



August 15, 2017

Greetings!

The 2017 Feast of Tabernacles will start in less than two months! Preparations are progressing steadily for this year's Feast in Barbados at Infinity on the Beach in the parish of Christ Church, infinityonthebeach.com. Based on the information I have received, we should have about 70 in attendance.

CURRENCY & FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Barbados dollar is linked to the U.S. dollar at a rate of 1.98 BDS to 1 USD. That does vary slightly depending on where you are conducting business on the island. Major credit cards and traveler's checks are accepted at most establishments, but it will be difficult to use personal checks.

CLIMATE

For the month of October, the day temperature is approximately 75°F to 85°F and the night temperature is usually slightly cooler. The prevailing northeast trade winds blow steadily so that it is not unbearably hot, even though it is bright and sunny. However, do not forget to bring your sunscreen or purchase some when you get to the island. October is during the rainy season. The rains usually come in quick showers and are followed just as quickly by sunny skies.

ELECTRICITY

The electricity in Barbados is 110 volts, 50 cycles. So no need for an adaptor.

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE INFORMATION

For those who have never traveled outside of the United States, you will need a valid passport to enter Barbados and to reenter to the United States.

Taxis are available at the airport. The rate to the Infinity Beach area will be about 20 USD. The rate varies depending on the number of occupants and luggage in the vehicle. The rates are listed outside the arrival hall at the airport so you can verify before boarding the taxi. Car rental is also available if you desire.

FESTIVAL SERVICES

Services will be held in the Conference Centre of the hotel. The room is only accessible by stairs. The inaugural service will begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 4. There will be one service on the first holy day, Thursday, Oct. 5, and one service on the regular Sabbath, Oct. 7 starting at 2 p.m. Services on Friday, Oct. 6, Monday, Oct. 9, and Wednesday, Oct. 11 will begin at 10 a.m. Due to services being broadcasted from Orange Beach, services on Sunday, Oct. 8 and Tuesday, Oct. 10 will begin at 11 a.m. There will be two services on the Last Great Day at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The Conference Centre is air-conditioned, so regular Sabbath attire worn in North American

congregations is appropriate. We will project the lyrics of the hymnal onto a screen during services. If you prefer using a personal copy of the hymnal, it would be best to bring your own.

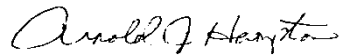
ACTIVITIES

A social activity is being planned for Saturday evening. If you are interested in going on the **Island Tour** that is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 9, please contact Wesley Holland at wesleyholland1@hotmail.com. **Family Day** is being planned for Tuesday, Oct. 10. Details to be announced.

FINAL COMMENTS

I hope you have a profitable and enjoyable summer and fall holy day season.

Warm regards,



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