



CARIBBEAN BROTHER ASSEMBLIES CONFERENCE 2017  
Cascadia Hotel, # 67, Ariapita Road, St. Ann's, Port of Spain, Trinidad.

**Workshop Title: 'Ministering to the Economically Disadvantaged'**

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**Biblical: Look after the Poor**

**Matt 25. Hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick, prison.** We will be judged on how well we cared for the Lord Jesus Christ, by looking after the poor and the economically disadvantaged.

**Stop Stealing and Work**

Ephesians 4:28 Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

**Church Leaders Facilitators**

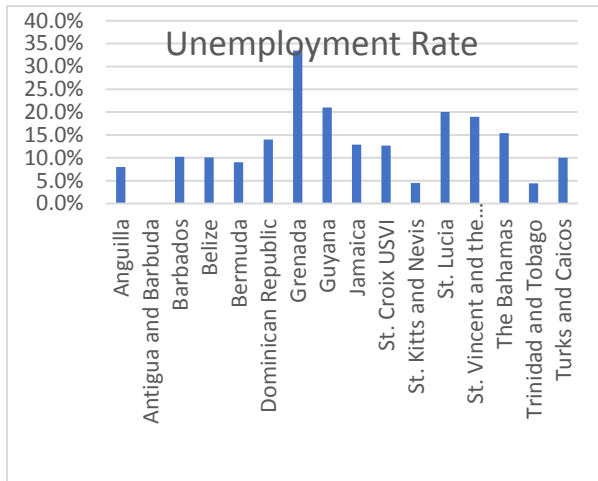
In Ephesians 4:11 the Word of God tells us, "11 So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."

**Holistic ministry includes:** Spiritual, Social, Education, Economic, Political, Justice, Arts, Music, Youth, ....

**Unemployment in the Caribbean**



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### **Poverty, poverty, poverty**

Some programmes include the PATH programme, Food For the Poor, and National Insurance Scheme (NIS).

### **Empowerment**

“ ... conducting individual meetings, asking questions, listening to stories, learning about their lives”  
 (Transforming Power, Linthicum, 149).

### **Compassion, Justice and the Christian Life**, by Robert Lupton.

Teach a person to fish. Ensure the Pond is Full

### **Education**

Go as far as you can in your education: high school, college, university.

### **Training and Skills**

HEART: hospitality, plumbing, electricians ...



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## **Employment**

1. Caribbean Careers Caribbean Jobs
2. Writing Resumes and Cover Letters
3. Preparing for Interview

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## **Quiz: Am I an Entrepreneur?**

1. Are you Santa or an elf?
2. What's your relationship with money?
3. Are you comfortable flying blind?
4. Are you ready to commit?
5. Were you born for business?

## **Caribbean Business Needs**

- Hospitality and Tourism
- Information Technology

## **Action Bullets**

- Reaching the Poor
- Skills Training Ministry
- Facilitate Employment
- Encouraging Entrepreneurs