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ISPA President Updates Newsletter Policy

Since 2013, our newsletter has been available only to those singles who purchased memberships in the ISPA. After the installation of Dr. Debra Johnson as Editor-in-Chief of the newsletter on June 1, 2018, ISPA President Cherlyn Williams decided to expand the circulation of the newsletter to not only singles who had purchased memberships, but also to any singles who provided an email address, and to PAW bishops, pastors, assistant pastors, and singles' ministry presidents.



President Cherlyn Williams

“Our goal is to expand circulation to over 1,000 by June 1, 2019,” Dr. Johnson said. “After we reach that point, we can include more information in the newsletter such as goods and services that will edify single people.” President Williams' future plans also include spiritual events and cruises targeted for PAW singles.

The Single Perspective

Newsletter of the International Single People's Alliance (ISPA)
of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World (PAW)
The Legacy Continues: Pursuing Excellence



Sister Donna Williams

In Appreciation for Valuable and Faithful Service

Donna Williams, M.A., began her tenure as Editor-in-Chief of the *Single Perspective* newsletter in 2013 under the leadership of Dr. Nathan Lofton, ISPA president. She has enjoyed sharing inspirational articles written by singles to edify other singles. Now that she has departed the position of Editor-in-Chief, her future plans include outreach efforts in the community and in evangelism. Sister Williams also intends to continue her real estate business as she works full-time in the information technology field.

Minister Sara Johnson (see page 2) has provided powerful graphic and editorial support to the *Single Perspective* since 2016. We thank God for both of these hardworking sisters and appreciate the support they have demonstrated over the years. Although we will miss them, we believe God has even more blessings in store.

Editors, Writers, and Reporters Wanted!

What's missing from the *Single Perspective*? Maybe you! We're looking for a Managing Editor, a News Editor, an Editorial Editor, and a Business/Circulation Editor. We also need reporters to email us one article per month plus writers who can email us an article at their convenience. These are all volunteer positions, but it doesn't hurt to have published articles on a resume.

Saints who love to write and edit articles that can edify singles are preferred. If you're interested, send an email to singleperspective@yahoo.com and indicate which position you are interesting in filling!

Thanks and Congratulations!

The ISPA would like to thank Bishop Charles H. Ellis, III, and Lady Crisette Ellis along with the staff of the PAW for a wonderfully exhilarating eight years of dedicated service. We welcome and congratulate our new Presiding Bishop Theodore L. Brooks, Sr., and First Lady L. Janice Brooks in addition to the new administration. We pray God's blessings upon them all and look forward to more fruitful years to come for the ISPA.

Editorials and Opinions

If you have any concerns or comments regarding articles or opinions expressed in the *Single Perspective*, please email them to singleperspective@yahoo.com and include the subject line of Letters to the Editor.

A Word to Single Prayer Warriors

by ISPA President Evangelist Cherlyn A. Williams

Thank you to the prayer warriors for their faithfulness in joining us in prayer Monday through Sunday, 365 days a year on the ISPA prayer line. All are welcome to participate by dialing (712) 770-4010, then entering the access code 693336# at or before 6:30 am. We continue to make great strides in destroying the enemy's camp of corruption in government.

We must not become complacent regarding the victories and miracles that have been done on this prayer line through each prayer warrior. Please continue to pray without ceasing, all

the while knowing that our Heavenly Father has already made a way of escape for us. In fact, we must triple our efforts!

We are approaching the holiday season of helping those who are less fortunate or others who may be contemplating myriad challenges such as sickness, drug or alcohol addiction, suicide, and all matter of evils during this time. We know that the adversary Satan will use every strategy to defeat, ridicule, steal and kill everything in our path to ensure that all are beaten without recourse. Thank God we have the victory and serve a God who is

more than a conqueror (now, you can shout)!

Know this: when you pray, God hears your prayer and He answers prayers. Thank You, Jesus!

Brothers, sisters, friends, and family, if you are medically able, please fast and pray one Thursday each month for our pastors and leaders, all singles, the ISPA, and world leaders. Since the enemy continually intensifies his attacks, **we must intensify our prayers!**

We are taking back everything the devil has stolen from us. Don't ever quit because God has our backs and He knows how much we can take. We can cast ALL our cares upon Him. Remember, we are NEVER alone.

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YouTube Dating Coaches: Which One is Apostolic? by Dr. Debra Johnson

The ungodly are always willing to advise the saints. On YouTube, there are a myriad of dating coaches who are eager to provide guidance to singles. They include Matthew Boggs (“3 Things You Can Say to Make Him Want You: Relationship Advice for Women”), Amy North (“The #1 Mistake Women Make When Dating Men”) and for the ever hopeful, Engaged at Any Age (“Keys to Getting and Keeping a Commitment When Dating Over 60”).

Dating coaches on YouTube can be profane or profound. The two best I’ve found are Pastor John K. Jenkins, Sr. and Robert Blakes (aka R.C. Blakes, Jr.). Pastor John K. Jenkins is more of a pastor than a dating coach but his videos for singles are quite edifying. “How to Determine Who to Marry”, “The Benefits of Being Single”, and “God’s Directions to Single Mothers” contain positive instruction. Still, Pastor Jenkins is Baptist, not Apostolic.

Robert Blakes, Jr., is another Baptist pastor whose videos specialize in relationships. His clips emphasize the concept of women as queens (“7 Things a Queen Conscious Woman Never Does”), evaluating men (“5 Things a Woman Will Find in a Grown Man,”) and the dangers of sin in the single life (“The Tragedy of Being the Side Chick”).

However, if a single saint is weak in Apostolic doctrine, is it wise for him or her to hear dating advice from a pastor who is outside holiness?

Where are the Apostolic ministers whose YouTube videos address the concerns and challenges of single saints? Though many Apostolic ministers sell ministry products, free advice on national platforms such as YouTube is more accessible to the singles of the PAW. If you know of any Apostolic dating coaches whose videos are available on YouTube, please email me at singleperspective@yahoo.com. I’d love to share the information in this newsletter for the benefit of our single saints!

A Word to Single Prayer Warriors *continued from Page 2*

This is the season of seed and harvest time. We’re asking 250 of our friends of this ministry to sow a seed of \$70 to help us continue the work of this ministry that is being done via focusing on your being a better Christian in making better choices through preaching, teaching, and workshops. You may text your seed to 28950. In text, type ISPA Seed and Harvest Times or you may write a check (to ISPA) and send it ISPA c/o Cheryl Mitchell, 2977 Saganashkee Lane, Naperville, IL 60564. Thank you for your support.

Also, thank you for agreeing with us in prayer and if you haven’t joined us yet, please pray with us in our early morning prayer line! Every prayer warrior who joins us multiplies our effectiveness! Where there are two or three are gathered in Jesus’ name, Christ is right there in the midst!

During the season of holiday giving, please remember the ISPA. To purchase a membership online, please go to our website at www.pawsingles.com. (Click on Membership, then click on any of the top nine squares (councils) for a fillable application. If you want more information about ISPA membership, please click on any square in the bottom row.) After you have purchased an ISPA membership, feel free to purchase another membership for someone else! God bless you, mighty men and women of God! As Bishop Charles H. Ellis, III, always says in closing, we love you to life!

ISPA Upcoming Events

31 Days of Prayer.....1/1—1/31/19

Prayer Conference.....3/28—3/30/19, Transformed Life Church, District Elder Brian Hamilton, Pastor

PAW Convention... 8/10 — 8/17/19 in Cincinnati, Ohio