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TO ALL: PASTORS, CHURCH BOARDS, ELDERS, ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORS, ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES FEDERATION MEMBERS AND ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAMS MEMBERS IN ZONE ONE (1)

Adventist Community Services (ACS) Federation Day, Zone 1

Christian Greetings!

Adventist Community Services (ACS) Serving Communities in Christ's Name.

I am appreciative of your continued support and involvement in Adventist Community Services Department and the Adventist Community Services Federation.

I am delighted to inform you of our first of four (4) Zonal Federation Days for the year 2025. Our first is scheduled to be on Sabbath, February 22, 2025, at the Stadium Community Seventh-day Adventist Church. Our Adventist Community Services (ACS) Zone 1 Federation Day is geared towards bringing members of the ACS Department and Federation together for a day of worship and fellowship.

Our Divine Service Speaker will be our Adventist Community Services Director from Jamaica Union Pastor Adrian Cottrell. Two Adventist Community Services Department members are being asked to join us from each church in Zone 1 at the Stadium Community Seventh-day Adventist Church for our ACS Zone 1 Federation Day. On the day we will be hearing reports from our Federation President Elder Lorna Fowler, it will feature testimonies and a special ACS Bible Class.

God has called every Seventh-day Adventist Church to be a transforming agent in its community, following the method of Jesus to bring help and hope through ministries of compassion in His name (see Luke 4:16-21; *Ministry of Healing*, p. 143). Adventist Community Services (ACS) is the descriptive label for a wide range of public services provided by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It is also the name of the denomination's community action organization that operates at the church level.- *Keys to Adventist Community Services p. 3*.

I look forward to highlighting in Zone 1 the work of the Adventist Community Services Department under the theme "Ministries of Compassion." Let us celebrate God's leading in 2024 and continue to trust God for the impact of ACS ahead in 2025.

Yours in the Master's Hand,

Sheldon Schooler, Pastor