

# Hanna Missions

SEEK • DO • TEACH • EZRA 7:10

## Repentance

As a teenager, she was baptized and excited for life in Christ. Having grown up around the Lord's people, she heard God's plan of salvation many times, but the death of her cousin, who was the same age at the time, spurred the decision. Within a few years, the call of the world, lack of study and absence of accountability completed the recipe for apostasy. Ms. Campbell, fell away from the Lord. At the beginning of October 2022, she reached out to Shameika and requested studies having now grown older, mothered a child and come to the realization that **life is better in Christ**. The situation is hard because she wants to change but is living with a man with whom she has an arrangement. They share bills and she feels an obligation to honor her end of the bargain which was the premise on which he relocated to Grand Bahama. They are not married. Considering sin and the need to provide the very appearance of righteousness, **she is at the crossroads of very hard choices**. One of those choices has even been, "should we just get married?" Long difficult Bible studies are ongoing about: the need to seek out a godly leader, what a life of repentance looks like, contrition and what things are needed for the changes that stand at the door. Please pray for godly wisdom and patience for us and courage and boldness for this young lady.





On about three occasions before summer, we had visits from a lady who lived near to one of the members. She was very sweet and in September **she asked to be baptized**. As always, we talked a bit before heading to the ocean and I quickly realized there were some things that were not understood, so we agreed to study further. This lady shared her story and it was heartbreaking.

Twenty years ago, she was married to a man who turned out to be a drug addict. Naturally, although there was no adultery, she left him. In time— as expected without knowing God's law— she met someone new and started dating him. Throughout the course of studying, she realized something had to change and initially talked about trying to finalize the divorce so that she and the current partner could marry. However, when she realized what Matthew 19 teaches **she wept**. She and her partner share an apartment, four children and he provides. One of the children is autistic and needs her full attention, so she does not work.

The truth is, it's hard to sacrifice so many known things for the unknown. She became discouraged. She mentioned to her partner, the need to leave the relationship and change her life, but **she is afraid**. She is not sure how she would survive without him and his help. Trusting God is just too difficult when there is no understanding of His power and the value of heaven. Getting her to see spiritually with a carnal mind is challenging at best.

Please pray that she will have COURAGE to do the hard things and reconvene studies so that she can increase in FAITH.



We are most excited about ongoing studies with men! We only have three faithful Christian **MEN** at the moment. One of the men in studies is young, Mr. Pinder and the other an old co-worker, Mr. Harvey. Mr. Pinder is worldly, but not deeply affiliated with any religious group and is very honest. The Bible studies

are going well and I am praying for him. **Please join in on his behalf**.

Mr. Harvey and I worked together for several years and would have heated biblical discussions all in kind exchange. He is a member of a denomination but in time agreed with Scriptures on tithing. Finally **he agreed to Bible studies** and the first went well. Please pray for Mr. Harvey.

# What's happening in the EMR cOe

There is a slump of sorts in the congregation. There are certainly those who are faithful but there are also some who are struggling. It can be difficult to face the reality that there is only so much any of us can do for our brother and sisters, but **we do all we can without fail**. The busyness of life is distracting for some of the soils among us and the deceitfulness of riches is enchanting others. We know, that no matter what, **studies must continue** and the encouragement of the brethren must never fail. We are thankful for the strong among us and are still going meeting at additional times:

- ⇒ 5:30 a.m.
- ⇒ Battle Buddies studies; and
- ⇒ Ladies and Men's classes

One of the members said even yesterday, "if I do not answer the group call for 5:30 a.m. keep calling me!"



The completion of the building has been halted since summer. We received a donation intended to go toward efforts to build. We informed the donor of the existing arrangement to help complete the 4 plex of one of the members so the church would be able to rent from them and received the go-ahead to use the funds as needed. This will allow us to get away from the bar that moved in next door.

Members have expressed the desire to move even if we are using generator-power as long as the bathrooms are operable. We hope to relocate by year-end!

We are completing the plan for funding to extend our weekly radio program into a call-in show. We hope to invite speakers from the US via phone as guests. The current program airs a pre-recorded sermon every Sunday afternoon. Talk shows however, are still very popular in the Bahamas and we believe **much good can result from talking with the community from God's perspective on the family**. Especially since we learned that 70% of the families in the Bahamas are mother-led single-parent homes.

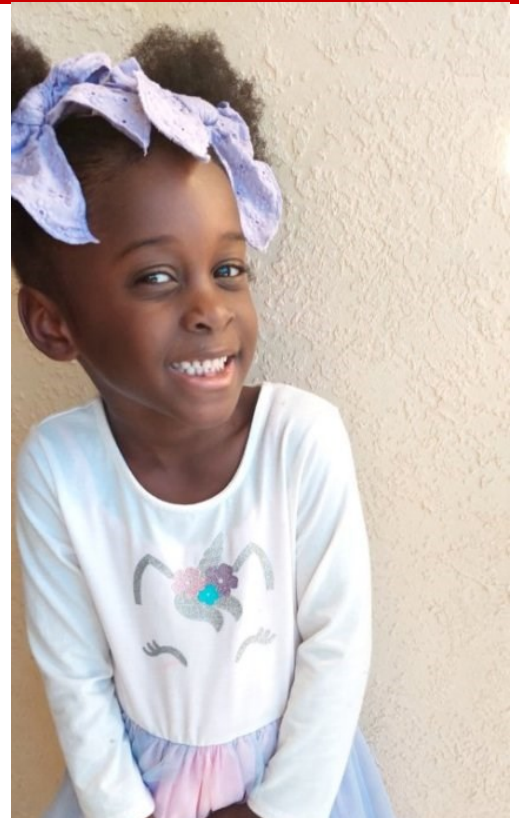


## Hanna Family News

We are in the throws of Birthday Season. This year ages are:

Legacy	September 5th	9
Providence	October 26th	6
Genesis	November 23rd	13
Faithful Leigh	January 31st	4
Honour-Able	January 30th	2

If you can think of a golden piece of advice you would give your 18-year-old self, Shameika asks that you share it with us in preparation for Genesis' birthday!



## Kidz Corner

USE THANKSGIVING WEEK TO WRITE things you are thankful for!  
The big kids in the family are journaling along with MOM and the family in Bible Time are talking about thankfulness! We would love to hear what you come up with and will share photos of our journals in the next report!



# Prayer Reque

Please pray for:

- Conversions in these last months of 2022
- Opportunities in the community
- Health for the congregation.

God bless you!

*Tavaro Hanna*

## Personal Contacts:

[lavae.hanna@gmail.com](mailto:lavae.hanna@gmail.com)

242-801-4602(cell) • WhatsApp (free)

I hope to hear from you!