

# The Jamaica Coalition for a Healthy Society

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## The JCHS in association with Lawyers Christian Fellowship & Jamaica CAUSE International Human Rights Day Events 2014

**1.** International Human Rights Conference. Saturday, December 6, 2014. Jamaica Conference Centre. “**International Law, Development and the Family: The Family as a strategy for Development**”. Fee: J\$1500. Free for Students with I.D. Time: 8:30 a.m.-2: 30p.m

**Conference Overview:** *Contemporary society has become increasingly hostile to the traditional definitions of marriage and family. Yet, these two institutions are the ideal, fundamental and valuable components for healthy national development. Conference speakers and participants will explore the reasons for Family, the threats against it, and how to practically build a Culture of Family in the Jamaican context.*

### **Conference Speakers:**

**REV. EARL THAMES, Jamaica-** Former Rhodes Scholar (1958) studying Politics, Philosophy and Economics at Oxford University. Former Regional Director for the Institute of Theological and Leadership Development (International University of the Caribbean). Lecturer, Preliminary Year of the United Church's Ministerial Training Programme and Acting Chaplain of the Knox Complex of Schools. Rev Thames will speak on ***The Theology and Philosophy of the Family.***

**DR JUDITH REISMAN, USA.** Expert on Science Fraud, Human Sexuality, Child Sexual Abuse, and Mass Media Effects. Former consultant to U.S. Departments of Justice, Education, Health and Human Services, and the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) on Sex Science Fraud. Dr Reisman's research exposed the fraudulent science behind the modern sex “rights” arguments formulated by Alfred C. Kinsey, the ‘father’ of the ‘human sexuality and sex education fields

globally. This sexual “rights” fraudulent science has had disastrous long-term effects on children and their mental, emotional and physical development and is the basis of the sexual ‘rights’ education curricula, represented in the withdrawn HFLE text book and the controversial JFJ/CVCC/FAMPLAN sex education course in the 6 Jamaican children’s homes. Dr Reisman will speak on ***Kinsey heritage and the threat to family.***

**MATHEW D. STAVER, USA, B.A., M.A., J.D.** Founder and Chairman of Liberty Counsel and Chairman of Liberty Counsel Action. Liberty Counsel (1989) is an international non-profit litigation, education, and policy organization dedicated to advancing religious freedom, the sanctity of life, and the family by providing pro bono assistance and representation on these and related topics. One of the US’ preeminent constitutional attorneys, Mr. Staver has argued two landmark cases before the United States Supreme Court as lead counsel, written numerous briefs to the High Court as well appearing in numerous state and federal courts across the country and has over 210 published legal opinions. Mr. Staver will speak on ***Global legal trends impacting the institution of the family.***

Workshop and Panelists:

**Healing Jamaica: practical strategies to building a culture of family**

- Dr Barry Davidson- CEO, Family Life Ministries
- Dr Patrece Charles-Freeman - CEO, National Parenting Support Commission
- Dr Michael Coombs- Chairman and co-Founder, National Association of the Family.
- Mrs. Ruby Harrold-Claesson: President of the Nordic Committee for Human Rights (NCHR)

**2.** International Human Rights Day Public Rally, Emancipation Park, Wednesday December 10, 2014. **‘Protecting true children’s rights: the right to be a child’.** An evening of song, dance and poetry celebrating God the giver of perfect law and rights. Free Entry.

**Guest speaker:** Mrs. Ruby Harrold-Claesson. Jamaican -born Human Rights Attorney, President of the Nordic Committee for Human Rights (NCHR). Her specialisations are Human Rights and personal freedoms, the right to a fair trial and equality before the law, the legal status of the family in Sweden, parental

responsibility and parental authority, child upbringing, violence among the youths in Sweden and the removal of children from their parents' homes and placing into foster homes. Mrs. Harrold-Claesson will speak on the erosion of parental rights in Sweden and its impact on children.

**About the main  
Organiser:**

The Jamaica Coalition for a Healthy Society (2012) is a locally incorporated NGO promoting the Judeo-Christian philosophy as the most coherent framework for defining family, ordering society and promoting human flourishing.

**Activities:** ● Public education ● Public rallies ● Media intervention  
● Lobbying Government and civil society stake-holders  
● Legal and policy proposals.

**See the JCHS documentary** – *'Sex, Lies and Rights: a seduction of law, medicine and politics'*. [www.youtube.com/jchsadvocate](http://www.youtube.com/jchsadvocate)

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**Associate  
Organisations:**

Jamaica CAUSE is a church-led advocacy group that was formed in Kingston, Jamaica in June 2014.

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The Lawyers Christian Fellowship, Jamaica (1974) is an interdenominational association of members of the legal profession, including law students and teachers of law in Jamaica.

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