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## Service of Appreciation



The Annual Service of Appreciation for the Staff of the Cayman Prep and High School (CPHS) was held on Sunday, October 9, 2022, at the Savannah United Church at 9:00 am. In addition to the congregants, over 100 staff members (administrative, academic, and ancillary) and their families attended the event.

During Rev Forrester's Greetings as the Chair of Council, he invited congregants to observe a moment of silence in



remembrance of Mrs. M. Janilee Clifford, who passed away at the age of 90 on Thursday, October 6, 2022. Mrs. Clifford was an educator at CPHS for 31 years and an Elder of the Robert Young Memorial Church (George Town). By her unselfish and dedicated service in several ecclesiastical and civic organizations Mrs. Clifford made an indelible impact on our Church and the wider community.

In his Greetings Rev. Rohan Forrester emphasized that the UCJCI is fully committed to continue journeying with CPHS.

In recognition and appreciation of his sterling leadership and stewardship over the years, immediate Past Chairman of the Board of Governors (2013-2021) Mr. Ormond Williams received a token of appreciation.



Director of CPHS Ms. Debra McLaughlin, thanked the CIRMC and the Savannah United Church for hosting the service in appreciation of all the work and service CPHS provides to so many throughout the Cayman Islands, striving to live daily to the motto of the school, "Let Your Light So Shine."

The School Chaplains, Rev. Rohan Forrester (Primary School) and Rev. L. Christopher Mason (High School), as well as Rev. Dr. Yvette Noble-Bloomfield and other Ministers and members of the Church were also acknowledged for their continuous engagement in various roles (Ethics lessons, Christian Life Sessions, Assemblies, devotions, etc.).

Ms. McLaughlin said, "January 2022 marked 73 years since the United Church opened the doors of CPHS. We give thanks to God for His steadfastness to our school. Thanks to those leaders in the Church, Ministers, Governors, Principals, teachers, and all our staff, students, and parents who contributed and continue to contribute so much to our school. We have grown from very humble beginnings to a thriving and nurturing school, providing top-quality education today to 1015 students with a staff of 136. To God be the glory and may the light of Cayman Prep and High School continue to shine."

Rev. Euthman Wray, Minister of the Savannah United Church, in his address based on Philippians 2:12-18 and Matthew 5:13-18 reflected on how the motto, "Let Your Light So Shine" guided and inspired the life and service of the school, the Church, in the past and present and will continue to lead and empower it in the future. We, as a people, as a Church and as a school, are called to reflect God's light in this world. How can we do this? Firstly, by imitating/emulating Christ, by teaching, treating, empowering one another in Christ's way. Secondly, by impacting, influencing, investing in others in Christ's way. Thirdly, by practicing introspection to ensure that we remain authentic, relevant, and effective in presenting Christ.

Musical prelude was provided by the High School band, led by Mr. Mike Galvin and a solo by Ms. Rebecca Wall. Each member of staff received a token of appreciation. The service was followed by a fellowship meal in the Church Hall.





### Cayman Prep & High School COBIS Patron's Accreditation and Compliance

During the 2021/2022 school year, CPHS welcomed a delegation from the Council of British International Schools (COBIS) for a school visit as the school sought to become Compliant and Accredited by the association. This visit was initially planned for 2019 but was delayed by notice of the first school inspection, then planned for March 2020 but was delayed by the pandemic.

The COBIS Patron's Accreditation and Compliance is a school improvement and development journey which recognizes highquality British international schools overseas. There are 10 standards (one of which was not applicable to us i.e. Boarding) – the other 9 standards were Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment; Student Welfare; Facilities; Governance; Ethos and Values; Learning and Teaching; Leadership in the School; Communication and Extra-Curricular, Enrichment and Engagement The school visit was the culmination of months of collaboration and partnership with a COBIS Lead Improvement Partner to provide evidence that the school meets the COBIS Standards via an online digital platform.

The Cayman Prep and High School has met the Standards as set out by COBIS for Patron's Accreditation and Compliance programme and the school has been awarded the COBIS Patron's Accredited Member status.

The Director expressed delight about this and thanked the CPHS Board of Governors for granting approval to pursue this accreditation. She has also expressed thanks to the Senior Leadership Team for their outstanding leadership, and the dedicated and committed staff whose passion for our school is demonstrated each day. Students were thanked for their hard work, for the way they look out for each other and for their support for the students and the school.

Please find below information about areas in which the school were commended.

**Standard 1: Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment:** The school was commended as follows:

The school recruitment process is fair, thorough, and transparent and applies to all appointments consistently.

All staff within the school including volunteers and supply staff meet high standards of child protection and the safeguarding of students.

**Standard 2: Student Welfare:** The school was commended as follows:

The school provides a pastoral structure that meets the needs of all students and promotes their personal development

The school ensures that through positive behavior management students are supported in their learning and safety

**Standard 4: Governance:** The school was commended as follows:

Governors have a commitment to their own training and development

**Standard 7: Learning and Teaching:** The school was commended for:

The extensive breadth of opportunities ensures that the curriculum has breadth and successfully develops learner qualities

High standards are reached through high expectations and consistent approaches to learning.

The richness of data that is used effectively to inform planning for students

The level of consistency of feedback in the High School means that students can articulate their successes and their targets for learning.

The students' positive attitude to learning.

# Standard 8: Leadership In The School: The school was commended for

The commitment to professional learning so that its effects naturally permeate through all aspects of school life.

The opportunities that students have to contribute to the development of the school

**Standard 9: Communication:** The school was commended for:

The effective and appropriate level of communication between home and school

# **Standard 10: Extra-Curricular, Enrichment and Engagement:** The school was commended for:

The diverse range of extra-curricular activities available to students.

The Cayman Islands Regional Mission Council congratulates the Cayman Prep and High School for this achievement. The Administrators, Staff, Students and Parents continue to enjoy the support and good wishes of the Council.

(Note: The complete report is available on the school's website at <u>https://www.cayprep.edu.ky/</u>)

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#### **CPHS Priority Registration deadline is October 31st**

If you have a child who is currently NOT a student attending Cayman Prep and High School, but you would potentially like to join the school in the 2023-2024 academic year, in KG – Year 10, please take note that the priority application deadline is October 31, 2022. This includes a child that is either hoping to join KG 2023/24 or attends another primary school, high school or is home-schooled and wishes to be considered to attend the school.

If you have a child who meets any of the below criteria, does not currently attend Cayman Prep and is not already on the waitlist, you should complete the online application form found on our website www.cayprep.edu.ky and pay the non-refundable application fee of \$300 before the 31st of October to gain priority for the 2023-2024 school year.

If you have already applied you do not need to do this again, if you are not sure if you have applied, please call the Primary School on 949-5932 or the High School on 949-9115. Alternatively email hsadmissions@cayprep.edu.ky or psadmissions@cayprep.edu.ky

#### Priority status on our waitlist is available to:

1. Children who are Members, or who are children or grandchildren of Members of the United Church, in good standing (requires Church letter)

2. Children of active adherents of the United Church (requires Church letter)

3. Children of current permanent staff of the School

4. Children who have a sibling in the School

5. Children who have previously had sibling/s in the School

6. Past students and children of past students of the School

7. Others in order of receipt of completed application form and application fee.

If you have any questions, please call the High School on 949-9115 or Primary School on 949-5932 or email hsadmissions@cayprep.edu.ky or <u>psadmissions@cayprep.edu.ky</u>

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19th Sunday in Pentecost

October 16,2022

Persistent Hope (Peace)

Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 121 Luke 18:1-8

Biblical Peace (Shalom) speaks to wholeness - total health and total welfare - for the total person who is a child of God. What do we do when our peace is disturbed? All three of our readings today invite reflection on God (Jesus Christ) as the Source of our Peace. What is the message of Hope shared with the House Church when the world grapples with the effects of wars and rumors of war?

### 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

- Pastor John Macmillan (RYMC) and
- Mrs. Itza Bodden, Youth Worker (EE-GB) both face health related challenges.
- The bereaved families of the late Mrs. Janilee Clifford (Robert Young Memorial) and
- Mrs. Johnet Jackson (Savannah United).

