

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA AND THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2008

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REPORT FROM THE CHURCH COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2008

Congregational Life

The Vision Statement of St. Andrew Parish Church is:

“A church reconciled to God, aware of its identity and healing the community through the proclamation of the Good News of the Gospel of Christ.”

The Mission Statement reads:

The mission of the St. Andrew Parish Church is to proclaim the good news and inspire the parish family to unity with God and one another by:

- Ensuring that the church establishes programmes to maintain, engage and expand membership.
- Identifying and mobilizing the human and financial resources available to the church.
- Responding to human needs as we work for the transformation of unjust structures and the preservation of the integrity of the created order.
- Presenting the Biblical tithe as the standard of Christian giving and the shaping of the programmes of ministry that express the stewardship of God’s creation.
- Immersing our members in and expanding the knowledge of Christian identity in the context of our cultural experience and obligations they impose.

In 2008 the execution of the activities of St. Andrew Parish Church continued to be very challenging. In the month of June the Rev. Monique Blake was ordained to the Priesthood and was made Curate with effect from July 2008.

At the Annual Congregational Meeting held on January 2, 2008, a new Church Committee was elected and commissioned February 2008. The activities of the past year were presented and areas of concern discussed.

The following are some highlights of the year under review:

In January we hosted the Royal School of Music 100 Anniversary with a Solemn Evensong and Organ Recital.

We launched a Lay Readers Training Programme in April which included churches from the Eastern Jamaica Region. It was officially opened by the Lord Bishop of Jamaica on April 05, 2008, although the first class on the Old Testament was conducted on March 15, 2008.

Lenten Studies were led on Thursdays by special Guest Preachers under the theme *“The Images of the Church”*. The SAPC Choir presented a Lenten Cantata. The Gleaner review likened the Choir to that of West Minister Abbey.

The annual Marian Service, which is held in collaboration with Holy Cross Church, was at Holy Cross during the week of Prayer for Christian Unity under the theme *“Do whatever He tells you”* (St. John 2: 1-12) as an expression of the ecumenical effort.

The Adult Retreat was held at Hillcrest Retreat Centre in Brown's Town on March 2-4. In March, there was also a Youth Rally organized by the Youth Committee in consultation with the Rector and held at our Church Hall.

During the period April 02, 2008 to July 11, 2008 the ninth Alpha Training Programme was held at the Church Hall.

The Fellowship Groups continued with their programme and held a retreat on March 8th at the United Theological College of the West Indies. It was conducted by: Fr. Garth Minott, Joan Reader and Rev. Dr. David Kuck. The Eucharist was celebrated by Rev. Edward Jennings.

Our involvement in the activities of the Half Way Tree Ministers Fellowship continued with participation in the mid-day Reflections on Wednesdays at noon at Webster's Memorial Church.

Chaplaincy at the Half Way Tree Primary School, the Women's Crisis Centre and the St. Andrew Care Centre continued.

Members of Parish Groups assisted with the Visitation Programme to our sick and shut-in members. Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held on October 26, the Annual Supper on November 21 and Celebration of our Patronal Festival on November 30.

There was also the lighting of the Advent Candles during the season at the 7:30 a.m. Sunday services in which the members of the Sunday school participated. This was an initiative which had started by the Rector in the previous year. Advent devotions were held on Thursday afternoons.

The Annual Planning Retreat for the year was held on November 14 and 15 2008 under the theme "*Know, Live and Share the Faith – My Responsibility*". Presentations were made by Dr. Blossom O'Meally-Nelson under the theme '*Our Reality Check*' and

The Very Rev. Leroy Johnson who spoke of '*Making space for youth in an aging community*'. Discussions followed each presentation. Much appreciation to Miss Greta Bogues for coordinating the Planning of the Retreat also to Mrs. Elsie Aarons for leading the monitoring Committee.

Additionally, the following were done:

- The accomplishments of the Strategic Plan for 2007 were reviewed and discussed.
- The financial outlook, including the 2008 budget was presented.
- Key objectives for 2009 were outlined. These include- To engage the congregation to further enhance our worship. To develop each member's relationship with God in Jesus Christ and each other. To create and further develop youth leadership within our Church. To examine the funding requirements for the effective ministry and operations of SAPC.

Special thanks to members of the Church Committee, who provided invaluable assistance and support for the activities during the year; Mrs. Marjorie Steele, who has volunteered to be Recording Secretary to the Church Committee and continued to be reliable and efficient in her commitment; the Parish Groups; other committees and the many volunteers who provided assistance often times at very short notice.

Much gratitude also to:

Rev. Monique Blake, Curate took on challenges and assists in such areas as visiting sick and shut-in members and helping in the distribution of Holy Communion; preparing adult candidates for confirmation; and furthering the ministry of the church in the missions - St. Clement's, Kencot, and St. Thomas at St. Andrew Settlement, Majesty Gardens.

Rev. Michael Allen, Priest Assistant, who provided needed assistance on Sundays and on weekdays when he occasionally visited our sick and shut-in members.

Sister Doris Levien for her assistance on Sundays, at Bible Study on Mondays and maintaining contact with members of our church family hospitalized in the UHWI.

Rev. Dr. David Kuck who continues to provide valuable help in the spiritual life of our Church; especially on Sundays and with our Fellowship Group retreat, and his wife Mary, who initiated confirmation classes at St. Thomas' Mission in addition to assisting with Sunday School and other areas there. Rev. Fr. Franklyn Jackson,

our guest preacher on Missionary Sunday, and Rev. Michael Brown, our guest preacher for Harvest Thanksgiving Service. Rev. Grace Jervis who preached at our Patronal Festival.

All those who assisted Administratively especially on Sundays and Mondays including representatives from the Reception Committee and other individuals; members of the BSA and team with representatives from the Mothers' Union and the St. SAPC Choir; the SAPC Alleluia Choir. Mrs. Hyacinth Elliott for carrying out a special assignment, and Mrs. Audrey Wharfe who assist with the Church Committee Minutes. Miss Rhena Williams and her team who manages the Tuesday Charity. Mr. Dudley McLean for the work carried out as a member of the Christian Faith Formation Committee and assist in producing the programmes for special services and Feast Days - Ash Wednesday, Lenten Devotions, Easter, Harvest Thanksgiving, Patronal Service, Carol Service to name a few.

Mr. Anthony Matheson who volunteered to be the Project Officer to monitor the activities of the projects. This was a suggestion emanating from the Annual Planning Retreat in 2007. Mr. Claude Campbell who continued to maintain our web site.

The Office staff:

Mrs. Merle Thomas, Operations Manager, Miss Milinda Thompson, Administrative Assistant, and Miss Latoya Dixon, Receptionist. Miss Lynnette Mightly who continued to serve on a part-time basis in order to carry out special assignments.

Mrs. Gracie Geoghagen and Mr. Desland McKenzie part-time Accountants, Mrs. Trecia Elliott, who assisted in providing accounting services and also served as a member of the Finance Committee, Mrs. Lynette Allen, who assisted in the accounting area, prepared the vessels for Sunday worship and carried out other important tasks and to the BSA members who carry out their special assignment.

The Property Manager - Mr. Orlando Strudwick for attending to the needs of the various properties.

The Verger, Mr. Vernon Miranda, and Miss Ann Morrison, Assistant Verger, who assisted in providing information for weddings and funerals, organizing and assisting with the Tuesday Charity, maintaining contact with our sick and shut-in members and scheduling visits for the Priests and Deacon.

The Ancillary Staff:

Mr. Linton Smith, Caretaker of the Church Hall, Mr. Leroy Dixon, part-time gardener for the cottages, Mr. Everton Williams, Caretaker of the church's premises, Miss Beverley Burrell, Mrs. Charmaine Francis, Mr. Egbert Cato, Mr. Leroy Donaldson and Mr. Phillip Duff for work on the cemetery grounds and immediate environs.

We appreciate the efforts of those who provided music to enhance our regular and special services:

The Organists - Mr. Paul Bicknell, Mrs. June Spence, Mrs. Jacqueline Wright-James, Miss Stephanie Williams and Mr. Donald Hossack. Also Mr. Dwight McBean who assisted in maintaining the organ.

The Choir Directors in charge of the music ministry whose contributions enriched the Sunday services and special services — Mr. Audley Davidson, Director of the SAPC Choir; Miss Yvonne Sterrett, Director of the SAPC Alleluia Choir. We were also blessed by the presence of persons from other choirs who contributed to enhancing our worship at various times during the year. The Sunday School Superintendent and Teachers who continue to guide and direct the Youth of our Churches.

Miss June Rose and Mrs. Donna Evelyn who provided support for the junior confirmation candidates. Mrs. Winnifred Johnson, Miss Julian Teape and the members of the StAPC Liturgical Dance Group.

Special thanks to: The individuals who extended themselves by making financial contributions towards carrying out the work of the church and to those who continued to make donations to the special First Sunday Appeal Fund.

The organizations and individuals who contributed cash and kind to many other areas including the Missions, Tuesday Charity and refreshments for special occasions - Lenten Devotions, congregational meeting. The BSA, Little Brothers, Womens' Working Committee, Mothers' Union, Womens' Auxiliary and Friends of the Sunday School for their successful efforts in Outreach and fundraising.

The Facey family for refurbishing the church office building and to Mrs. Norma Soas and her team for the interior decorating.

We welcome our student from the United Theological College of the West Indies –
Mr. Cleverton Beckford

Congratulations to those who received National Awards and special recognition during the year. Condolences to the many parishioners who lost loved ones during the period.

Rev. (Major) Serrano Kitson, D. Min.
Rector

REPORTS- MISSION AND SPIRITUALITY- CHURCH GROUPS

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS 2008

The Fellowship Groups of St. Andrew Parish Church continued to meet regularly. There are now seventeen groups, the most recent one having been formed out of Alpha 2008. Most groups meet every week while others meet once or twice a month. The purpose of the groups is to study the Bible together, to pray together, and to support each other sharing our joys and sorrows. We all benefit from the strong group support which we experience.

We had our Corporate Communion as usual on the first Sunday in Lent, when most of our members were present.

We had our Silent Retreat on Saturday March 8, 2008. The theme was “**Fulness of Joy**”. The first session “The Wellsprings of Joy” was led by Rev’d Dr Garth Minott, the second “The Context of Joy” by Miss Joan Reader, and the third “The Experience of Joy” by Rev’d Dr David Kuck. We all felt that it was a day well spent.

The Fellowship Groups have continued to take the evening service on the second Sunday of each month. We had our Joint Fellowship Group Service on the Second Sunday in November. All groups participated and the service was well attended.

We had our Social at the Rectory on Saturday December 6, when a good time was had by all.

Plans are now being made for our Corporate Communion on the First Sunday in Lent and for our Silent Retreat on a Saturday during Lent 2009,

Coordinators: Joyce James, Joan Reader, Elsie Aarons, Fay Duncan and Milinda Thompson.

Fact sheet.

Name: St. Andrew Parish Church Fellowship Groups.

Date of establishment: March 6, 1983.

Managed: Coordinators work with representative of groups for planning joint events.

Submitted by: Joan Reader

RECEPTION COMMITTEE

The Reception Committee was formed twenty-one years ago and continues to assist worshippers to prepare for a spiritually fulfilling worship.

We have three groups who work on a rotating basis by preparing the elements and offering bags and selecting persons to take these to the altar. The members are responsible for monitoring the entrances, welcoming visitors and ensuring that they are comfortably seated.

Worship material such as prayer books, hymn books and other relevant material for use during the service is provided by the Reception Committee. We prepare St. Nicholas Chapel for the administration of Holy

Communion and guide the Priest to persons who are unable to go to the Altar or Chapel for communion. In addition we light the candles in the St. Nicholas chapel and count members who are taking the communion.

We guide and assist the Sunday School children and teachers to receive blessing and communion at the Altar and for a safe return to their classrooms.

We continue to provide name tags for fifth Sundays, give out visitor's cards on relevant information on the history of the Church. We also continue to inform the newly confirmed and new members of the history and ministry of the Church. In addition they are introduced to the work of the Parish organisations and outreach programmes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NURSERY 2008

Mission

The Sunday School is committed to the mission of the Church to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This commitment will be fostered using available communication media to engage, encourage and challenge each individual to develop a personal, loving relationship with God the Father through Jesus Christ the Saviour so that, filled with the Holy Spirit they may be enabled to live out their faith in community.

Introduction

Sunday School is operated during the 7.30am Service, except on 4th Sundays when students are encouraged to attend the 9:45am Family Eucharist/Youth Service.

There is a Nursery for children under 3 years old.

Numbers were fairly consistent with a high of 98 consisting of 47 boys and 51 girls and a low of 40. Average attendance for boys = 36 and for girls = 43 with the overall average attendance being 79. At present there are 41 members of staff, including 4 trainees.

Superintendent – Joyce P. James

Nursery Supervisor – Joyce Brown

SS Supervisor – Fay Duncan

Assistant – Trevor Blake

Chief Librarian – Pauline Green

Secretary – Carole Willis

Treasurer – Hazel Thomas

Student Activities

Our team placed 1st in the Area Council Bible Quiz in February and also received the Trophy for "The Most Disciplined Team". In the St. Andrew Deanery Sunday School Bible Reading Competition held in October we entered all 4 Categories and placed 1st in Categories 2 and 3, 2nd in Category 1A and 3rd in Category 1.

Confirmation candidates were prayed for and presented with Bibles before their Confirmation in May.

The students made Palm Crosses for the Church and its missions. In May, Sunday School Month, Prize Giving was held, and there was a display of work done by the students. Sunday School Boy of the year was **Anton Tinker** and Sunday School Girl of the year was **shared by Danielle Mighty and Monique McIntosh. The Eric Morrison Shield** for Excellence, in memory of our former verger, was shared by **The Bible Quiz Team and The Bible Reading Team. The Ann Cooke Memorial Trophy** which is presented to a student or group of students that shows qualities of Integrity, Initiative and Industry, went to the **Alleluia Dance Ensemble.**

Diocesan Children's Sunday was celebrated on Sunday, May 4, at the 7.30am service. On Sunday, May 18, a number of our students attended the Annual Sunday School Festival and March of Witness at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On the second Saturday in July, 2 busloads of students and teachers toured the Newcastle Military Base and then picnicked and played at the Hollywell Park nearby.

Staff Activities

We started the year with a delightful Staff Christmas Social at the Rectory. Staff skills continue to be upgraded with Retreats, Work Shops and Seminars. The Department of Education and Youth of the Diocese held a Deanery workshop in February at St. James Church, Annotto Bay on Child Evangelism led by a Church Army Captain and a Diocesan Sunday School Conference at St. John's Church, Ocho Rios in May. We had Representatives at both events. Rev. Vivette Jennings and Rev. Marlon Simpson led our Retreat in September starting with the Eucharist and addressing the topic, "Commitment".

Staff Movements

Our Chief Steward Miss Joelle Gayle went overseas to continue her studies and Miss Janice Thomas was promoted to that position. Miss Milinda Thompson who was in charge of the Nursery on 2nd Sundays has left to pursue other activities within the Church and Miss Noelle Gayle is now in charge of the Nursery on 2nd Sundays.

Physical Structure and Equipment

We thank the "Friends of the Sunday Schools" for the many ways in which they have assisted us. This year that included the provision of 50 folding chairs. Dr. and Mrs. Joscelyn Richards presented the Sunday School with a screen and carousel slide projector.

Projection for 2009

To continue to encourage students to get more involved with the extracurricular activities of the Sunday School including Bible Reading, Plays, the Bible Quiz and the Sunday School Choir and to attend regularly. Need for white boards for the senior classes. Continued efforts to have more students use the Library more regularly.

Resources

We depend on the "Friends of the Sunday Schools" to continue supporting us as they have in the past with our recurrent expenditure and when they raise enough funds, to provide the capital equipment that we need. With regard to greater involvement of the students, we have to depend heavily on parents' interest and encouragement as well as the students wanting to be involved.

Submitted by: Joyce James

FRIENDS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

1. Our achievements during 2008:

We successfully carried out three fundraising events. The first fundraiser was a sale of Christmas cakes and puddings. The second, a concert entitled "**Panorama of Music**". The third source of funds for the Friends is a combination of our membership drive/coin collection/interest on deposits/contributions from Friends.

Based on the funds raised and the dedicated efforts of the members of the Friends of the Sunday Schools we were able to provide the Sunday Schools with the following:

Purchase of a printer, photocopier and fax machine for St. Clements. Purchase chairs for the nursery at St. Thomas' mission. Purchase chairs for the St. Andrew Parish, Half Way Tree Sunday school.

We also financed a number of activities including: Bible quiz, Prize giving, Annual Outing, stationery and supplies, staff retreat, performance outfits, purchased bibles, youth committee camp, among other efforts.

2. Our plans for 2009:

For 2009 we will do it all again, and with God's help we will be even more successful. We have already launched our Christmas cake and pudding sale for the end of this year. Additionally, we distributed membership forms to the congregation in November 2008, in an effort to increase our membership. In January 2009 we will re-launch our in church coin collection drive. In

May/June 2009 we will once again host a concert at the St. Andrew Parish Church Hall.

An important feature of our quarterly general meetings is that representatives of the three Sunday Schools (St. Andrew, St. Clements and St. Thomas) report on their requirements for support. Whether these requirements are material (teaching aids), financial (attending camps), or spiritual (prayers, visits to the Sunday Schools).

These reports combined with our financial capacity and determination to support the Sunday Schools will allow us to continue providing the children of the Sunday Schools with Christian, social, academic and emotional development.

3. Resources we will require to carry out these activities:

For us to achieve our goals we need the prayers and support of the congregation of St. Andrew Parish Church. Additionally we require the endorsement of the Rector of St. Andrew Parish Church. Finally we need the continued blessings of God.

This will allow the Friends of the St. Andrew Parish Church Sunday Schools to proclaim the Good News and inspire the parish family to unity with God and one another.

Submitted by: Bruce James

WOMEN'S WORKING COMMITTEE

Report for period ending December 2008
Review of activities, so far, undertaken during 2008

The Women's Working Committee (WWC) continues to play its part to fulfill the mission of the St. Andrew Parish Church We wish to acknowledge the support given, by the members, to the Executive

Committee, *namely*

Mrs. Veta Bullock Chairman

Mrs. Beverley Lawrence Vice Chairman

Mrs. Idell Grant Treasurer

Mrs. Joy Clarke Secretary

Mrs. Fabia Davis Asst. Secretary

Mrs. Ethel Thomas Public Relations

Miss Kirby Clarke Scholarship Sub-Committee.

We also acknowledge the strong support of the Spouses who, by their actions continue to endorse the achievements of the WWC.

Having successfully launched the ROSE LYNCH SCHOLARSHIP we continue to build the Scholarship funds in order to ensure the sustainability of the programme. We have successfully completed our commitment to support 2 students through to graduation from Secondary School. These students were recruited from our Sunday school, and attended Papine High and Excelsior High. They both sat the CXC examinations. We are now in the process of awarding a new Scholarship. Our focus this year is in the field of Church Music, a three year scholarship is being considered, and applications are now available for interested Students.

Through our fundraising and membership dues, we are able to sustain the various activities undertaken. We also provide the financial and housekeeping support for various activities of the Church, including:- *Annual Congregational Meeting, Tuesday Charities, Sunday School Rally, Servers' Guild* and where called upon for participation and financial help.

We continue to visit Shut-in members assigned to our group.

We maintain Christian Fellowship by participating as a Group, in the Holy Eucharist on third Sundays, and pursue our business objectives in bi-monthly meetings, held at the homes of members.

FACT SHEET

Name of Organization

WOMEN'S WORKING COMMITTEE (WWC)

Mission Statement

To fulfill the mission of the St. Andrew Parish Church. Our motto .

Look, see & act as we are able, enables us to "respond to human needs as we work for the transformation(excerpt from Mission Statement)

Date of establishment

May 24, 1973, By the late Mrs. Rose Lynch

Source of funding. Cost of operation, Actual operating costs, How managed

The Committee is funded through Fund raising activities undertaken from time to time, and from dues and contributions from its members. The Treasurer manages the funds, and invests in profitable investment instruments, and disburses for the various commitments (Discretionary fund, Scholarships, Charities and organizational Meetings, etc.), as sanctioned by the committee.

Significant achievements

Maintain funds for the Rector's Discretionary fund

Sustain the Scholarship Programme

Provide snacks for the Rector, other Clergy and Church staff on Sunday Mornings (*Sunday Snacks*)

Finance and Coordinate arrangements for the refreshments served at the Annual Congregational Meeting

Assist with uniforms for the Servers' Guild.

Financial assistance to charities and organizational meetings etc. upon request

Submitted by: Veta Bullock

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PURPOSE AND ACTIVITIES:

Under our theme, Worship, Work and Witness; our **WORSHIP** effort is concentrated on bringing together the women of the Diocese in a fellowship of service to the Church, and to provide a channel through which every woman, inspired by prayer and worship, may play a part in making the Anglican Church in Jamaica a worthy instrument in building the kingdom of God.

During 2008 we widened our devotions into a “prayer circle” whereby we undertook to pray daily for our nation, the world, the church and especially for our sick and shut-in members. We also established a “prayer box” where members can put forward their prayer requests.

Our Quiet Day of worship and fellowship was held on September 27 and was led by Rev. Monique Blake.

Corporate Communion of members was held the fifth Sunday of the month.

WORK

Our special mandate is to raise funds for the Pastoral Aid Fund administered by the Bishop of the Diocese, who at his discretion gives assistance to:

- the poorer Cures towards clergy stipends
- augment the pension of retired Clergy
- assist the work of the Deaconesses, Church Army and full-time Lay Workers
- provide medical assistance to the Clergy where needed
- assist with training for theological students
- assist the Bishop Gibson’s Home for the Aged

Our main fund-raising efforts are:

- a Fish Fry in April
- Jamaica Nite in October

We also have the responsibility for the market stall at our Annual Harvest Supper.

WITNESS

Once again our main concentration was on the visitation of sick and shut-in members not only of our fellowship but of the wider church family.

Our mentorship programme faltered during 2008 but we hope to revisit and reestablish this during 2009.

We also had a visit from members of Church Women United. We participated in a few of their programmes and hope to strengthen our link during 2009.

Unfortunately our Fun Day was not held, but we had our twice yearly birthday social as well as our Christmas social.

Financial Aid is given to the church on request.

Finally, our meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month. We are sorely in need of new members. Won't you come and help us??

Submitted by Elesia Blackburn

YOUNG ADULTS

OUR MISSION

To proclaim the Good News and inspire each other to unity with God and each other by: -

Supporting and encouraging each other in our walk with God

Strengthening the relationship with God and each other

Creating a resource pool of individuals to support the work of the Church

Fostering in members an enthusiasm to share the Gospel and serve the community.

Carrying forward and support the work of the church in outreach programmes

Creating an environment where we can engage freely in the exploration of our faith in a productive atmosphere.

Where possible, ministering to the whole need of people; physical, spiritual, social, emotional, and professional.

Consistent participation remained one of the main challenges faced in this year; however, some successes were achieved and we were able to fulfil elements of our mission. The challenge remains to extend our reach to more of the young adult population within the church. Monthly First Friday Meetings were introduced and continue. This has experienced a lull currently as participants began to have clashing engagements. There was the use of interim committees to plan the activities of the group in the 2007/8 period. The group focused on increasing our knowledge of our faith and outreach activities. Activities of the group for the year included the following:

Members provided:

- a monthly grocery basket to a victim of AIDS (now deceased) from March to October 2008 – this has been continued and extended to her children following her death.

Members participated in:

- Christian Teaching Conference
- Family Eucharist Readings

The group organised forums on:

- Christian Stewardship
- Personal Security
- Investments

The focus of the Young Adult group of 2009 will continue to be on developing the individual Christian confidence of group members and strengthening the relationships among them, so the group becomes a strong support system for its members and the church community. We will continue to use e-mail and contact listings to keep the group informed and connected as we work to achieve these goals.

Meeting Times

- Weekly Bible study/spiritual development exercise (First Fridays at 6pm)
- Seminars on various topics (as necessary)

Submitted by: Terry-Anne Wilson

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

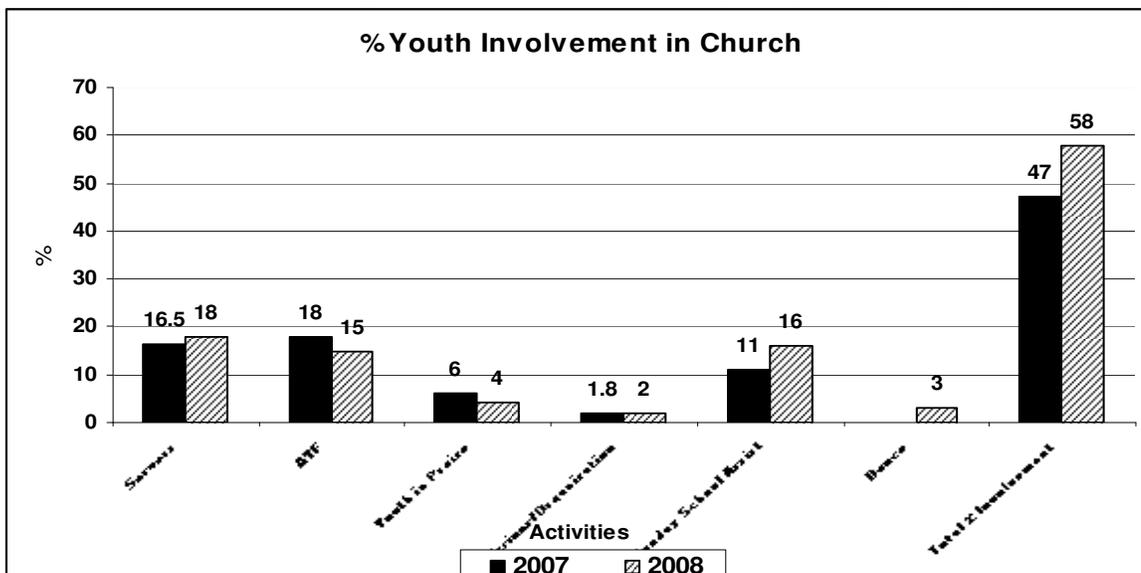
YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT 2008

The Youth Committee comprises of representatives from the following youth groups/organizations within the church:

- Anglican Youth Fellowship (AYF)
- Sunday School
- Youth Choir
- Servers Guild
- Young Adults
- St. Clements youth group
- Little Brothers of St Andrews.

The Youth Committee functions as a support arm to the various youth organizations within the church. The committee also worked directly with the Education and Youth Department by informing and sourcing support for the groups to take part in Diocesan events.

Some rough data as % of involvement by our youths (8 – 22yrs) are listed below:



The average numbers declined from 84 in '07 to 79 in '08

We saw an increase in youth involvement this year (**58%**) over 2007 figs. (**47%**). This was seen in the areas of Servers and Sunday school recruitment and the Dance Ensemble.

Youth activities namely through the Youth fellowship faced a lot of obstacles this year. The main one being the growth of extra classes on Saturdays that affected attendance and support. Later in the year with the increase reports of abductions and child abuse, parent restrictions were in effect. Despite these challenges the group was able to achieve some of its planned programmes.

The many challenges faced in 2008 were to us opportunities to rethink and refocus our ministry to the young people, we give God thanks for the year and look forward to bigger and better things in 2009!

Achievements and support given for 2008:

- Support given to Little Brothers' Fathers' Day Beach Football competition
- Supported the Diocesan Creative Arts Workshop in August
- Support formation of the Alleluia Dance Ensemble
- Facilitate youths to Happening Spiritual Retreat in August
- Youth Camp 2008 – Hillcrest Retreat center October 17th – 19th
- Youth Service and Diocesan Youth Rally, November 16th – 22nd

Although a budget was submitted to the finance committee, most activities were primarily funded by individuals and organizations within the church family. We thank especially the Friends of the Sunday school, Mothers' Union, Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Women's' Auxiliary groups.

2009 YOUTH COMMITTEE BUDGET

Date:
18/12/2008

Budget	Amount	
	\$500,000	

	Amount	
DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREATS (4) 2 delegates/retreat @\$4,000.00/person	\$32,000	
DIOCESAN/AREA COUNCIL YOUTH FORUMS (3) @ \$5,000	\$15,000	
CHURCH EASTER MONDAY TRIP	\$30,000	
DIOCESAN CHRISTIAN TEACHING CONFERENCE	\$50,000	
DIOCESAN YOUTH CAMP	\$100,000	
INCIDENTALS, STATIONARY ETC for forums, camps, retreats	\$23,000	
TRANSPORTATION TO DIOCESAN/PROVINCIAL YOUTH RALLY *	\$50,000	
CHURCH YOUTH CAMP	\$200,000	
Total expenses	\$500,000	

Submitted by: Nigel Elliott

HOME FOR GIRLS

INTRODUCTION

- 2008 was a year of continued blessings and increased challenges.
- Of significant importance was the Strategic Planning Retreat held in October 2008

The following represent highlights for the period

▪ **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- Committee was strengthened by an additional four (4) persons recommended by Father Kitson
- Committee dealt only with urgent matters within its capabilities
- Continue to recognize the ‘ **rolling agenda**’ of outstanding matters
- Consistent attendance by some
- Frequent absence by others

ISSUE

- Urgent need to establish sub- committee for specific function by all members

▪ **PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

- These continue to deteriorate
- Shelter sought on two occasions (church hall) as a result of flooding
- Interim measures taken at a cost of \$160,000.00 have not worked, thereby depleting our funds
- **Norman Davis**, after site inspection recommended that the guttering among other methods be used.
- Estimates being prepared

ISSUE

- Committee needs to meet with Church to discuss funds raised for the refurbishing of dorms, etc.

▪ **CHILD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

- Compelling circumstances forced CDA to review licensing for Residential Institutions
- Exercise included external audit of physical facilities, public health, fire safety and building inspection, financial report, audit and proof of ownership among many other requirements
- The exercise was quite involved and tedious. Many areas had to be ‘brushed up’ in preparation, thereby incurring much costs.

ISSUE

- The urgent need for major refurbishing.
- **RESIDENTS**
 - Current complement - **15**
 - Subvention increased from **\$3,000.00- \$5,000.00 per week- retroactive to April 08.**
 - Social problems continue in varying degrees
 - One girl moved to place of safety
 - One girl currently in Family Court for stabbing incident on bus. Social investigation being done- due to return to court on Feb. 11, 09.
 - Counselling and other services being accessed from supporting agencies
 - Often times late for church
 - Few residents currently involved in other church activities
- **EDUCATION**
 - Some residents above average and are doing well
 - Others remain at non-mastery level
 - Remedial work continues
 - Placement includes St. Hugh's High, Holy Childhood and Norman Manley High

ISSUE

- Sustained remedial programme to be implemented by EFJ funds.
- The development of an Incentive Programme aimed at Behavioural Changes
- **SOCIAL SUPPORT**
 - Strong support continues from service clubs and individuals
 - X- Mas party was good. Fully organized and sponsored through efforts of **Sister Valerie Magnus.**

INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING

Environmental Foundation facilitated a Strategic Planning Retreat in October 2008. The exercise was very engaging with wide participation, including guest "input from Father and Ann.

Focus

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS FOLLOW INCLUDING GOALS:

1. CREATING A SAFE, NURTURING ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR GIRLS

GOAL: TO ENSURE THAT THE GIRLS' HOME IS IN EXCELLENT PHYSICAL CONDITION

GOAL: TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMMES FOR THE HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE GIRLS

2. FOSTERING SOUND CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES, CREATIVITY AND PRODUCTIVITY

GOAL: TO PROVIDE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT ENCOURAGES AND REWARDS LEARNING, CREATIVITY AND EXCELLENCE

GOAL: TO IMPROVE THE OUTCOMES OF EVERY GIRL IN THE RESIDENCE SO THAT THEY GROW UP SAFE, HEALTHY AND ACHIEVING SUCCESS.

3. LEAD THE WAY IN COLLABORATION AND SHARING WITH KEY AGENCIES IN THE CHILD SECTOR AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE

GOAL: ESTABLISH A FRAMEWORK FOR INTERVENTIONS AND RESPONSE TO NEED IN THE AREAS OF EDUCATION & CULTURE, HEALTH & WELL-BEING, SAFETY & PROTECTION AND ACHIEVEMENT AND LEARNING.

4. SUSTAINABILITY FOR HOME AND GIRLS

GOAL: IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, PARTICIPATE IN THE EDUCATION OF COMMUNITIES IN UNDERSTANDING THE RIGHTS AND NEEDS OF CHILDREN IN PLACES OF SAFETY.

All objectives for the Strategic Directions have already been developed.

INSTITUTIONAL MEMORY

- To develop **institutional memory** for the Home, e.g. Procedure Manual among others to strengthen the capacity of the Home.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT OF THE DAY- STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. The Vision of SAPCGH**
- 2. The Mission of SAPCGH**
- 3. The Core Values of SAPCGH**

THE VISION OF SAPCGH

“A place where residents will become self-sufficient, independent citizens making their own unique contribution to society”.

THE MISSION OF SAPCGH

“To provide a nurturing environment through Christian-based programme that will facilitate the spiritual and social development of the residents of the home so that they can become functional and productive members of society”

THE CORE VALUES OF SAPCGH

- We believe that every child has worth
- We believe that every child has the capacity to develop to her fullest potential and should be given every opportunity to reach their fullest potential
- We believe we must instill character and allow development of their dreams
- To encourage girls to establish goals and objectives that can be achieved through hard work and discipline
- We believe that every child is unique and special
- We believe that every child should be encouraged to develop spiritually in the Christian faith
- We believe that high standards of behaviour appropriate to the wider society be instilled in the residents of the home and should include social graces, etiquette and deportment.
- We believe that members of the church should assist the committee in providing guidance to residence and to encourage their integration into the church family

The statements on vision, mission and core values need to be ratified by the Church after its deliberation on the appropriateness of these intentions to govern this important outreach programme.

Child Development Agency has requested that these intentions be publicly displayed.

CONCLUSION

The management of the home is extremely challenging. We continue to receive good financial support for specific purposes. However, it is usually diverted to housekeeping matters.

Support was also received from KLASS FM, by way of an outside broadcast. Many persons were interviewed, including Father Kitson.

The committee needs more working members to be accountable for specific functions. Those currently so engaged work very hard. Even after one year, a Vice- Chairman has not yet been identified.

It is an opportunity for us to serve and for that we give thanks. I am encouraged by the financial support from external sources. The X- Mas season was good financially. In addition, Cecelia Grandison- Markey, Chairperson, UK Diaspora, will present on arrival

(January 29, 09), a cheque in the sum of **U.K£4,000.00** proceed from a banquet held in England on behalf of the Girls' Home.

Submitted by Grace Duncan

THE SAINT ANDREW SETTLEMENT MAJESTY GARDENS
REPORT FOR THE YEAR OF 2008

MEMBERS OF THE MANAGING COMMITTEE

Rev. Major Serrano Kitson	Rector
Douglas Folkes	Chairman
Greta Bogues	Vice Chairman
Elesia Blackburn	Secretary
Beverly E. Lawrence	Chairman, Majesty Gardens Basic School
John Andrew Levy	Chairman, Fund Raising
Marie Thompson	
Janet Shaw	
Peter Morais	
Deryke Smith	
Wayne Bernard	Majesty Gardens Community Based Organization
Rev Monique Blake	Curate
Jos. A. Chambers	Executive Director

Introduction

We are pleased to present this report on the work of Saint Andrew Settlement for the year ending December 31, 2008.

Administration

It was very difficult to raise the necessary operational funding for the Programme, especially for administrative expenses and routine maintenance. We still lack a much-needed Deputy Director, however we gained two additional health workers, assigned by the Ministry of Health, a new volunteer doctor and two Basic School teachers, bringing the paid staff compliment to 14. Also, the Grace homework program was expanded. Thus, in spite of the many challenges we were able to maintain our services.

Governance – Managing Committee

We bade farewell to long-serving chairman, Rex James, and secretary, Thelma Senior, and welcomed new chairman, Mr. Douglas Folkes, new secretary, Mrs Elesia Blackburn, and two new committee members, Messrs Peter Morais and Deryke Smith, however the absence of a treasurer hampered the financial reporting of the Settlement.

St. Thomas Mission House

Weekly church services and Sunday school continued, with Eucharist being celebrated twice per month led by the Rector. Bible studies are conducted by Rev Monique Blake on Monday night, and the Sunday School has experienced considerable growth under co-ordinator Heron Wright and the faithful band of teachers.

Medical Clinic

The roof of the health centre, which was destroyed in the hurricane, was replaced with funding from the Diocesan Hurricane Fund and the Council of Voluntary Social Services /United Way Hurricane Renovation Fund. Assistance for refurbishing the inside of the building is still being sourced. The Ministry of Health provides a registered nurse, a community health worker and a registration clerk whilst a practical nurse and an ancillary

worker are paid by the Settlement; Dr. Paul Wright is our new volunteer doctor, who joins Dr. Jacinth Wright, Dr. John Soas and Dr. Lucien Jones from the St Andrew Parish Church.

During the year the health centre registered over three thousand visits from patients from Majesty Gardens and surrounding communities, and the following clinics were held:

Family Planning	685	increased by 4% over 2007
Post Natal	108	increased by 23%
Pre Natal	295	decreased by 2%
Child health clinic	649	increased by 7%
Doctors visit	960	increased by 11%
Dressing	295	increased by 34%
Community Visits		decreased

Majesty Gardens Basic School

The school has on roll 117 students, 58 boys and 59 girls, with an average daily attendance of 72 students. The staff consists of five teachers, one cook and one ancillary worker. The principal Mrs. Beverly Tyndale graduated from Shortwood Teachers College in November 2008 and is now classified as a trained teacher, paid by the Ministry of Education. Collecting school fees is now very challenging, however 10 children were sponsored.

Senior Day Care Centre

The year started with 54 seniors on roll and a daily attendance of 25. During the year 4 members passed away, and we have 20 shut-ins whom we visit regularly. Our programs include assistance with food, clothing and toiletries, doctor's visits and medications. We also participate in: the National Council for Seniors' activities; a Help Age International project; Programme for Advancement through Health Education (PATH) workshops; National Health Fund (NHF), Jamaica Drugs for the Elderly (JADEP) and Poor Relief programmes. We registered 15 new persons with PATH and 32 persons with JADEP and NHF.

Youth Development

Capital and Credit Merchant Bank sponsored six children in high school. Grace and Staff Foundation continue to sponsor the homework classes. The Majesty Magic Programme continues on Mondays, with over 50 children, assisted by mentors from the St. Andrew Parish Church. Children from Majesty Magic and Sunday School attended summer church camps.

The Library

The Majesty Gardens Branch Library is a subsidiary of the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library. We had an active year, as follows:

- May - annual Art and Craft Exhibition
- July – Three weeks summer program
- September – 60th anniversary celebrations
- November – parenting seminar
- The library now has two flat screen computers and a canon copier/fax machine.

More than 500 reference books were consulted during the year and over 300 books were loaned to readers, mostly juniors. The main problems continue to be delinquent readers, and the collection of overdue books.

Majesty Gardens Community

It was a year in which we had to co-exist with violence and gang warfare in the community, which affected our operations, as the St. Andrew Settlement staff were reluctant to walk in the community, children were afraid to attend the Basic School and patients were afraid to attend the clinic. Fighting between ‘up the road’ and ‘down the road’ gangs continued until the Peace Management Initiative (PMI) and concerned stake-holders intervened. The Settlement, through its Executive Director and Rev. Kitson, were very involved in the peace talks. Six persons involved in the fighting attended a workshop on mediation and conflict management and were awarded certificates. It was a slow process, however by year-end both sides came together and we eventually had an Ecumenical Service for Peace.

Conclusion

In reporting on our work we do so with a deep sense of gratitude to Almighty God for guiding us through yet another year, and we take this opportunity to record our sincere thanks to the Rector, members of the Church committee and the entire staff and congregation of St Andrew Parish Church for the support they gave to the Settlement during 2008. We are also grateful to the Settlement staff for their loyalty and dedication, and to business places and individuals who have acknowledged the valuable contribution of the Settlement to the people of Majesty Gardens.

May the Lord continue to give us faith, strength and courage to carry out His work as we minister to the less fortunate.

Submitted by: Jos A. Chambers

ST. CLEMENT’S MISSION, KENCOT

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2008 AND PLANS FOR 2009

1. The average attendance at the Sunday Services showed a slight increase but the matter of a significant difference between the regular attendance and that for Special Services continued. Sunday School has also shown some growth with children from the Home Work Assistance project participating.
2. Sunday School children and the parents continued to share in the activities of the other churches primarily through the Sunday School Deanery Council Programmes.
3. Lenten and Advent meetings were held during those seasons and Bible Study led by the Curate continues to be held on Tuesday evenings.
4. The Patronal Festival in November was celebrated with a Morning Service and a Sacred Concert in the afternoon, which was well attended and concluded with the participation of the audience in a spontaneous Praise and Worship event. The programme was joyful presentation of items. Some of the performers were – Mrs. Kadean Cunningham, Miss Elan Lumsden, Mr. David Aarons, Mrs. Ena Dallen, Mr. Peter Williams of the Jamaica National Reserve and the Sunday School students. They “lit the fire” for the rousing participation of the persons present.
5. The Annual Summer Camp held in August, provided Spiritual & Social

Development for the children of Kencot. This commenced with a very stimulating Children's Service, conducted by our Curate, Rev. Monique Blake. The Camp ended with a field trip to Heart NTA's Agricultural Centre, at Ebony Park, Clarendon. The Farm Tour provided exposure to plants & animals which was very beneficial to their knowledge of rural Jamaica.

Dr. Marilyn Lawrence-Wright conducted three Health Clinics during the period of the camp. Nine girls from the St. Andrew Parish Church Girl's Home attended camp.

6. Development Centre Skills Training course in Hospitality/Dinner Room/Restaurant Service, was completed in August. Graduation Ceremony took place in September. The keynote speaker, The Reverend Sirrano Kitson gave the Charge to the Graduates and they in turn displayed their singing talents by entertaining with two Heart-warming choral items.

PLANS FOR 2009

Plans for a Music Ministry have been completed and is to be launched on the second Sunday in February. This will be a combination of Instrumentalists and a Junior Choir. Thanks to The Friends of the St. Andrew Parish Church Sunday Schools, who have donated a new keyboard.

The intention is to enable Sunday School students and members of the Youth Group to actively take part in Sunday service, and consequently be motivated to attend regularly and with punctuality.

The Sunday School students will participate in the activities and events of the Regional Council. Bible Study continues under the leadership of the Curate.

Provision is being made for the "Annual Summer Camp", "Home Work Assistance Classes" and "Training in Child & Infant Care" for service in private homes.

SKILLS PROGRAMME: Hospitality - Dining Room & Restaurant Service graduates with the St. Clement's Certificates are now being processed for HEART/NTA Certification. Their assessment will take place during the last week in February and the successful students will receive the HEART certificate. Preparation for partnership with HEART is now ready and awaiting approval.

FUND-RAISING: Four projects are to be undertaken to assist in Outreach & Development of persons in the community of Kencot. The first – Healthy Lifestyle Gift Boxes – are to be sold for Valentines Day. Promotion and publicity have already begun.

The St. Clement's Mission has had considerable support, assistance and financial contributions from the congregation, Church Committees & Groups of the Parish Church and this opportunity is taken to express our gratitude.

Sybil Thompson
Chairman

ST. CLEMENT'S MISSION COMMITTEE

**ST. ANDREW PARISH CHURCH
MORETON PARK COTTAGES COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT – 2008**

The Moreton Park Cottages had a very stable year during 2008, starting and ending the period with eight of the ten available rooms occupied. Many of the issues to be addressed from the previous year flowed over, and a few new situations arose needing and receiving immediate attention.

1. TENANT ISSUES

The tenants participated in developing a programme of ‘extra-curricular’ activities to be implemented in 2009 to enhance social interaction and personal development. The Committee held quarterly meetings with the tenants to maintain communications and address issues of concern. An enjoyable Annual Christmas Social was held as planned.

An unfortunate development was the uncorrected breach of the terms of lease by one of the tenants who has been given formal notice to vacate the premises. One occupant with temporary assignment of accommodation was scheduled to be married in December and was required to vacate also. At the end of the year two rooms had been awarded to a new tenant for occupancy early in 2009.

2. MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS

Priority was given in 2008 to the renovation of the collapsed drains and sewerage system, with old rotten pipes being replaced and all three pits being renovated at a cost of approximately \$225,000. Plans for fixing of roofs and replacement of fences had to be deferred, especially in light of the absence of favourable responses to applications for assistance to Food for the Poor and other organisations. However, the Committee was pleased to acknowledge the contribution of 100 sheets of zinc by the Kiwanis Club of North St Andrew towards roof repairs.

Arrangements were also put in place for the clearance of the north-eastern fence line for the replacement of the fence to be undertaken early in 2009, for which funds were accumulated. Regular routine maintenance was carried out through inspections or by tenants’ requests.

3. FUNDRAISING

The Committee planned and executed three fundraising events during the year, with disappointing results. Net proceeds were of the order of \$250,000. Valuable lessons were however learnt from the experience.

4. FINANCES

It was gratifying that by and large the tenants were regular in meeting their rental obligations. Rent collections for the year totalled \$367,500. The financial statement for January-December 2008 is attached to the report. The summary position as at December 31, 2008 was:

i. Operating Income	\$1,170,901
ii. Capital Inflows	<u>336,500</u>
Total Income	\$1,507,401
iii. Total Expenditure	<u>1,110,779</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 396,622

The budget for 2009 is estimated to be \$1,770,000.

Submitted by: George Briggs

ST ANDREW PARISH CHURCH

CHRISTIAN FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE 2008 PROGRAMME REPORT

ACTIVITY	ACCOMPLISHMENT
ALPHA	The ALPHA course was held as scheduled April - June.
Lay Readers Training Programme (LRTP)	The 16-month Lay Readers Training Programme began in March, and was formally launched by the Lord Bishop in April. Total enrolment was 44 and regular attendance averages 32.
Total Sunday School (TSS)	The Total Sunday School programme was restarted on fifth Sundays, under the series " Living the Faith ", incorporated into a joint 8:00 a.m. service.
Strategic Plan Priorities:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Establish New Fellowship Groups 	Growth has taken place by the splitting of groups which then take in new members.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Develop Pew Ministry 	Recommendations for development of a Pew Ministry were presented to and approved by the Church Committee for implementation in 2009. A formal process is in place at Sunday 6:30 and midweek morning services. Spontaneous activity developing at other services.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Leadership Seminars for Committees & Parish Groups 	Re-scheduled for February 2009.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Discipleship & Stewardship (ECG) 	Re-scheduled for 2009.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Basic Trends in Anglicanism 	Re-scheduled for 2009.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ First Sunday "Each One, Bring One" 	Instituted as planned – needs to be continued and evaluated.
Music Ministry	Meetings held with music leaders and workshops organised to develop Music Ministry Programme. Draft Programme and Action Plan submitted to Church Committee for Approval.
Publications	Factoids and relevant thought-provoking quotations continue to be printed in the weekly newsletter/bulletin. " Saltire Cross " publications issued. Booklet " Methods of Prayer " awaiting printing.

ST. ANDREW PARISH CHURCH MOTHER'S UNION

ACTIVITIES --- 2008

Our visits to the Girls' home continued

Joined in worship and other activities at the Kencot Mission

Mentoring of student at Queens High school continued

The Cradle Roll activities continued

Assisted in the Deanery Prayer Breakfast in June

Attended parenting seminars

Continued our monthly meetings

Attended deanery and Regional meetings, also the Annual general Meeting

Annual Training Seminar

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED (C.W.U.) ACTIVITIES

We attended the C.W.U. Annual general Meeting in February.

World Day of Prayer Service in March

Lady Day Service in April

Shared in the May day Fellowship activities.

World Community day celebrations in November

PLANS FOR 2009

In addition to our usual activities, we plan to

- Get more involved in the Parenting Programme
- Extend our mentoring activities.
- Having our members getting more training on Mentoring, Succession Planning, Leadership and Managements of Groups.
- More community involvement
- Revisit the Cradle Roll Activities

Increase membership

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Membership Dues

Returns from In-Giving and Take-Out Lunch fund-raisers.

Submitted by Daphne Whitely

ST. ANDREW PARISH CHURCH CALENDER 2009

Congregational Meeting	January 25
Ash Wednesday	February 25
St. Andrew Settlement Focus Month	March
Lenten Devotions	March 5
Palm Sunday	April 5
Good Friday	April 10
Adult Retreat	April 25
Easter Day	April 12
Diocesan Synod	April 14-17
Youth Retreat	May 2
Confirmation	May 3
Alpha	May 3-June 29
SAPC Home for Girl's Focus Month	May
Healing Conference	May
Fundraising Event	May
Stewardship Sunday	June 7
St. Andrew Deanery Day	To be advised
Missionary Sunday	July 26
Senior Choir Festal Evensong	
Moreton Park Focus Month	September
Adult Confirmation Class	September 16
Junior Confirmation Class	September 18
St. Andrew Care Centre Focus Month	October
Vocation & Ministry Sunday	October 4
Harvest Thanksgiving	October 25
Annual Business Retreat	November 6 - 7
Annual Supper	November 20
St. Andrew's Day	November 30
Patronal Festival	December 6
Advent Devotions	December 3-17
Carol Service	December 13
Gift Day	December 15-16
Christmas Day	December 25

Committee

Moreton Park Cottages
 SAPC Home for Girls
 St. Andrew Care Centre
 St. Andrew Settlement
 St. Clement's
 Christian Faith Formation
 Finance Committee
 Property and Building
 Supper Committee
 Youth Committee

Chairperson

Mr. George Briggs
 Mrs. Grace Duncan
 Mr. Milverton Reynolds
 Mr. Douglas Folkes
 Mrs. Sybil Thompson
 Mr. George Briggs
 Hon. Michael Fennell O.J.
 Mr. Brian Goldson
 Mr. Frank Williams
 Dr. Nigel Elliott

Parish Groups

Parish Group	Meets	Time	Venue
Alpha (11 weeks)	2 weeks after Easter	5:30 p.m.	Church Hall
Altar Guild	Quarterly (Saturdays)	4:00 p.m.	Church Office
Alleluia Choir	Saturdays	2:00 p.m.	Church
BSA	4 th Saturdays	10:00 a.m.	Church Hall
Fellowship Groups	Irregular		Various
Friends of the Sunday Sch.	Quarterly		
Little Brothers	Saturdays	11:00 a.m.	SA Care Centre
Mothers' Union	Last Tuesdays	4:00 p.m.	Church Office
Reception Committee	Last Wednesdays	5:30 p.m.	Church Office
S.A.P.C Choir	Thursdays	5:30 p.m.	Church
Servers Guild	2 nd & 4 th Saturdays	2:00 p.m.	Church Office
Sunday School	Weekly (except August)		
St. Clement's	2 nd Sundays	6:00 p.m.	St. Clements
Women's Auxiliary	First Wednesdays	5:15 p.m.	Church Office
Womens' Working Ctte.	Third Sundays	9:45 a.m.	Irregular
Young Adults	1 st Fridays	5:30 p.m.	Old Court House
Youth Fellowship	Saturdays	4:00 p.m.	Old Court House