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**Annual 2013 - 2014 STAR Committee Report**

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The STAR, short for Student Teachers' Assistance through Reciprocation, Committee had a quiet but interesting year. While there were no profound situations of gifting and therefore fewer than usual meetings, the team has done well in helping to provide assistance to students during the academic year.

Through the generosity of Ms. Hope Grant, we have added a scholarship, namely the Mary Stewart Bright Futures (MSBF) Scholarship, at a value of one thousand dollars in United States currency. This was awarded to Mr. Stefan Samuels, graduate of the Godfrey Stewart School in Savanna-la-Mar, Westmoreland.

The Kerr-Jarrett Gift of Hope (KJGH) for the academic year 2013-2014 was awarded to current student of the College Ms. Denise Johnson. Based on requests for assistance via contact with Committee member(s), the STAR Committee members in Jamaica were quite active in providing requested information either by investigating the requests or by guiding students to this Committee. The group was also helpful with maintaining contact /correspondence with other members of the Committee. Thumbs up to Mrs Aggett Crosbie for her work on this and representing us, so well.

Our current students continue to receive our support, sometimes as a matter of urgency. To this end, we assisted Mr. Simon Morgan, a male student when all promised family help had fallen through, very much at the last minute. On advice to approach the STAR Committee, it is with pride that I report that the appeal was met with a positive response, under the 'Return to Reciprocate' banner, and he was able to sit for his exam. In an interview with Mr. Morgan, it was glaringly observed that while persons are aware of the Association's existence, they are not truly aware of its vision, mission and work. The takeaway from this is while we are still a growing Association, information about our goals and objectives and the awareness of the work we do remains lacking.

The Committee is also pleased to share that one of the former scholarship recipients, Ms. Kimberly Walters, has recently found employment and appears to be seeing growth in her field. We continue to wish her success in her endeavours.

I would like to thank the members of the STAR Committee for their continued work and for sustaining functional cohesiveness within the Committee. I look forward to continue working with this committee of professionals.

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Every student teacher can be a STAR