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Letter to be read in the Church

Re: Day of Prayer for Children at Risk

East Jamaica Conference Observes World Day of Prayer for Children At Risk – 2022

Theme – "STRONGER TOGETHER"

Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Warm greetings!

The East Jamaica Conference collaborates with the General Conference-wide Church in the observance of this special day of prayer and ministry for Vulnerable Children. This is a special day of prayer scheduled annually on the last Sabbath of May. The day of prayer for children at risk gives us the opportunity to initiate projects with our children to benefit other children.

The EJC Possibility and Children & Adolescence Ministries encourage everyone to join forces in the fight against child abuse, neglect, or any other form of "ill treatment" that may result in "Adverse Childhood Experiences" (ACEs). Comprehensive studies have shown that ACEs are very damaging to these victims, physically, emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually in adulthood and beyond.

Thousands of children around the world are at risk. Many face abuse, neglect, trafficking to other countries, hurt and much more. Children at risk need to be protected and helped so that they can use their God-given talents to their fullest. They need ministry and our prayers.

Let's empower the children, teenagers, old and young in our churches to pray for these at-risk children. Involve children in prayer as they learn to focus on ways to relieve the plight of these children at risk.

Each year a special prayer package is developed by the VIVA organization that organizes a prayer weekend for children at risk. This resource includes activity ideas, worship and prayer events for children, teenagers, and adults. It is also translated into many languages and can be downloaded from their website at: www.worldweekendofprayer.com.

May you be blessed as you pray for children at risk ... "Stronger Together".

Yours truly

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