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East Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists *Stewardship, Planned Giving and Wills & Trust Services*

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To All Pastors, Elders, Church Clerks, Stewardship and Wills and Trust Services Leaders

Fellow Ministers in Christ,

Warm Christian Greetings! Thank you for your outstanding leadership and we extend great commendations for the expression of faithfulness of the brethren. Notwithstanding, there are still significant milestones which we are to strive to surpass as we pursue spiritual maturity in Christ and readiness for His glorious appearing. The East Jamaica Conference Stewardship Ministries, including Planned Giving and Wills and Trust Services, is pleased to be called to lead the church in these Ministries.

Hence, in this regard we invite you to:

- 1. let us now collaborate in conducting a special survey, ascertaining the Stewardship Ministries' performances of all our churches; encouraging faithfulness in systematic benevolence. We invite you to complete and submit this survey by Monday, November 13, 2023.
- 2. prepare for the second staging of our extraordinary Stewardship Week **#God First** Festival of Praise, November 25 December 2, 2023, which promises to be very "power-packed".
 - The Sabbath services in the local churches, November 25, will be conducted in collaboration with the Youth Ministries Department by our Youth in Leadership in Christian service.
 - Each evening (except Thursday), November 26 December 1, 6:30 8:30, the worship experience will be conducted virtually. We will be charged with great music, testimonies and prayers, along with informative seminars from special presenters.
 - Sabbath Morning, December 2, will mark our big Convention, staged at one church in each Zone.
 - Sabbath Afternoon will be our big Symposium, including a pinning service for our Stewardship Leaders and the official launch of the East Jamaica Conference of SDA Stewardship Ministries Association at our main site, the Half Way Tree SDA Church.
- 3. note the steady progress that we are making in preparation for our grand **#God First** Stewardship Ministries Retreat 2024. We invite all Stewardship Ministries Leaders and team members, family and friends to join in great fellowship, educational and recreational activities, rest, and relaxation. The date, venue and your budgetary contribution will be communicated shortly.

Our prayers and best wishes attend you as we continue faithful service, putting **God First** to achieve Mission First. Let Us Go!

Yours in the Master's Service,

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Carl Cunningham, Vice President & Director