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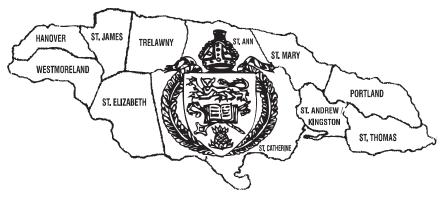
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson

SUFFRAGAN BISHOP OF KINGSTON AND CHAIRMAN - JAMAICA CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

There has been great alarm caused by recent media reports that the main line churches are experiencing a high attrition rate. This comes from an earlier report from the local Department of Statistics andthe trend which started many years ago should not now suddenly surprise us.

The 2011 census indicates that there is a major demographic shift in church membership. It suggests that a majority of those who claim church membership belong to "new line churches". According to the census, 619,000 persons claim membership in a variety of churches under the general heading 'Church of God'. The Seventh-day Adventists and Pentecostals come next with some 300,000 members each. Num-

bers for Anglicans, Roman Catholics, Methodists and such mainline denominations trail statistically behind these newer churches. What may escape us in these figures is the fact that Christianity is hardly breaking new ground. In other words, as a Gleaner article pointed out some time ago, "there is an exodus from main-line churches to new-line churches". To be specific, the number of persons claiming Christianity as their religious affiliation has not increased significantly relative to the increase in the population.

The challenge facing our church therefore goes much deeper than one of attrition. It has much to do with image and entitlement. Nearly ten years ago Professor Patrick Bryan, from the University of the West Indies, suggested that the critical factor that undermines our evangelistic enterprise is "The perception that the Anglican Church has kept itself aloof from the Caribbean cultural zone within which it functions". If Professor Bryan is correct, and I believe he is, then our task is not to become defensive, but instead to acknowledge our Church's disconnect from the majority of the population and especially the marginalized, and find new ways of reaching out. The real challenge then - image and entitlement aside - is how to communicate the Gospel so that it is heard as Good News not only by those who already feel

they belong, but especially by those who have not yet heard the gospel as Good News.

Bryan's suggestion of 'aloofness' might sound strange to our average member who has faithfully attended church for the last sixty years, and who feels special because of our proud Anglican heritage. What we can hardly understand is why our children and grandchildren do not feel the same way. They periodically attend church, but their voice is muted. Bryan's observation should therefore be taken very seriously not only by the Anglican community but also by other Christian denominations which had their origin in the missionary expansion of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

The perceived 'aloofness' about which Bryan speaks may very well have to do with the fact that Anglicans seldom take seriously the great majority who have no religious commitment, including the socially marginalized. Certainly, we organize social programs among this group, but not with the expectation that one day they too will be members of the Mothers' Union. The irony is despite the perception of 'aloofness', Anglicans possess the theological tools necessary to evangelize on the "margins". Anglicans embrace a spirituality that calls us to be transformed into the life of the divine so that in turn the life of the world might itself be transformed. Roman Catholics speak today about a "New Evangelisation" ("new" refers to the context rather than the message). That is to say, we must take our changing context seriously without "diluting" the Gospel message. To engage ones social context theologically, along with its culture, means to arrive at theplace where God's story of the world and our culture's evolving story encounter each other. This "new evangelisation" must now become a priority if we intend to reach the un-churched.

The Jamaica Church Missionary Society (JCMS) has made a strategic commitment to this group and have therefore chosen Denham Town in Kingston, Longville Park in Clarendon and Spot Valley in St James for special focus. With the exception of Denham Town - where we already have the St Alban's Mission and will be spending considerable resources to restore the building - Longville Park and Spot Valley are major housing developments, which have emerged in recent years and demand the full support of the JCMS. I believe that if we were to commit through our daily prayers, our financial and other resources to these three missionary frontiers for, say, the next three years we would be fulfilling in no small way our mandate as a Missionary Society.

Be assured of my prayerful support as you plan and execute your Missionary endeavours throughout the year.

Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson
Suffragan Bishop of Kingston
And Chairman – Jamaica Church Missionary Society

THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK 2012

MISSION

SERMON TEXT: Luke 24; 48-49

"You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

As we continue the reflection on our synod theme today, the question that remains uppermost in my mind is - what is our mission? Do we have some reason for being other than the fact that we meet on a Sunday morning at a certain location. If there is no other reason for our existence, then we really don't have a purpose beyond the continuation or survival of the status quo. That is something you and I are bound to contemplate during this synod. This reminds me of some words written by **Dietrich Bonhoeffer** as he reflected on the state of the German Church. Writing from his Gestapo prison cell in 1944 he said:

"Our church, which has been fighting in these years only for its self-preservation, as though that were an end in itself, is incapable of taking the word of reconciliation and redemption to mankind and the world." We have spoken for too long about the need to reclaim mission, evangelism and stewardship. This Synod must make a solemn commitment, to allow these words to define our life together, not for the sake of preserving the status quo, but in order to reclaim God's Dream for the world incarnated in Jesus Christ.

In our Gospel Jesus begins by explaining God's plan for drawing the world to himself. After all that he has done, after the agony of the cross and the glory of the resurrection, Jesus finished the piece of mission that he took flesh to accomplished. It is time for him to go. He gathered around his faithful followers, who stared at him in awe; waiting...waiting to hear how God's dream would continue. And when the disciples could stand it no more, Jesus speaks: "You are witnesses of these things". "I am sending upon you what my Father promised," Jesus says, "So stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

The God who spoke the world into being and appeared to Moses in a burning bush took on flesh and bone like ours to usher in his dream of the Kingdom of God; and now he leaves his mission of healing and transformation into our hands. So the purpose of the church according to our Gospel exists to fulfil God's mission. There is no other way of understanding mission, but to

see mission as the *Missio Dei*, the mission of God. Our task in this regard is simply to find out what God is doing and join in.

Mission is not about introducing a distant God to people that he's never met before. It's much more a question of saying to people that God is more interested in you than you are in God. And the good news is that if you show signs of interest and respond in trust and love, then that interest turns into profound intimacy and relationship. God is nearer than you think. God is already on the way. So that we start recognizing God who is there before us, and we say to the people with whom we're speaking, 'God is already at work in you and the challenge is for you to recognize this and give your heart and your will to cooperating with what God wants to do with and in you. So in mission our assumption must always be that God has already acted - he has already preceded us. Before anybody gets to the empty tomb, God is already up 'by break of day'. And so he is in all our mission endeavours. So you and I are only witnesses of what God is already up to.

How are you witnessing to the things God is already doing within your life, your community? The person who has no knowledge of what God has done and continues to do cannot be a witness to God's saving Grace. I wonder sometimes if that is really where the real challenge is for many congregations.

So as we engage in mission, communicating the good news – the really new message of Jesus Christ and who he is and what he has done – we must pay attention to the pattern of God's presence and — action, already there. It may take a lot of discerning and may not be at all obvious to start with, but remember it is God who opens doors of opportunity for mission.

Once we accept that, as members of the Body of Christ, we exist primarily for the sake of God's mission then it becomes the duty of everyone, and especially our leaders, to ensure first of all that that is acknowledged, and secondly to provide opportunities for training and nurture so that the ministry of each member can be fully utilized in witnessing to the good news of God's love to the community and the world. Our business is not simply to satisfy each other with musical entertainment and engaging programs. Those are necessary, but they are not the reason why we exist as a church community. And if our business is about doing God's mission, allow me to briefly suggest five qualities that a **Mission – shaped** church should possess.

A missionary church keeps hope alive for the community through the worship it offers. As someone said, like the bud that will not bloom without regular watering, the church's mission dries up without the renewal of worship. Worship, Bishop Daniel often reminds us, is the sixth Mark of Mission. And why is this, because worship is not simply the response we mortals make to God in thanksgiving, it is also *constitutive* of what I like to call "an alternative script for life". It not only petitions the God who is the object of our worship but acts as a way of re-visioning the world in accordance with the will and purpose of God. At its best the church is a worshiping community where people are transformed into citizens of God's realm, into people who see differently and, thus live differently in the world. Every congregation should reflect that image of the church at worship. How we do that will differ from one context to the other, but the doing of these things must reflect our basic purpose for being church, which is to transform life – individually and collectively.

This act of envisioning in which worship engages us, has practical implications since it invites us to embody God's hope for humanity. That's exactly what we are being invited to do when we pray in the Lord 's Prayer; "Thy Kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven." That prayer promises a 'hoped for' world, a world that is beyond present reality. And as the writer of 1st Peter reminds us; "Always be prepared to make a defence for the hope that is in you' (1Peter 3.13). What hope is that? "It is the hope of the resurrection of Jesus Christ". Proclaiming that hope through our life and ministry may not put us on the front page of the morning newspaper, but it is for the sake of the world that we maintain that posture of hopefulness in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Secondly, a mission shaped church is incarnational. And as an incarnational community it seeks to embody Christ's message within each context. God in Christ entered the world, taking on a specific cultural identity; and if cultural solidarity with the Palestinian communities of his day was a necessary aspect of Christ's mission, the same principle applies to us. Moreover, the early Christians did not remain culturally static. Paul reminds us in the Acts of the Apostles that as the gospel moved from Jerusalem into non-Jewish culture, it embodied something peculiar to that culture. Allow me to quote from a Church of England publication on "Church Planting and Fresh Expressions of Church in a Changing Context":

"If the church is to be in a position to offer all men the mystery of salvation and the life brought by God, then it must implant itself in the same way that Christ by his incarnation committed himself to the particular social and cultural circumstances of the men among whom he lived."

(However), a truly incarnational Church must not only imitate Christ's loving identification with his culture, it must also identify itself with his costly counter-cultural stance whose kingdom was not of this world; which leads me to the **third** point I wish to make.

A mission shaped Church is transformational.

A missionary church exists for the transformation of the community through the power of the gospel and the Holy Spirit. Anglicans embrace a spirituality that is rooted in the incarnation, which calls us to be transformed into the life of the divine so that in turn the life of the world might itself be transformed. And so as Anglicans, we engaging our social context theologically, with all its ambiguities, so that it becomes the place where God's story can take root. It is never a very safe or a comfortable place to be. But we need to remember that the key to every missionary initiative is Christ, and the passionate love he inspires in those who choose to follow him. If Christianity is to flourish in our society and not become the practice of a dwindling minority, then we have to recapture some sense of it as a huge event that transforms life. Only when that begins to happen will anyone want to participate in it to its fullest.

If the truth be told, many of us have become lazy, not wanting to get into the difficult business of transforming people, of waking them up to the task of living out their God given identity, settling instead for a gospel that does not challenge and a form of worship that leaves us with nothing more than a happy glow.

Fourthly, a mission shaped church makes disciples.

All Christians are called to a life of discipleship, to represent Christ, to speak and act in his name. Clergy and laity are united in that common calling, a partnership with one another and with Christ. That was how the writer to the Hebrews addressed his readers, "Therefore, brothers and sisters, holy partners in a heavenly calling." That partnership transcends any distinction between lay and ordained. Both are embraced within the royal prophetic priesthood. Within this mutuality of ministry the ordained are given specific functional authority, which is essential to the life of the church in a way that the laity doesn't. All contributions to the life and mission of the church are of equal worth in building up the spiritual life of the congregation. The task of the ordained is not only to help members of the congregation discern their gifts, but to provide a framework and structure within which those gifts can be used effectively to carry on the mission of God in the world.

Finally, a mission shaped church accepts stewardship as a way of life. All congregations are living organisms that contain seeds of power, which are capable of transforming life in all its fullness. The greatest stumbling block to a congregation's renewal for mission is a denial of this fact. I say to my young colleagues in ministry - take the missionary initiatives God is opening for you, the resources will follow. There is literally no limit to the quality of life that is suggested in the words of Jesus which says: "I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly." O yes! There are quantitative limits placed upon us as human beings. There are, certainly, limits to how much money we can legitimately make, and how far we can safely exploit our natural resources. But there are no limits to the quality of life our Creator offers us. There are no limits to love, to justice or to peace. In fact these gifts are literally multiplied the more they are used. That is the nature of God's abundance, and those who are willing to participate in it, to share it and to be its stewards, will themselves become partners in God's great miracle.

Something profoundly happened to change the lives of those women at the tomb causing them to see life as a vocation for God's mission. And so we were reminded on Easter Day that The Risen Lord does not wait until we recover from our grief and all our perceived limitations before he commissions us for Mission. And so I say one final thing, which we need to make clear about the witness of those who encountered the Risen Lord. Theirs were not merely a witness to a fact independent of their personal experience. They were witnesses to something that had happened to them – something that profoundly changed their lives. Causing them to rethink the whole matter of living, their relationship with their culture, and its values. If they had not been changed by the experience, there would have been no witness to the resurrection. This is what gave the resurrection such power, because those who were to carry its message were themselves changed by the experience.

When, like the disciples you are confident that the gift of life that God gives overwhelms all fears and despair, then you will be in a position to witness to the communities we serve and the nation as a whole, with care and compassion, knowing that the future is quite safe in God' mercy.

Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson Synod 2012 – Thursday, April12, 2012 Bishop Thompson's Sermon – April 2012

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA & THE CAYMN ISLANDS JAMAICA CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY (JCMS)

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2012

1. INTRODUCTION

The current year 2013, marks the 152nd anniversary of the founding of the Jamaica Church Missionary Society (JCMS). During the year, 2012, the JCMS has centered its work on providing support to mission initiatives. Effectively, it has been operating as a "funding agency". It is therefore, of paramount importance that the Churches and Missions continue to support the Society.

We must not fall short of the fact that Mission is Christ centered, and so the task of Mission is to reveal Christ, so that those who encounter Him, might experience His forgiving and healing touch.

It is the prayer of the JCMS that all its members will embrace the spirit of renewal that is now evident in many of congregations, so that the Church of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands may engage in the harvesting of souls.

Notwithstanding challenges here and there, the year ended on a note of encouragement.

2. MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

The full compliment of thirty-one members (including the Ex-oficio and those appointed) was approved by Synod 2012. Listed below, are the names of the members of the General Committee:

Rt. Rev. Dr. Robert Thompson

Ven. Patrick Cunningham

Ven. Leon Golding

Ven. Winston Thomas

Diocesan Bishop of Jamaica
 & The Cayman Islands

- Chairman/Bishop of Kingston

- Archdeacon, Eastern Jamaica Region

 Archdeacon of Montego Bay (now Suffragan Bishop of Montego Bay)

- Archdeacon of Mandeville

Ven. Dr. Edmund Davis
Rev. Canon Denzil Barnes
Rev. Abner Powell
Sister Phyllis Thomas, C.A.
Rev. Whitson Williams
Mrs. Andrea Chin-See
Mr. Godfrey Perkins
Dr. Trevor Hope
Rev. Carlton Tulloch

The Very Rev. Canon J. Nembhard

The Rev. Percival Lynch Miss Pamiel Scott Sister Myel Moss, C.A. Miss Edna Fisher Sister Molly Walton, C.A. Mr. John Crawford

Mr. John Crawford
Mrs. Patricia McCarthy

Sister Cynthia Lue-Bernard, C.A.

Rev. Barrington Jones

Rev. Leroy Johnson

Mr. Morris Stewart

Sister Andrea Taylor, C.A.

Rev. Basil McLeod

Rev.Elizabeth Riley Mrs. Carmen Bromley - Archdeacon of Kingston

- Diocesan Secretary

- Bishop's Nominee

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- Representative,

St. Elizabeth Deanery

- Representative, St. James Deanery (now Archdeacon of Montego Bay)

- Representative, Hanover Deanery

- Representative, St. Mary Deanery

- Representative, Clarendon

- Representative St. Thomas Deanery

- Representative, Portmore Deanery

- Representative, Portland Deanery

- Representative, Kingston Deanery

Representative,
 Manchester Deanery

- Representative,

St. Catherine Deanery

- Representative,

Westmoreland Deanery

- Representative, Trelawny Deanery

- Representative, St. Ann Deanery

- Representative,

St. Elizabeth Deanery

- Representative, St. Andrew Deanery

- General Secretary

3. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTE FOR THE YEAR 2012

Five meetings were held during the year. Attendance and participation were good. It should be noted that, it is incumbent on the Deanery Councils to ensure that nominees to the JCMS General Committee are able and willing to attend meetings, as the Society depends on their participation to carry out its Mandate.

Mission congregations are also reminded that the extent to which their needs are met, is in direct relationship to the extent that they communicate with their JCMS representative through their Deanery Councils.

The following Table reflects a true attendance at the meetings:

MEMBERS		ATTENDANCE
a)	Ex-Officio/President:	
	Suffragan Bishop of Montego Bay and	
	Canonical Administrator of the Diocese	
	The Rt. Rev. Dr. Howard Gregory	4/5
b)	Vice Presidents:	
	Archdeacon of Mandeville	
	Ven. Winston Thomas	1/5
	Archdeacon of Eastern Jamaica Region	
	Ven.Patrick Cunningham	4/5
	Archdeacon of MontegoBay	
	Ven. Leon Golding	4/5
	Archdeacon of Kingston	
	Ven. Edmund Davis	3/5
c)	Chairman:	
	Rt. Rev. Dr. Robert Thompson	5/5
d)	Treasurer:	
	Revd. Denzil Barnes	
	Diocesan Secretary	5/5
e)	Bishop's Nominees	
	Revd. Canon Ernle P. Gordon	
	(Up to April 2012)	1/5
	Revd. Abner Powell	3/5
	Revd. Whitson Williams	5/5
	Sister Phyllis Thomas, C. A.	4/5
	Dr. Trevor Hope	5/5
	Mrs. Andrea Chin-See	0/5
	Mr. Godfrey Perkins	3/5

MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE		
f) Nominated By Deanery Councils:			
Revd. Elizabeth Riley ** - St. Andrew	2/5		
Revd. Carlton Tulloch - St. Elizabeth	2/5		
Rev. Percival Lynch - Hanover	3/5		
Rev. Barrington Jones - St. Catherine	3/5		
The Very Rev. Canon Justin Nenbhard - St. James	2/5		
Mr. John Crawford - Portland	3/5		
Rev. Leroy Johnson ** - Westmoreland	0/5		
Sister Myrel Moss, C.A Clarendon	4/5		
Sister Molly Walton, C.A Portmore	5/5		
Miss Pamiel Scott - St. Mary	2/5		
Sister Cynthia Lue-Bernard - Manchester	5/5		
Mr. Morris Stewart - Trelawny	5/5		
Miss Edna Fisher ** - St. Thomas	2/5		
Miss Patricia McCarthy - Kingston	3/5		
Mr. John Crawford - Portland	3/5		
Sister Andrea Taylor ** - St. Ann	0/5		
Rev. Basil McLeod ** - St. Elizabeth	1/5		
g) General Secretary			
Mrs. Carmen Bromley	5/5		

^{**} These persons were appointed since **April 2012 Synod**

4. NEW ARCHDEACON – EASTERN JAMAICA REGION

During the early part of the year (January 2012) the Society welcomed the Venerable Patrick Cunningham as the new Archdeacon for the Eastern Jamaica Region, consequent on the retirement of the Venerable Dr. Alvin Stone.

Archdeacon Cunningham automatically became one of the Vice Presidents of the Society.

5. ELECTION OF DIOCESAN BISHOP, THE RT. REV. DR. HOWARD GREGORY, SUFFRAGAN BISHOP OF MONTEGO BAY; THE VEN. LEON GOLDING, ARCHDEACON OF MONTEGO BAY; AND APPOINTMENT OF THE VERY REV. CANON JUSTIN A. NEMBHARD, AS ARCHDEACON OF THE MONTEGO BAY REGION

During the year, the Society rejoiced at the elevation of three of its long standing stalwarts:

a) On Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at the Elective Assembly, held at St. Luke's Church, Cross Roads, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Howard Gregory, Canonical Administrator and Suffragan Bishop of Montego Bay, was canonically elected to the Bishopric in succession to the Rt. Rev. the Hon. Dr. Alfred C. Reid, D.D., who retired at December 31, 2011.

Bishop Gregory was enthroned as the Fourteenth Lord Bishop of Jamaica, on Sunday May 17, 2012 at the Cathedral, Spanish Town.

In his capacity as Vice President of the Society, Bishop Gregory worked unflinchingly in the development of missions in the Montego Bay Region.

- b) The Ordination and Consecration of the Venerable Leon Paul Golding took place on Friday, November 16, 2012 at St. James Parish Church, West Gate, Montego Bay.
- c) The Rt. Rev. Leon Paul Golding was officially installed as Suffragan Bishop of Montego Bay on Thursday, December 20, while the Very Rev. Canon Justin A. Nembhard, was installed on the same day as Archdeacon of Montego Bay.

The JCMS wishes them every success in their added and respective role.

6. OUTREACH PROGRAMMES/SERVICES

The Society continued to supplement the operational expenses of the following entities:

i) Diocesan Children's Homes

- Clifton Boy's Home, Darliston, Westmoreland
- St. Monica's Home, Chapelton, Clarendon
- The Wortley Home for Girls, Constant Spring, St. Andrew
- ii) The Bible Society of the West Indies, Hagley Park Plaza, St. Andrew
- iii) "The Anglican", Church House, 2 Caledonia Avenue, Kingston 5
- iv) The Deaconess House, Cross Roads, Kingston 5

v) The three Diocesan Homes for the Elderly

- Amy Muschette Home, Duncan's, Trelawny
- Bishop Gibson Home, 15 Hollywood Road, Kingston 6, St. Andrew
- Farquharson House, 6 Caledonia Avenue, Kingston 5
- AIDS Support Programme

Most of the above entities expressed their sincere appreciation for the assistance given.

7. PREACHING SEMINARS – FRIDAY MAY 04 & SATURDAY, MAY 05, 2012 AT ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CROSS ROADS, KINGSTON AND CHRIST CHURCH, VINEYARD TOWN, KINGSTON 3, RESPECTIVELY

These Preaching Seminars were conducted in association with the JCMS for two (2) Regions of the Diocese, the Eastern Jamaica Region on Friday, May 04 at St. Luke's Church Hall, and the Kingston Region on Saturday May 05, at Christ Church, Vineyard Town, Kingston 3.

The Seminars were planned through the instrumentality of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Harold Daniel, retired Suffragan Bishop of Mandeville, and also retired Chairman of the JCMS.

The plan for conducting the Seminars was against the background that, members of our congregations were anxious to get a grasp of a proper approach to Preaching, and how to share God's word among our people.

There were thirty-nine (39) participants attending the Eastern Jamaica Region, including twelve (12) Ordained Priests and one (1) Church Amy Sister.

The day's activities began at 9:30 am, followed by the official welcome and prayers by Bishop Daniel.

The Guest Speaker was the Rev. Gordon Woolard who during the year (2012) celebrated the 35th year of his Ordination as a Pastor. Rev. and Mrs. Woolard and their four (4) children spent eight (8) years working with French and English speaking international students in Brussels and Belgium under the auspices of the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students.

It was while working in Jamaica with Langham International that he met with Bishop Daniel. In 2007, Rev. Woolard was the Speaker at the Healing Conference held in Trelawny.

Rev. Wollard's topic for both Seminars was "The Kingdom of God: The Church and the Family". A comprehensive 7-page documentary on this subject, was distributed to all participants at both Seminars in addition to a one-page hand-out entitled "The Family in Perspective".

Kingston Region

For the Kingston Region, there were fifty-six (56) participants inclusive of five (5) Priests. The Seminar began at 9:40 am with Morning Prayer, led by the Rev. Ralph "Jim" Parkes, who officially welcomed all in attendance.

The Presentation

For his introduction, Rev. Woolard stated that," God puts us in multiple layers of relationships when we are in Christ our Saviour. Our responsibilities ebb and flow within these relationships".

He went on to state (most emphatically) that we are not static beings; we are always seeking the Lord's guidance in how best we live in these relationships. He also pointed out that the lines in the Scripture are not rigid in terms of duties, but rather the Scripture puts more emphasis on our character in each relationship.

The participants at both Seminars listened attentively, and at times were engaged in meaningful discussion from which they benefitted over the two-day period.

Conclusion of each Seminar

1. Eastern Jamaica Region

The Venerable Patrick Cunningham, Rector of St. Luke's Church, made a presentation of a copy of the Book "*Mandate for Mission*" to Rev. Woolard, while a small battery operated lamp was presented to him by one of the participants from the Clarendon Deanery.

The Rev. Franklyn Jackson, Rector of the Church of St. Margaret, Liguanea, moved the vote of thanks on behalf of the Diocese and the participants.

Rev. Woolard in response, expressed sincere gratitude for the gifts and the warm welcome accorded him.

2. Kingston Region

Miss Herma Meade, participant and member of Christ Church, made a presentation of a book entitled "*Jamaica*" (donated by the General Secretary) while the Rev. Ralph "Jim" Parkes expressed thanks on behalf of all the participants.

Special thanks was expressed to all those with special responsibilities, including the caretaker, and the caterer for providing lunches.

Rev. Parkes was not sparing in congratulating all, for having taken time out of their busy week-end to be at the Seminar in an effort to be better able to spread God's work and word among our people.

Rev. Wollard was most gracious in his response, and stated that he would be too willing to return to Jamaica to continue the training.

8. STATUS OF OUR MISSION CONGREGATIONS AND CHANGES DURING THE YEAR

At the end of the year, there were ninety-one (91) Missions and forty-two (42) Chapels-of-Ease.

The change of status of three (3) settled congregations in the St. Thomas Deanery – Holy Trinity, Trinityville, St. John's Woburn Lawn, and St. Boniface, White Hall, were re-classified as Missions.

9. CURRENT ACCOUNT SUPPORT

The Society continued to reserve funds for those Missions that are experiencing difficulty in meeting their assessments. We therefore encourage Rectors and/or Deanery Representatives to communicate their needs in writing to the Society, so that where possible assistance can be given.

10. CHURCH/SCHOOL SIGNS

The Society continued to encourage the erection of suitable signs on church properties. These serve to immediately identify the Church with the communities they serve. It is indeed a source of delight as one travels through communities to see these well-designed signs installed. During the year, Signs were ordered and delivered for the following Churches/Schools:

- All Saints, the Abbey, Llandewey
- Snowdon Basic School
- Church of the Conversion of St. Paul
- The Church of St. Margaret, Liguanea
- St. Mary's Church, Montpelier
- St. Phillip's Church, Maxfield Avenue, Kingston 11

Cost of the Signs

Like everything else, the cost of the Signs has increased since we last reported. Up to the time of preparing this report, the cost for a Standard Church Sign – 48" x 34" is \$31,455.00 inclusive of General Consumption Tax (GCT), while a Sign - 48" x 40" is \$35,171.35, also inclusive of GCT.

It should be noted however, that if extra wording is required other than the standard wording, this will attract an additional cost.

Procedure for Ordering Signs

Interested parties should send their request in writing to the General Secretary, Church House, 2 Caledonia Avenue, Kingston 5, with a deposit of 50%. The balance of 50% is due and payable at the time of collection. The manufacturing "turn-around" time is approximately two weeks.

11. EDUCATION & EVANGELISM

i) Evangelistic Missions

The Society continued to support mission work in all the Cures across the Diocese. During the earlier part of the year, the following received the financial support of the JCMS:

- The Church Army towards its Associate Evangelistic Programme (AEP). This was a residential weekend held at the Hillcrest Diocesan Retreat Centre, June 8 10, 2012;
- St. James Annotto Bay Cure, Lenten Services February 22
 26, 2012
- Kingston Region Mission, March 18-25, 2012

ii) New Assignment – Sister Alvarine Roberts

On November 01, Sister Alvarine Roberts, was asked to assist with the establishment of a Mission Station in the new Longville Park Housing Development, on the border of St. Catherine and Clarendon.

In her initial task in assisting the Society to fulfill this Mandate, Sister Alvarine would be required to do a survey of the Anglicans in the community, in order to provide a general assessment on the possibilities for evangelistic and missionary activity. Sisters Phyllis Thomas, C.A., and Molly Walton, C.A., who both previously worked in the area, agreed to collaborate with Sister Alvarine.

We are delighted to advise t that so far, Sister Alvrine has submitted a report to the Society, which bears evidence of future prospects.

The JCMS, through our Chairman, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Robert Thompson, has been in communication with the National Housing Trust (NHT) with a view to acquiring a two-bedroom house which would provide accommodation for Clergy/Staff, possibly in close proximity to a parcel of land on which to construct a **Church/Mission Centre.**

iii) Workshops/Training

Sister Phyllis Thomas, C.A., Head of the Church Army in Jamaica/Director of Evangelism along with her Officers:

- Sister Cynthia Lue-Bernard, C.A. attached to the Snowdon Cure, Manchester;
- Sister Norma Thompson, C.A., Chaplain, Church Teacher's College, Mandeville;
- Sister Molly Walton, C.A .attached to the Portmore Cure;
- Sister Myrel Moss, C.A., Superintendent St. Monica's Children's Home Clarendon;
- Sister Melvorn Stewart, C.A., Chaplain, Cornwall Regional Hospital;
- Sister Alvarine Roberts, C.A., Chaplain Glenmuir High School, Clarendon;
- Sister Andrea Taylor, Chaplain, Ocho Rios High School, St. Ann and:
- Captain Joshua Henry, Officer In-Charge, Spot Valley Mission, St. James;

have all continued to play a pivotal role in the regions conducting Seminars, Workshops, Training and Evangelistic Missions. The JCMS is indeed very grateful to all these Officers who work unflinchingly even under difficult circumstances so as to fulfill the mandate for which they are called.

iv) Scripture Handouts for Mission Work

Several members of the Clergy, Church Workers as well as individuals continue to draw from the assorted range of Tracts and Scripture Booklets available at the office, to enhance their work in the field, in their teaching, counseling and evangelism.

The literature also helps to inform them of the growth and development in mission activities worldwide. We therefore encourage our members and friends to make use of this vital ministry tool.

"Everyone who asks receives. Everyone who seesk, finds. The door is opened to everyone who knocks". (St. Luke 11:10)

v) Need for Leadership

With the challenge facing the Church to plant new congregations in areas not now served by the Church, compounded by the shortage of ordained or commissioned personnel, the need for training members of the Laity to take new responsibilities is even more pressing.

The Society in partnership with the Church Army, the Brother-hood of St. Andrew (BSA) and other organizations, will endeavor to provide opportunities for willing persons to be trained to carry out this mission.

We cannot over emphasize the need for proper leadership and accountability in our Churches and Missions. (1 Timothy, Chapter 6: 17-18) God intends for us to find fulfillment in Him and in doing His will, does not mean that we should be self-obsessed or forgetful that, **it is His glory.**

12. REVITALISING THE MISSIONS

As outlined elsewhere in this report, it will be observed that the Society responded to a number of requests for assistance in the restoration and maintenance of buildings. St. Andrew's Chapel-of-Ease, Caymanas, Estate was the recipient of a grant of \$200,000.00 for refurbishing work and the erection of a proper fence for the property.

A Brief History of 120 years of Christian Ministry of St. Andrew's Chapel, Caymanas Estate (1892-2012) can be found at Appendix 1 of this Report.

There are a number of Missions that are still in need of repair and/or revitalization. The Society is hopeful that the momentum will continue and that more and more of our churches' membership will take on the responsibility to continue the work of renewal.

13. SPOT VALLEY MISION

Work continued during 2012 towards the establishment of the Anglican Communion encompassing Spot Valley and adjacent communities through the Spot Valley Mission, St. James. With a focus on community integration, the activities and initiatives of the Mission included home visits, coordinating assistance for needy families, community interaction and corporate worship.

Corporate Worship

Regular services were held at the Mission House on Sundays, staring at 11:00a.m. In addition, during the year, some of the persons who participate in, or have expressed interest in the Mission, were taken to service and family fun day at the Holy Trinity Church, Montego Bay, and to service at Craighead, Manchester. This provided an opportunity for them to fellowship with other Anglican congregations.

Home Visits

Individuals in the community, who are known to be sick and shut-in, were visited from time to time. There were occasions where, upon their request, short informal services are held. These include the singing of choruses and hymns, reading of the Holy Bible and praying.

One-to-one Evangelism

This is a natural feature of the Mission. Relationships are developed with persons in the community who do not have affiliation to any specific church body. They are approached and discussions are initiated and encouraged on topics including:

- current affairs,
- survival in harsh economic and social environment (abuse, violence & injustice),
- good family relationship, and
- spiritual formation in a community of mixed values and attitudes.

These persons are encouraged to become committed to the Christian way of living. It is hoped that over time, when the activities of the Mission become more integrated into the culture of the community, these persons will be drawn into becoming committed members of the mission. This approach is bearing fruit, with some persons attending services from time to time.

Help For the Needy Programme

This programme was initiated in 2011. It is being pursued under the theme, "Helping Each To Help Each Other" which is the vision statement of The Spot Valley Mission. The Mission House is used as a receiving and distribution centre for goods beneficial to the needy and most vulnerable in the community.

Items received through Food For the Poor and from friends of the mission, are distributed. These include:

- food
- new and used clothing
- reading books, note books and other school supplies
- new and used items of furniture, equipment and appliances

Other activities in the Help for the Needy Programme include encouraging householders to cultivate their own vegetable and flower gardens around their homes and in containers.

This programme is subject to continuous monitoring, so that reviews and updates may be done, with a view to enabling the vision of the mission to be attained.

Bible Distribution Programme

With part of the objective of Spot Valley Mission being to have as many members of the community as possible reading the bible, a Bible Distribution Programme was embarked upon in 2011. This was continued into 2012. The Jamaica Church Missionary Society, in supporting this initiative, has been gracious in providing a total of twenty two (22) copies of the New International Version of the Bible so far. It is proposed to maintain this programme as part of the general outreach programme of the Mission.

The Barrett Town Primary School

The cordial relationship developed between the Barrett Town Primary School and the Spot Valley Mission was maintained. For example, at the request of the principal, Captain Joshua led a session on stress management for staff at the School's Teacher Development Day.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School -2012 was not held due to inadequate outside financial assistance.

Home Work and Reading Centre

Work in converting a part of the existing building into a Home Work and Reading Centre was started. It is hoped that this will be completed by summer of 2013.

End of Year Activities

In December, services were temporarily discontinued and other activities, including a planned open day and Christmas treat, were put on hold as Captain Joshua had to undergo surgery.

Plans for 2013

Fund Raising Activity - The need for a Games/Outdoor Activity Court at the mission is considered urgent. Plans are afoot to put on a fund raising concert in the ensuing year with the hope of raising enough money to build a games and outdoor activity court for the mission. This would go a far way in providing a place where people in the community, especially young people and persons who have no church affiliation, could meet and have activities of fellowship and interaction.

Short, Medium and Long Term Proposal

A proposal for the development of the property at Spot Valley is being prepared for submission to the Regional Bishop. This proposal will, among other things, suggest what may be done to secure and develop the property. Some of these are:

- Enclosing the property,
- Paving of the one hundred feet (100ft) drive way to the house,
- Landscaping and beautifying of the property,
- Creating areas for adults and children to play and /or relax,
- Modifying the existing building to enhance its appearance and improve its usefulness.

We ask for your continued prayers and support, as we strive to develop and enhance the mission work at Spot Valley.

14. RESTORATION OF ST. ALBAN'S MISSION

The Society took on the Restoration of St. Alban's Mission, Denham Town in West Kingston as its premier project for the year. A committee in association with All Saint's Church, West Street, Kingston was established

under the Chairmanship of Dr. Trevor Hope, a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew (BSA) and who is also a member of the JCMS General Committee.

Our Chairman, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Robert Thompson, the Diocesan Communication Officer, Miss Beverley Newell and the General Secretary, also served as members of the Committee.

Fund-raising Activities

The Committee organized fund-raising activities including a Lapathon on October 13, 2012, at the Emancipation Park. The attendance was disappointing as we had expected a much better response from the Churches. Collection Cards for the Lapathon were also provided. At the end of the year, only thirty (30) cards were returned with a total collection of \$114,042.50 (including US \$170.00).

Tee Shirts for the occasion were provided for those persons participating at the Lapathon. Needless to say that we still have remaining in stock, a number of the shirts (large, medium and small). We therefore invite our congregations to support this worthy cause by purchasing them as a mark of "solidarity" towards the Restoration Project.

The shirts can be obtained from the JCMS Office. The cost is as follows:

- Large \$750.00
- Medium \$600.00
- Small \$500.00

Building Block Project

A Building Block Project which is still on-going was also established as a fund-raiser. These blocks are still available at prices - \$50.00, \$100.00, \$500.00, and \$1,000.00 each. Please continue to support these fund-raising efforts, as our determination is to restore the 125- year old Mission to its former glory.

The cost to refurbish the Mission is estimated to cost **Six Million Dollars** (**\$6m**). We have no doubt that at the end of the day; we could be faced with a higher figure as the cost of building material, among other things is always on the increase.

Church Service to Launch the Restoration Project

A stirring call for spiritual transformation in Denham Town was issued to the hundreds of citizens who filled the premises at 26 Albert Street to capacity during an Open-Air Service for the re-launch and dedication of St. Alban's Mission, which has served the community since 1888, but which has been in disrepair for several years.

The call to "rise up and raise up the Church again", was delivered by the Chaplain of Church Teacher's College, Sister Norma Thompson, C.A., who was assigned to St. Alban's Mission 46 years ago, as a young member of the Church Army, which is the Evangelistic Arm of the Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands. Delivering the Sermon, Sister Norma said, God is calling members of the Anglican Church to prepare the way for a spirit-filled revival at St. Alban's. She urged members of the congregation to rise up from the disappointments and bitterness of the past and begin to treat people with respect and the love of the Lord; to put aside self-centeredness and walk humbly with God and to allow the fruit of the Spirit to govern their behavior. She noted that centuries ago, John the Baptist called people to repentance; and she said she would have the same message for the people of Denham Town.

A full text of Sister Norma's Sermon can be found at Appendix V of this Report.

15. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

The Society disbursed grants to the following projects/institutions during the year:

(i)	Deaconess House	- \$200,000.00
(ii)	St. Andrew's Chapel-of-Ease	- \$200,000.00
(iii)	Amy Muschett Home	- \$ 75,000.00
(iv)	Farquharson House	- \$ 75,000.00
(v)	Bishop Gibson Home	- \$ 75,000.00
(vi)	Diocesan Church Fund (The Anglican)	- \$ 70,000.00
(vii)	The Wortley Home for Girls	- \$ 70,000.00
(viii)	St. Monica's Children's Home	- \$ 70,000.00
(ix)	Bible Society of the West Indies	- \$ 60,000.00
(x)	Clifton Boy's Home	- \$ 70,000.00
(xi)	Elizabeth House (Paid for Insurance)	- \$ 75,000.00
(xii)	Kingston Region Mission	- \$ 70,000.00

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(xiii)	St. James/Annotto Bay Cure			
	(Lenten Services)		\$	60,000.00
(xiv)	Church Army Associate Evangelistic Prog.			
	(AEP)		\$	50,000.00
(xv)	Preaching Seminar (Kingston region) -		\$	6,190.92
(xvi)	Allen's Pest Control & Sanitation Services Ltd.			
	(in respect of St. Augustine Church,			
	Watermount) -		\$	18,000.00
	Donation of Six (6) Bibles –			
	Spot Valley Mission -		\$	8,544.00
(xvii)	Sunday Schl. Curriculum (Lectionary Year C -		\$	80,000.00
(xviii)	Spot Valley Mission (VBS Expenses) -		\$	35,000.00
(xix)	Ossie Hamilton (Photos taken -			
	St. Alban's Mission)		\$	18,000.00
(xx)	Crimson Dawn Manufacturing Co. Ltd.			
	To cover cost of 200 Tee Shirts – Lapathon			
	held at Emancipation to raise funds for the			
	Restoration of St. Alban's Mission		\$1.	34,441.00
(xxi)	Island Dreams Bedding & Furniture to			
	supplement the cost of 15 mattresses donated			
	to the St. Mary Cure as a result of flood rains			
	• • •		\$	30,290.00
(xxii)	KVG Hireage Services – Hireage of Tents for			
	the Service of Restoration for St. Alban's			
	Missionheld on Sunday, December 09, 2012			
	· ·	-	\$ 3	5,326.05
(xxiii)	Ossie Hamilton (Photos taken at the Service			
	of Restoration of St. Alban's Mission			
	-09/12/12		\$ 1	2,000.00
(xxiv)	Payment to Instrumentalists for performance			
	at the Service of Restoration for St. Alban's			
	Mission held on Sunday, December 09, 2012 -	•	\$ 1	8,000.00
(xxv)	The Musical Apostles Steel Band for			
	performance At the Service of Restoration for			
	St. Alban's Mission held on Sunday,			
	December 09, 2012 -		\$ 1	2,000.00

All the above entities have expressed sincere appreciation for the financial assistance given in affording them to move forward.

16. TOP CHURCH CONTRIBUTOR

This year, **St. George's Church, Grand Cayman, is the Top Church Contributor.** They have contributed in excess of \$400,000.00, approximately 9.44% of the total contributions for 2012.

The following Churches and their Leaders have also done exceptionally well, and must be commended for their sterling efforts:

Church of the Holy Trinity, West Gate
St. Mark's Parish Church, Mandeville
Kingston Parish Church
St. Gabriel's Church, May Pen,
\$403,769.25
\$343,400.00
\$150,000.00
\$119,908.00

17. TOP DEANERY CONTRIBUTORS

The following are the Top Deanery Contributors for the year under review:

Manchester Deanery
 Kingston Deanery
 St. James Deanery
 St. Elizabeth Deanery
 St. Ann Deanery
 Westmoreland Deanery
 \$686,332.00
 \$596,794.25
 \$463,346.00
 \$325,952.85
 \$323,046.00

18. INCOME & EXPENDITURE

A triennial comparison of the contributions to the General Purposes Account reveals that there is consistency, showing an increase in ten (10) deaneries in 2012 over 2011, as compared to a reduction in five (5) Deaneries for the current year.

Special commendations are in order for Manchester Deanery, which has almost doubled its contribution over last year.

Allocations of Contributions

We must of necessity point out that, the Accounts Department has had much difficulty in allocating contributions to the various accounts, primarily because the lodgment slips are not being sent in promptly and with proper designations. This causes un-necessary and additional work on the Department, and also in the preparation of the Annual Reports.

Please be reminded that as soon as bank lodgments are made, the lodgment slips must be sent in to the Accounts Department or to the General Secretary. Lodgments should also be made on the correct form, clearly stating the account to which the payment is to be credited.

It must be borne in mind also, that lodgments made after the 31st of December, will not be reflected in the Report for that year.

Despite our request each year for the proper procedure to be followed, there are several **blank spaces in Appendix 11** (Contributions to the General Purposes Fund). This is partly due to the fact that information pertaining to lodgments had not reached the office., or that some Churches and Missions failed to meet their obligations.

We also encourage each congregation to promote the tenets of the Society, and to ensure that the Annual Missionary Service is held and the contributions lodged to the General Purposes Account of the JCMS. The Society once again, records its deep gratitude for every contribution made, and sincerely prays that all the congregations will develop a consistent way of supporting its work.

19. MANDATE FOR MISSION

Last year, we reported that this 100-page book incorporates the presentations at the Ecumenical Symposium held in March of 2011, to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the JCMS. It also contains the story of the JCMS, as well as six (6) very interesting Bible Studies. There are a number of copies still available at the JCMS Office, and can be obtained at a **reduced price of \$1,000.00** (down from \$1,200.00).

We encourage every member of every congregation to purchase a copy, not only for personal and congregational study, but more important, to remind each of us of our commitment to our Mandate for Mission.

20. CONCLUSION

Our focus must now be on the **development of personnel** who have a passion for mission and who are equipped to share their knowledge and insights with those they are assigned to lead. Such training will no doubt be expensive, but it is necessary if our Church is to face the challenge that is presented to it in this period of our history.

There are many challenges facing us today – the harsh economic situation, the loss of our loved ones, the **increase in moral decadence** and the list goes on. However, we need to seriously examine ourselves and be mindful of the fact that, Romans 8:39 tells us that," Neither height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is Christ Jesus our Lord".

The Society is indeed grateful for the generous financial support it continues to receive from congregations all over the Diocese. It is grateful too, for the interest and commitment displayed by members of the General Committee, the Diocese on the whole, and the **staff at all levels at Church House.** We invite your prayers and look forward to increasing our effectiveness as the Chief Mission Agency of the Diocese in 2013.

21. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - Brief History of St. Andrew's Chapel, Caymans Estate

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Appendix V1 - Important Information/Things you should know about the JCMS

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Diocese of Jamaica-Synod Report 2012

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA AND THE CAYMAN ISLANDS EASTERN JAMAICA REGION: PORTLAND DEANERY FELLOWSHIP AND MOORE TOWN CURE: ST LUKE'S MISSION, COMFORT CASTLE

"The Aftermath of Hurricane Sandy at St. Luke's Mission, Comfort Castle"

Feature Story

by THE VERY REV'D DR. MARION E. SUTTON RURAL DEAN OF PORTLAND

St. Luke's Mission has always been a place where the congregation pulls together, perhaps this is because members of the congregation have very little so they pull together and share what they have in order to help each other. They remind me of the communal life of the believers in Acts: "Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul . . . everything they owned was held in common" (Acts 4:32). Whenever St. Luke's goes on a trip, the members get together on the evening before at the Mission. There, they pool their resources and prepare a meal together so that everyone will have lunch on the trip. None goes without. I will never forget their first big trip to the National Arena for the Diocesan wide service celebrating the presence of the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) in Jamaica. They were very excited and determined that each member would go. It became a Comfort Castle community effort. The members pooled all their resources together. One member, who had no money, travelled the length and breadth of the Rio Grande Valley collecting bottles, which she sold and proudly gave the proceeds as her contribution to the trip!

It was in this spirit that the community of St. Luke's, Comfort Castle recently built a house for Sandra Graffie, her baby, Sanjay and partner, Winston. Sandra and her family live on a hill above the Rio Grande river at Comfort Castle. She and Sanjay survived Hurricane Sandy under their bed. The Hurricane winds blew the entire roof and most of the walls of the house down into the Rio Grande river, which took away most of the zinc and boards. After the Hurricane, Sandra and her family were devastated. Their entire house needed rebuilding. In an instant, their home was gone. They had no shelter. The members of St. Luke's Mission were very concerned because Sandra was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. They were afraid that her home-

less situation and her hormonal condition, after just giving birth, would trigger the mental condition for which she was being treated. The Lay Reader of St. Luke's Mission, Mrs. Diane Francis, made an appeal for a house and help for Sandra Graffie and her family at the meeting of the Portland Deanery Council on 1 November, 2012.

Christ Church, Port Antonio was having the National Chorale of Jamaica in concert. The Rector, who is also Chairman of the Portland Deanery Council, took this appeal to the Church Committee of Christ Church, Port Antonio. Its members decided to have a Hurricane Sandy Victim Support Project to rebuild the house and provide help to Sandra Graffie and her family. They launched this project at the concert on 25 November, 2012. By 25 December, 2012, God provided the financial resources for rebuilding the house through the generous and compassionate gift of the Countess Francesca von Hapsburg of Austria. This miracle brings to mind what Isaiah prophesies as the transformed reality in the cosmos and our new relationship with God as loving Father through the reconciliation of our Saviour, Jesus Christ: "I am about to create new heavens and a new earth . . . I will rejoice . . . and delight in my people . . . They shall build houses and inhabit them . . . Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Isaiah 65:17-24).

Hurricane Sandy brought destruction in Portland but it also brought joy. Sandra and her family have a better house now than what they had before, but most important, the members of St. Luke's Mission, Comfort Castle, initiated the project out of their pastoral care and concern for a member of their community. The Countess provided the financial resources, but they, out of their love, inspired community members to provide the labour and support for the building of the house. Members of St. Luke's Mission, Comfort Castle took turns in preparing lunch for the work-men. People from the Rio Grande Valley community such as Lay Reader and Rector's Warden of St. Paul's, Moore Town, Mr. John Crawford and Mr. K. V. King, volunteered their skilled knowledge and rebuilt the house for Sandra and her family. We praise God for the communal spirit of the members of St. Luke's, Comfort Castle. The Holy Spirit has indeed shed abroad the love of God in their hearts. Sandra and her family have been so impressed by this church community's outpouring of love and concern for them, that they have deepened their commitment to God and now worship regularly at the Mission. Showing the compassionate love of God in Christ to those in need, is a most effective means of mission, ministry and evangelism at St. Luke's Mission, Comfort Castle.

LAPATHON October 13, 2012 - Emancipation Park



CHURCH SERVICE

DECEMBER 9, 2012

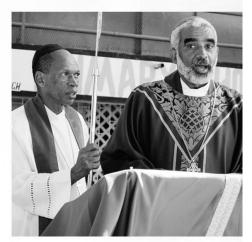
LAUNCH OF ST. ALBAN'S RESTORATION PROJECT



Sister Molly Walton.



Sister Norma Thompson- Preacher.



Bishop Thompson and Father Abner.



Mrs. Hudson (principal) and Bishop Thompson.



Children of St. Alban's Primary School.

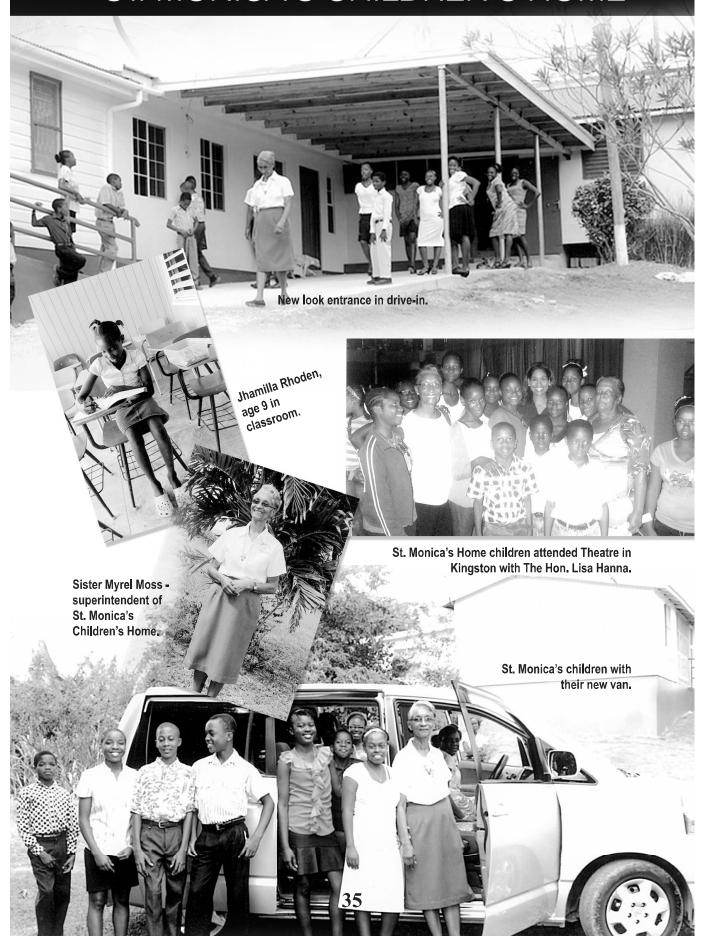


Jeffrey the Saxofonist.



Choiresters singing heartily.

ST. MONICA'S CHILDREN'S HOME



WORTLEY HOME FOR GIRLS



Some relaxing while others eating at the party.





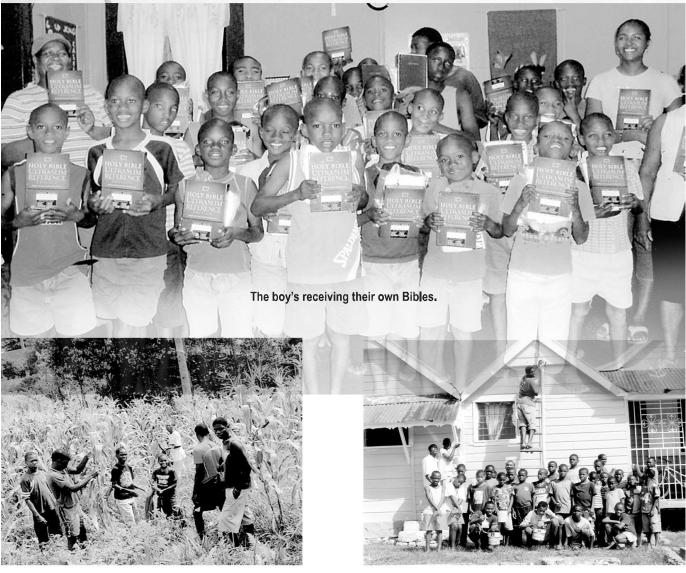
Michael Smilletto (Board Member) and girls at a Tuesday evening devotion.







CLIFTON'S BOY'S HOME



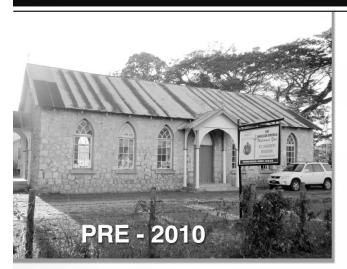
Boys assisted by Mr. McDonald reaping corn.

The boys doing painting on the outside, assisted by Mr. McDonald.



APPENDIX I

120 years of Christian Ministry St. Andrew's Chapel, Caymanas Estate (1892 – 2012)





BRIEF HISTORY

The Crum Ewing/Hamilton families have had a long history of provision for the spiritual welfare of the persons living/working on the Caymanas Estate and the existing Church building dates back to 1892

1892 - 1988

In a letter dated 19th Dec. 1989, written by Mr. Alex. V. Hamilton to then Diocesan Bishop Neville DeSouza: Mr Hamilton pointed out that the still visible cornerstone that dates the building at 1892 was laid by his great aunt Miss Susan Crum Ewing and he noted that the family still has the original trowel that was used at the time.

In 1895, the church building was allowed, by his great grandfather Alexander Crum Ewing, to be used and looked after by the Jamaica Presbyterian Corporation which had been incorporated by the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland. Regular services were held for the next 40 years. A Rev. Watler served as minister at around the 1920s.

By 1940 the Salvation Army were using the building for their regular meetings for the next six (6) years, until after World War II.

Around 1946 Anglican Services were once again being held in the Church which then came under the supervision of the Cathedral in Spanish Town. Mr. Hamilton's mother, Constance Berel Crum Ewing, had by then began to take great interest in the welfare of the Estate workers. As an active church member, Hamilton cites, she arranged for the installation of the Church's organ in 1953. Between 1956 – 59 she 'employed' various retired rectors unto the staff of the Estate to look after the welfare of the workers and to conduct regular service at St. Andrew's as well as at the Innswood Church. From 1960 it was Mr. Edgar Grant who was employed by the Estate and served as Church Catechist along with the Canon at the Cathedral who kept the church active.

The Church has remained a part of the Diocese ever since. It was extensively damaged during hurricane Gilbert in 1988 and for a number of years was unusable. Prior to hurricane Gilbert, retired Canon George Thomas of the Cathedral was the then Rector.

1989 - current

St Andrew's Mission was reopened as a member of the Church of the Holy Spirit Cure under the leadership of former rector Rev. Barrington Soares (1992 – 2008) at its original location on the Caymanas Estate, an old sugar plantation just outside of Spanish Town and Portmore. Under his stewardship the Church continued its tradition of ministering to the community through its regular Sunday Services and Sunday School. Mr. Edgar Grant continued as Catechist until his death in the nineteen nineties.

The Church now continues under the guidance of their new priest Rev. Michael Elliott (2008 - current) as a Chapel of Ease and has managed to maintain its footing in the Community despite various adversities. Over the past four years the Church has embarked upon a number of Mission endeavours including witness marches, outreach activities and children's treats for the children in the community. One year we partnered with the Social Development Commission in a Community Social education fair and we look forward to similar ventures in the near future. The Sunday School has been

restarted growing from 5 children to 20 in recent times; A mid-week bible study on Thursday evenings has been on-going. The regular congregation is not a large one, there now being just about eight regular communicant members (up from 4 in 2009 in attendance at any one time. The Church now has its own Lay Reader, Chalice Bearer and Altar server. This year we begun to forge ties with the Community Basic School, providing devotional exercises for the children and staff and hosting their School leaving exercise during one of our services.

As the Caymanas Estate Community is now poised for residential growth, the church has been recently refurbished with the generous assistance of the Urban Development Corporation, The Jamaica Church Missionary Society, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew (the latter 2 from the Anglican Diocese) and a number of church members. The work included a new roof and ceiling, new lighting fixtures, toiletries for the first time ever, ramps for the physically disabled and new fencing around the compound. We are indeed most grateful to these organizations and the many individuals who have given of their time, money and skills in helping to bring our church to this place.

In November 2012 we rededicated this Church, on the occasion of it's One Hundred and Twentieth (120th) anniversary, the Feast of St. Andrew's – the patron saint. The celebrant and preacher was the Rt. Rev. Dr. Howard Gregory, bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands. In attendance were the Rt. Rev. Dr. Robert Thompson, Regional Bishop of Kingston, Archdeacon of the Kingston Region, Rev. Dr. Edmund Davis, Mr. Alexander Hamilton and his wife, members of the BSA, Community members and members from Church of the Holy Spirit in Portmore.

Despite its small size, the faithfulness and determination of the Church members along with members from the Church of the Holy Spirit (Portmore) have kept the doors open. We count ourselves privileged and honour to work and serve in the Mission of God in this Community. Our prayer is that this Church may more and more become a meaningful, sanctuary of Solace, and a Symbol of the Presence of God in the lives of all who come through its doors in worship and reverence. To God be the glory, great things He has done.

Adapted by Rev. Michael Elliott from article submitted by Aldene Daley (Church member) Nov. 2012

APPENDIX II

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA JAMAICA CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2012, 2011 and 2010

C C	2010
\$	\$
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33,450.00	109,015.00
55,450.00	
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) <u>-</u>	26,000.00
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31,368.00	60,000.00
30,000.00	25,375.00
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850.00	-
311,115.00	290,382.10
406,783.00	570,412.10
80,760.00	131,130.00
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25,000.00	623,642.70
	20,000.00

DEANERY	2012 \$	2011 \$	2010 \$
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ST. THOMAS			
43 Christ Church (P) Morant Bay 44 St. Boniface's, Whitehall	41,335.00 -		18,346.00
45 St. Matthias', Middleton46 St. Matthew's, Wilmington	8,300 . 00 -		
47 St. David's, Yallahs 48 St. John's, Woburn Lawn	20,000.00	20,000.00	56,000 . 00
49 Holy Trinity Trinityville 50 All Saints', The Abbey			3,850.00
51 St. Andrew's, Golden Grove 52 St. Thomas', Bath	19,020.00	17,428 . 00	22,830.45
53 St. Barnabas', Port Morant 54 St. Stephen's, Thornton	.4%	13,000.00	-
	88,655.00	50,428.00	101,026.45
PORTLAND			
55 Christ Church (P) Port Antonio	73,650.00	-	15,050.00
56 St. Paul's, Nonsuch	-	-	2,000.00
57 St. Mary's, Rural Hill	-	-	-
58 St. Mark's Boston 59 St. Thomas, Manchioneal	9,200.00	-	-
60 St. Christopher, Sherwood Forest	9,200.00		-
61 All Saints', Fellowship	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
62 St. Paul's, Moore Town	=	5,000.00	6,000.00
63 St. Luke's, Comfort Castle	4,000.00	-	5,000.00
64 St. Jude's, Bourbon	-	-	5,000.00
65 St. Stephen's, St. Margaret's Bay	-	6,000.00	5,000.00
66 St. Peter's, Hope Bay	-	-	-
67 St. John's, Bybrook 68 St. Paul's, Claverty Cottage	• -	• -	-
69 St. Michael's, Fruitful Vale	1,000.00	1,000 . 00	_
70 St. Matthew's, Mt. Hermon	1,000.00	1,000.00	_
71 St. Dunstan's, Orange Bay	-	1,000.00	-
72 St. George's, Buff Bay	17,000.00	12,000.00	-
73 St. James', Birnamwood	-	5,000.00	10,000.00
74 St. Mary's, Rose Hill	-	-	4,000.00
75 St. Philip's, Fairfield 76 St. Joseph's Belevedere	.	-	-
	110,850.00	36,000.00	57,050.00

DEANERY	2012	2011	2010
ST. MARY	\$	\$	\$
77 St. Mary's (P) Church, Port Maria	35,050.00	24,300.00	
77 St. Mary's (F) Gridicil, Fortivialia 78 St. Alban's, Albion Mountain	33,030.00	500.00	
79 St. Luke's, Bonny Gate		10,000.00	_
80 St. Peter's, Galina	<u> </u>	2,500.00	_
81 St. Elizabeth's, Mason Hall	5,000.00	5,000.00	_
82 St. James, Annotto Bay	15,800.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
83 St. Barnabas', Enfield	4,250.00	5,250.00	
84 St. Patrick's, Devon Pen	-	-	
85 St. Margaret's, Long Bay	-	-	- T-
86 St. Mark's, Scott's Hall	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
87 St. Cyprian's, Highgate	13,500.00	8,800 . 00	20,000.00
88 St. Michael's, Belfield	11,250.00		3,500.00
89 Church of the Epiphany, Richmond	4,450.00	-	1,900.00
90 St. Gabriel's, Woodside	1,500.00	-	2,000,00
91 St. Martin's, Martin 92 Church of the Holy Trinity, Retreat	10,000.00	_ 15,000 . 00	2,000.00 25,000.00
93 St. Matthews, Boscobel	10,000.00	9,700.00	11,450.00
94 St. John's, Gayle	18,800.00	6,100 . 00	15,400.00
95 St. Andrew's, Labyrinth	11,220.00	13,072.00	-
96 St. Margaret's, Clifton Lodge	5,100.00	5,000.00	3,500.00
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	137,920.00	118,222.00	105,750.00
ST. CATHERINE			
97 St. James' Cathedral, Spanish Town	-	35,000.00	40,000.00
98 St. Joseph's, Innswood	44.570.00	- 0.050.00	-
99 St. Matthew's, Mt. Moreland	11,570.00	8,250.00	-
100 St. John's, Sligoville 101 St. George's, Blackstonedge	6,200 . 00	6,580 . 00	8,000 . 00
102 All Saints', Guy's Hill	5,000.00	0,560±00	5,000.00
103 St. Paul's, Clapham	5,000.00	1,000.00	3,500.00
104 St. George's, Bartons	_	5,000.00	8,876.00
105 All Saints', Bellas Gate	-	3,100.00	1,300.00
106 St. Mark's, Macca Tree	-	=	_
107 St. Andrew's, Marlie Hill	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
108 St. Peter's, Old Works	-	1,000,00	1,000.00
109 St. Augustine's, Watermount	-	2,000.00	1,000.00
110 St. Saviour's, Harewood	10,000.00	16,200 . 00	6,500.00
111 St. Boniface's, Mount Industry	-	2,600.00	-
112 St. Faith's, Glengoffe	-	2,200.00	-
113 St. Mark's, Ham Walk	-	-	-
114 St. Philip's, Morris Hall	0.650.00	20 579 45	14.025.00
115 Church of the Holy Trinity, Linstead 116 St. Thomas' Ye Vale, Bog Walk	9,650 . 00 47,050 . 00	29,578 . 45 20,000 . 00	14,025.00
117 St. John's, Guanaboa Vale	47,030.00	20,000:00	-
118 St. Simon & St. Jude's, Ewarton	3,000.00	- -	3,420.00
119 St. Peter's, Lluidas Vale	-	8,850 . 00	6,400.00
120 St. George's, Point Hill	6,200.00	=	7,250.00
121 St. Lawrence's, Camperdown	, -	-	_
122 St. Luke's, Juan de Bolas	-	-	-
123 St. Paul's, Kentish	-	-	-
124 St. Simon's, Top Hill	4,560.00	3,280.00	-
125 St. Dorothy's, Old Harbour	-	-	22,800.00
126 HolyTrinity, Old Harbour	-	-	15,346.00
127 St. Philip's, Old Harbour Bay 128 St. Michael & St. George's, Freetown	-	-	-
120 St. Miloridor & St. Obolyb S, 116610WII			
	103,230.00	145,638.45	145,417.00

DEANERY	2012	2011	2010
	\$	\$	\$
CLARENDON			
129 St. Paul's (P) Church, Chapelton	18,637.00		7,000.00
130 St. Mark's, Beckford Kraal		-	-
131 St. James', Rock River	7,600.00	•	7,900.00
132 St. Luke's, Woodhall	2,800.00	-	3,000.00
133 All Saints', Crofts Hill	20,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
134 St. Bartholomew's, Good Hope	20,000.00	16,500.00	13,000.00
135 St. Michael's, Arthur's Seat	3,500 . 00	2,500 . 00 3,000 . 00	3,000.00
136 St. Peter's, Rhoden Hall 137 St. Gabriel's May Pen	8,650.00 119,908 . 00	81,400 . 00	6,500.00 66,640.00
138 St. James', Hayes	5,000.00	4,650.00	7,160.00
139 St. Paul's, Mocho	5,000.00	- ,000.00	11,160.00
140 All Saints', Richmond Park		_	-
141 St. Bartholomew's, Frankfield			_
142 St. Luke's, Sanguinetti	23,650.00	28,100.00	20,000.00
143 St. Gregory's, Red Hills	, -	3,150.00	15,535.00
144 St. Matthew's, Aenon Town			
145 Holy Trinity, Park Ha ll	<u> </u>	-	
146 Church of the Resurrection, Peckham	-	-	-
147 St. Peter's, Alley	15,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
148 St. Thomas', Race Course	-	-	
149 St. Saviour's, Milk River	-	-	1,590.00
150 St. John's, Portland Cottage	-	-	-
151 St. Luke's, Mitchell Town	•	•	2 000 00
152 St. Andrew's. Rocky Point	-	-	2,000.00
	244,745.00	184,300.00	209,485.00
MANCHESTER			
153 St. Mark's (P) Church, Mandeville	343,400.00	-	195,000.00
154 St. Philip's, Old England	8,200.00	5,600.00	6,100.00
155 St. James', Kendal	23,000.00	-	28,000.00
156 St. Michael's, New Forest157 Christ Church, Christiana	-	30,000.00	6,000 . 00 95,450 . 00
158 Church of St. John the Baptist, Coleyville	-	24,000.00	10,000.00
159 St. Jude's, Battersea	-	24,000.00	8,000.00
160 St. Paul's, Spalding	25.000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
161 St. John the Divine, Alston	-	7,000.00	12,000.00
162 St. Andrews, Albert Town	32,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
163 St. James', Craighead	43,900.00	45,100.00	24,000.00
164 St. Silas', Troy	21,467.00	16,453.00	16,592.00
165 St. Peter's, Wait-a-Bit	25,000.00	25,000.00	55,000.00
166 St. Barnabas', Warsop	-	17,600.00	12,550.00
167 St. Barnabas', Mile Gully	-	16,000.00	16,700.00
168 St. Lawrence's, Devon	22,000.00	21,500.00	25,500.00
169 St. Simon's, Comfort Hall	-	-	12,000.00
170 Mission of the Ascension, Harry Watch	6,000.00	8,000.00	-
171 St. Peter's, Whitby	8,000.00	5,000.00	-
172 St. Augustine's, Porus	22,100.00	45.000.00	15,000.00
173 St. Stephen's, Chantilly	0.500.00	15,000.00	30,000.00
174 St. James', Toll Gate	9,500.00	19,000.00	30,000.00
175 St. Andrew's, Harmons	-	23,920.00	20,680.00
176 Holy Trinity, St. Toolies	- 57 400 00	3,850.00	6,200 . 00
177 St. David's, Snowdon 178 St. Jude's, Pratville	57,400.00 11,000 . 00	8,000 . 00	30,350.00 9,250.00
179 St. Patrick's, Providence	8,365 . 00	0,000.00 <u>-</u>	9,200.00 <u>-</u>
180 St.Luke's, Smithfield	20,000.00	18,100.00	7,650 <u>.</u> 00
	686,332.00	369,123.00	732,022.00

DEANERY	2012 \$	2011 \$	2010 \$
ST. ELIZABETH			
181 St. John's (P) Church, Black River	34,871.00	_	110,000.00
182 St. Barnabas', Crawford	17,886.00	17,000.00	13,774.00
183 All Soul's, Brompton	17,150.00	14,100.00	19,840.00
184 St. Stephen's, Arlington	6,350.00	5,800.00	8,500.00
185 St. Boniface, Pondside	5,750.00	10,000.00	11,900.00
186 St. Thomas', Lacovia	2,950.00	3,050.00	4,100.00
187 Ch. Of the Holy Trinity, Whitehall	10,185.00	5,066.00	7,200.00
188 St. Jude's, Slipe	6,000.00	8,000.00	10,000.00
189 St. Margaret's, Middlesex	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,100.00
190 St. Barnabas' Siloah	5,000.00	14,000.00	8,000.00
191 St. Aidan's Quickstep (Belmore Ca		4,000.00	2,600.00
192 St. Martin's, Retirement (Mt. Trinity		3,600.00	4,000.00
193 St. Bartholomew's, Mulgrave	1,692.00	1,500.00	1,150.00
194 St. Philip's, Niagara	5,000.00	5,000.00	4,000.00
195 St. Luke's, Balaclava	52,000.00	-	31,224.00
196 St. Paul's, Kenysham	1,500.00	-	1,000.00
197 St. John's, Auchtembeddie	1,600.00	-	1,750.00
198 St. Matthew's, Santa Cruz	50,000.00	55,138.00	28,450.00
199 St. Andrew's, Gilnock	11,000.00	12,000.00	15,000.00
200 St. James', Mt. Hermon	6,700.00	7,100.00	5,600.00
201 St. Stephen's, Nain	37,000.00	32,000.00	30,000.00
202 Church of the Holy Spirit, Pepper	3,100.00	-	-
203 Church of the Transfiguration, Lee	•	23,300.00	22,650.00
204 St. Peter's, Pedro Plains	33,613.00	25,539.00	27,679.00
205 St. Augustine's, Mountainside	12,882.00	, -	, =
206 St. Matthews, Orange Grove	6,680.00	5,000.00	5,755.00
207 St. Paul's, Barbary Hall	17,900.00	17,000.00	15,000.00
208 All Saints', Newell	8,850.00	5,000.00	2,000.00
209 The Epiphany, Bigwoods	· <u>-</u>	· -	2,390.00
210 St. Mary's, Southfield	-	•	
211 St. Mark's, Mayfield	44,200.00	89,550.00	-
212 St. David's, Morningside	14,740.00	18,035.00	-
213 St. Alban's, Stanmore		19,600.00	-
214 St. Aidan's, Bull Savannah	10,500.00	· -	-
215 St. Paul's, Tryall	10,247.00	8,100.00	-
	463,346.00	411,478.00	395,662.00

DEANERY	2012	2011	2010
	\$	\$	\$
ST, ANN			
216 St. Ann's (P), St. Ann's Bay	65,000.00	84,907.00	166,800.00
217 St. Saviour's, Lime Hall	29,703.00	12,000.00	25,000.00
218 St. Mark's, Chester	=	600.00	-
219 St. Agnes', Priory		25,000.00	25,000.00
220 St. John's, Ocho Rios	40,000.00	100,000.00	120,000.00
221 St. Francis', Hiattsfield		<u>-</u>	
222 St. Agnes', Salisbury	3,352.85	6,560.75	-
223 St. Mark's, Brown's Town	40,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00
224 St. Luke's, Aboukir	16,900.00	-	14,700.00
225 St. James', Gibraltar	-		-
226 St. Thomas', Stewart Town	0.500.00	7.500.00	- -
227 St. Andrew's, Bamboo	9,500 . 00	7,500 . 00	5,000 . 00
228 St. Barnabas', Madras 229 St. Matthew's, Claremont	94,200.00	71 151 00	92,000.00
229 St. Matthew's, Claremont 230 Christ Church, Moneague	27,297 . 00	71,151 . 00 35,224 . 00	24,696.00
231 St. David's, Brittonville	27,297,00	30,224.00	5,000.00
232 St. Andrew's, Prickley Pole	-	-	-
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	325,952.85	362,942.75	518,196.00
TRELAWNY			
233 St. Peter's (P) Church, Falmouth	20,000 . 00	50,000.00	-
234 Christ Church, Marley	26,385 . 00	12,800.00	19,550.00
235 St. Stephen's, Litchfield	23,940.00	14,812.00	16,085.00
236 St. Michael's, Clark's Town	-	-	15,300.00
237 St. Mark's, Rio Bueno 238 St. Matthew's, Jackson Town	-	-	12,100.00
239 St. Barnabas', Duncans		-	12,100.00
	70,325.00	77,612.00	63,035.00
ST, JAMES			
240 St. James (P) Church, Montego Bay	90,225.00	128,050.00	100,000.00
241 St. Francis', Glendevon	90,225 . 00 6,000 . 00	6.000.00	12,000.00
242 Church of the Holy Trinity, West Gate	403,769.25	416,000.00	307,923.25
243 Holy Cross, Mount Salem	+00,100.20	= 10,000:00	-
244 St.Augustine's, Coral Gardens	42,000.00	16,000.00	17,114.00
245 St. Leonard's, Blue Hole	-	-	, -
246 St. John's, Grace Hill	10,000.00	-	16,000.00
247 St. Luke's, Vaughansfield	12,000.00	11,000.00	-
248 St. Mary Magdalene, Granville	10,000.00	12,700 . 00	10,400.00
249 St. Mary's, Montpelier	=		4,000.00
250 St. Stephen's, Cambridge	15,000.00	24,500.00	-
251 St. Matthews', Catadupa	4,000.00	8,000 . 00	6,000.00
252 St. Saviour's, Chichester	3,800.00	5,000 . 00	5,000.00
253 All Saints', Chester Castle 254 St. Mark's, Chigwell	- -	-	2,150 . 00 -
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	596,794.25	627,250.00	480,587.25

DEANERY	2012 \$	2011 \$	2010 \$
HANOVER			
 255 St. Mary's (P) Church, Lucea 256 Church of the Holy Trinity, Green Island 257 St. Bartholomew's, Dalmally 258 St. Augustine's, Church Hill 	26,000.00 15,237,00 - -	15,150.00 11,100.00 10,005.00 7,000.00	8,712.00 13,750.00 6,000.00
259 St. Philip's, Eaton 260 St. Agnes', Grange	_ 12,000 . 00	-	- 12,000 . 00
	53,237.00	43,255.00	40,462.00
WESTMORELAND			
261 St. George's (P) Church, Savanna-la-Mar 262 St. Barnabas', George's Plain	22,600 . 00 -	34,180 . 00 -	75,000 . 00 20,070 . 00
263 All Saints', Meylersfield 264 St. Thomas', Bluefields	<u>-</u> 25,000.00	- 15,090 . 00	- 14,300 . 00
265 St. Thomas', Kings	9,300.00	6,750 . 00	8,671.00
266 St. John's, Darliston	18,450.00	9,650.00	14,500.00
267 St. James', New Road	-	2,000.00	3,300.00
268 St. Peter's, Petersfield	30,000.00	20,000.00	42,000.00
269 St. Barnabas', Beeston Spring	9,300.00	-	2,000.00
270 St. Matthias' Kentucky	-	3,000.00	40.400.00
271 St. Michael's, Kew Park	11,050.00	14,001.00	10,100.00
272 St. Alban's, Ashton	2,750.00	4,820.00	2.740.00
273 St. Bartholomew's, Berkshire	4,840.00	5,285.00	3,746.00
274 St. Stephen's, Cornwall Mountain	3,520,00 7,050,00	4,200 . 00	6,000,00
275 St. Mark's, Hopewell		17,000 . 00	,
276 Church of the Holy Trinity, Grange Hill277 Church of the Transfiguration. Mount Grac	10,000.00 e 16,500.00	15,000.00	10,000.00 12,000.00
278 St. James', Grange	5,000.00	8,250.00	7,000.00
279 St. Luke's, Cessnock	26,000.00	8,000 , 00	10,650,00
280 St. Paul's, Little London	41,767,00	34,428.00	37,158.00
281 St. Mary's, Negril	64,019.00	38,287.60	44,450.00
282 St. Silas', Mount Airy	15,900.00	16,010.00	12,500.00
283 St. Helena's, Sheffield	-	7,400.00	8,000.00
	323,046.00	263,351.60	341,445.00
St. Hughs Prep	-	-	7,171.31
U.T.C. Anglican Communion	·	-	_
Synod Contribution	43,565.00	37,805.00	29,426.00
Bequests & gifts	370.92	506.44	584.76
Allibecca Villa Ltd.	-	3,250.00	<u>.</u>
Donation	2,333.00	1,827 . 61	2,733 . 50
TOTAL	4,364,358.42	3,910,117.00	4,625,238.07

APPENDIX III

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA JAMAICA CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

DEANERY QUOTAS FOR 2013

LOCATION	Budget 2012	Actual 2012	Budget 2013
Kingston Region:	\$	\$	\$
Kingston Deanery	530,000.00	638,158.40	580,000.00
St. Thomas Deanery	100,000.00	88,655.00	100,000.00
St. Catherine Deanery	240,000.00	103,230.00	200,000.00
Portmore Deanery	150, 000.00	159,150.00	150,000.00
TOTAL	1,020,000.00	989,193.40	1,030,000.00
Eastern Region:		T	
St. Andrew Deanery	800,000.00	316,348.00	600,000.00
St. Mary Deanery	200,000.00	137,920.00	200,000.00
Portland Deanery	80,000.00	110,850.00	80,000.00
Tornand Deanery	80,000.00	110,050.00	80,000.00
TOTAL	1,080,000.00	565,118.00	880,000.00
Mandeville Region:			
Clarendon Deanery	250,000.00	244,745.00	250,000.00
Manchester Deanery	600,000.00	716,682.00	650,000.00
St. Elizabeth Deanery	400,000.00	463,346.00	450,000.00
TOTAL	1,250, 000.00	1,424,773.00	1,350,000.00
Montego Bay Region:		_	
	500,000,00	225.052.05	250,000,00
St. Ann Deanery	500,000.00	325,952.85	350,000.00
Trelawny Deanery	120,000.00	70,325.00	80,000.00
St. James Deanery	600,000.00	596,794.25	600,000.00
Hanover Deanery	60,000.00	53,237.00	60,000.00
Westmoreland	300,000.00	323,046.00	300,000.00
Deanery			
	1,580,000.00	1,369,355.10	1,390,000.00
GRAND TOTAL:	\$	\$	
	4,930,000.00	4,348,439,50	4,650,000.00

APPENDIX IV

DIOCESE OF JAMAICA JAMAICA CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

EXPENDITURE FOR 2012 AND PROJECTIONS FOR 2013

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Allocation of funds	2012 Approved	2012 Disbursed	Projections for 20
A. Personal Emoluments			
Salary & Allowance	\$630,000.00	\$633,938.00	\$640,000.00
2. Reimbursables	\$030,000.00	-	\$040,000.00
3. Health Insurance		_	
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B. Office Facilities & Auditing			
1. Acctg. & Mgt. Services	\$600,000.00	.\$600,000.00	\$600,000.00
2. Auditor's Remuneration	\$200,000.00	\$220,000	\$220,000.00
3. Synod Expenses	\$10,000.00	\$25,000	\$25,000.00
4. Printing, Staty & Postage (JCMS Reports)	\$160,000.00	\$174,322	\$155,000.00
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C. Education & Evangelism			
Lay Training & Mission Expenses	\$500,000.00	\$612,502.00	\$700,000.00
Expenses- Ministry- Portmore	\$500,000.00	\$456,000.00	\$500,000.00
2. Expenses Hamsey Teranore	ψ300,000.00	,	\$1,200,000.00
D. Grant - Outreach Programmes			
Bible Society of the West Indies	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
2. Clifton Boy's Hone	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
3. St. Monica's Children's Home	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
4. Wortley Home for Girl's, Constant Spring	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
5. Homes for the Elderly (three)	\$225,000.00	\$225,000.00	\$300,000.00
6. Aids Support	\$100,000.00	-	\$100,000.00
7. Special Appeals	\$100,000.00	-	\$100,000.00
E. Grant: Current Account Support			
1. Assistance Current Account Debt	\$200,000.00	-	\$200,000.00
2. Loan Repayment	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
F. Grant Development Projects			
1. Church Signs	\$35,000.00	\$43,866.43	\$35,000.00
2. Discovery Bay Mission	\$160,000.00	-	\$160,000.00
3. Spot Valley Mission - St. James	\$550,000.00	\$682,236.14	\$600,000.00
4. Longville Park (New Housing Development)	φυσο,ουσ.ου	, ,,	\$250,000.00
5. St. Matthew's Wilmington			\$250,000.00
TOTAL	\$5,240,000.00	\$4,442,864.50	\$5,605,000.00

APPENDIX V

SERMON: ST. ALBAN'S MISSION, DENHAM TOWN SUNDAY DECEMBER 9, 2012

Prayer:

The voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord." Luke 3, part of verse 4

My brothers and sisters in Christ, it is a real joy for me to be here at St. Alban's, Denham Town today. So many memories are rushing through my head – because it was here in September of 1966, all of 46 years ago, that I began my ministry as a Church Army Sister. It was here that I laboured for 5 years – walking the streets of Denham Town, Jones Town, Trench Town, Greenwich Town, Dungle, Backto, names I can't even remember – I walked the streets visiting from house to house, sitting on the roadside reasoning with Rastamen and others who had no jobs and so had a lot of time to reason with me. It was here that I gathered adults and children for Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Confirmation Class, Bible Study; it was here in the St. Alban's Vestry that I taught grown men to read and write, it was here that I wept with those who shared their stories with me – it was here that my faith was tested and tried many times and I learnt to lean harder on Jesus – it was here that during those first years of my ministry that I saw men and women, boys and girls give their hearts to Jesus Christ. God used me then to build on the work of those who had striven before I got here. God used me to prepare the way for those who followed after, and today let us give God praise, for today he has called the Anglican Church, he has called the Bishop, priests and people to come back to Denham Town to prepare the way – the way for a conscious spirit-filled revival of this mission here on Albert Street.

We are in the Church season of Advent – a season of preparation – not just a preparation for commercial Christmas with ham and sorrel and Christmas tree and presents if we can afford any of those this year – but preparation for Emmanuel, God with us – God in human flesh here on earth with us, God breaking into our hearts and lives in the very person of Jesus Christ. Advent is a season of preparation that does not call for big money, or big house, or big car or big present. This preparation calls for repentance from sin and a surrender of self to God so that when he comes again, when he comes the second time, we will be ready to be counted worthy to be called his sons and daughters.

Our Gospel reading has John the Baptist proclaiming the words of Isaiah, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" John is preaching at a time in the history of God's people when they were being oppressed by Roman over lords. A time when people would have liked to have gotten rid of the Romans and once again be independent and free to govern themselves. John was handpicked by the Lord to announce the dawning of the Kingdom of God and its Messiah; God promised that the sick would be healed, blind eyes would open, the dead would rise and good would triumph over evil. John announced the coming of One greater than all the Roman emperors, all the kings, prophets and wisemen that had ever lived. The Messiah whose shoes John himself was not worthy to untie, was coming with transformational power. John was the forerunner whose humble task was to prepare the way. That preparation did not include working the people up to civil disobedience, or getting them to overthrow the government of the day or getting them to establish a new state that would isolate itself from Roman authority. John told people that the path to a new beginning, the path to a transformed life was not concerned with overturning external powers, but had everything to do with internal values. He quoted from Isaiah, "Every valley shall be filled, every mountain and hill shall be made low, the crooked shall be made straight and the rough ways made smooth!"

How can we translate that into everyday living? What is John saying to you and me on this 2nd Sunday of Advent? What is John saying to the Church gathered here in Denham Town today? After this launch what will you and I have to take to Jamaica land we love in this 50th year of our Independence? "Prepare the way of the Lord! Every valley shall be exalted, every mountain and hill shall be made low, the crooked shall be made straight and the rough places plain". Hear God calling us to rise from the disappointments of the past, to rise from the valleys of bitterness and to begin to treat people with respect – to love them with the love of the Lord. Hear him calling us to flatten the mountains of personal pride and self-centredness, to hold the hands of our brothers and sisters and to walk humbly with our God. Hear him telling us to take a look at ourselves and to smooth the offensive edges of our character and to allow the fruit of the Spirit-love joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22) – yes the fruit of the Spirit to govern our behaviour. Am I speaking to anyone out there this morning? Is John's message meant for you as you prepare for Christ's coming, as you prepare for Him to impact your life?

Centuries ago as John prepared the way for the coming of Christ he called people to repentance. What is repentance? It is changing our mind, our thoughts, our direction, and our actions that are contrary to God's way. Was that call for repentance only relevant to the people of John's time in the 1st century or is it relevant to us today? If John were standing here instead of me this morning what would he say to Denham Town, what would he say to Jamaica, what would he say to you and me? I want to think that his message would be the same. "Repent! Put down the guns and the weapons that even the very children going to school seem to be armed with these days! Put them down you don't need them! You need God in your life! Stop the violence, the rape, the incest, the sexual abuse of our women and children! Repent! Let children once again be children! Don't force ripe them into being what God did not intend tem to be and to experience!! Stop the thieving! Stop the scamming! Stop the pretence! Stop the hypocrisy! Stop the churchianity and get back to real 1st century Christianity! Stop behaving like animals and start behaving like precious people make in the image and likeness of God! Stop trying to change the externals and begin by changing hearts and lives from within! Repent! Prepare the way of the Lord!" The message of Advent, the message from John this morning, the word from God this morning is that all of us should repent. Repentance is the starting point for claiming a new beginning and a spiritual transformation!!

We want a new beginning here at St. Alban's. We want spiritual transformation. We want God to move in demonstrable ways in the Church; in the mission; in, through and among the people. We don't merely want the mission to survive. We want it to thrive! It won't thrive if you and I, all of us together do not co-operate with God and with one another, if we do not allow God to order our lives so that we can work with him in his plan and purpose for St. Alban's, for his mission in Denham Town. It is only then that the King, with all of His glory, will come in.

The King of Glory has a plan and purpose for you and me this 2nd Sunday of Advent. Hear his words in Jeremiah chapter 29, verses 11-14: "For surely I know the plans I have for you......"Do you believe that? Do you believe God's words? God has a plan for you as an individual, God has a plan for his Church. God has a plan for St. Alban's. God calls each one of us to be a part of that plan. We need to ask ourselves some questions this morning. Am I really ready and willing to work God's plan? Am I merely existing or am I thriving with God. You know how as a people we like to sit back and blame God and every body and say, "Nutten naw gwaan fi me." Can we change that this morning and say, "Plenty a gwaan fi mi!" If God is for us, who can be against us? The Lord said, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand" and within that kingdom there is joy and peace and comfort and happiness. Do we merely exist or are we thriving with these blessings? The Lord said that He came to "give us life and to give it to us more abundantly". Do you merely exist or are you thriving with this promise? Have you found this abundant life? Would you share this

life with someone else? Would you in some real practical way help someone to experience this abundant life? The Lord said that he would make our lives meaningful and use us to accomplish his purpose. Is this why you who visiting Denham Town in this service this morning are here today? Will you come back tomorrow? Will you come back when the going gets tough? Will you come back when there is no big service, when only two or three are gathered? Are you ready and willing to prepare the way of the Lord?

There is a verse in Hosea 10 that goes something like this: "Sow for yourselves righteousness, reap the fruit of unfailing love, and break up your unplowed ground, for it is time to seek the Lord, until he comes and showers righteousness on you". Let us take that verse to heart. Let us prepare for Christ by threshing, plowing and breaking up the ground of our hearts. Let us prepare by being ready to soak in the blessings. Let us prepare by being available to be used by God to bring his blessing to someone else.

My prayer is that you and I will be ready and willing, and that God will use us mightily to accomplish his purpose in this place. To Him and to Him alone be alone be all the honour and the glory. *Amen*

APPENDIX VI

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 1. Please ensure that the information contained in the JCMS Annual Report is made available to all our Society's members, who comprise all the "registered communicant members of the Church in Jamaica in the Province of the West Indies." Copies of the Report will be distributed, without charge, to all members in attendance at Synod, and the members of Deanery Councils, (who are not members of Synod) through the respective Deanery Councils). A copy will also be dispatched directly to each Mission and Chapel-of-Ease, as these two categories of congregations do not send Lay Representatives to Synod. Those who are privileged to receive copies of the Report have the responsibility to share the information with other members of their respective congregations including their respective Treasurers. We urge you to discharge that responsibility.
- 2. Congregations (and especially Treasurers) are reminded that the 'cut-off date' for Bank Lodgments to be included in the J.C.M.S account for any completed calendar year, does not extend beyond the first week of January in the succeeding year. Those congregations that submit late lodgments are at a disadvantage.
- 3. Canon XV-ARTICLE 5 requires that the General Secretary of the Society be notified forthwith of Bank Lodgments made to the Society's account, and many congregations have not been complying with this requirement thus presenting difficulty in monitoring remittances into Church House intended for the Society. The difficulty is made even worse, as some congregations do not use the appropriate Bank Lodgment Form, prescribed for the Society's account. Please help to minimize the problems of reconciliation, by using the appropriate Bank Lodgment form, and advising the General Secretary of

each lodgment. This requirement is applicable to all lodgments intended for the J.C.M.S General Purposes Fund and also all lodgments intended for Missions' Current Account.

4. Congregations and Deanery Councils are reminded that the **31st October of each year is the deadline date** for submitting (through the appropriate channel) to the society, requests for Grants to be processed in time for presentation of the Budget to the next Synod. We also ask that requests from Missions and Chapels-of-Ease, for changes in status, be submitted sufficiently early in advance of Synod to allow the proper processing through the Deanery Council, the Regional Council, the Society's General Committee and the Diocesan Council and the Diocesan Financial Board in time for Synod.

5. Copies of the Revised Constitution and Rules of the Society are available at the Society's Head Office, Church House, 2 Caledonia Avenue, Kingston 5, at a nominal charge. It is desirable that copies be in the possession of all congregations of the Diocese, and especially at the Missions. Members of the Clergy and of the Laity may obtain supplies from the Society's General Secretary.

General Secretary

Church House, 2 Caledonia Avenue, Kingston 5.

Telephone: 926-8925 or 929-3134

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE J.C.M.S

1. The Jamaica Church Missionary Society was established in 1861 as "the recognized Missionary Agency of the Church in the Province of the West Indies." (The Anglican Church). Its constitution has undergone name changes on two occasions, but its objectives remain the same, namely"

"To establish, maintain and see to the extension of Missions throughout the Diocese and especially in the neglected portions thereof, and with Missionary work abroad."

- 2. All registered communicant members of the Anglican Church are considered members of the Society.
- 3. As the Recognized Missionary Agency of the Church the Society is responsible for the Evangelistic thrust of the Church and for welfare of the Mission Stations of the Diocese, whilst encouraging them in the attributed of self-government, self-support and self-propagation.
- 4. The Society is funded by the contributions from the Churches and Mission Stations of the Diocese of the General Purposes Account. The ability to respond to requests for support is in direct relationship to these contributions. We are our brothers' keeper.

A copy of the Constitution and Rules of the Society is available from the office at Church House. It is recommended that you procure one of these for your timely study.