Dear Friends and Partners in Mission,

June 2022

To many of you it is summertime! – better known here in Jamaica as "hurricane season". The students have scattered from the United Theological College of the West Indies (UTCWI) to their various ministerial assignments, some as recent graduates. In the first festive in-person

graduation ceremony to be held in three years, since COVID began, we celebrated the achievements of 21 graduating students, whose names, programs, denominations, and countries you can see in the photo to the right, taken from the bulletin of the valedictory service.

The break from classes gave me my first chance to be a tourist in Jamaica. I joined the Methodist students on a day trip to the famous Dunn's River Falls, near the town of Ocho Rios on the north side of Jamaica. These falls are not a single, stunning cataract but a long series of smaller cataracts, and the thing to do is to climb up the falls. We went in a guided group, holding hands in a long human chain, such as the one that you see in the photo below. It was a lot of fun!

Gradi	nating Class of 2022	
Do	ctor of Ministry	
Chiana, Victor	Baptist (Independent)	Nigeria
Diploma	in Ministerial Studie	es
Chambers, Nicholas	Methodist	Trinidad
Dip	oloma in Ministry	
Alfred, Joelle	Methodist	Trinidad
Amazan, Benito	Methodist	Haiti
Byfield, Javanie	Anglican	Jamaica
Dorcin, Daniel	Methodist	Haiti
Green, Robert	Anglican	Jamaica
Intiaz, Javed	Methodist	Guyana
Murray, Gillian	Methodist	Barbados
O'Connor, Olyvya	Methodist	Tobago
Phills, Jerand	Methodist	St. Vincen
Pierre, Frantz	Methodist	Haiti
Certificate	in Ministerial Studi	es
Allen, Reilette	Anglican	Jamaica
Campbell, Denise (In Absentia)	Church of God	Jamaica
Copeland, Roger	Apostolic	Jamaica
Galbraith, Barbara	Moravian	Jamaica
Lewis, Gilroy	Methodist	Belize
Rodney-Reid, Judith	Moravian	Jamaica
Certific	cate in Counselling	
Bonfield, Mernetta	Church of God	Jamaica
Griffiths, Beverley	Baptist (Independent)	Jamaica
Wynter, Donette	Baptist (Independent)	Jamaica

In August, before the next semester begins, I look forward to seeing some of you in person as I travel in the U.S. to talk with you about the work that God does through all of us as you support me at UTCWI. I will not have a chance to see each of you this time around, but if I have to miss you, perhaps we could connect electronically through an online presentation and discussion, which could take place at any time. If you are interested in arranging such a gathering, just email me and let me know, and we can do it (carolyn.schneider@elca.org).



On the left, a human chain climbing the falls (photo by Carolyn Schneider, 2022)

Below, UTCWI alumna Rev. Shaunessy Profitt, 2022 graduate and valedictorian Rev. Javed Intiaz (both from Guyana) and I enjoying the falls

God's grace and peace to you.

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