A Service In Celebration of The Bife of

Frederick Moses Newton

"Like the stars in the vast circuit of their appointed path, God's purposes know no haste and no delay." Ellen G. White, Desire of Ages p. 32

Sunrise February 28, 1926 Sunset March 14, 2011

"He (God) hath set eternity in their heart" Ecclesiastes 3: 11

SERVICE

Date: April 3, 2011 Service at 1:00 p.m.

Maranatha Seventh-day Adventist Church Cnr of Vide Boutielle & Lanse Rd, St. Lucia

Frederick Moses Newton

Obituary

Man cannot look around the roadway's curve Or beyond a mountain sea, and yet he dares to fashion creeds And bound eternity

-Catherine Cate Coblentz



'Our Treasure was his example as a Father'

Born on February 28, 1926, in Vieux Fort, St. Lucia, Frederick Moses Newton was the son of Emma and James Newton. He had five brothers and three sisters. They are the late Steven Newton, Patrick Newton, Dennis Newton, Carrie Branch and Marcel Newton along with surviving siblings Jane Newton, Jerome Newton and Michael Newton. He is survived by his loving wife, Mrs. Josephine Newton as well as his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins too numerous to mention. Frederick was a veteran of the Military and in 1943 served in the infantry and later as a Sergeant. He received formal training in Trinidad as a steel engineer and worked as a private contractor/developer throughout the Caribbean. Gifted in a variety of life skills and practical competencies, Frederick mastered plumbing, carpentry, painting, electrical work and gardening. As an advanced camper, he loved hiking, tying knots, swimming, fresh air and laughter. Fondly called "Moses," Frederick was a devoted Seventh-day Adventist who found peace with God and imparted the life of faith to his family. He was also an avid lover of horseback riding. The name of his favorite horse was Whip. Frederick transferred this hobby to his children and on many occasions he would take them out for a fun day at the racetracks. Ever a lover of nature, he

DEDICATED TO THE LEGACY OF OUR FATHER

OUR FATHER KEPT A GARDEN

Our Father kept a garden. A garden of the heart; He planted all the good things, That gave our lives their start.

He turned us to the sunshine, And encouraged us to dream: Fostering and nurturing The seeds of self-esteem.

And when the winds and rain came, He protected us enough; But not too much because he knew We would stand up strong and tough.

His constant good example, Always taught us right from wrong; Markers for our pathway that will last a lifetime long.

> We are our Fathers garden, We are his legacy. Thank you Dad we love you.

THE BEST IS YET TO COME

"The best is yet to come I promise Heaven waits I finally see my Lord and Savior face to face For he has set me free for all eternity When life on earth is done The best is yet to come" -Scott Krippayne

Acknowledgements

With Sincerest Gratitude...

We express our deepest appreciation and joyful gratitude to all of our families and friends for their individualized contributions during this hour of anguish mixed with celebration. The Newton Family is grateful for every act of kindness and devotion. We thank you for all your prayers, concerns and care. We feel strengthened by your loyalty, commitment and grace to our beloved father.

We give special thanks to our neighbor and dear friends, Mr. & Mrs. Harry and Indira SeePaul for their love, selfless neighborly visits and care. Brother and sister Sugrim dedicated visits and study. Ms. Mohanie Kaulesar provided emotional support and Mr. Paul Hippotlye was a good friend. To Esther and Nightgale for managing his daily clinical care, to Veronique Nixon for providing clinical support at his final hour, and to the members of the Bethel, Maranatha and Potters SDA

Churches who prayed tirelessly on dad's behalf. Nikko, his youngest granddaughter, filled his life with constant joy and happiness during his illness. Ivy Morgan was a source of strength and support. Drs. Yale Shulman and Ronak Chiani were outstanding physicians; collectively they displayed medical competence coupled with a human touch while caring for him.

The family would like to acknowledge the devotion, spiritual guidance and loving care shown to our father by his wife and our mother, Mrs. Josephine Newton for more than 46 years of selfless, untiring commitment. Having cared for their father, Sheila lavished him with unwavering compassion and created a comfortable environment that brought cheer and hope and Clara sustained his intellect and health. We also make special mention of John, Celestine, Winston, Patricia, Isaac, David, Suzette, Dorsica and Recia, for providing joyful support and love during his years of suffering and overcoming. As a family, we cherish his legacy as a beacon of encouragement that we cannot live without and we acknowledge that because of his sacrifice, love and wisdom the fruits of our lives will continue to shine. We will keep him in our hearts as a guiding light of hope and a testimony of God's continued mercies and ultimate goodness.

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THE FAMILY OF FREDERICK MOSES NEWTON -

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Rambally's Funeral Home Calvary Road, Castries, St. Lucia felt most at ease in the outdoors. His love for gardening aroused in him the need to teach the virtues of care, compassion, patience, perseverance and nurturance to his children. He was distinctly known for cutting through the bone marrow of experience with clear and profitable teaching- moments. Purged of self-promotion, he would say: "You can only reap what you plant, so too in life, you will only get out of it, what you invest." He taught his children excellence coupled with integrity and nursed in them the desire to appreciate the humanity of others.

The secret of Frederick's influence and humility could be largely attributed to his willingness to make untold sacrifices to those whom he loved and fathered. "Moses" furnished a whole new version of love for his grandchildren. He kindled a spirit of ceaseless devotion to private prayer and public service. His love for his wife is the mould we cherished and aspired to fulfill. Unmatched love twined to education is like the tenth wonder of the world. Frederick displayed this quality when he infused an appetite for reading and a desire for tried knowledge in his children. A man of few words, but whenever he spoke, he condensed wisdom with profound insights. For example, some of his favorite sayings were: "An ultimatum comes from a made-up mind," "learn from the mistake of others, and you'll live long enough to avoid them," and "Have Mercy Father, Have Mercy." Lastly, Frederick Moses Newton was a godly man. He loved and honored Christ as his personal savior. One of his favorite hymns: "Just Over the Mountain is the Promise Land," portrayed his conviction of the Blessed Hope. During his final moments, the sentiments he conveyed to his wife and children are encapsulated in the words, "It Is Well with My Soul." He would have wanted his family and friends to celebrate his life rather than simply grieve his departure because he firmly believed that we cannot weep as those who have no hope. Today, his soul is a shinning memorial of how one life touched by heaven could alter the whole tone and tendency of a new generation – who like the *Psalmist, could affirm that "The Lord is our refuge and strength a very* present help in trouble." Frederick would want us to gaze at the heart of the eternal.



THE HEART OF THE ETERNAL

There's wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in His justice, Which is more than liberty.

For the love of God is broader Than the measures of man's mind; And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple, We should take Him at His word, And our lives would be all sunshine In the sweetness of our Lord **-Frederick William Faber**

Order of Service

Musical Prelude
Processional "Nearer My God to Thee"
Musical Selection Raelene Glasgow
Scripture Reading OT/Psalm 121 NT/Revelation 22: 1-3
Prayer Pastor Alexander Biscette
Hymn "The Golden Morning Is Fast Approaching"
Family Reflection Esther Newton
Musical Selection Lola Kirby-Peterson
Obituary Pastor David Newton
Hymn "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
Eulogy Dr. Isaac Newton/Pastor David Newton
Viewing Lola Kirby-Peterson
Recessional "Amazing Grace"

INTERMENT

Lazarus Cemetery Vieux Fort, St. Lucia Graveside Ceremony Hymn-----*Abide With Me* Hymn-----*Shall We Meet Beyond the River* Hymn-----*Blessed Be The Tide That Binds* Committal of the Body

Pall Bearers

John Newton Winston Joseph Isaac Newton Darren Newton Kenny Jackson Jerry Newton Nightgale Newton David Newton Holding Christian Nixon Joseph