

THE ALUMNI↔NCU CONNECTION



Arlington Rexford Woodburn ('74)

Arlington Rexford Woodburn was born in New Port, Manchester to parents Claude and Katherine Woodburn. He is the eldest of five siblings, and is quite lovingly and aptly referred to as the responsible one. His family grew up in the New Port Seventh-day Adventist Church, where he was baptized at the age of 10. He still calls it home today.

He attended the Bethabra Primary School and was the youngest to take the Common Entrance exams at the time, making him also the youngest in his class when he attended the Manchester High School. While there, at the age of 11, he wrote to Rev. Forrester to ask that prayer be instituted in public schools. He studied right up to sixth form with the

goal of becoming an engineer. Upon his graduation from high school in 1970, he enrolled in West Indies College (now Northern Caribbean University), his programme of choice-Theology. Arlington, or Rexy, as he is known to friends, had received the call to Ministry, and he heeded it.

After attaining his Bachelor of Arts in Theology, Pastor Woodburn went on to work as a teacher in the conference. He taught Mathematics, Sciences and Religion. His final year of teaching saw him at the Portland High school. He then went on to start his pastoral internship at the North Street Seventh-day Adventist Church. Before being called to office, Pastor Woodburn completed his Masters of Science degree in Family Life at the Andrews University in Michigan.

Pastor Woodburn worked in the East Jamaica Conference for thirty years. He served in various districts in St. Thomas, Portland, and Kingston before he was called to serve at the Conference as a director. He has served in the Communications, Family Life, Personal Ministries and Religious Liberties departments of the conference and served as conference Secretary from 1998- 2006. In 2006, the West Indies Union made the



decision to create a field comprising of the churches in the parishes of St. Mary and Portland- North East Jamaica. Pastor Woodburn was called to head this mission, and has been in this position to this date. He has led the company from its status as 'Field', to 'Mission', and now to the status of 'Conference'.

Pastor Woodburn has been serving the Adventist church in an official capacity for almost 40 years, and he has had a partner to share in this commitment and in his life for just as long. He married Carol Joy Woodburn (nee. Kelly) in 1976. Mrs. Woodburn is a former nurse, and music teacher who now serves the conference as Women's and Children's Ministries director. Their union has produced three daughters: Anjay, Carla-Gay, and Cathi-Anne.

Pastor Woodburn is known to all as a humble servant of God, one slow to anger and of a calm temperament. His temperament could be attributed to his favourite passage of scripture being Psalm 37, which begins:

¹Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity. ²For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. ³ Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.⁴ delight thyself also in the Lord: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Pastor Woodburn believes in hard work, commitment, grace and forgiveness. His life service is to introduce souls to God. His ultimate hope is to see the Kingdom of Heaven.





Theme: Lord Transform Me.

Sub theme: Connecting rod journal diameter -("Linking Alumni Chapters with the University's Transformational needs")

Northern Caribbean University (NCU) is partnering with the World Church in the Lord Transform Me initiative. This initiative has five components:

- 1. Transform and Live
- 2. Explore and Learn
- 3. Connect and Share
- 4. Proclaim and Reap
- 5. Conserve and Disciple

During the ten days (May 13 -22, 2016) a special team, at NCU, assigned to the third component - Connect and Share - will be praying for alumni.

The team has likened Lord Transform Me to an engine overhaul: the alumni of the institution are represented by the Connecting Rod Journal Diameter and the Lord Jesus Christ by a Mechanic.

The schedule with the daily prayer emphases is below.



DAYS	EMPHASES
1 Friday May 13, 2016	Affixing the Rod journal to the crankshaft
	1. Linking Alumni Chapters with improvements in verbal references
	relating to NCU-Alma mater
2 Saturday May 14, 2016	 Replacing all damaged connecting rods not only some 1. For more willingness to be expressed towards unsolicited reach back and for a spirit of forgiveness if alumni had been wronged while being student(s).
	2. The families of all our Alumni in the different Chapters - for all to
	have success both Spiritually and Physically.
3 Sunday May 15 2016	 Total Transformation of family life for the betterment of all. Addition of the washer to prevent unwanted friction.
3 Sunday May 15,2016	 For all Alumni Chapters to reach back and connect with the University
4 Monday May 16, 2016	Connecting the rod diameters correctly for ease of movements
	1. Good customer service for current students to ensure future
	connectivity.
	2. To minimize hurtful experience amongst our present students.
5 Tuesday May 17, 2016	Lubrication of the Connecting Rods #1
	 Resuscitation of dormant chapters Nourishment of active chapters to withstand the test of time
6 Wednesday May 18,	 Nourishment of active chapters to withstand the test of time Lubrication of the Connecting Rods #2
	1. Improvements in the NCU product and Job opportunities for
2016	members in the chapter
7 Thursday May 19, 2016	For the Connecting rods to be able to drive the piston to work 1. For a Spirit of oneness to prevail amongst our alumni chapters
8 Friday May 20, 2016	Engine Power occurs with movement
	1. For the Chapters to be injected with the spirit of giving that will
9 Saturday May 21, 2016	become activated immediately. Whether the crank is new, reconditioned, used, or new aftermarket,
9 Juliu day May 21, 2010	measure each main and rod journal diameter with a micrometre
	and compare your readings with specifications.
	1. For the members of each chapter to align their plans with God's
10 Sunday May 22 2014	Specifications at all times Dichtly gligned greine: A good working yohigle:
10. Sunday May 22, 2016	Rightly aligned engine: A good working vehicle:1.Allowing the Lord Almighty to Lead



NEWS FEATURE

NCU SHOWS SUPPORT FOR YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN AGRICULTURE THROUGH MILLION-DOLLAR SPONSORSHIP OF 4H EVENT

Agriculture has a strategic role to play in the economic development of any nation and the Jamaican economy is no exception. To ensure this development, youth must be involved in the process. One organization that promotes the involvement of youth in agriculture, through its programmes, is the Jamaica 4H Clubs.



Dr. Vincent Wright presents 4H club member with one of the NCU sponsored trophies at the recently held National Achievement Expo hosted by the Jamaica 4H Clubs at the Denbigh Showground

See more at... <u>http://news.ncu.edu.jm/news_item.aspx?NewsID=7512</u>

TEAM FROM NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY VISITS NCU

Recently, five students and one faculty member from the North Dakota State University's (NDSU) School of Education in the College of Human Development and Education, visited with students and faculty members from the Behavioural and Social Sciences Department at Northern Caribbean University.

See more at... <u>http://news.ncu.edu.jm/news_item.aspx?NewsID=7514</u>



JOB OPPORTUNITIES SENT ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF CAREER & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

1. QUALITY WORKS CONSULTING GROUP

Type of Position: Internship (3 positions)

A. Business Development Intern

The position will be based in Jamaica and will have the opportunity to work from home, with occasional in-office presence required. The incumbent may be required to work one weekend per month.

Responsibilities include:

- Identify prospects and leads in our traditional service areas
- Create and maintain a leads database
- Identify strategic business partnerships
- Create a referral and partnership program
- Manage commission claims
- Identify and prepare responses for applicable government and utilities RFQs

Compensation: Students who complete the goals of the internship will receive a small stipend.

Internship Length: 16 weeks with the possibility of paid part-time work after the internship. Internship will require 5-10 hours per week.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Open to 3rd year and graduating Business students with a GPA average of 3.0 or above
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Highly self-motivated and reliable
- Attention to detail and quality
- Access to a stable internet connection during work hours (bandwidth should be able to handle clear video conferencing)

Preferred Skills & Experience:

- Completed minimum of 3 years towards a General Management or Entrepreneurship degree
- Experience with creating and executing business strategies and business plans
- Experience with new business and product development
- Familiarity with software as a service models
- Interest in working part-time during the school year and after the internship

B. Marketing Internship

The position will be based in Jamaica and will have the opportunity to work from home, with occasional in-office presence required. The incumbent may be required to work one weekend per month.

Responsibilities include:

- Identify marketing opportunities, including corporate recognition and conference speaking engagements
- Create and manage the implementation of a social media marketing plan
- Create strategies to expand into untapped markets
- Improve branding (promotional materials, etc.)
- Conference designs & swag
- Improving search engine rankings

Compensation: Students who complete the goals of the internship will receive a small stipend, as well as Internet reimbursement.

Internship Length: 16 weeks with the possibility of paid part-time work after the internship. Internship will require 5-10 hours per week.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Open to 3rd year and graduating Marketing degree students with a GPA average of 3.0 or above
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Highly self-motivated and reliable
- Attention to detail and quality
- Access to a stable internet connection during work hours (bandwidth should be able to handle clear video conferencing)



- School of Business and Management graduate students with a focus in Marketing
- Experience with creating and executing marketing plans
- Experience with event planning and execution
- Knowledge of search engine optimization techniques
- Interest in working part-time during the school year and after the internship

C. Sales Internship

The position will be based in Jamaica and will have the opportunity to work from home, with occasional in-office presence required. The incumbent may be required to work one weekend per month.

Responsibilities include:

- Identify prospects and leads in our traditional service areas
- Create and maintain a leads database
- Identify strategic business partnerships
- Manage commission claims

Compensation: Students who complete the goals of the internship will receive a small stipend.

Internship Length: 16 weeks with the possibility of paid part-time work after the internship. Internship will require 5-10 hours per week.

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- Open to 3rd year and graduating General Management or Entrepreneurship degree students with a GPA average of 3.0 or above
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
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- Completed minimum of 3 years towards a General Management or Entrepreneurship degree
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- Experience with new product development
- Familiarity with software as a service models
- Interest in working part-time during the school year and after the internship

How to apply:

Please send your application (cover letter and résumé) for review, as a Word attachment, to <u>resumes@ncu.edu.jm</u> with the subject line **QWCG**: (insert interested area) no later than **Thursday**, **May 12**, **2016**. Cover letters should be addressed to the Executive Assistant/ Content Editor, Quality Works Consulting Group, Kingston.

2. SOLUTECH INNOVATION LIMITED, KINGSTON

Type of Position: Full-time/ Part-time Programmer Analyst (6 months revolving)

Training & Core competencies:

- Bachelor's / Associate degree in Computer Science or Information Systems
- Good general knowledge of systems analysis and design, data processing system design methods, techniques and standards;
- Experience in developing for a relational database server;
- Good interpersonal, effective verbal and written communication skills;
- Ability to work with limited supervision;
- Ability to think logically for interpreting and analysing problems assigned or encountered;
- Resourceful and has ability to take the initiative in development and completion of work projects;
- Excellent time management and organisation skills;
- Required Technical Skills: MVC; C#; Java; CSS; HTML; JQuery; Ajax; SQLQueries; DBMS (SQL, My SQL, Oracle); and REST and SOAP.

Optional Skills: Mobile Development; PHP; WCF; Graphic Design; Single Page Application Development; HTML5; and Working in a proper software development environment with configuration management tools: Version Control (TFS, SVN or Git), Issue Tracking (JIRA, BugZilla, etc.).

Core responsibilities:

- Designs, codes, tests, debugs and installs software;
- Develops functional/technical specifications, including program logic and estimates time to completion, mainly through user input and research;
- Prepares technical and procedural documentation for installed software and assists with end-user training;
- Takes independent action to correct problems encountered during systems operations within authority level granted by Application Development Manager;



- Assists with the design of program logic to eliminate problems, accomplish needed changes or increase operational efficiency;
- Maintains test data to be used for program validation;
- Maintains up-to-date knowledge of standard languages, coding methods, operations requirements, evolving client needs, and technological developments;
- Contributes to Project Team discussions and decision-making. Fulfils reporting requirements concerning assigned duties, including problems being experienced;
- Provides advice on new technologies towards improving or replacing existing software solutions; Supports and trains end users on applications systems;
- Assists in studying and analysing IT functions, methods and procedures and makes recommendations concerning the feasibility of revising existing programs or adapting new technology that will more effectively utilize MIS resources;

How to apply:

Please send your application (cover letter and résumé) for review, as a Word attachment, to <u>resumes@ncu.edu.jm</u> with the subject line **Solutech** no later than **Monday**, **May 16**, **2016 at 1:00 p.m**. Cover letters should be addressed to the General Manager, Solutech Innovation Ltd, Kingston.

3. UNICEF INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME 2016

UNICEF is accepting applications for its internship program. The UNICEF Internship Programme offers qualified and eligible students at both Headquarters (HQ) and Country Offices (CO) the unique opportunity to acquire direct practical experience in UNICEF's work and the United Nations system under the direct supervision of experienced UNICEF staff.

Internships are offered depending on the availability of meaningful assignments and the needs and capacity of units/offices to receive and supervise intern.

The duration of an internship is normally between six and sixteen weeks. The total duration may be extended up to a maximum of six months, when there are special requirements and / or special needs of the receiving division / office.

Areas of work

- **Programme and Policy**: Adolescent Development; Communication for Development (C4D); Child Protection; Early Childhood Development; Education; Emergencies; Expanded Programme Immunization; Gender; Health; HIV / AIDS; Human Rights; Innovation; Knowledge Management; Monitoring & Evaluation; Nutrition; Programme Management; Policy Analysis & Planning; Social and Economic Policy; Statistics and Monitoring; WASH
- **Operations**: Finance and Administration; Human Resource; Internal Audit Management; Information Communication Technology; Legal; Operations and Business Management; Supply / Logistics
- **External Relations**: Alliances and Resource Mobilization; Communication / External Relations; Private Fundraising and Partnerships; UN and Multilateral Affairs

Eligibility

Eligible candidates must be

- Enrolled in a graduate (Master's) degree or undergraduate (Bachelor's) degree and will have completed at least two years of full-time studies towards completion of my undergraduate degree.
- have excellent academic performance and can demonstrate it by my recent university or other academic institution records.
- proficient in at least one of UNICEF's working languages (English, French or Spanish) and fluent in the working language of the office I am interested to work in.

How to Apply

Apply online <u>here</u>. When completing your application, you will be asked to indicate the dates you are available to do an internship. Please make sure to always keep the information in your profile up-to-date, as the database is being refreshed every year. **Deadline: June 30, 2016**

Regrettably, we have to advise our friends/public that due to the high volume of responses to our job vacancy advertisements we will only be able to process applications from NCU alumni and current students.

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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

OAS - ECORNELL 2016 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Organization of American States (OAS), through the Department of Human Development and Education (DHDE) and the eCornell, through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in the following certificate programs below.

Programs:

- · Change Leadership
- Managing for Execution
- · Financial Management
- Executive Leadership for Healthcare Professionals
- Measuring and Improving Business Performance
- Hospitality Management: Financial Management
- · Advanced Certificate in Strategic HR Management
- Marketing Strategy

Language: English

Modality: Online

Benefits: 66.7 % of the tuition fee

Scholarship deadline: July 3rd 2016

For more information: <u>http://bit.ly/1R77hd5</u>

Available Scholarship

Top ranking universities are offering full scholarships for international students.

Click on the link to view available scholarship. Deadline May 2016 to November 2016

https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B12fWmRV7UUeQkxncEF1Zm1KR0U



SENT ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS

1. CLIMATE CHANGE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Here is a conference that may be of interest to those in the academic community who have an interest in Climate Change. The conference is hosted by the UC Santa Barbara on-line! On-line conference is an experimental method of getting greater participation among other things.

UC Santa Barbara is currently conducting an unusual international conference, which has over 50 speakers from eight countries, yet has a nearly non-existent carbon footprint. Had this been a traditional fly-in conference, the slate of speakers would have had to collectively travel over 300,000 miles, generating the equivalent of over 100,000 pounds of carbon dioxide (CO2) in the process. This is equal to the total annual carbon footprint of 50 people living in India, 165 in Kenya.

In contrast, this conference takes a digital approach. Because the talks and Q&A sessions all reside online (the talks are prerecorded; the Q&A sessions are interactive forums), travel was unnecessary. The conference has four keynote talks and fourteen panels, each of which has three talks and its own Q&A session. The Q&A sessions are open from May 3-24. The topic is Climate Change: Views from the Humanities. We are sending this out to encourage faculty and students to visit and take part in the conference. You can register http://ehc.english.ucsb.edu/?page_id=12500

For obvious environmental reasons, in the future we can expect more events like this, which also promise to be more egalitarian: the cost of airfare from anywhere in the developing world to anywhere in North America or Europe is often greater than the average annual income in these countries. This simple fact effectively bars the majority of the planet's scholars from taking part in international conferences, ensuring that they remain open to only a privileged few. In contrast, conferences such as this one allow nearly any scholar anywhere with a computer or mobile device and adequate internet access to equally take part in the event.

In you get a chance, do check out our conference experiment at http://ehc.english.ucsb.edu/?page_id=12687



2. AMERICAN YOUTH INITIATIVE (YLAI) PROFESSIONAL FELLOWS PROGRAM

Are you between the ages of 21 and 35 and living in Latin America or the Caribbean? President Obama has a new program just for you! <u>Apply now to the Young Latin</u> <u>American Youth Initiative (YLAI) Professional Fellows program</u>. It is a 6-week exchange in the U.S. to help create or accelerate the growth of your business. Please feel free to forward this information to friends, family, and colleagues who might be interested.

Here's the link:

<u>https://ylai.state.gov/fellowship/?utm_source=ylai&utm_medium=ylaiemail&utm_campaign</u> <u>=eca-alumni-may-newsletter</u>



OBITUARY



Please pray for the family of the late **Nathaniel Gentles**. Several family members are alumni of NCU and are grieving his loss:

- Children: Grace ('74), Ilene ('76), Marilyn ('76), Keith Morris ('80), Michael ('82) David - Peter ('84)
- Grand-daughter: Janelle ('13)
- Son-in-law: Mathias Patrick ('75)

The Thanksgiving service for the late Nathaniel Gentles is as follows:

- DATE: Sunday, May 16, 2016
- **TIME**: 9:30 a.m.
- LOCATION: First Church of SDA, 810 Shepherd St, NW Washington, DC 20011



UPCOMING EVENTS

Washington Metro NCU Alumni Chapter Presents Annual Alumni Day Celebration

"Transforming Challenges into Opportunities"

TAKOMA ACADEMY 8120 CARROLL AVE, TACOMA PARK, MD 20912



MORNING PROGRAM 9:30 AM: SABBATH SCHOOL 1 1:00 AM: DIVINE SERVICE AFTERNOON PROBRAM 5:00 PM: SLIGO SDA CHURCH

7700 CARROLL AVE, TACOMA PARK, MD 20912

Special Guest Speaker

Pastor Desmond C. Haye

Associate Pastor

Grand Concourse Seventh-day Adventist Temple

Class of 2006





FEATURED GOSPEL EXTRAVAGANZA:

Special Guest Artists: Robert & Jenieve Bailey

Special Presentation: Basil Tabonor

JOIN US FOR OUR ALUMNI DAY SOCIAL -

Hosted by the Malcolms (Beltsville MD)

FMI - Dalton (301-806-8473), Keith (301-974-1749), Yvonne (240-416-2278)



Gates Open at 6:00 p.m. Starting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Entry fee: \$900 at the Gate | \$300 Children under 12

: Arnold Kelly

M.C.

Please bring a love offering

Proceeds in aid of the 2016 Save-A-Youth Project to assist patients in need of dialysis care and those in need of blood support. Be a donor day...Save a life tomorrow!

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Honour Classes 1951, 1961, 1971, 1981, 1991 (Silver), 2001, 2011 1956, 1966 (Gold), 1976, 1986, 1996, 2006, 2016

Contact the **Office of Alumni Relations** to attend your first Homecoming celebration or to plan your 5th, 10th, 15th, ... 65th class anniversary

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