



SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

South Caribbean Conference

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Dear Brethren:

I greet you in the Name of the One who has the world in His hands. The evolution of COVID-19 is rapid, we have been forced to adapt our lives to a new normal that has created scars that may never be erased. As a church we are committed to prayer, and we believe that we can pray this virus away. James 5:16 states that, "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much". I implore you then, to keep the eradication of this virus high on your prayer list as this virus seems to be unprecedented, unstable and unpredictable. The great news is - we have a God who is able to handle every situation because nothing takes God by surprise.

This is an opportunity for us to share hope in the second coming of Jesus through personal contact and on social media, this must be the context of COVID-19 as we relate to our family and friends. Let each one be a light in this dark world. Let us also point our people to NEWSTART, the basis of our health message.

It is incumbent upon us to observe the directives from the government in regard to COVID- 19 and the maximum congregating of no more than 10 persons. The Administration of the South Caribbean Conference of Seventh-day Adventists has decided to shut down all services (Sabbath, Wednesday and Sunday nights), meetings and boards in the local church with immediate effect. Additionally, because of the issue of social distancing, home cells are also not to be convened.

It should be noted that the SCC Office and the IADPA Bookstores will remain open but with reduced staff. Visitors to the SCC Office will be screened on entry, please cooperate with Security Officers and Office Staff as we seek to keep you, the member, the SCC staff and the general public safe and healthy.

We will be streaming our services on Sabbath March 21, 2020 and continuing as is necessary on South Caribbean Conference Youtube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/user/southcaribadventists>.

We encourage families to spend more time in spiritual experiences and other family activities, but more so to continue to pray as we face this pandemic. May God bless you.

Yours in the Master's Service

LESLIE MOSES
President