



為Awana家庭祈禱 (Pray for our Awana Global Family)

香港、澳門受強颱風「天鴿」直接吹襲，對社會設施做成破壞，人命不幸傷亡。身處現代化的城市，漸漸忘記自然災害帶來的影響，一旦出現，我們便手足無措。前幾天颶風艾瑪 (Irma) 橫掃加勒比海，帶來巨大破壞。風暴隨後移向北美大陸，於當地時間周日 (9月10日)，掠過美國佛羅里達州對開的 Cudjoe Key 島，佛州最少兩人在風暴中因車禍死亡，接近110萬戶停電。預料艾瑪會繼續向西北偏北移動，橫過佛羅里達州西部海岸。政府形容風暴是「史無前例的致命」，已呼籲630萬名居民撤離！剛收到加勒比海 Regional Ministry Director, David Bailey 的祈禱呼籲——

“As you are well aware of the devastating storm (Hurricane Irma) that has been sweeping through the Atlantic and Caribbean region this week, I ask you to please pray for the people of this region of the world. While the storm is still passing through the northern region of the Caribbean, weather experts are already dubbing this storm as the most powerful storm in the Atlantic over the past decade.

We have heard from most of our coordinators and missionaries in the Caribbean and they are safe. This devastating storm is reaping destruction on many of these islands.

Of course, the storm is currently barrelling through Cuba. Please pray for the people of Cuba. We are waiting to hear from our Awana missionaries in Cuba as soon as they are able to secure lines of communication.

The current reports are communicating that the Hurricane is building strength as it moves towards Florida and the Southeastern US. Please pray for our brothers and sisters in this region that will be in the path of this storm.”

知道不少教會有Awana營隊的開會禮，家長會等，請本著Awana家庭成員的心思，為受苦受災的人民、弟兄姊妹祈禱！



Awana的年青人事工 (Awana Youth Ministry)

大家聽過「分齡牧養」的教會牧養方法，這是教會因應不同年齡階段的群體的需要，給予不同照顧的牧養方式，從而制定相對合宜的方法，本是明智。可是在年青群體的牧養的過程中，單方面照顧年青人的喜好，如果將聖經真理的教導放在後者—即次要位置，則在陪伴年青人同行中忽略真理的指責、教導、安慰和上主的確據，實在非常可惜。Awana是兒童工作，也是少年人工作，儘管方法要有合適的調節，但仍將聖經真理放在首位。欣喜一英語教會由小學增加開辦中學TREK課程，雖然升TREK的人不多，但十多位英語教會同工和導師於上星期六到我們辦公室參與TREK英文課程的分享會，非常藉得鼓勵。導師之一David把TREK的新課程做了摘要、並表示非常欣賞其課程內容。新課程是用一年時間由創世記讀到啟示錄，主要是「耶穌基督的救恩」！感謝當天分享的Iris和David。盼望教會能夠在Awana幼兒及小學課程的基礎上，不怕困難，開辦TREK課程，本人非常樂意與您分享其中內容，讓教會多一個選擇！

