

Sermon Rev. Dr. Lesley G. Anderson
Apostles' Creed
Prayers of Intercession and commitment
Hymn 'Lord God By Whom All Change Is Wrought'
Prayers and Benediction:

Blessed are you, God of growth and discovery; yours is the inspiration that has altered and changed our lives; yours is the power that has brought us to new creation, to walk through this new world, watching and learning, loving and trusting, until your kingdom comes. Amen.

Grace be with you.

Thanks be to God.

Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.



The offering of flowers to the glory of God
are given in memory of

Deborah Campbell and Estelle & Frederick Daley

By

Eslyn English, Carmen Cleaver, Desiree Green and Joyce Hawkins
of New York.

**The Bahamas Wesleyan Fellowship
Under the Auspices of
The Wesleyan Theological Society (U.S.A.)
Commemorates the 300th Birthday of
Reverend Father John Benjamin Wesley (1703 - 1791)
Founder of the Wesleyan Revival, The Methodist Church
and other denominations that adhere to
the doctrines and teaching of
The Wesleyan Holiness Movement**

"BORN TO SERVE THE LORD"

**A Worship Service In Thanksgiving to Almighty God
at**

7:30 p.m. Thursday, January 9, 2003

Ebenezer Methodist Church

Shirley Street, Nassau Bahamas

Officiating:

Rev. Carl Claudius Campbell (*Nassau Methodist Church*)

Rev. Dr. William Kostlevy (*Asbury Theological Seminary, Lexington*)

Dr. Donald Dayton (*Azusa Pacific University*)

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Lesley G. Anderson

Organist: Mr. Hubert Albury (*Ebenezer Methodist Church*)

Song Leader: Mr. Barry Newbold (*Ebenezer Methodist Church*)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call To Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good!

Congregation: His faithful love endures forever.

Leader: Let the congregation of Israel repeat:

Congregation: His faithful love endures forever.

Leader: Let the Aaron's descendants, the priests repeat:

Congregation: His faithful love endures forever.

Leader: Let all who fear the Lord repeat:

Congregation: His faithful love endures forever.

Hymn 'Sing To The Great Jehovah's Praise'

Prayers

Canticle

Solo Mrs. Val Fields

Welcome and Introductions

Special Unveiling and Presentation Mr. Lloyd Quant & Elder Roslyn Pierre

Hymn 'O For A Thousand Tongues'

Litany of Thanksgiving (adapted from the Uniting Church of Australia)

The Spirit of God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift your hearts to heaven

Where Christ in glory reigns.

Let Us give thanks to God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailling gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin.

God's love is shown to us: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and

living God. In your mercy you are now our God. Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. We entrust ourselves to you for you alone do justice to all people, living and departed.

Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.

Therefore with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and say:

Holy, holy, holy: God of mercy, giver of life; earth and sea and sky and all that lives, declare your presence and your glory.

Collects For All Saints' Day:

Almighty God, your saints are one with you in the mystical body of Christ; give us grace to follow them in all virtue and holiness until we come to those inexpressible joys which you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Eternal God, you have taken men and women of every nation, age and colour and made them saints; like them, transformed, like them, baptized in Jesus' name, take us to share your glory.

We give you thanks for all your saints especially John Wesley who heard your call to holiness and obeyed the heavenly vision. We rejoice in his fellowship with us in our pilgrimage.

Selection

Greetings

Hymn 'The Right Hand Of God'

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Hymn 'And Can It Be'

The Scripture

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel according to St. John 3:1-17

Reader: This is the gospel of Christ

Congregation: Praise be to Christ the Word

Introduction of Guest Preacher

Solo Mrs. Alice Woodside