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TO ALL: PASTORS, ELDERS, CHURCH BOARDS, AND MEMBERS.

**RE: ADVENTIST DEVELOPMENT AND RELIEF AGENCY (ADRA)**

**WHAT WE DO?**

ADRA Jamaica is actively doing its part to improve the quality of life of those in need. We invest in the potential of these individuals through community development initiatives such as:-

- ✓ Protecting the vulnerable
- ✓ Supporting families
- ✓ Promoting health
- ✓ Providing food and water
- ✓ Establishing livelihoods
- ✓ Responding to emergencies
- ✓ Building and renovating homes
- ✓ Advocacy and so much more

**ADRA's Areas of Emphasis are**

**HEALTH:** Health is at the heart of the poverty and suffering we experience in our country. When communities don't have reliable health support, every life suffers. Finding sustainable ways to improve access to nourishing foods, clean water, providing hygiene and sanitation solutions, and health resources can be the difference between life and death for our society's men, women, and children. We intentionally do our part to promote and improve the health and well-being of the most vulnerable in our country.

**EDUCATION:** ADRA Jamaica knows that education is essential, it helps safeguard against violence, abuse, and exploitation and even reduces vulnerability to natural disasters. We help teach adults literacy and numeracy and provide technical vocation education. A child or adult with an education has an opportunity to a future that would not be possible without an education.

**LIVELIHOOD:** Some of the most effective tools to fight poverty come from the most straight forward solutions- training, loans, distribution of seeds, animal farming, and access to marketplace. ADRA Jamaica helps people to provide for themselves. This approach creates changes that can be seen for generations.

**EMERGENCY RESPONSE:** This is a major priority for ADRA Jamaica. We coordinate funds, materials, and personnel plans can be implemented immediately and the appropriate relief supplies reach the areas hardest hit by a disaster. We also provide water, food, house repairs and renovations, and much more to the victims of disasters and emergencies.

Yours in the Master's Hand,

Sheldon Schooler, Pastor