it means to love and respect our fellow human beings.

In this final quarter of 2018 let us stand up for justice, brotherhood and peace. Let the Creator's glory which is reflected everywhere be also reflected in us and through the thoughts, words and actions of our advocacy on behalf of those who are too exhausted to speak and to act.