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TO ALL PASTORS, ELDERS AND CHURCH MEMBERS IN THE EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Warm Greetings and peace from God our Father and the Lord, Jesus Christ!

August 1, 2026, is celebrated as the National Day of Prayer for the Nation with the theme **"Transforming Jamaica; Healing Homes, Uniting Communities"**.

In line with this special event, we ask each church to engage in the following activities:

- Invite families from the church community, along with health-care workers, members of the security forces, school staff, civil servants and community members, to attend the morning service.
- Ensure that ushers or greeters are prepared to welcome these special guests warmly. Arrange for designated seating and include a brief segment during the service to acknowledge their presence.
- Prayer Focus: During the day, let us focus on the following prayer emphases:
 1. Parents and Caregivers
 2. Children
 3. Healthcare Workers and members of the Security Forces
 4. Educational Professionals
 5. Members of the Community
 6. National and Civic Leaders
- While we encourage each church to participate in the National Day of Prayer at the local level, the Conference will have a main site in each zone. Each church is asked to send two (2) representatives to the main zonal site. The sites are as follows:

ZONE	CHURCH
1	North Street SDA
2	Half-Way Tree SDA
3	New Haven SDA
4	Morant Bay SDA



Additionally, the Inter-American Division has designated Sabbath, August 1, 2026, to highlight the **Each Church, One Church initiative** and to encourage prayer for the establishment of new congregations throughout our territories during this quadrennium.

Mission Spotlight (Ten Minutes for Missions)

During Sabbath School, dedicate the mission spotlight time to talk about the importance of planting new churches. Share a couple of testimonies from people who were won in a new congregation or who have helped establish one.

IDEAS FOR THE INTERCESSORY PRAYER TIME

Prayer is the heart of this initiative. Here are some ideas to make it memorable and participatory:

Prayer for Specific Territories

1. If possible, display a map of your field or conference/mission territory. Pray for each area, especially those without an Adventist presence.
2. If you have active new-congregation projects, name each group and its leader during prayer.

Small-Group Prayer

1. Divide the congregation into groups of 4 to 6 persons. Give each group the name of a project or territory to pray for.
2. After 3 to 5 minutes of group prayer, invite a representative from each group to offer a brief prayer aloud for the territory assigned to them.

Let us unite in prayer, trusting God to move mightily among us. Thank you for your dedication and participation.

May the Lord bless our efforts as we collaborate for His glory!

Yours in the Master's Service

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