

Streams of Light

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BERMUDA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

December, 2025



President's Christmas Message

Darkness Never Wins

John 1:5 And the Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

The birth of Christ reminds us that Jesus entered the world to deal with our darkness. His light dispels the darkness of our sin with the light of His salvation. He dispels the darkness of our guilt with the light of His grace. He deals with the darkness of our confusion with the light of His peace. He chases the darkness of our loneliness away with the light of His love. In Christ, God deals with our darkness, and those who live in darkness cannot comprehend what God has done for us.

That word comprehend means that darkness cannot understand it or overcome it. Those who live in darkness cannot understand how you can smile when you ought to be crying; how you find strength when you ought to quit; how you hold on when you ought to let go; how you rejoice when you ought to be sad; and how you bless the Lord when you ought to give up. There is something about the light of Christ that darkness cannot understand. Some people cannot understand how Christ gives us a peace that surpasses all understanding; how He gives us unspeakable joy, so that we can see the invisible, reach for the intangible; and trust God in the darkest moments of life because there is a light inside of us that darkness can't understand or overcome. Darkness can't understand how weeping endures for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

The Bible says that light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot understand it. The darkness cannot snatch the light; it can't seize the light; it cannot take the light away. Darkness wants to extinguish the light, but darkness doesn't know how to grab hold of it. What God gives us in Jesus can never be taken

away. That's why we should never let the darkness of this world steal our joy, dampen our praise, or weaken our spirits, because we have something permanent that darkness can never overcome.

There are two ways people can watch a movie on Apple TV: you can rent it, or you can purchase it. When you rent it, you have 30 days to watch it, and once you start watching it, you have 48 hours before it goes away, because when you rent it, you don't own it; you must keep paying for it. But if you purchase it, it goes into your library, and you have access to it whenever you want it.

The light, the joy, the peace that God has given us, was purchased by Jesus so that we can access it whenever we need it, and the darkness can never take it away. The darkness doesn't understand the light, neither can it overcome it. Evil, hatred, bigotry, and racism all lose to the light of God. The light always wins, and if the light of Christ dwells within us, darkness can never overpower us.

At the Arlington Cemetery gravesite of John F Kennedy, there is an eternal flame of light source that burns even when the rain beats upon it. It still burns. When the strong winds blow, it cannot put the fire out. The light still shines, and the darkness can never overcome it. The evil we experience in this life, no matter how tragic, can never overcome the light. May this Christmas remind you that darkness never wins! Merry Christmas.

President's Report: August to December 2025

PENTECOST 2025

All 11 churches participated in the Pentecost 2025 initiative of the North American Division (NAD). The NAD gave \$1,500 to the initiative, and the Atlantic Union Conference and Bermuda conference matched their giving. Thanks to the pastoral staff and the work of each church member, the Lord has blessed us during Pentecost 2025 with 53 new members conference-wide.

FEATURED CONSTITUENCY SPEAKER

On September 28, I was privileged to be the devotional speaker for the Northeastern Conference (NEC) constituency session, where all three officers were reelected. Dr. Eldeen King, president, Dr. Nicardo Delahey, executive secretary, and Elder Brian Macdonald, treasurer. The Northeastern Conference, the largest conference in our Union, was partially responsible for assisting in the growth of our Bermuda Mission membership. It was R. T. Hudson, the first preacher of color in a pulpit in Bermuda, who paved the way for Charles Bradford, who baptized over 100 souls in his evangelistic series in 1967.

As administrators, we have agreed to partner with the NEC

to conduct evangelism across Bermuda, from February 28 to March 7, 2026. We are working together to make this evangelistic gospel explosion a reality.

ATLANTIC UNION

Most recently, Sheena Smith was voted by the Bermuda conference executive committee to serve as the Director of Finance, Analytics, and Reporting at Bermuda Institute. Now that she is an employee of the Bermuda conference, she can no longer serve as a lay person on the Atlantic Union executive committee, a post she held for the last 4 years. We thank Sheena for her invaluable service on the Atlantic Union executive committee and the Bermuda conference executive committee.

At our last meeting, the executive committee voted Kristina Dickinson to replace Sheena. Kristina made her debut appearance on the Union committee on November 19, 2025. We welcome Kristina to her new role and thank her for her commitment to the work of the church. She brings great value to the executive committee as one of our vibrant serving young adults.

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SENIOR'S BANQUET 2025

On Sunday, November 16, 2025, we held our fourth in-person Bermuda Conference senior's banquet, with over 250 seniors from 10 of our churches. Our guests included government minister of Youth, Social Development and Seniors, the Hon. Tinee Furbert, JP, MP, and Programmes and Events Manager at Age Concern Bermuda, Dr. Edonna Bean. Both gave special remarks and words of encouragement to our seniors.



Both were well received.

Our special guest artist this year was Mr. Ne-

ville Peter, who not only ministered at the banquet, but also at the Somerset church for its Disability Day on Sabbath, November 15. Mr. Peter is a native of St. Thomas. At 6 months of age, he was diagnosed with glaucoma, which caused damage to his sight.

At age fourteen, he began piano lessons. He attended the University of Miami, where he received his BA in Studio Music and Vocal Jazz. He has written numerous gospel songs and has shared the stage with some of the most recognized names in gospel. One of his favorite Bible verses is Isaiah 42:16, "I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth." He appears on TBN's "Praise the Lord" program and on 3ABN. The best description of Neville's music is that it ministers to the soul and quiets the troubled spirit.

I wish to thank Craig Outerbridge, who

made a personal sacrifice of his own time and plans for that weekend, to shadow Mr. Peter for the entire weekend of his stay. Thank you, Brother Craig.

I wish to also thank Donavan Durrant, our MC for the evening, Bootsie, and the youth group, Inspired, directed by Elder Mark Matthew. We thank the powerful duo Charo Hollis and Samantha Smith, for their ministry and Dwayne Foster for being instrumental in ministering and blessing our seniors.

A huge thanks to Dianne Coddington for transforming the ambiance of the auditorium and for leading the Hamilton gourmet committee to prepare a delicious meal for our seniors. I thank the servers, the Southampton deacons, Lloyd Roberts (transportation), Ricardo Clarke (photography), and numerous others who worked to make this event a great success. Most of all, I thank the planning committee: Rochelle Ming (Hamilton), Diane Furbert (Southampton), Tanya Warner (Pembroke), Cheryl King (Warwick), Pattie Jean Roberts (Somerset), Pastor Dwayne Burgess (Rockaway), Cynthia Ganpot (Midland Heights), Frigga Simmons (St. George's), Debra White (St. David's), and Pamela Greyson (Devonshire). The teamwork made the dream work. It was an evening to remember.



Pictures by Ricardo Clarke

NAD YEAR-END MEETING 2025

For the last 12 years, as conference president, I have faithfully attended the NAD year-end meetings in Maryland. I thought to share one piece of good news from this year's meeting, which is my last in my final term. Please see below.

As the North American Division holds its annual year-end meeting, the Association of Adventist Colleges and Universities (AACU) has announced that total fall enrollment across all 13 campuses has risen to 21,125 students, continuing a three-year trend of growth and representing a 2.8 percent increase during that period.

Collectively, AACU institutions offer nearly 400 distinct degree and certificate programs, providing students with both academic excellence and a nurturing environment where faith and learning thrive together. Undergraduate enrollment also climbed for the third consecutive year, reaching 14,665 students, a 5 percent increase over the past three years.

As this year's enrollment report is shared, AACU extends a heartfelt appeal to students, families, pastors, and church members to continue supporting Adventist education through prayer, advocacy, and personal encouragement. Together — with the active engagement of our local congregations, schools, and conferences — we can continue to build a strong pipeline of Christ-centered leaders who will serve the Seventh-day Adventist Church and the world with excellence and faithfulness as we look forward to Christ's soon return.

"We are thrilled to see this continued momentum and to witness more students discovering the transformative power of an Adventist education," said Dr. Ken Shaw, president of AACU and Southern Adventist University. "This growth reflects the shared commitment of our institutions—and our church partners—to meet the spiritual, academic, and personal needs of our young people."

This is good news. Let us continue to encourage all our children to be taught of the Lord. It starts in the home, and it's sup

ported by the church and our pastors, that all of our youth should be encouraged, where possible, to continue their undergrad in our Adventist colleges and Universities.

Pastor Cyril Millet, who now serves in the Canadian Union, was one of the morning devotional speakers. He preached on our need during Pentecost 2025 to be intentional in retaining those we baptize in 2025.

BERMUDA INSTITUTE CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING CONCERT



If there is one offering that we can be proud of at the Bermuda Institute, it is our music department. Thanks to Owen Simons with the choir and Dwayne Foster with the band, the school Christmas concert was a success. As school board chairman, the Lord blessed me to raise \$15,450.00 towards the school concert to assist the Bermuda Institute in its fundraising endeavors. I wish to thank all of you who partnered with me and made the sacrifice and made this happen. Thank you for your support of Christian education at Bermuda Institute.

BERMUDA INSTITUTE

Bermuda Institute has faced its share of challenges in recent times. Thanks to the support of our Union leadership, we launched a transformation project led by our very own Sheena Smith to strengthen the school's operational, financial, and organizational foundations and to ensure long-term growth, sustainability, and alignment with the mission of providing a Christ-centered education of excellence. The key focus areas were financial management, human resources, administration, staff engagement, and morale. Difficult but necessary decisions were made this year to ensure the Bermuda Institute's survival. These measures have placed the school on a path toward greater financial and operational stability. Continuous monitoring remains a top priority in this transformational journey, because while progress has been made, a sustained commitment and collaboration among leadership, staff, and the Bermuda Conference remain essential to achieving lasting success. We thank every hard-working staff member of Bermuda Institute for their commitment to Christian education.

PASTORAL STAFF

As a result of the challenges experienced at Bermuda Institute, we had to rescind two calls placed for two teachers who were the spouses of two pastors we planned to hire this year. Please continue to pray that we will find suitable pastors to minister in the Bermuda conference. I have had to serve as a full-time pastor during the entire time of my presidency of 12 years, this coming September. A special thanks to Pastor Damon Hendrickson, who has pastored two

churches during this time. He presently serves as pastor of both Restoration and the Southampton church during this shortage of pastoral staff in the Bermuda conference. Thank you, Pastor D.



joy
 grace
 hope-love
 faith-peace
 honor-purity
 justice-charity
 courage-loyalty
 goodness-prudence
 sympathy-humility
 fortitude-temperance
 brotherhood-cooperation
 and
 God
 is
 Love



From the Executive Secretary . . .

Safeguarding Trust: The Work of the Bermuda Conference Compliance Committee

**by Pastor W. DeJaun Tull, Data Privacy Officer
Bermuda Conference of Seventh-day Adventists**

In an era when personal information is one of the most valuable and vulnerable assets, the Bermuda Conference of Seventh-day Adventists has taken intentional steps to ensure that our mission of ministry and service operates with integrity, accountability, and transparency. To this end, the Bermuda Conference Compliance Committee was formally established under the direction of the Executive Committee to strengthen our organization's alignment with the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA 2016) — the law that governs how personal information is handled, protected, and respected in Bermuda.

FORMATION OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

The Compliance Committee was formed in 2025 as part of the Conference's broader governance and risk management plan. Members were nominated and voted by the Executive Committee, bringing together a diverse group of professionals with

expertise in administration, information technology, education, legal affairs, and human resources.

The committee was tasked with:

- Developing and standardizing policies and procedures that ensure compliance with Bermuda's privacy laws.

- Overseeing the implementation of privacy and data protection practices across all Conference entities.

- Providing training, education, and guidance to local church officers, schools, and departments.

- Supporting the role of Local Privacy Officers (LPOs) in each organization.

Through consistent collaboration, research, and consultation, the team has laid the groundwork for a culture of accountability and confidentiality in handling personal information across the Adventist community in Bermuda.

THE PRIVACY INCIDENT PLAYBOOK (PIP)

The committee's first major deliverable was the creation of the Privacy Incident Playbook (PIP) — a comprehensive framework that guides every Conference department, local church, and institution in responding to privacy incidents.

The PIP provides step-by-step instructions for how to identify, contain, investigate, and report any suspected or confirmed breach involving personal information. It defines clear roles and responsibilities, including those of the Privacy Officer (PO) at the Conference level and Local Privacy Officers (LPOs) in each church and entity.

This standardized approach ensures that all organizations under the Conference's umbrella — including the Bermuda Institute, Adventist Book Center, Adventist Television, and our network of local congregations — respond consistently and lawfully if a data privacy issue arises.

In line with government requirements, the PIP is retroactively effective from January 1, 2025, ensuring that every organization within our field remains compliant with the law and prepared to handle privacy-related matters with diligence and professionalism.

WHY PIPA COMPLIANCE MATTERS

The Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) is not merely a government regulation — it is a reflection of our Christian commitment to stewardship, respect, and trust. Every member, student,

employee, or community partner who shares information with the Church entrusts us with something deeply personal. Compliance with PIPA safeguards that trust. In practical terms, PIPA ensures that:

- Personal data (names, addresses, medical or financial information, etc.) is collected and used only for legitimate purposes.
- Information is stored securely and accessed only by authorized personnel.
- Individuals are notified promptly and transparently if their personal data is compromised.
- The Church demonstrates ethical accountability consistent with both civil law and biblical principles of care and respect for others.

ONGOING EDUCATION AND COMMITMENT

The Compliance Committee's work does not end with the creation of the playbook. Continuing and in some cases beginning in 2026, the committee will roll out:

- Training sessions for pastors, clerks, treasurers, and ministry leaders,
- Annual reviews and updates to the PIP document,
- Awareness campaigns to help members understand their rights and responsibilities under PIPA, and

Practical tools and templates for incident reporting and privacy communication.

By embedding privacy awareness into the daily operations of the Church, the Bermuda

Conference is ensuring that our ministries remain both mission-driven and law-abiding.

CONCLUSION

As stewards of God's work, our calling is not only to proclaim the Gospel but also to demonstrate integrity in how we manage the affairs of His people. The establishment of the Compliance Committee and the implementation of the Privacy Incident Playbook mark an important milestone in our journey toward ethical excellence, transparency, and trust.

Through these efforts, the Bermuda Conference reaffirms its commitment to upholding the highest standards of governance — protecting both the message of truth we share and the people we serve.

PRIVACY AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS VOTED AT THE FEBRUARY 24, 2025, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:

The PIPA Compliance Committee is established to ensure that the organization and its entities comply with the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) by implementing policies, procedures, and oversight mechanisms. The committee will work to safeguard personal information, promote awareness, and mitigate risks associated with PIPA violations.

Chair – W. DeJaun Tull
Secretary – Dawn Eversley
Onesimus Nzabalinda
Michael Simmons
Mrs. Michelle Desio

Kevin Stewart
Carlyle Simmons (Invitee)

LOCAL PRIVACY OFFICERS (LPO):

As part of our ongoing efforts to ensure clear communication and compliance across all congregations and institutions within the Bermuda Conference, the Compliance Committee requested that each church entity and our school, officially appoint a Local Privacy Officer (LPO), which will act as a liaison to the Privacy and Compliance Committee of the Bermuda Conference.

These individuals will become trained and will be responsible for:

- Receiving updates and important information from the committee
- Assisting in the dissemination of relevant compliance and privacy-related updates within their respective congregation or school
- Serving as a resource for any questions or concerns regarding privacy and compliance matters
- Monitoring any personal data incidents.

St. David's - ?
St. George's - ?
Southampton - ?
ABC/ATV – Conference Treasurer
Bermuda Institute – Juvan Gaitor
Devonshire – Omar Pennyman
Hamilton – Kimberlee Doyley-Fox
Midland Heights – Judith Brooks
Pembroke – Dawn Eversley

Restoration – Damon Hendrickson
Rockaway – Debra Stevens
Somerset – Michael Simmons
Warwick – Michelle DeSio



APPOINTMENTS VOTED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

NAME	NEW APPOINTMENTS
Frigga Simmons	School Board representative for St. George's church
Martin Turgott	BI representative on the Constitution & Bylaws committee
Kristina Dickinson	Union representative
Michael Simmons	Interim Communications Director
Dawnnelle Walker	School Board representative for Midland Heights
Junior Watts	Constitution & Bylaws representative for Midland Heights

The next **Constituency Session** is scheduled to take place on **Sunday, September 27, 2026, at the Hamilton Seventh-day Adventist Church, beginning at 8:30 a.m. with registration.**

Written reports will be based from September 26, 2022, to December 31, 2025.

Church delegate numbers will be based on the 4th Quarter Statistical report.

Calendar of Events

January 7-17	10 Days of Prayer
January 10	Hamilton's Celebration Sabbath—125 Years
January 17-18	Conference Officers Training
January 20	Constitution & Bylaws Meeting
January 24-31	Personal Ministries Week of Prayer with Norman McNulty
January 24	Family Life Officers Training at Devonshire
January 26	Executive Committee Meeting
January 31	Town Hall Meeting
February 8	Conference Workers Meeting
February 15-March 8	Health Dept. 21 Day Total Health Transformation
February 1-March 12	40 Days of Prayer
February 23	Executive Committee Meeting
February 27	Joint Prayer and Praise Conference
February 27– March 8	NEC/Atlantic Union/Bermuda Conference Evangelism
February 27-March 1	Women's Ministry Weekend
March 13-21	Evangelistic Meeting with John Bradshaw
March 30	Executive Committee Meeting
April 4	Hispanic Ministries Community Service Weekend
April 9-12	Pathfinder Camporee—Darrell's Island
April 17-19	Family Life Weekend
April 21	Constitution & Bylaws Meeting
April 27	Executive Committee Meeting
May 28-31	Pathfinder Union Camporee
May 31-June 21	Health Dept. 21 Day Total Health Transformation

“We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history” - EGW Life Sketches, p. 196.

*“God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.
The Lord of hosts is with us...”
Ps. 46:1 & 7*



Interim Treasurer's Update. . .

Season's Greetings!

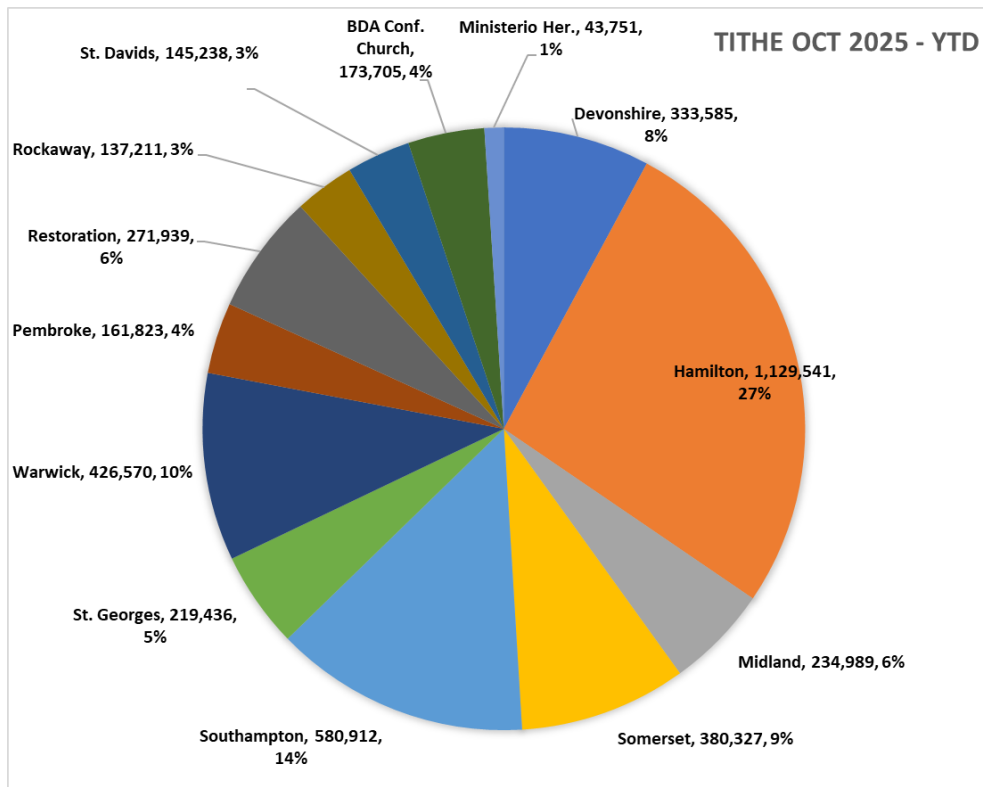
The objectives are still very relevant and constituents should hold all treasurers to this minimum standard.

- Open, clear and timely communication to stakeholders (local committees, members, and Union),
- Ensure that the assets of the Conference are effectively managed and identify opportunities to be more efficient ensuring value for dollars spent,
- Identify risk and implement mitigating strategies to reduce/manage risk, and
- Provide timely and accurate financial reporting to key stakeholders.

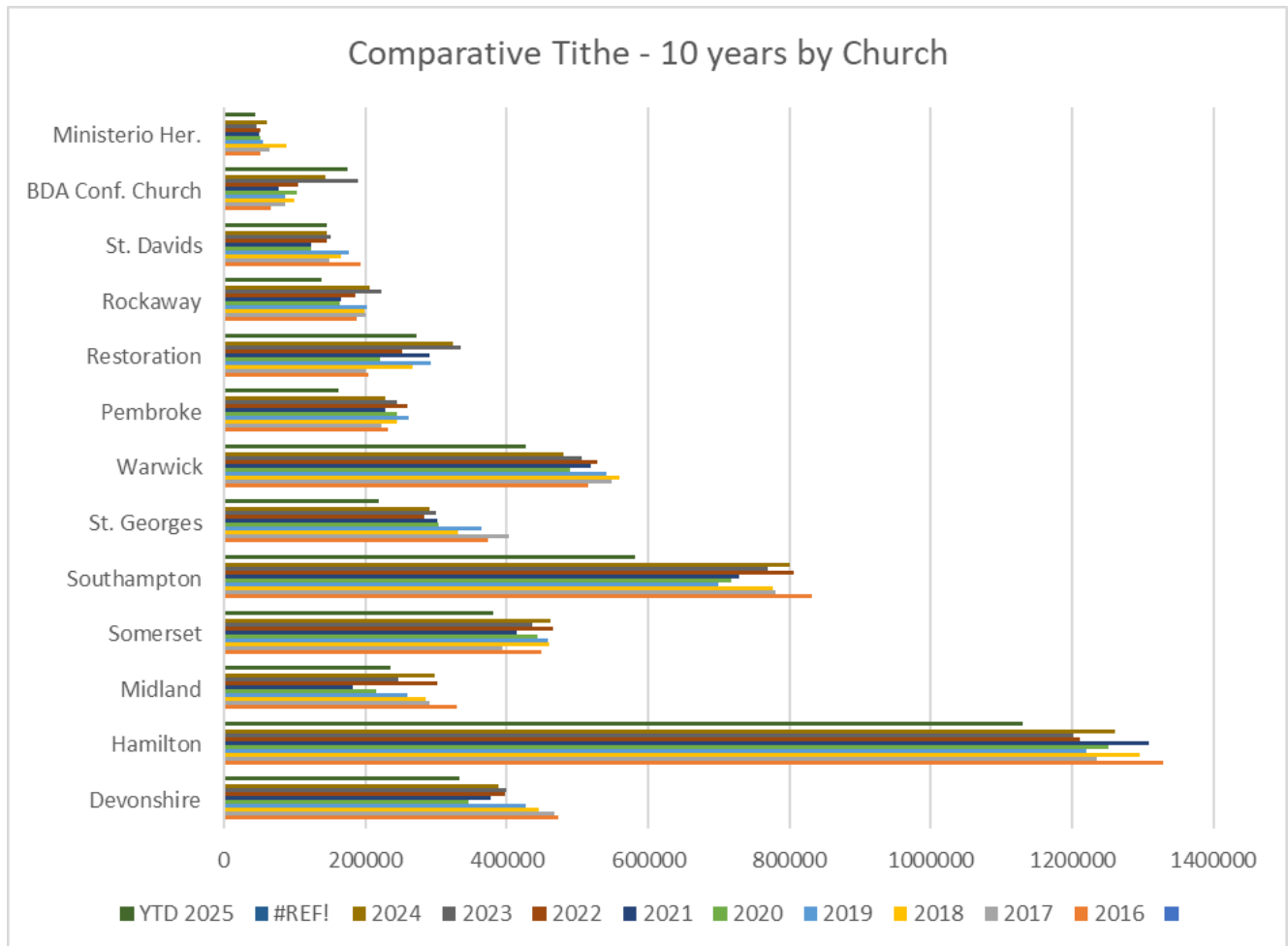
There have been minuscule improvements in the financial positions. We are working on the budget for the 2026 financial year and have received submissions from a number of departmental directors. The plan is to prepare a budget at 95% of the 2025 income which is primarily tithe. It is anticipated that the 2025 tithe will be over \$5 million.

Bermuda Conference of Seventh Day Adventists						
Ratios	NAD Standard	<u>Oct-25</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Available Liquidity - Months	3	0.75	0.7	2.6	3.6	3.8
Actual Liquidity (<i>less current Liabilities and donor restrictions</i>)		\$425,346	\$ 314,664	\$ 1,111,803	\$ 1,483,354	\$ 1,496,873
Available Working Capital in Months	6	2.58	2.2	4.1	5.2	5.4
Actual Working Capital (<i>current assets minus current liabilities</i>)		\$1,466,284	\$ 1,063,003	\$ 1,757,753	\$ 2,153,377	\$ 2,123,960
<u>Total Assets</u>		\$ 12,585,793	\$ 13,239,065	\$ 13,853,423	\$ 14,259,912	\$ 14,447,593
Increase (decrease) in net assets (Consolidated - includes ABC)		(\$327,763)	(\$782,709)	(\$452,507)	(\$107,187)	\$460,291
<i>(Summary of tithe presented on next pages)</i>						
<u>ABC</u>		<u>Oct-25</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Sales		\$897,251	\$1,106,087	\$1,012,540	\$1,089,876	\$1,080,606
Increase (decrease) in net assests		(\$191,312)	(\$282,891)	(\$241,533)	(\$180,542)	\$8,698

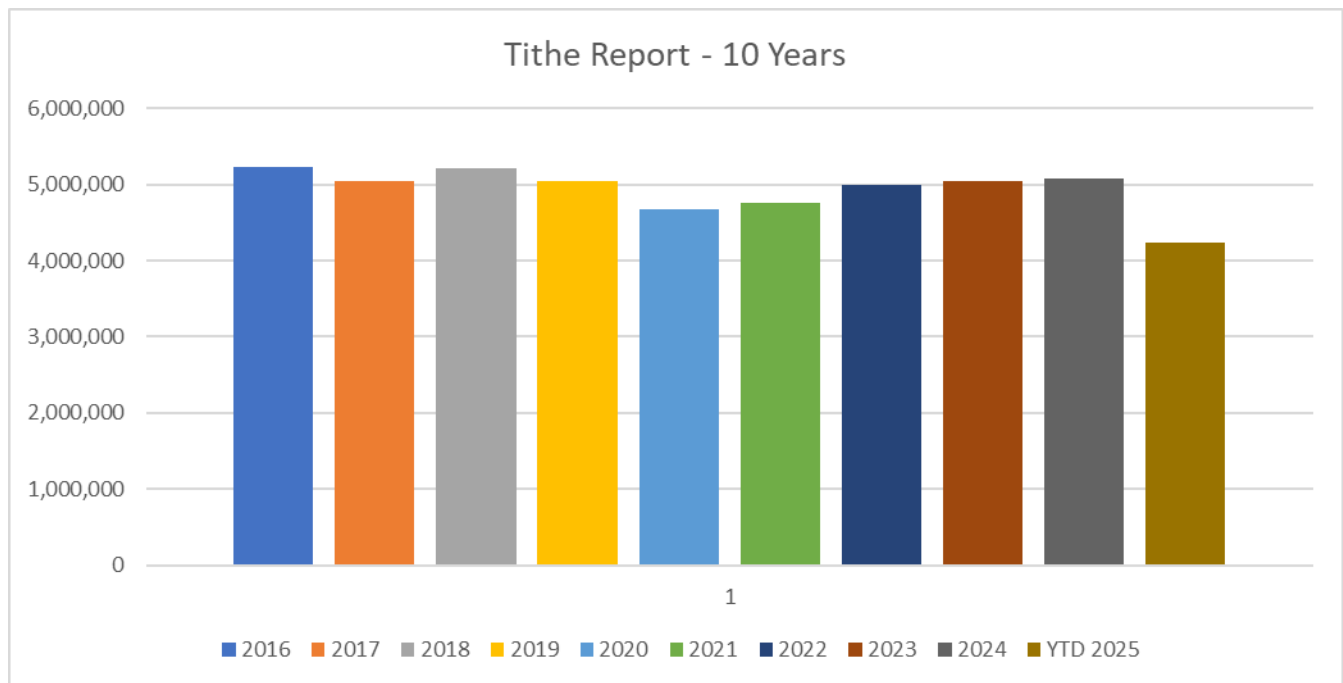
The chart below shows each churches gross** tithe contribution for the year-to-date October 2025, and percentage contribution of the total tithe.



** - Gross tithe includes special and regular tithe



Below is the tithe report covering the last 10 years. The year-to-date tithe to October 2025 is \$4.24 million and has been projected to be over 5 million – virtually the same as 2024.



We continue to appreciate the hard work of our church treasurers and their teams, who are effectively managing the church finances.

Also, a special thank you to the Conference office team (Roslyn Amory, Sherma Webbe Clarke, and Kim Ming Simons) and ABC staff (Carolyn James, Jermaine Richardson, Jo-Anna Mills, and Saw (Anita) Tun) who made my stint with the Conference less arduous!!

Stewardship corner

We are stewards – holdings assets for God!

Time
Talents
Treasures
Influence

We encourage all to be faithful!! - May it be said, that God can count on us!

4. *And so find favour and high esteem In the sight of God and man.*
5. *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;*
6. *In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.*
7. *Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and depart from evil.*

Prov. 3:4 - 7 NKJV

Bermuda Institute: Highlights and Happenings Report

Over the past two months, Bermuda Institute has been buzzing with activity, excitement, and growth. As we continue in this busy season, we are delighted to share several highlights that showcase the strength of our academic, spiritual, and community programs.

College Days Experience

In October, a group of our high school students participated in an enriching College Days Tour across four Adventist institutions: Southern Adventist University, Oakwood University, Andrews University, and Washington Adventist University.

This experience offered students a firsthand look at college life and helped them envision the opportunities that await them after graduation. During their visit, students were able to:

- Experience dorm life and interact with current university students
- Take guided tours of academic buildings, libraries, labs, athletic facilities, and performance spaces
- Participate in special events, worship services, academic showcases, and social activities
- Learn about majors, admissions processes, and scholarship opportunities

Our students represented Bermuda Institute with curiosity, maturity, and pride. Many returned with renewed enthusiasm for their future and a deeper appreciation for faith-based higher education.

Overall Reflections

Not only did this experience strengthen students' college readiness, but it also reinforced our mission of preparing young people for service, leadership, and lifelong learning. University staff offered positive feedback, affirming the character and excellence of our students—an encouraging reflection of the work happening daily in our classrooms.



Fall Week of Prayer 2025: “Beyond What We Imagine” October 27–31, 2025

Despite the impact of Hurricane Melissa, our Fall Week of Prayer was a powerful and uplifting experience centered on Ephesians 3:20–21: “*Beyond What We Imagine.*”

Students engaged deeply in worship, prayer walks, a community food giveaway, doctrinal lessons, and even a financial literacy workshop. We were honored to welcome Pastor Quentin Everett, Children and Youth Pastor at Community Praise Church (Virginia), whose dynamic messages inspired students to trust God’s limitless power.

The week reaffirmed that God’s plans for our students are greater than anything they can imagine and highlighted Bermuda Institute’s commitment to nurturing faith, knowledge, and service.

Bermuda Institute Hosts College Fair

Building on the momentum of the College Days Tour, Bermuda Institute hosted a vibrant College Fair just one month later. Representatives from seven universities met with students and parents to discuss academic programs, scholarships, and career pathways.

This event provided timely guidance for students preparing for their post-secondary journey and reinforced our dedication to helping them confidently navigate their future.

Campus & Community Highlights

- **Acts of Kindness from Grade 7**
Led by teacher Mazina Nisbett, our Grade 7 students held a free car window wash at Heron Bay Marketplace. This thoughtful gesture demonstrated compassion, community responsibility, and the joy of serving others.
- **Locker Room Upgrades**
We are pleased to report that the promised locker room upgrades have been completed. New lockers will be installed for January 2026, improving both aesthetics and functionality for our students.
- **Walk, Run, Ride Fundraiser**
We extend heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in the Walk, Run, Ride event on October 19, 2025. With more than 100 participants, the day was filled with energy, togetherness, and community spirit—all in support of a meaningful cause. Events like this highlight the strength and unity of the Bermuda Institute family.
- **Silent Praise Serves the Community**
At the invitation of Lion Dessaline Waldron, Silent Praise performed at Hamilton Marketplace as part of the “Share the Christmas Spirit Campaign.” Our Grade 6 girls, joined by BI alumna Zharia Bean, shared Christmas songs while raising awareness of Bermuda’s hearing-impaired and deaf community. Their ministry helped support food donations for families in need—an inspiring act of service.

- **Charleston Wrap Fundraiser**
Our Charleston Wrap campaign raised \$11,969.55! Thank you, parents and students—together we are accomplishing extraordinary things.
- **Choir Achievements**
Under the leadership of Mr. Simons, our choir participated in the Skyport *Carol Off*—and proudly won First Place *and* the People's Choice Award! We celebrate their hard work and exceptional performance.
- **Christmas Concert Success**
Our Christmas Concert was an overwhelming success! Thanks to your generosity, we surpassed our fundraising goal, supporting scholarships and student programs. The evening was a beautiful display of talent, community, and holiday joy.
- **A Season of Gratitude**
As we near the end of the year, we pause to reflect on God's goodness. We remain grateful that Jesus was born in a humble manger, that He lived to save, and that His love continues to guide our school community.

May your holiday season be filled with joy, peace, and the love of Christ.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." — Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)



Did You Know?

Tours Available: Explore Bermuda Institute! Tours are available upon request—please contact Mr. Simons at oesimons@bermudainstitute.bm.

Open Enrollment: Enrollment for the upcoming school year is now open!

Dual Enrollment Opportunities: Students can take college-level courses through our partnerships with:

Oakwood University

Washington Adventist University

Andrews University

Discover all that Bermuda Institute has to offer and take the next step in your child's educational journey!



Bermuda Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Office
Closed

December 24, 2025 to
Friday, January 2, 2026



Warm wishes for a wonderful holiday season
and a
Happy New Year!



Bermuda Conference of
Seventh-day Adventists

Happy New Year

**WELCOME 2026 IN
CHURCH ON
DECEMBER 31**

Hamilton SDA Church
43 King Street, Hamilton
5:00 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served following the service

Calendar of Events

January 5	BI Reopens
January 15	BI Board Meeting
January 26-30	BI Spirit Week
February 6	ACT Exam
February 7	BI Day—Devonshire
February 9-13	BI Midterm Break
February 19	BI Board Meeting
February 22	SA Banquet
February 26	Senior Class Presentation
March 11-13	BI Science Fair
March 21	BI Day—Southampton
March 24-28	Music Clinic
April 1-2	Sports Days
April 6-10	BI Spring Break
April 13	BI Reopens
April 16	BI Board Meeting
April 23	BI Spring Concert
April 28	Grade 6 Endeavour
May 3	SAT Exam
May 14	BI Board Meeting
May 28	BI School Picnic
June 1	Final Chapel & Kindergarten Graduation
June 4	Eighth Grade Graduation
June 5-7	Twelfth Grade Graduation Services
June 7	SAT Exam

A Heartfelt Thank You to Our Generous Church Family ...

In the spirit of compassion and unity, our church community once again demonstrated what it truly means to *be the hands and feet of Christ*. We extend our deepest gratitude to every member who contributed to the relief efforts for **Union Island** following the devastation of Hurricane Beryl.

Though the funds collected may have seemed small, God multiplied them in meaningful ways. Many families on the island are rebuilding without the safety net of insurance, and your generosity provided much-needed support at a time when hope felt fragile. Because of you, several households received help to repair damaged roofs, replace essential items, and begin restoring the comfort and dignity of their homes.

Recovery is a journey - one marked by patience, perseverance, and faith. With your help, that destination now feels a little closer, a little more attainable for the families who were touched by your kindness. Your giving has not only met practical needs but has also offered encouragement, reminding our brothers and sisters that brighter days are ahead.

As you look through the photos of the families we were able to assist, may you be encouraged by the joy, gratitude, and renewed strength your support has inspired.

Thank you for being a living reflection of Christ's love. May God bless you richly for your open hearts and willing hands.

Your sister in Christ,
Carolyn James

Union Island

Thank you Bermuda Conference!



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The staff of the Adventist Book Centre appreciated your support throughout 2025. We look forward to serving you in 2026!

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and
Happy New Year!





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May He surround you with **Faith, Hope and Love** this
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