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#### November 25, 2021

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# Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at **Hilton Barbados**

(Meetings via Zoom from July 15, 2021 to present) Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12:30 p.m.

> P.O. Box 148B, Brittons Hill, St. Michael, Barbados



# **SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**

R.I. Theme 2021-22

# **R.I. OFFICERS**

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### THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798

# RI THEME: SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES





Today, Thursday, November 25, 2021, we revert to our lunchtime Fellowship Meetings. Our Guest Speaker for today is UWI, Cave Hill Professor Eddy D. Ventose. He will engage us on the trending topic-" *From Monarchy to Republic – in context of the Barbados constitution.*"

The meeting which commences at 12:30 p.m. will ON-LY be presented via Zoom.

The Attendance will be taken by PP Andrew & Rtn. Malcolm

# **OUR GUEST SPEAKER**

Professor Eddy D. Ventose is Dean of the Faculty of Law and



Professor of Law at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus. He is St. Lucian by birth.

He received his undergraduate Law degree from the University of the West Indies (UWI) in 1999, his Master of Law degree from Cambridge University in 2000 and Doctor of Philosophy from Oxford University in 2004.

In 2011 he obtained a graduate diploma in university teaching from UWI. He was a former High Court Judge of the Eastern Caribbean Court from 2018 to 2020.

He is the holder of numerous awards and acknowledgements for academic excellence. Between 1996 and 2001, he was awarded four different scholarships to further his studies.

He has held teaching positions in law at different universities – University of the West Indies, Oxford University and Buckingham University in the U.K. He is a Solicitor in the Supreme Court of England and Wales and was called to the Bar in St. Lucia, Barbados, St. Christopher & Nevis, Guyana and the Commonwealth of Dominica.

Over time he held various positions on a number of legal and other committees and organisations in the governance of the U.W.I. He attended various conferences, seminars and meetings and delivered numerous papers on subjects such as copyright law, intellectual property, trademarks, patents, ecommerce among other topics.

# SUMMARY OF THE 3RD EVENING LECTURE SERIES MEETING - NOVEMBER 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Robin at 6.00 pm. This was followed by the National Anthem. Prayers were said by Rtn Heather Tull.

President Robin welcomed all present and thanked the sponsors – Trowel Plastics, Sagicor Life, Trident Insurance and Consolidated Finance.

The guest speaker, Steve Farber, was introduced by PP Peter Williams. Mr Farber is an award winning world-renowned author on "Leadership".

# **Summary of Presentation**

- Steve Farber's association with Rotary came via his connection with PP Barry Rassin of Rotary International, when PP Rassin hosted him as a guest speaker at the R.I. Convention in Hamburg in 2018.

- Steve Farber started by saying that his message on extreme leadership in businesses around the world is similar to what Rotary does. Hence, he feels that his message to us may just be confirmation of what we already know and do.

- One thing that every business and every organization has in common is, the human element. Every business/organization is populated with human beings.

- In sharing his concept of great leaders, he posed the question "What is it that the greatest leaders do in any context i.e. either in context of a business or beyond?"

- His message on leadership is based on the foundational premise that the greatest leaders are successful because of their ability to cultivate love.

- Love is seen as an act of service, love is a practice, love is a discipline.

- This is not about sentimental love, but more about doing what you love. It is about doing what you love while servicing people. This is about what love should look like in the way we work and what we do.

#### - He posed the following questions. Do you love being part of Rotary? Do you love your service projects? Do your customers love you? Do you create an environment in which people love to work? What can we do to create an experience people would love?

- One way of putting it into practice is by doing what we love in the service of people who love what you do.

Create more love by our own example. Do you walk, talk and breathe the example of what love should look like in this world.
You either lead by example or don't lead at all. You don't

have to be a boss to be a leader. You don't have to carry a title to be a leader.

- Do what you love, in the service of people who love what you do".

- Aspire to create more love. Start with one person. Raise that person up. Be a beacon. Be an example to others of what is right and what is good. This thinking is based on the Golden rule, which is a universal thought.

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#### SUMMARY OF THE 3RD EVENING LECTURE SERIES MEETING - NOVEMBER 18, 2021—CONT'D

- Unfortunately, living by the Golden rule in the business setting is the exception not the rule. However, an extreme leader puts himself at risk to make things better for everybody.

- Extreme leaders become the greatest leaders by making others "greater than themselves". He calls this the GTY (**G**reater **T**han **Y**ourself) Project.

- Great teachers do this when they invest in their students. That's their job. Good coaches do this. Healthy parents do this for their children.

Extreme leaders are not necessarily famous but they impact on the lives of persons they touch

- He then cited two examples of how the GTY project works. One with a select group of teachers impacting students and the other with himself, one-on-one with an individual.

- He is of the view that we all have greatness within us, which we can use to invest to build others up and they in turn can build others up. He called this the ripple effect. Ultimately via this process, the world can be changed via the GTY process.

 He concluded by challenging Rotarians to list 3 to 5 persons to start a GTY project.

- He said "You can start by making one person you can pour yourself into to make that person greater than yourself - your GTY project." You do this for some person because you love them but with one condition, that they in turn do it for someone else".

- Hé invited Rotarians to stay in touch either via his daily audio – DailyAudioMessage.com or commencing January 2022 via Podcast "Love is Just Damn Good Business".

- In the Q&A period in response to a query from Rtn Barbara Trieloff-Deane on what are the attributes of a GTY person, he said, seek out a person you believe in, one who can be trusted and who you love.

- In response to a query from PP Erskine Thompson on the innate qualities of a GTY person, he said, we all have greatness and you can do an inventory and list your personal characteristics, your knowledge of matters, your personality traits, who you know etc. Put your greatness into practice.

The Vote of Thanks was given by PP Carole Jean-Marie.

# **SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION - EREY**

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The Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY) initiative encourages all Rotary club members to contribute US\$100 every year to help us reach our goal to support the Rotary Foundation financially each year. *(See page 4b)* 

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



The Dance Videos are In. Congratulations to all those who have Shown Up their "Skills" COUNTDOWN to tomorrow, Friday 26!!!

Bringing the Joy of Christmas!!!

The countdown is on to the most anticipated Christmas event in Barbados!!! CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT



