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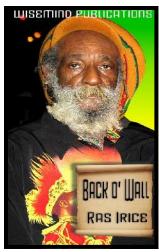
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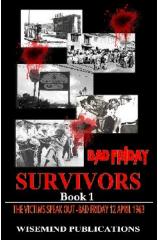
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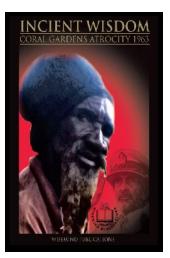


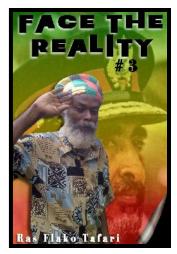
APRIL 1966 VISIT TO THE CARIBBEAN

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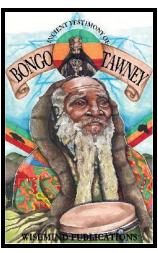






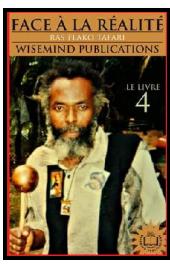










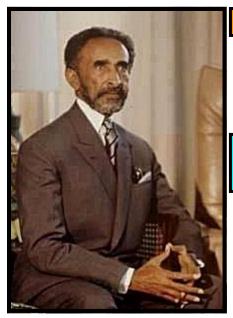






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OUR EMPEROR SPEAKS

"Above all, Ethiopia is dedicated to the principle of the equality of all men, irrespective of differences of race, colour or creed.

"As we do not practice of permit discrimination within our nation, so we oppose it wherever it is found.

"As we extend the hand of universal brotherhood to all, without regard to race or colour, so we condemn any social or political order which distinguishes among God's children on this most specious of grounds.

Until Bigotry, Prejudice And Malicious Inhuman Self– Interest Is Replaced By Understanding, Tolerance and Goodwill, Until Then, There Will Be War.....

H.I.M Haile Selassie 1st.

"As is commonly said, 'to start anything is simple; to develop it and bring it to a successful culmination takes great effort.'" - July 2, 1963 [University Graduation]

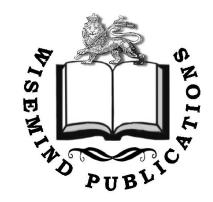
"We are now more than ever before convinced that it is education that heals Africa." - July 2, 1963 [University Graduation]

"Man is basically a creature of peace; the exigencies of our times, however, have often demanded that in order to subdue evil and to ensure peace and prosperity human energy has had to be applied to the machinery of defence." -- February, 1963 [Ground











THE DAY HAILE SELASSIE VISITED JAMAICA

Ancient Bongo Ken

I will never have another experience like this! We went to the Norman Manley International Airport when His Majesty's aircraft landed. Bongo Tawney ran off his vantage point and went straight under the belly of the airplane, ahead of every anxious Rastafari to light his chalice. The police were helpless, and could not stop any one on that day, when Rastafari claimed the victory.

When the plane landed, people started to jump from the waving gallery to the tarmac. Now Bongo Tawney was on high post as soon as the plane landed, he said to me, "I read in the bible, the man who find himself so high must reach ground because it is the almighty he is going to praise." Tawney slide off to the spot on the ground and ran towards the plane; took out his chalice out of his bag. I said "Bongo Tawney wha yu a do" he replied "Wha mi a do, mi a give praises!"

Now Tawney have the cup in hand, and I have the matches. *Tawney chanted "Blessed* is the man that walketh in the council of the ungodly" and so on, that was his favorite chant, when he was finished, he roared "HAIL SELASSIE I, HAIL SELASSIE I, "as fast as I could strike the match to light the chalice, the crown of Rastafari backed off. We heard the hissing sound of the plane engine as it cooled off, and some were fearful of the plane exploding.

Now tawney light the chalice, he took a very long draw, and blow out the smoke from his nostrils. More ones backed off, one rasta man said to Tawney, "Wah yu a do?" Tawney ignored him, took a longer sip from the cup, and said to me, "Hold dis Ken" and shouted "draw the cup Ken wha yu a do, a de King of Kings in deh yu kno notin caa happen to mi yu kno -H.I.M cut off everything! "

I took the chalice in my hand, and Bongo Tawney said to me "bless up the cup man." I repeated the Lord is my shepherd, in those days we don't light a cup without blessing. When I took a few sip Bongo Tawney yelled "Suck the cup man!" I immediately took a good one, Tawney was still vex he took away the cup and said to me "mi no know yu", another Rastaman wanted a sip but could not manage as he was just puffing the pipe.

Tawney exclaimed "no puff out me herb, suck it man" You see when the next Bongo Tawney took the cup and made three good suck it was FIYA!

Tawney yelled out FIYAAAAH! FIYAAAAH!!

Every one ran from under the plane leaving Tawney, Bongo Bluesy, and I man when they saw the fyah blazed from the chalice. Bongo Bluesy with his big chest then took a long hard draw from the cup as he was not







"Let us take pride in the fact that as free men we attack and abhor racial discrimination on principle wherever it is found and in whatever guise." - H.I.M Haile Selassie 1st

The exuberant crowd of Rastafari at the airport was so gigantic, In order to calm them, Haile Selassie asked the commanding officer to summon Mortimer Planno to the steps of plane to calm them.

THE PREPARATION OF HIS MAJESTY'S COACH

When His Majesty was expected in Jamaica, the General Manager told the mechanical engineer that Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia would be visiting Jamaica. As such, he should prepare a royal coach for H.I.M. When the engineer visited the work shop, he said to Mr. Perkins, who was the supervisor, "tell Mr. Jones to send the little Rasta man to me."

The engineer said to me "Ken your 'God' is coming to Jamaica in April, and we have to build a royal coach for him to travel on." The royal coach that was there before, was scrapped after it was used by Princess Margret. It was time to build a coach for Haile Selassie, so we selected a good undercarriage and created a solid work force of interior and exterior carriage technical workers. We selected the best Rolls Royce engines for the carriages.

When His Majesty visited the Railway station, the general Manager said, "Mr. Broach can you introduce your workers to His Majesty?" He introduced me first by saying "This young man is the man who is in charge of building your coach, he is a millwright, and a fitter, and he has chosen all his Rastafari brethren working here to complete the job, because these are your people your Majesty.

Mr. Broach continued by saying, I, as the engineer, made sure that I have provided the opportunity for these workers to say that they have done something good for their "King." After this pleasant introduction of us to Haile Selassie, every one present applauded.

We all decided not to smoke herb on the train with His Majesty, but when we arrived in Montego Bay we found a place where we could all smoke a splif.

Haile Selassie asked us why we named our selves Rastafari? My answer was, "Your Majesty, I see you as the returned Christ, you are the man who went to the United Nations General Assembly and stood up for the rights of poor people." His Majesty listened intently to us and shook his head, and told us that there is one thing that he admired us for, is how we live with each other. He said "All for one, One for all working in this manner we must reap success". It was Haile Selassie who had requested to see the country side, the Government of Jamaica chose rail as the means of transport.







"We seek that self-sufficiency which will enable us to play our rightful role in international affairs & live in full harmony with all men."- H.I.M Haile Selassie 1st

HAILE SELASSIE VISIT TO JAMAICA IN 21 APRIL 1966

Ancient Bongo Peke

When His Majesty came to Jamaica in 1966, most of the brethren in the community of Granville went to Kingston. I and Brother Largie took turns to drive the Anglia motor car, while Brother Washer drove his own car; it was three car loads of us.

When the Emperor's plane land at the Palisados International Airport, we were among the ones who welcomed him in the robust crowd; it was one of the largest I have ever seen in my life. Brother Mortimer Planno was called to move away the crowd so that Haile Selassie could step forward from the aircraft.

Now when the Emperor arrived on the train from Kingston to Montego Bay, I was there at the railway station chanting to welcome him; it was the largest crowd I have ever seen in Montego Bay. The roads were so jam-packed with people, the police only allowed Rastafari to enter the Montego Bay Charles Square where His Majesty was seated. In the presence of His Majesty, we were all robed in the colours of the red, gold, and green. It was indeed a splendid occasion.







Now when the Emperor was leaving Jamaica from the Montego Bay Sangster International Airport, our chantings were so powerful that one soldier on duty fainted in front of us. We had a good set of drums and very renown harps players such as myself on repeater, Ancient Bongo Sil on the fundeh, Brother Angel the repeater, Brother Thumble the bass, along with other great ones who were among us.

So I give thanks for most of the elder brethrens, may their souls rest in peace.



HAILE SELASSIE VISIT TO JAMAICA

Ancient Priest Bongo George

I traveled in a truck from Moon Light City, in Shanty Town the night before His Majesty's arrival and reached the airport at 1am that Thursday morning. We were there until daylight, then we started to chant nyah binghi in the early morning it was one grand Nyah Binghi and when we start to jump nyah binghi, one man jumped, until he almost reach the house top! Then came a brother, with a bag of herb, which he opened up on the asphalt. We all started to smoke the herb immediately. The policeman on duty came, and wanted to remove up from the place however another police man told him to leave us alone.

While we were jumping the Nyah Binghi, I realized that there was no flag to represent Ithiopia. I had brought along my flag; a half-yard of cloth made with red, gold, and green with the words "Unto us a child is given and the Government rest upon his shoulders."

I and some brethren then began to hoist our flag along with six other flags to mark the important occasion. Another police man came over to stop us, but we were again allowed to continue on the instructions from a senior police officer.

The Binghi was in high Ites, and very soon, the floor board in the house began to squeak from the jumping and vibrant celebrating. Soon after I left the house, I sight up with Brother Windy, a man who used to push a hand-cart to sell oranges at the school gate. Both of us then climbed onto the rooftop at the airport and walked until we reached the place where the flag pole of His Imperial Majesty on the white horse was flying. Below the flag pole was the red carpet that stretched along the airport tarmac.

Suddenly the rain came pouring down and every man present who was outside was soaking wet. As soon as the airplane landed, everyone was dry as chip again! It was the greatest miracle my eyes had beheld!

Now as the day's events unfolded and anxiety increased, we all looking towards the west side of the airport to see the signal light --when we were looking in the clouds-- suddenly we saw something burst out of the clouds! It was a plane which slowly came in full view of every one; we then realized that His Imperial Majesty had arrived!



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After the plane stopped, I slide off the iron pole on to the red carpet with the rod in my hand. It was then, when I reached up to the steps of the plane—then, suddenly a large crowd flocked around the planes steps. One police man attempted to take away my rod to ward off the crowd; I said to him -- "Leggo this man!"

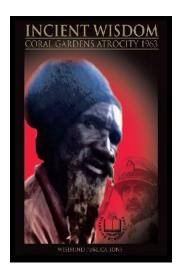
There and behold, when I looked, I saw a little man come right to the door and I realized, it was His Imperial Majesty! The Emperor looked us all over from every angle. Soon after, he asked Mortimo Planno to speak to the massive, and anxious gathering of Rastafari. The crowd became calm and made way for Haile Selassie to step from the aircraft.

We all wanted to follow Emperor Haile Selassie to the Kings Home, but we were beaten and scattered away by police, wielding big batons. As such, we could not get to see the King any more during his visit to Kingston.

When His Majesty was about to depart from Jamaica, we travelled from Kingston on the same truck with my brethren Oliver to Montego Bay to see him off. It was a Saturday evening when Emperor Haile Selassie departed from Jamaica; it was such a joy to be in the presence of the King!

Following the departure of Haile Selassie we travelled to Buff Bay and reached the hills of Mahoe, there we held a three lights Groundation with one of our brethren. It was such a joy and a pleasure to experience such happiness and togetherness of Rastafari. I will never forget that day when Emperor Haile Selassie visited Jamaica!

Many amazing things happened during the time of His Majesty's visit, one man came with a bundle of five shilling notes, he set them on fire, and with a loud voice he shouted: "Bun Babylon! Bun Money!"





"The very diversity of the worlds peoples today constitutes one of mankind's great resources; the different philosophies with which nations approach their problems lead inevitably to a vast array of methods and techniques."

H.I.M Haile Selassie 1st.

YOU ARE ONLY FOOLING YOURSELF IF YOU SAY YOU KNOW YOURSELF BUT DO NOT KNOW YOUR HISTORY, and just hearing that "we were slaves" is not really KNOWING your history.—Ras Jahaziel

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Barrow, shortly after the Emperor disembarked from the plane which brought him to Barbados yesterday.



welcome

(By ALISTAIR GREEN)
BEARDED, diminutive and dignified A BEARDED, diminutive and distinct figure, the symbol of African nationalism, disembarked from an Ethiopia Airways sireraft at Seawell at 8.15 a.m. yesterday to receive a red carpet welcome in a very tense atmosphere. That was His Imperial Majesty Haile Selas-

sie I of Ethiopia, head of one of the world's oldest (3,000 years) independent states who was visiting Barbados for the

first time.

Emperor Selassie's visit, although it lasted less than two hours, was accorded the same pomp and splendour as that given Queen Elizabeth II when she visited Barthade the same pomp and splendour as that given Queen Elizabeth II when she visited Barthade the provide the Carlo

Queen Elizabeth II when she visited Bar-bados two months ago during her Carib-bean tour with the Duke of Edinburgh.

After being met on board the aircraft by the island's Governor, Sir John Stow and the head of the Government, Prasmer Errol Barrow, Emperor Selissie. In his Pield Marshal's dress, disembarked to be intro-duced to the welcoming party which comprised Councillor Eyre Hoppin, chair-man of the Southern District Council, and other officials and their wives. other officials and their wives.

WHISKED AWAY

Emperor Selassie was then whished away to Bridgetown following the military activ-tues at the airport which included the playing of the Ethiopian Anthem while he took the salute and later inspected a guard of honour.

At every vantage point along the route such as Distin and the Garrison, the Emperoreceived a tumultuous welcome. And when his car appeared in Trafalgar Square there was thunderous cheering. Emperor Selassie, who waved gracefully at his thousands of Barbedian admirers members of the House of Assembly and Senste, signed the Visitors' Books of both the Barbados Legislature and the Bridgetown City Council.

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The ceremonies took place in the yard of the Public Buildings since the Emperor's

Rastas

KINGSTON, Jamaica. Thursday. E MPEROR Hails Selassie of Ethiopia was "imprisoned" for about half-an-hour in his plane by thousands of Eastsfarians when be arrived here loday for a thras-day state visit. The Eastainriana are

a back-to-africa move-ment, who regard Ethic-pia as their ancestral

The Rastafarians, who acciaim the Emporer es s "living god"; heaks police and army cordens and swarmed across the

and swarment across and tarmac as the plant came to a half.

Waving red, grown, and yellow banners (Ethiopia's colonis) with "Hall in the Lörd's an-tointed", and "Comquer-ing lon of Judah", and leading into the air with fronds of green palms held sews, the "Rastas"—as they are swept in thousands right up to the steps of the Emperer's plane.

SURROUNDED

The plane was com plebely surrounded, and the growd even swept through rows of privileged persons who were to have been presented to the Emple

After a short must the Employer, wearing a Floid Marshall's uniform came out aple the sisps of the plane, Johere he stood

H.I.M. Haile Selassie's short visit to Barbados, April 21st 1966

The latter part of the 1950's and throughout the 1960's brought about the un-shackling of some major colonial ties with Britain and its empires in Africa and the Caribbean.

During 1966,both Guyana and Barbados experienced this change in political existence and became independent. On the invitation of the government of Trinidad and Tobago, the leader of one of the oldest independent nations(3000 years) in the world, H.I.M. Haile Selassie 1st of Ethiopia visited that newly independent country as well and the after a few days proceeded his journey through the Caribbean via Barbados to Jamaica and Haiti eventually.

According to the local newspapers of the day, namely the Barbados Advocate and the Daily News, 'a bearded, diminutive and dignified figure, the symbol of African nationalism, disembarked from an Ethiopia Airways aircraft at Seawell (now Grantley Adams International airport) at 8.15 am ... to receive a red carpet welcome in a very tense atmosphere.'

They reported that 'the visit, although it lasted less than two hours, was accorded the same pomp and splendor as that given Queen Elizabeth when she visited Barbados two months ago during her Caribbean tour with the Duke of Edinburgh.'

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As a teenager in 1966 living along the south coast, I was fortunate to witness the procession as it travelled to the city, Bridgetown, even though I was not aware at that time of HIM's significance and influence he would have on my life in the not too distant future as Rastafari. Other Rastafari brethren who also saw His Majesty during His brief trod included Ras Sipho Onifa, Ras Ictor (now Jahaziel) and Kofi Akobi.

In conclusion, some may have deduced that Ethiopia and HIM would have served as major examples of independence, self- determination and moving away from colonialism to our political leaders in the mid-20th century as we grappled with governance on so-called post-colonial societies.

Giving thanks and praises

Iral Jabari March 11th 2016

Extract from Reuters Report, April 21, Bridgetown, Barbados

Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie received a warm welcome today when he arrived from Port-of-Spain, Trinidad on his way to Jamaica. The Emperor was greeted by Barbados Governor Sir John Stow and Premier Errol Barrow. Large crowds cheered him in Bridgetown as he visited the Parliament. Sow and Barrow called the Emperor "a shining symbol of African Independence". At a Government House reception he met leading Barbadians and chatted with former British Prime Minister Antony Eden, now Lord Avon, who makes his winter residence here.



Extract from Reuters report, April 21, Port-of-Spain. Departure from Trinidad.

Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie has left Trinidad for Jamaica where another big welcome awaits him. The Emperor, who was seen off by Governor-General Sir Solomon Hochoy and Prime Minister Dr. Eric Williams, decided on an un-scheduled stop-off at Barbados on his 1.000 mile flight to Kingston. "Thank you very much" Emperor Selassie said as he shook hands with Dr. Williams. He saluted smartly as he took his leave of the Governor-General. Guns of the Trinidad Regiment fired a royal salute as the Emperor made his farewells. The Emperor's pet Chihuahua "Lulu" marked her own departure by snapping at a soldiers legs. Yesterday, the Emperor made a four-hour tour of Trinidad's sister island Tobago. He was cheered wildly every yard of the way. One placard read "Behold the King of Righteousness and Peace".

Contents of this article was extracted from the project pack of the all mansions of Rastafari 50th year of His Imperial Majesty's visit to Trinidad and Tobago.

The Emperor's visit was in direct response to an invitation from the then PM of Trinidad and Tobago, The Right Honourable Dr Eric Williams. The fact that Barbados and Haiti were added to the tour schedule may have been through Royal diplomacy and the love which His Imperial Majesty generously extended to Africans throughout the Diaspora.

On Monday 18th April 1966 His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Elect of God, landed at Piarco Airport in Trinidad. Thousands of cheering, flag-waving crowds lined the route from Piarco to Port of Spain for this eagerly awaited visit by the man whose image graced the homes of many Trinbagonians of the time.

The Emperor's cavalcade stopped briefly at the Ethiopian Orthodox Church in Arouca after an initial stop in Arima. At the church, there was a short ceremony in which The Emperor read an excerpt from the Scriptures, then closed the Book with what was described as a 'strikingly fervent kiss'.

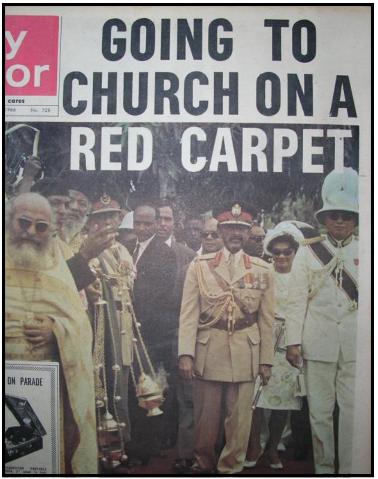
At John-John on the outskirts of Port of Spain, an elderly man perched in a tree was heard to shout ecstatically: "My King! My King!"

One woman in the massive throng around the Savannah was heard saying: "Truly, He must be the Lion of Judah. Look! Even the rainbow has come out to greet Him!"

These two responses captured by reporters on the day suggest the electric excitement that the Emperor's presence generated during His two-day stay on the island. His address to Parliament was highly pointed and direct, urging the representatives of the people to look beyond the confines of their sectarian concerns to embrace national and international interests, a message well suited to a cosmopolitan nation composed of many diverse factions and peoples.

This first and only visit of an African king to the island's shores had a massive impact, particularly on the majority population of African descendants. The Emperor also met with representatives of all faith communities, planted trees, and made at least one significant donation for a foundation in one of the poorer areas of the country.

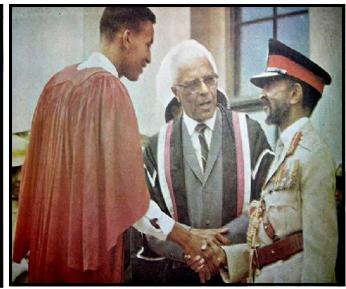






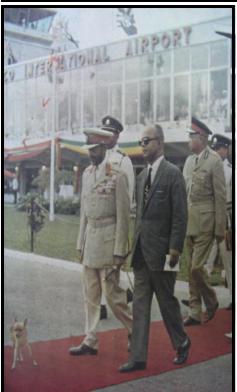
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Address by His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie I, Emperor of Ethiopia to the Assembly of Parliament of Trinidad & Tobago, on Tuesday 19 April 1966

Distinguished Members of Parliament, it gives great pleasure to appear before this distinguished assembly and bring you the fraternal salutations of the Ethiopian people.

The peoples of Ethiopia and Trinidad and Tobago are today joined in a massive and continuous effort to create for themselves a new and better way of life. They face many of the same problems. The hopes and aspirations which they share derive from the same essential beliefs in the nature and destiny of man. It is thus inevitable, too, that there should exist between these two great peoples the strong and lasting ties of friendship and understanding.

We all know, as representatives of the people, that this is a particularly critical period in the councils of the twentieth century. The manner in which the representative of the people should discharge his responsibilities has long been a matter for learned discussion among philosophers and political scientists. The world of developing nations is creating new problems for the scholars to ponder as new societies are emerging on this continent today with the intricate and explosive questions of national and international development. Is the representative responsible only to the constituency or to the particular group or interest which has chosen or appointed him? Certainly in this responsibility must be an element in the thought and action of such a man that there are higher values and greater interests and responsibilities than these.

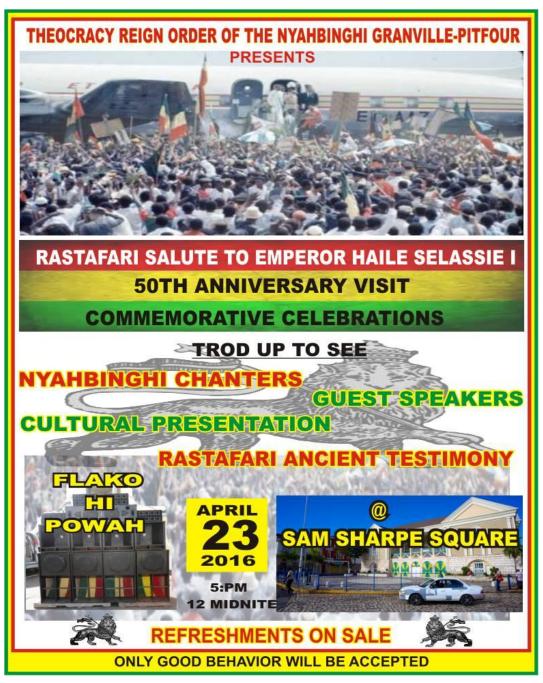
Sectional and divisive factors often cause major obstacles to national development in their expanded sense, as narrow national and ideological interest may threaten even, national unity and progress.

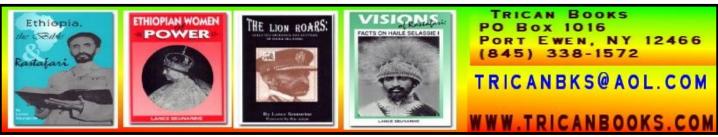
No one today is so foolish to believe that any one nation constitutes a perfect monolith of faith and ideology nor could anyone wish that there should be such utter unity of thought and aspiration. The systems of Government which have sought to impose uniformity of belief have survived briefly and then expired, blinded and weakened by excessive reliance upon their supposed infallibility. The only system of Government which can survive is one which is prepared to tolerate dissent and criticism, and which accepts these as useful and in any case inevitable aspects of all social and political relations. The tolerance of dissent and criticism within a Government proceeds from a singular social phase- that the Government exists to serve the people generally.

Government servants whether designated as representatives or not, have the trust to work for the general welfare. The same trust exists among the member states of international organisations in the international community. The members of such organisations must adhere to some tacit or expressed conception of international welfare. In the case of the Organisation of African Unity it is the national welfare. In the case of the UN Organisation it is the world welfare. In one way or another the member nations must accept in thought, in spirit and in action the basic premise of their institution. Namely that men of all races, beliefs and status share some essential goals in common.

From this premise no great or easy actions follow as corollaries. The representatives of people and nations can only come together with open and objective minds and willing hearts to engage in dialogue without rigid dogmas and slogans and without violence. Working this way achieves no instant utopia. It may, however, enable us to achieve together what it is possible to achieve, and to move forward steadily if not always in great haste, with some degree of harmony and mutual understanding. Domestically, we can build strong and happy and resourceful societies. Internationally, we can force the end of the oppression of man by man and nation by nation. We can bring about the peace, security and mutual trust which will open the way to the greater human achievement for which the needs of mankind now cry out.

Distinguished Members of Parliament, permit me to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude for the reception that was accorded to me by the people of Trinidad and by the Government... and Tobago, which we are going to include in our visit. I hope this will serve as an example for strengthening relations among nations that are dedicated to the same essential voice. Thank you.







Haile Selassie 1st Visits Haiti

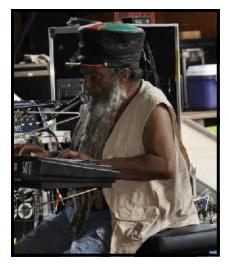












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The Society for the Colonization of Free People of Color of America

The American Colonization Society (ACS; in full, The Society for the Colonization of Free People of Color of America), established in 1816 by Robert Finley of New Jersey, was founded by groups otherwise opposed to each other on the issue of slavery. The ACS intended to support the colonization of free African Americans because their presence served as "a perpetual excitement" to the enslaved blacks and threatened the slave societies of the South. All of the early organizers of the Society were slaveholders; according to annual reports of the Society, they hoped in this effort to strengthen the institution of slavery. It helped to found the colony of Liberia in 1821–22 on the coast of West Africa as a place for free-born American blacks.

The ACS was a coalition made up mostly of evangelicals and <u>Quakers</u> who supported <u>abolition</u>, and Chesapeake slaveholders who understood that unfree labor did not constitute the economic future of the nation. They found common ground in support of so-called "repatriation". They believed blacks would face better chances for full lives in Africa than in the United States. The slaveholders opposed state or federally mandated abolition, but saw repatriation as a way to remove free blacks and avoid slave rebellions. [2] From 1821, thousands of free black Americans moved to <u>Liberia</u> from the United States. Over twenty years, the colony continued to grow and establish economic stability. In 1847, the legislature of Liberia declared the nation an independent state.

The Society closely controlled the development of Liberia until its declaration of independence. By 1867, the ACS had assisted in the movement of more than 13,000 Americans to Liberia. From 1825 to 1919, it published the *African Repository and Colonial Journal*. After 1919, the society had essentially ended, but it did not formally dissolve until 1964, when it transferred its papers to the Library of Congress. [6]

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Colonization_Society



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Reflections on His Majesty's Visit: 18-21 April 1966

The Golden Jubilee anniversary, occurring this year, of the Royal visit of H.I.M. Haile Selassie I of Ethiopia, to the Caribbean in April 1966, has occasioned the mobilization of the Rastafari community in the region towards a series of activities in commemoration and celebration of this historic event, particularly in Jamaica and Trinidad.

In Trinidad, there will be a series of activities, including lectures, concerts and reasoning sessions, organized by the All Mansions of Rastafari, which is the umbrella body for the various streams of Rastafari livity, as well as independent individuals within the Rastafari community.

However, as I and I reflect on that visit fifty (50) years ago, there was an important event that occurred then, which continues to be of great concern to I and I. This event was the laying of the foundation stone by His Majesty, with a golden trowel, for the construction of a Cathedral for the Ethiopian Orthodox Church (E.O.C), in the suburban, depressed community of Betham Gardens/Laventille. A personal grant from His Majesty and a financial donation from the Ethiopian Government were also proposed.

Well, the sad and disappointing reality is that this Cathedral is still to be constructed, after fifty (50) years. What excuse can be made for this great injustice to the Laventille community and Trinidad and Tobago by those who were entrusted with this responsibility i.e. the E.O.C and the Government? One can only imagine the enormously positive impact such an institution would have made on the spiritual, moral and social life of the community of Laventille and its environs over the last fifty (50) years. This becomes even more significant when one considers the present state of this community, now plagued with crime and violence and a grave sense of hopelessness, especially among the youth.

On this Golden Jubilee anniversary of His Majesty's visit (April 18-21), I and I cry shame on the E.O.C and the national Government for having failed the African population in this regard. It is I and I hope that corrective action would be quickly taken to address this unacceptable situation. The people are perishing not for a lack of vision, but due to the failure of those responsible to fulfil the vision of His Majesty.

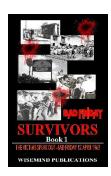
Another serious concern relating to this situation, is the question of whether the present site designated for the Cathedral, is the actual site where His Majesty laid the foundation stone. It is I and I overstanding that it is NOT. Therefore, the authorities must come clean on this issue. In I and I view, the Cathedral MUST be built on the ORIGINAL site, otherwise they would be building on sand (spiritually speaking). The spiritual foundation would be lost, with all the negative consequences that could follow.

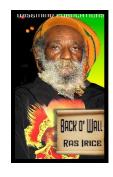
Who have ears to hear, let them hear!
A word to the wise is sufficient. (Con

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Nevertheless, the Rastafari Community has made tremendous strides in its growth and development over the last fifty (50) years, moving from those dark days of stigmatization and ostracism when the Rastaman was "the usual suspect", to a time now, when the Rasta hairstyle is very much more accepted (but not entirely) by the status quo.

Another positive development is the fact that unity and cooperation are also very much more practised within the Rastafari Community, as the ideology and livity of Rastafari become more and more crystalized and overstood by all, Rasta and non-Rasta alike....As His Majesty declared in 1963 at the first summit of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), "Unity is the accepted goal."

On this historic Golden Jubilee anniversary I man send out Iration of Perfect Love, Peace, Joy and Togetherness to I and I Breddren and Sistren with the Rastafari Community, locally, regionally and internationally, and to all conscious Africans generally.

ONE GOD ONE AIM ONE DESTINY (AND AMLAK) (AND GIB) (AND FANTA)

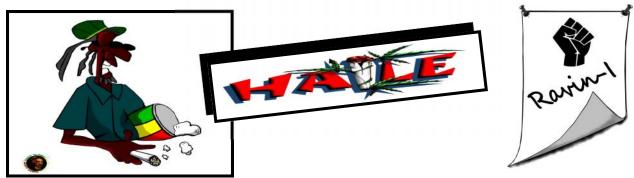
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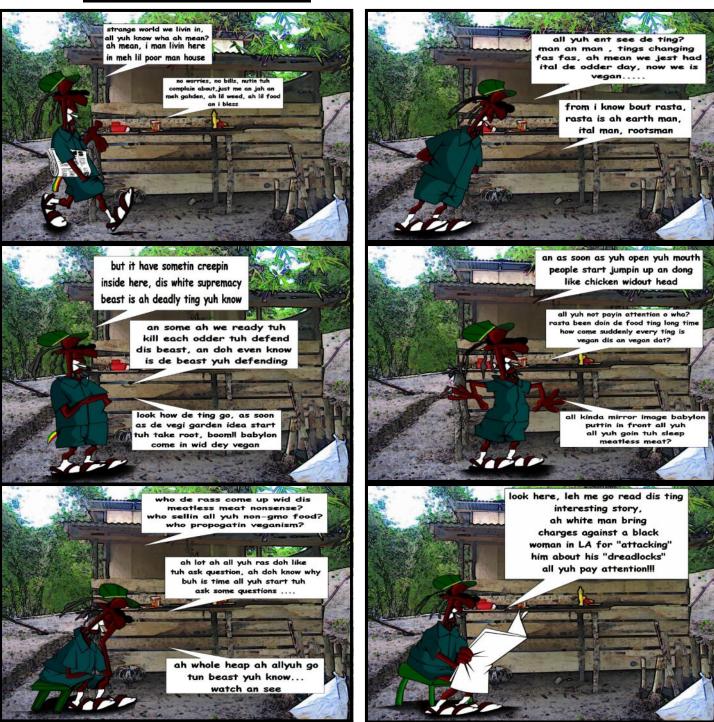
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Healing and Renewal

In the Book of Life, open at all times, every I can see I to I with I. Here I sight how healing and the fruit of that process, renewal, will walk with man as a living testimony (Istimony) through life. Everliving.

In this 50th Anniversary of Jubilee of the visit of Medhane Alem (Healer of the world) Qedamawi Haile Selassie and his retinue to these blessed shores, it is proper to take stock of the health of InI nation. Refeering here to health in all regions of man. Mind/heart, body/temple and Irit/soul. Three in one and one in three. Without much specification I feel free to say that there is need for healing and renewal, in order for InI, both as individuals, families and as a collective nation, to remove the energy blockages and move forward as One.

In Ethiopia there is an ancient saying "saw le saw medhanet now" or "man to man is healing/medicine." Let this Ivine Yoddition, Jubilant and Joyfull (Jah-I-Full) Livity never stray from the One perfect Love of Brother and Sisterhood. Sharing and caring, giving and receiving. For so it go, with the same measure I measure with it shall be measured to I. So give freely and receive freely.

It has long been recognized that when a person embarks on a healing journey, it often first leads to a deterioration of his/her state of health. This is common and all natural. It can involve aggrevation of aches and pain, excema and high blood pressure, fever and many other symptoms. Diseases and symptoms long forgotten, even from childhood, can come to surface again. Yet it is all part of the process and they will soon disappear to the land of no return.

It is also good to ask I-self WHY this illness/disease/imbalance manifest itself in I temple. And what is it that it want to teach I? If the I don't pick up from this particular I-experience, then it is very common that the imbalance or its manifesting symptoms come again, and again and again...in I n I life experience. Alternatively, I can learn from this experience, heal and move forward.

Within a seven year period all body cells are said to renew. Even bone cells. Some cells like in nails and skin renew in shorter cycles; months, weeks or even days. So most imbalances should, technically speaking, have disappeared within this period. One of the reasons why we carry them around, like luggage, over longer periods of time is because we have not resolved them. They will store in our cellular memory so the healing must include those deep memories. Bless them away and discard of them as they are no more of any use.



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So how do I go about this healing and renewal? Faith and works is a good combination and method. Prayer / Ises for health with faith and full I-fidence that the I will receive it. Yes give thankful Ises and greatfull thanks like the I already have it. It works as it is a law of Iration. Now combine this with some natural remedies and cures that have developed naturally and stood the test of time. Some are simple and don't require much, while others require more effort, time and finance.

It is noted that one of the imbalances that is quite common in I n I communities, especially among the ones more advanced in age is prostate enlargement, inflammation or even prostate cancer. Being diagnosed with this can create fear that it's life threatening and Doctors might tell that the ONLY way to survive is an immediate program of chemotherapy or other drugs with serious side-effects. Now I-loved this is necessarily not so at all. Rather these chemical medications are what in many instances shorten or even end your life. Here follows some simple home remedies;

Drinking fresh carrot juice, made from 5 pounds of carrot, on a daily basis. Keep it up for 3-4 weeks, take a 2 week break and do it again if necessary.

Eating bee-pollen, propolis or Royal Jelly while suffering from prostate is known to be beneficial.

Drinking Apple Cider Vinegar, 1 tablespoon in 1 glass of water, first thing in the morning on empty stomach. Keep up for 4 weeks, take a break for 2 weeks and do it again. Apple Cider Vinegar has much health promoting benefits and many ones continue drinking it for extended periods of time. If it does agree with you then add a cup to your evening routine for added effect.

Other known natural cures include; black strap molasses, saw palmetto, cayenne, corn husk and corn silk, pumpkin seeds, nettles, turmeric.

The following method has been getting exposure and is claimed by many to be very effective. Take 1 tea spoon of aluminum-free baking soda (not baking powder) and 2 tea spoons of black strap molasses, alternatively maple syrup or manuka honey. Mix these to a glass of filtered, boiled or spring water. Warm is preferable to cold. Take on a empty stomach first thing in the morning. 2 times per day, morning and evening is recommended. Do this for 1 week then increase to 3 times per day and keep up for 4 full weeks. Take a rest period for 4 weeks and repeat protocol. One is also advised to eliminate all sugars (except for the prescribed) during treatment period and avoid physical activity up to one hour after taking the mixture.

Now in the healing process it is absolutely essential and fundamental to forgive for any lasting and more permanent recovery. This enables one to be at Peace in the Heavenly Heart and be still and know... Everything I ask of the I Oh Ivine I-Majesties shall be granted. Including vibrant health.

Letting go of grudges, jelousy and anger are also essential as these harboured emotions are harmfull. Not only to the mind that host them but also to the organs that are connected to them. In this case the Liver.



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Trust in the healing powers within and without. And make sure to be involved in the I own healing journey and process. Whatever approach you chose, ultimately you are responsible for you own health. Massage, physiotherapie, osteopathy, acupuncture and acupressure, roots, herbs and juices, or utilizing the powers of your sub-conscious mind. Whatever system the I choose – stick to it! Be persistent and trust it will work. A combination of therapies can enhance the effect.

Fasting is beneficial and at times a good aid in the process. To maintain equilibrium and balance, the Feast must not be forgotten.

Exercise is a crucial component so exercise all regions moderately. Find peaceful environments and practice deep breathing techniques with focus on healing the imbalance. Rest is a vital part as well so love the I self plenty and allow the I self all necessary rest. Health and strength

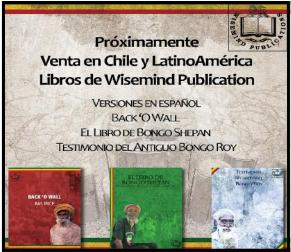
Ras Ibi

A successful man is not a money rich man, a successful man adapts to his conditions and environment and lives, so stop griping and asking everyone to send u prayers, use the information that was provided for u via the elders who have gone before u and who now live with u....stand up on ur two legs and confront the situation...only u can make it or break it..... Ravin-i

The most disastrous aspect of colonization which you are the most reluctant to release from your mind is their colonization of the image of God.".....Frances Cress Welsing

A movement whose God is dead fades away, any time the root of the tree is chopped down the branches and the leaves wither. Today when you look in the world, you find that Rastafari is increasing throughout every nation, which means that our God is alive,Ancient Sam Brown





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