



# MEMORANDUM

To: **Ministers, Pastors, Circuit & Congregational Stewards and Children & Youth Workers/Leaders**

From: **Rev'd Abasilum Smith  
Secretary, District Christian Education Committee**

Date: **March 13, 2020**

Subject: **POSTPONEMENT OF DISTRICT SPORTS DAY 2020**

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**The Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)** has been declared by the World Health Organization (WHO) as a **global pandemic**. In addition, the Government of Jamaica, through the Ministry of Health and Wellness has confirmed that to date (*i.e. as at March 13, 2020*), there are **eight (8) confirmed cases** of the COVID-19 in our island. In light of these developments, the related uncertainties regarding the virus, and the advice of the medical experts and the government, to take necessary precautionary measures, **we have taken the decision to postpone the District Sports Day until further notice.**

We ask that you, in like manner, postpone all plans for Circuit Sports Day(s)/Run-off events, and take all the necessary precautions to remain safe and healthy. Be sure to stay abreast of the public advisories from the Ministry of Health and Wellness, as well as the World Health Organization and related reputable news media. It is critical that each of us take personal responsibility in this difficult time, in order that the effects of the virus will be minimized.

We continue to pray for strength in this very difficult time for our nation and the wider world. Be reminded of the word of God in **Isaiah 41:10**: ***“do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.”***

**Do not fear! Prepare!**

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**District Theme: “SPREADING SCRIPTURAL HOLINESS TO REFORM THE NATION...BEGINNING WITH ME.”**

**District Focus (2020): CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, CARING FOR SOULS**