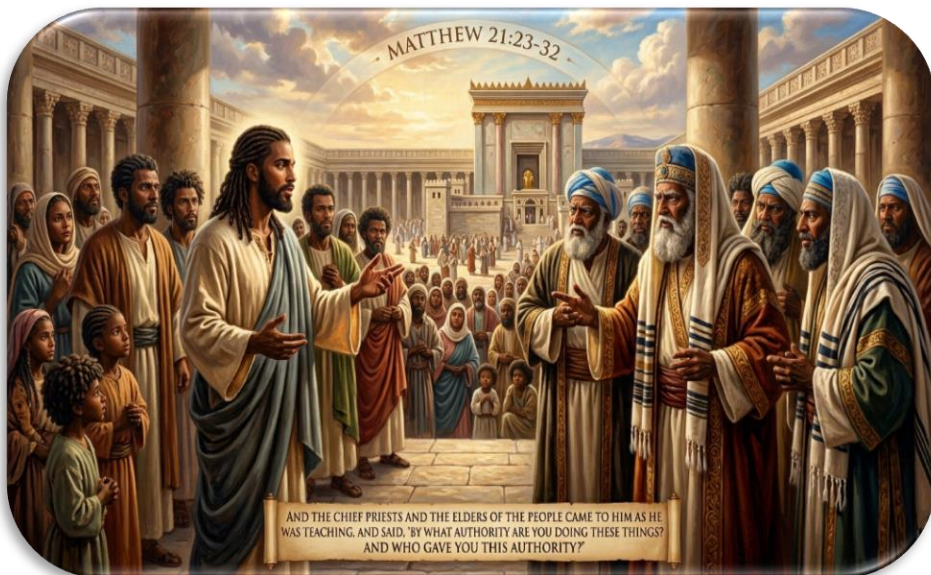




SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

(Built by Slaves – 1799)

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Sunday, September 27, 2026

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Welcome, as we gather again to worship and celebrate the salvation that has been afforded us in Jesus Christ. Whether you are joining us here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad; we are delighted that you are here with us. May God's Spirit be known to us today. Welcome to all.

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WATCHWORD: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.
(*Philippians 2:5*)

Provincial Theme 2026:

***"Grounded in Faith, Growing in Grace, Going in Power –
Moving as One!"***

Now faith is the
assurance of things
hoped for, the
conviction of things
not seen.

HEBREWS 11:1

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship:

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C: *Lord, teach us Your ways and lead us in Your truth!*

L: So, church, leave behind the worries you carried through the door. Leave behind the burdens of the week. For this is the day the Lord has made!

C: *We will rejoice and be glad in it!*

L: Then let us lift our voices, clap our hands, open our hearts, and give the Lord the praise He deserves.

All: *We have come to worship! We have come to give thanks! We have come to hear God's Word and to do His will. Lord, have Your way among us today!*

Hymn 136 – “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

Prayer

Worship in Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: *Give generously to the poor, not grudgingly, for the Lord your God will bless you in everything you do. Deut. 15:10*

Offertory Hymn: 457 – “All Creatures of Our God and King”

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Doxology: “Thanks, Thanks, I Give You Thanks”

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

Adoration in Song

Ministry of the Word

Old Testament Reading – Ezekiel 18:1 – 4, 25 – 32 – *Bro. Charles White*

Choir Anthem – “Someone Is Waiting”

New Testament Reading – Matthew 21:23 – 32 – *Sis. Harriet Browne*

Hymn of Preparation – “As the Deer Panteth for the Water”

Sermon – *Rev. Delroy Burley*

Hymn of Response – “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

Prayer of Commitment

Closing Hymn – “*Standing on the Promises*”

Prayer & Benediction

Organ Postlude



Visit our Website at <http://sharonmoravian.info>; Visit our Facebook Page and subscribe to our YouTube Channel. These are means by which we can connect to our brothers and sisters, and get the word out on what’s happening in the church. Like us; Follow us; Re-post us.



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Introit – Choir

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Hymn 136 –

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
To crown him Lord of all.
Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,
Who from his altar call;
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
And crown him Lord of all.

Ye prophets who our freedom won,
Ye searchers, great and small,
By whom the work of truth is done,
Now crown him Lord of all.
Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.

Bless him, each poor oppressed race
That Christ did upward call;
His hand in each achievement trace,
And crown him Lord of all.
Let every tribe and every tongue
To him their hearts enthrall:
Lift high the universal song,
And crown him Lord of all.



Prayer



Worship in Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: *Give generously to the poor, not grudgingly, for the Lord your God will bless you in everything you do. Deut. 15:10*

Offertory Hymn: 457 –

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,

O praise him! O praise him!
Hallelujah! hallelujah! hallelujah!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,

O praise him! hallelujah!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest man both warmth and light,

Dear mother earth, who day by day
Unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, Hallelujah!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow
Let them his glory also show,

And all ye men of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, Hallelujah!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care,

And thou, most kind and gentle death,
Waiting to hush our latest breath,
O praise him, Hallelujah!

Thou leadest home the child of God,
And Christ our Lord the way hath trod,

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Hallelujah!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

O praise him! O praise him!
Hallelujah! hallelujah! hallelujah!



Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings



Offertory Doxology:

Thanks, thanks, I give you thanks

Thanks, thanks, I give you thanks

For all you've done

I am so blessed, my soul is at rest

O Lord, I give you thanks.



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices



Adoration in Song



Ministry of the Word:

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 18: 1 – 4, 25 – 32 – *Bro. Charles White*

1. The word of the Lord came unto me again, saying,
2. What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?
3. As I live, saith the Lord God, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel.
4. Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.
25. Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?
26. When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.
27. Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.
28. Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.
29. Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?

30. Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord God. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.
31. Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?
32. For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.



Choir Anthem – “*Someone Is Waiting*”



First Scripture Reading: **Matthew 21: 23 – 32 – *Sis. Harriet Browne***

23. And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?
24. And Jesus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.
25. The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?
26. But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.
27. And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And he said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.
28. But what think ye? A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.
29. He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.
30. And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir: and went not.
31. Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you.

32. For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen it, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him.



Hymn of Preparation – *“As the Deer Panteth for the Water”*

As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longeth after You.
You alone are my heart’s desire,
And I long to worship You.

*You alone are my strength, my shield.
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart’s desire,
And I long to worship you.*

I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye.

You’re my friend, and You are my brother
Even tho’ You are a king.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.



Sermon – *Rev. Delroy Burley*



Hymn of Response – *“I have decided to follow Jesus”*

I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back; no turning back.

If no one joins me, still I will follow;
If no one joins me, still I will follow;
If no one joins me, still I will follow;
No turning back; no turning back.

The cross before me, the world behind me;
The cross before me, the world behind me;
The cross before me, the world behind me;
No turning back, no turning back.



Prayer of Commitment



Closing Hymn – “*Standing on the promises*”

Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Thro’ eternal ages let His praises ring;
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.

*Standing, Standing,
Standing on the promises of God my Saviour,
Standing, Standing,
I’m standing on the promises of God.*

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love’s strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's Sword,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
Listening every moment to the Spirit’s call,
Resting in my Saviour as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.



Prayer & Benediction



Organ Postlude



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Today: Patrick Cadogan & Jason Worrell

Advanced: Christopher Barker (30th), Carmen Gill & Ismay Nowell (Oct. 1st), Leslie Roberts (2nd), Theresa Alleyne & Velma Sealy (3rd)



MORAVIAN BIRTHDAY SONG

With Thy presence, Lord, our Head and Saviour,
Bless them all we humbly pray;
Our dear heavenly Father's love and favour
Be their comfort every day.
May the Holy Ghost in each proceeding,
Favour them with his most gracious leading;
Thus shall they be truly blessed,
Both in labour and in rest.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT

- ✚ Today: Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
- ✚ Adventures In Worship (All ages) – 9:45 a.m. in the D.C. Moore.
- ✚ Moravian Church Barbados 260th Anniversary Closing Service – at Calvary at 4:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK

- ✚ Office Hours – Tuesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (D. C. Moore Centre).
- ✚ Tuesday: Women's Fellowship – First & Third Tuesdays: In Sanctuary at 3:30 p.m. All other Tuesdays: Online via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.
- ✚ Wednesday: Bible Study – 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom. (Topic – *Walking In Our Blessing – A Study of the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians*).
- ✚ Thursday: Meeting of the Board of Elders at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
- ✚ Friday: Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.
- ✚ Next Sunday: Divine Worship & Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
- ✚ Adventures In Worship (All ages) – 9:45 a.m. in the D.C. Moore.



Activities in the Month of September 2026:

- ✝ Bethlehem Missionary – 27th at 10:00 a.m.
- ✝ Moravian Church Barbados 260th Anniversary Closing Service – Sunday, 27th at Calvary at 4:00 p.m.

Activities in the Month of October 2026 – Women's Fellowship Month

- ✝ Provincial Day of Prayer – Thursday, 1st, at 5:00 a.m. via ZOOM, led by members from the Trinidad Conference. Zoom credentials remains the same from previous 2026 prayer meetings: Meeting ID: 891 6748 8284 || Passcode: 934808
- ✝ Women's Fellowship Activities for the month:
 - Fellowships will host the Moravian Voice Radio Programme (Life 97.5 FM, 9:30 a.m.):
 - Thursday, October 1st – Grace Hill
 - Thursday, October 8th – Mount Tabor
 - Thursday, October 15th – Clifton Hill
 - Thursday, October 22nd – Calvary
 - Thursday, October 29th – Fulnec
 - Annual General Meeting – Saturday, 3rd., 2:00 p.m. at Bethlehem
 - Exhibition & Pop up Market – Saturday, 17th, 10:00 – 4:00 p.m. Venue: D. C. Moore Centre (Sharon). The Exhibition opens at 1:00 p.m. Stall Spaces available at \$40.00.
 - Women's Fellowship Sunday (Conference-wide) – 18th.
 - Quiz – Monday, 19th, 7:00 p.m. online.
 - Candlelight Service – Sunday 25th., 4:00 p.m. at the Grace Hill Moravian Church, Spooner's Hill.
- ✝ Missionary Festival at Dunscombe – Sunday, 11th, 8:00 a.m.
- ✝ The Conference at Prayer – Saturday, 24th, 6:00 am.
- ✝ Missionary Festival at Sharon – Sunday, 25th, 9:30 a.m.
- ✝ Missionary Festival at Calvary – Sunday, 25th, 9:30 a.m.
- ✝ Grace Hill Moravian Preschool Fish Fry – Saturday, 31st, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



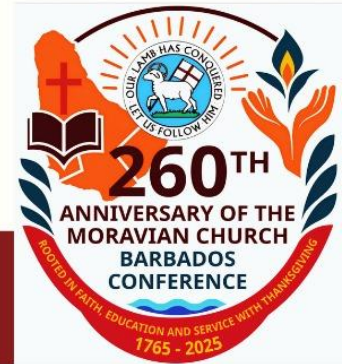
NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. We thank the Adventures in Worship for their “Giveback,” last Sunday, 20th. It was enjoyable.
2. Thanks to all who supported our Seniors' Picnic on Tuesday, 22nd whether by making preparations, by donations or by your presence.

- 3. Thanks to all who supported our Sharon Men Cooking yesterday, whether by making preparations or by your presence.**
- 4. You are invited to a grand Independence Luncheon in Celebration of Barbados' 60th Anniversary of Independence and our 5th Anniversary as a Republic on Sunday, November 30, 2026 at the D. C. Centre, Sharon; under the patronage of the Hon. Gregory Nicholls, M.P. Contribution: \$60.**
- 5. The Provincial Board makes the following announcements:**
 - 5.1. Provincial Day of Prayer will take place on Thursday, October 1, 2026 at 5:00 a.m, led by members from the Trinidad Conference. Let us continue to seek the face of the Lord together. The Zoom link for this prayer meeting will be shared in due course. The Zoom link remains the same from previous 2026 prayer meetings: Meeting ID: 891 6748 8284 || Passcode: 934808**
 - 5.2. The Provincial Family extends congratulations to Rev. Nasel Ephraim on her election as a Bishop of the Unitas Fratrum, Bishop serving in the Moravian Church in North America, Northern Province. Bishop Elect Ephraim is the first black female to be so elected in the Moravian Church in North America. The election took place at the recently held Synod of the Northern Province.**
- 6. From the Moravian Church Barbados Conference 260th Anniversary Committee:**



MORAVIAN HISTORY SHARON



Part 4 Church Growth 2

Sharon Moravian Church has long been a sacred ground where young hearts learn to listen for God's voice, and from its pews have risen men and women who carried that voice into the world. Nurtured by faithful Sunday School teachers, inspired by devoted pastors, and strengthened by a community rich in prayer, Sharon's youth have grown into ministers, leaders, and servants whose lives reflect the church's deep spiritual heritage. Their call to ministry is a living testimony that Sharon is more than a historic sanctuary — it is a cradle of faith, shaping generations who continue to shine Christ's light wherever they are sent.

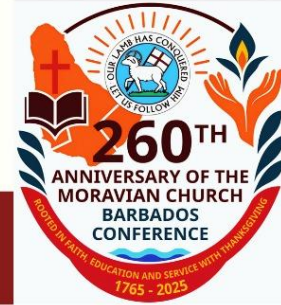
Part 5 Reverend James Young Edgehill

A Barbadian by birth, grew up closely connected to the early Barbadian Moravian community. In 1856, he made history as the first native West Indian to be ordained as a Moravian minister. Because he was a product of the local environment rather than a foreign missionary shipped in from Europe, his upbringing allowed him to deeply understand and expand the local church. He went on to heavily advocate for local poor children by building 20 infant and primary schools across the island. His memorial stands prominently on the interior walls of the Sharon Moravian Church.

**DID YOU
KNOW?**



MORAVIAN HISTORY SHARON



Part 6 Bishop Ezra Lauriston Parris

Received his primary education at Sharon Mixed School, was confirmed at Sharon, spent his formative years in the Sharon–Centenary Moravian communities, and answered the call to ministry at a Provincial Youth Camp held at Sharon in 1985. Ezra Parris was ordained as a minister in the Moravian church in June, of 1992 at Sharon. He returned to Barbados in 2002 to resume ministry in his home parish, serving the Sharon and Dunscombe Moravian congregations. Reverend Parris was consecrated as a Bishop of the Moravian Church on Sunday, November 16, 2025, at Sharon.

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

7. From the Moravian Institute:

The Moravian Institute is pleased to announce that registration is officially open for the 2026/2027 academic year! As you seek to fulfill God's call on your life, we are excited to offer 5 distinct academic programs designed to equip and empower you for ministry:

- 7.1. Lay Pastor's Certificate: This program provides foundational training in pastoral care, church administration, and basic theology for individuals called to assist or lead local congregations. Graduates can use this qualification to serve as assistant pastors, oversee church campuses, or step into congregational leadership roles where ordained clergy are unavailable.**
- 7.2. Lay Preacher's Certificate: Focused on biblical interpretation and homiletics, this course equips individuals to study, construct, and deliver faithful, compelling sermons. It is designed to prepare**

- ministers to reliably fill the pulpit, lead mid-week services, or preach during outreach events and church missions.
- 7.3. **Certificate in Mission & Evangelism:** This track equips students with effective strategies and theological grounding to share the Gospel and engage in practical community outreach. Leaders can utilize this training to direct local community programs, lead short-term mission trips, or mobilize congregations to fulfill the Great Commission.
 - 7.4. **Certificate in Counselling:** Providing a Christ-centred framework alongside basic pastoral counselling skills, this program prepares individuals to offer empathetic, biblical guidance to those facing life challenges. It empowers believers to establish or support church counselling ministries, offer grief and family support, or provide care during crises.
 - 7.5. **Certificate in Christian Education:** This course equips students with teaching methodologies and curriculum planning tools tailored for spiritual formation across all age groups. Graduates can apply these skills to oversee Sunday schools, develop adult discipleship classes, or design educational programs for youth and Bible study ministries.
 - 7.6. These programs are specifically structured to help you grow spiritually and align with our Provincial Vision: to remain Grounded in Faith while actively fulfilling the Great Commission to go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:19).

Why Choose The Moravian Institute?

- 7.7. **Experienced Leadership:** Learn directly from our team of highly qualified Pastors and seasoned church leaders who bring deep spiritual wisdom and practical ministry experience to the classroom.
- 7.8. **Equipped for the Modern World:** We are ready to help our people grow and be trained in vital skills like technology and business, ensuring our leaders are fully prepared to make a meaningful impact on the world today.

Key Details & Next Steps

- 7.9. **Course Details & Registration:** Visit www.themoravianinstitute.com to view full program structures, available course descriptions, and application forms.
- 7.10. **Financial Options:** Flexible payment plans are available to assist students with tuition costs.
- 7.11. **Enrolment:** Registration is open today – secure your spot early to prepare for the upcoming academic year.

Join us today as we learn, grow, and serve together!

8. We have resumed the “Basket of Hope” ministry. Each Sunday you are invited to make contributions of non-perishable food items, which will be distributed to those in need. Contributions can be made during the offertory hymn. We are appealing for volunteers to provide the needed management and helping-hands for this ministry. Please let the Pastors know of your interest.
9. We are thankful for your financial support.
 - 9.1. We do need your ongoing support so that we can maintain our ministry, our facilities and paying property insurance. So we ask for your continued faithfulness in giving as you are able.
 - 9.2. You are reminded that labelled envelopes can be dropped into the slot in the front door of the Manse.
 - 9.3. Generally, those who would give electronically can do so by direct deposit to our account at Scotiabank, Warrens – 40274. You can also give via SurePay at a walk-in kiosk or using your online account. At SurePay you can make payments anonymously to the Moravian Church (*Account No: 1765-1768-0000, Name: Sharon Moravian Church*), or if you need your donations recorded for tax purposes and you have a box of envelopes; make payments to the Moravian Church (*Account No: 1765-1768-0-[your 3-digit envelope number], Name: Your Name*). Visit www.sharonmoravian.info/giving-monetary for these details.
10. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Life 97.5 FM.
 - 10.1. Our radio broadcast ministry Moravian Voice has been on the air for some 32 years, since Wednesday, July 18, 1990. We rejoice that we have been able to offer this ministry and we are thankful to all our listenership and all who hosted and provided content over the years. We are thankful to our congregations which faithfully sponsored the programme.
 - 10.2. We invite you to tune in for inspiration and information to enable you in your Christian walk and service.
 - 10.3. Moravian Voice will also be available on Instagram (www.instagram.com/moravianvoice/) and the YouTube Channel of the Moravian Church Barbados Conference (<https://youtube.com/c/TheMoravianChurch-BarbadosConference>).
 - 10.4. You can email your comments and requests to: moravianvoice@gmail.com



Our Elders were assigned to Districts as follows:

No.	DISTRICT	ELDERS
1	Edgehill Rd., Near Sharon, Upper Jackson.	Sis. Ismay Straker
2	Cane Garden, Cane Garden Park, Cane Garden New Development, Cane Garden Crescent, Cane Garden Heights.	Bro. Anthony Ifill
3	Lower Jackson, 1st Avenue Jackson, Browne's Gap, Arthur Seat (West – West of Quarry Road to Warrens).	Bro. Edwin Sandiford
4	Canewood Road, Lears Corner, St. George, St. Joseph, St. John, Brittons Hill, Christ Church.	Bro. Victor Hurdle
5	Bridgefield, Whitehall – St. Thomas, Hopewell, Bloomsbury.	Sis. Merville Franklyn
6	Jackson Terrace, Jackson Tenantry, Arsenal Playing Field Rd.	Sis. Waveney Hinds
7	Arthur Seat (East – Quarry Road to Downes Gap.)	Sis. Ingrid Ibrahim
8	Melrose, Arthur Seat (Central), Welches, Padmore Village.	Sis. Grace Sandiford
9	Edgehill Terrace, Edgehill Heights, Shop Hill, Content, Spring Farm, Farm Path, White Hill Terrace, Hillaby.	Sis. Angelus Hurdle
10	Eden Lodge, Under Lodge Hill, White Hall – St. M, Cave Hill, Grazettes, Codrington Hill, Spooners Hill, Green Hill.	Bro. Steven King
11	Friendship Terrace, Lodge Hill, Rock Dundo Park, Farm Road, Clermont, Lodge Terrace, Mahaica Gap.	Sis. Marva Gibbons-Potts
12	Black Rock, Fitts Village, West Terrace, Oxnards, Wanstead Heights & Gardens, Husbands, Hinds Hill, Thorpes, Holders Hill, Hoytes Village, Prior Park.	Sis. Cora Cumberbatch
13	Warrens, Welches – North, Redman's Village, Bagatelle, Baywoods, Bakers Woods, Mt. Brevitor.	Sis. Hazel Carter



AVAILABLE (Through the Church Office):

- ✚ **BUILDING FUND Envelopes** – We have commenced work on our Bell Tower Roof and it is proving to be challenging. We are in need of financial assistance, particularly to cover equipment costs. Envelopes have been prepared and are available at the main entry.
- ✚ **Missionary Collection Boxes 2026** – If you had a box last year, please collect it at the main entrance of the church. If you desire a box for the first time, please inquire at the vestry after worship or at the Church Office.
- ✚ **Offering Envelopes for 2026** – We invite each member of the congregation to receive a box of envelopes and thereby seek to faithfully support the work of the church. Please request that a box be provided for you if none has been provided as yet.
- ✚ **Sharon Burgundy Shirts:** Polos – \$30 / T-Shirts – \$15
- ✚ **Copies of Sunday sermons on CD** – \$2.00.
- ✚ **Books:**

- 📖 Rev. Neilson Waithe: Understanding the Caribbean Worker – \$25; Provocation – \$20.
- 📖 Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: Created in Their Image: Evangelical Protestantism in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914 – \$50.
- 📖 Rev. Dr. Joseph Nicholas: Baptism Is a Gift of God: As Such It Is More Than Water – \$35.
- ✝ Greeting Cards (\$2.00) and Prints (\$20.00) of a painting of Sharon Church.



PRAYER NEEDS:



1. Our Shut-ins: Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne, Sis. Cynthia Walrond, Sis. Fraulene Headley.
2. The Sick/Recovering: Sis. Shanna King (USA), Bro. Stephen Greaves, Sis. Andrea Maynard, Sis. Violet Ellis, Bro. Alvin Maynard.
3. World Peace



PROVINCIAL WATCHWORD FOR 2026

September 9, 2026: *Yet our God turned the curse into a blessing. Nehemiah 13:2*

Provincial Theme 2026:

“Grounded in Faith, Growing in Grace, Going in Power – Moving as One!”

From Shift To A New Season Of Growth, Mission, And Strategic Alignment

Over the last triennium, the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province journeyed under the transformative theme: *SHIFT – Reclaiming Our Identity, Renewing Our Purpose, Reigniting Our Passion.*

This theme called us to acknowledge where we were spiritually, organizationally, and missionally. It helped us confront the realities of declining membership, financial crisis, a pandemic, post-pandemic fatigue, storms, hurricanes, crime and violence and shifting societal landscapes, while challenging us to rediscover our Moravian heritage, rekindle our passion for ministry, and realign ourselves with God’s purpose.

SHIFT was a turning point, a moment of reorientation that allowed the Province to evaluate, refocus, and reset. However, SHIFT was never intended to be the final destination. It was the preparation for a new movement of God among us.

As we look toward the next triennium, we sense the Spirit calling us not just to shift – but to advance, grow, and move forward together. Where SHIFT helped us face the right direction, our next theme calls us to walk boldly in that direction, united in mission and strengthened by grace.

The proposed theme for the 2026 – 2028 triennium captures this progression: ***Grounded In Faith, Growing In Grace, Going In Power – Moving As One!***

This theme builds intentionally on the foundation laid by SHIFT and aligns directly with the Four Strategic Pillars of the Eastern West Indies Province:

1. Three-Dimensional Growth (Spiritual, Numerical, Financial)

Grounded in Faith calls the Province to deeper spiritual roots.

Growing in Grace speaks to maturing disciples, strengthening congregations, and encouraging numerical and financial health.

2. Community Engagement

Going in Power emphasizes Spirit-empowered mission, evangelism, digital outreach, and meaningful presence within our Caribbean communities.

3. Sustainability

Growing in grace and grounding ourselves in faith ensures long-term ministry vitality, leadership development, and congregational resilience.

4. Asset Utilization

Moving as One reflects unified stewardship of our resources – land, buildings, finances, partnerships, and people – for Kingdom mission rather than isolated effort.

Thus, this theme is not only spiritual – it is strategic. It calls us to deepen our faith, expand our capacity, strengthen our witness, and operate as a unified Province committed to transformation and mission.

Where SHIFT reclaimed our identity, this new theme invites us to live that identity, together, purposefully, and powerfully.

It represents a maturing of our provincial vision, a continuation of our renewal journey, and a commitment to walk forward as one Church, rooted in Christ and aligned in mission for the next chapter of ministry in the Eastern West Indies Province.

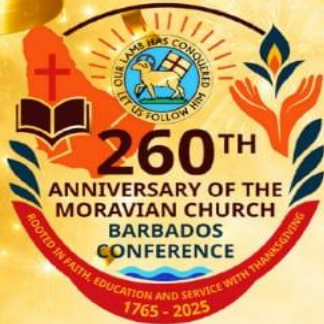
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This theme acknowledges that after a shift, the Church must:

- **Be rooted (Grounded in Faith),**
- **Be nurtured (Growing in Grace),**
- **Be mobilized (Going in Power),**
- **Be united (Moving as One).**



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