Manifesto

My name is Kevon Richards, a 2nd Year Religion and Theology Major with a Minor in Family Life Education. I am one who is dedicated, passionate and who exemplifies the attributes of one who strives for the mastery in Christ Jesus. Since coming to Northern Caribbean University, I have indeed represented myself as one who not only understands but who exemplifies the ethos of this noble institution, having displayed a level of mastery spiritually, academically and socially. This also testifies of my understanding of the purpose of an education, which is wholistic development.

Having said all this, the question that must be in your minds is what is your purpose? In response I say that I am glad for a university like the Northern Caribbean University. A University that caters to the wholistic development of students. A key part of this wholistic development, is the enhancement of spiritual life. This is the reason the office of Spiritual Affairs, USM exists. There is a need for one who is passionate and devoted, to plan programs to enhance the spiritual life of our students. With this said, I Kevon Richards submit myself and service to the student population as the right candidate for the office of VP Spiritual Affairs of the USM.

What qualifies me for this office you may ask? Is it the fact that I have served faithfully as a University Chaplain Aid; being to students a listening ear; a shoulder to cry on and a prayer partner? Or maybe it is the fact that I have served with distinction as Prayer Co-ordinator of the Ministerial Association with responsibility over the Prayer Garden. Providing for the student's spiritual development through initiatives one such being prayer and fasting. An example of this is the prayer and fasting held in October under theme 'Revive Us Again Oh

Lord,' where university leaders, such as the University church Pastor Joel Haye among others, came together to agonize with God for our University and our students. Also our programs at the prayer garden such as our 'singspiration' and prayer power hour, are specially designed to create an atmosphere where students can have a meaningful encounter with God. These initiatives parallels the responsibilities of the office of VP of Spiritual Affairs, USM, which solidifies the point that I am the man for the mission.

Though all these points undoubtedly affirms the fact that I am the man for the position of VP of Spiritual Affairs USM, the question of my qualification is not what but who, for it is God who has qualified me. He has placed in me as He did with Jeremiah a holy flame, a natural desire and zeal to reach individuals for His Kingdom. It is this zeal that propels my ministry and that will enable me to effectively execute the office of VP of Spiritual Affairs USM.

Seeing then that I am the man for the mission, what plans do I have to make this a reality? As VP of Spiritual Affairs USM, I will endeavour to create an environment whereby students can have an experience with Jesus Christ that will fit them for service in this life and for the hereafter. I intend to accomplish this through:

- A Campus-wide Survey
- A Mentorship program 'Man Talk'
- Rekindling a Prayer Network across campus
- 'A Prophet among you'
- The Prayer List initiative
- Whatsapp Ministry
- Regular Bible study sessions
- The 'Revive us Again Oh Lord' (beginning of each semester)
- 'Praise is what we do' (end of each semester)

- Regular prayer walks
- A Talent inventory (Chapel session)
- Lobby for Government Chaplain
- By-weekly article
- Prayer Breakfasts