

FAMILY NEWS

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CONQUERORS IN CHRIST





*If God is for us, who can be against us?
Romans 8:31*

Do not be discouraged at the difficulties and oppositions that will rise up before you when you begin resolutely to walk with God. Discouragements turn multitudes from religion, and provide a great temptation for many young beginners to turn back. Israel in the wilderness was ready to retreat to Egypt. God Himself will have His servants and His graces tried and exercised by difficulties, and Satan, will quickly raise up storms before us, as soon as we are set out to sea. But God is on your side and has all your enemies in His hand, and can rebuke them, or destroy them in a moment.

O what is the breath or fury of dust or devils, against the Lord Almighty! In the day you entered into a covenant with God, and He with you, you entered into the most impregnable rock and fortress, and covered yourself in a castle of defence, where you may (modestly) defy all adverse powers of earth or hell. If God cannot save you, He is not God. And if He will not save you, He must break His covenant. Indeed, He may resolve to save you, not from affliction and persecution, but in it, and by it! But in all these things you will—
‘Overwhelmingly conquer through him who loved us’ (Rom. 8:37). It is far more desirable and excellent to conquer by patience, in suffering for Christ, than to conquer our persecutors in the field, by force of arms.

From The Pulpit...



-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic **“Taming The Tongue”** based on **James 4:11-12.**
-  **Pastor Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **“The Perfect Representative”** based **Romans 5:19.**
-  **Dr. H.W. C. Jonas** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church (Radio Range)** on the topic **“The Godly Life ”** based on **Ephesians 5:2.**
-  **Dr. H. W. C. Jonas** will also preach at the **6:00 p.m.** joint service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **“Gospel Rejection: What Turns People Off”** based on **Matthew 19:16-25.**

O think on the saints' triumphant boastings in their God: 'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble' (Psa. 46:1). If all of the world were on your side, you might yet have cause to fear. But to have God on your side is infinitely more! Christ the Captain of your salvation has gone this way before you, and now he is engaged to make you a conqueror! Do not be afraid where Christ is leading the way. Do not draw back when you see His steps and His blood!

—Richard Baxter





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~2nd April - 8th April~

~Today~

Sis. Rashauna Matthew—Central
Bro. Nkosi Browne—Central

~3rd~

Pastor Rolando Lewis—Tyrells
Sis. Velma Braithwaite—Central

~6th~

Sis. Rosely Francis—Central
Sis. San-Joy Richards—Covenant
Sis. Stacey Hector—Covenant

NOONDAY PRAYER MINISTRY



- ❖ We meet for prayer at **Central** from **12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.** in the Conference Room from **Monday to Saturday**. All are welcomed to join us.
 - ❖ Your prayer requests will be the focus of our prayers at each Noonday Prayer Meeting.
 - ❖ The e-mail address for this is prayer@baptistantigua.org.
- Pray without ceasing. —1 Thessalonians 5:17**

E.C.B.M. MISSIONS OFFERING



Where does your mission offering go?

- ◆ Haiti: Baptist Haiti Mission--Christian schools, churches, hospital, child services
- ◆ USA: Covenant Baptist Theological Seminary--Pastoral Training
- ◆ Antigua & Barbuda: ECBM Media Ministries

*Your tithe supports the budget of your local church.
Give generously above your tithes for missions!*

READING THE NEW TESTAMENT IN A YEAR...

- Today, Apr. 2nd – **Luke 7:1-30**
- Monday, Apr. 3rd – **Luke 7:31-50**
- Tuesday, Apr. 4th – **Luke 8:1-25**
- Wednesday, Apr. 5th – **Luke 8:26-56**
- Thursday, Apr. 6th – **Luke 9:1-17**
- Friday, Apr. 7th – **Luke 9:18-36**
- Saturday, Apr. 8th – **Luke 9:37-62**
- Sunday, Apr. 9th – **Luke 10:1-24**



Sunday School Adult & Youth Reading **Prepare for next week...**

SERIES: VICTORIOUS CHRISTIAN LIVING
Lesson #1 Jesus, The Victor
Revelation 1:12-20
—Part 2 of 2

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth.

—II Timothy 2:15



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. JOINT SERVICE TONIGHT

All church members are advised that this evening's service will be a joint service of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches at the Tyrells Baptist Church (Tyrells Main Road) at 6:00 p.m. Avail yourself to this means of grace.

2. TRUSTEES MEETING ON TUESDAY

All members of the Trustees are reminded of their meeting this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please be punctual.

3. MONTHLY CIRCUIT STEWARDSHIP MEETING

All church members are reminded of the monthly Circuit Stewardship meeting that will be held this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Each member is expected to attend this important meeting.

4. BLAST YOUTH MINISTRY

All teenage boys and girls are reminded of B.L.A.S.T. (Building Lives Around Scriptural Truth) this Friday. The BLAST Girls Club will meet from 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. on the BAA grounds. and the BLAST Boys Club will meet from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Be sure to bring your Bible, pen and notepad. Do not miss this time of great fellowship!

5. NEW MEMBERS' FORUM

All members who have not completed 12 months of membership in our churches are expected to attend the New Members' Forum to be held on Saturday, April 8th, 2017 from 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Fellowship Hall. It will be a time of fellowship and encouragement in the Word.

6. GOOD FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

Our annual Good Friday Fellowship is scheduled to be held on Friday, 14th April, 2017. This is a church-wide family picnic at the Baptist Retreat Centre at Pares Village and is opened to all members and those who regularly attend one of the churches of the Circuit. All households are expected to make a contribution to the fellowship. Let us pray for all aspects of this fellowship time of fun and games with the brethren.

7. BAPTIST ACADEMY EASTER RALLY

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are advised of the Baptist Academy Easter Rally which will be held on Easter Monday (April 17, 2017) at 7:00 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Centre at Perry Bay. All members are

encouraged to come out and support this evangelistic effort. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will move mightily during this rally.

8. DOWNLOAD APP TODAY

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are kindly asked to support our new project and download the ECBM App from your local App store. Search for "ECBM App" or "Antigua Reformed Baptist," and download for free, an exciting new way to connect to your church, share the Gospel and be spiritually edified in the palm of your hand.

9. 25TH CARIBBEAN BAPTIST HERITAGE CONFERENCE

The Caribbean Baptist Heritage Conference 2017 is approaching. The dates are July 2-5, 2017. The travel days are Saturday, July 1st (arrival) and Thursday, July 6th (departure). The conference will be hosted in St. Lucia by the Deliverance Baptist Church in Ciceron where Pastor Marcellus Henry is the Presiding Elder. The deadline for applications is Sunday, 30th April, 2017. If you are interested in this spiritually enriching experience, please call the church office to reserve your place.

10. CHURCH ATTENDANCE

All members of the Circuit are reminded of their Covenant Responsibility to attend all the stated meetings of the church unless providentially hindered by illness, unusual working conditions **that do not violate the Lord's Day, and other such circumstances** (Heb. 10:24, 25). The stated meetings of the church are as follows: **All services on the Lord's Day (Sunday School, morning and evening worship), Midweek Prayer Services; Church Stewardship (business) Meetings; and any special meetings that the elders shall deem necessary.** Please be reminded that you are expected to advise the elder who is resident at your congregation of any providential hindrances.


HAPPY
wedding ANNIVERSARY
 ~2nd~
 Mr. Freeston & Sis. Linette Robinson
 ~3rd~
 Bro. Kingsley & Sis. Cecilia Irish
 ~5th~
 Mr. Carl & Sis. Sharon Carty
 Bro. Rolston & Sis. Charmaine Nickeo

BE FERVENT IN PRAYER

GENERAL MINISTRY NEEDS

Elders, Deacons, and their families
 Baptist Academy of Antigua
 E.C.B.M. Ministries & Staff
 Evangelistic Ministries
“Sovereign Grace Hour” (ABS TV)



CHURCH FAMILY

HEALTH: Sis. Veronica Roberts, Sis. Louise Pilgrim, Sis. Enid Matthew, Sis. Jean Edwards, Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas, Bro. Nigel Pilgrim, Sis. Rosalind Ferris, Sis. Paula Skerritt, Sis. Cassilda Williams, Sis. Monica Gardener, Sis. Juliette Smith, Sis. Joycelyn Henry, Sis. Magella Selwood

PRIVATE CONCERNS: Bro. Abner Marcellus, Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis. Nadine Smith, Sis. Judy Browne

THANKSGIVING: Sis. Abiola Anthony, Sis. Martha Bowen, Bro. Ephraim Gomes, Sis. Muriel Martin, Sis. Judy Edwards

NEW MEMBERS: Sis. Mowava Robinson, Sis. Leyann Lam,

Bro. Tjorn Burton, Bro. Je'vivre Benjamin, Sis. Kerrie-Faun Nathan, Sis. Serena Richards, Sis. Michelle Paige, Sis. Helena Williams, Bro. Corly Francis, Sis. Euly Williams, Sis. Alesha Joseph, Bro. Kyle Abraham, Bro. Enrico St. Jean, Sis. Ashika Davis

WATCH CARE: Sis. Irene Jonas, Bro. Charles Richards, Sis. Enid Matthew

OTHER CONCERNS

SAVING GRACE: George Browne, Khalid Browne, Hamadi Browne, Michelle Nicholas, Sam Nicholas, Martin Browne, Theo Blair, Milbert Joseph, Margaret Lewis, Athalia Andrew, Khadijah Andrew, Cherisse James, Kurt Spencer, Christophe Marcellus, Jaeda Joseph, Brendalee Smith, Nesha Joseph, Devaughnia George, Andy Josiah, Patrice Josiah, Arah Sheridan, Joshua Joseph, John Bowen, Ajani Dowdie, Gregson Pilgrim, Jamol Pilgrim, Chelsea Barlow, Chikaede Barlow, Martina Edwards, Egan Bazilo, Colin Baker, Otis Brisport, Carlos Jarvis, Carlon Jarvis, Carlson Jarvis, Salonge Wynter, Nadisha Jardine, Thea-Lee Hurst, Arnelle Gray, Neville Bannis, Joseph Choy

THIS WEEK

Sunday

08:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ABS TV)
 08:00 a.m. Worship: Tyrells & Covenant
 09:00 a.m. Sunday School: Central
 09:45 a.m. Sunday School: Tyrells & Covenant
 10:00 a.m. Worship: Central
 06:00 p.m. Joint Worship: Tyrells

Monday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting

Tuesday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 06:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting: Central

Wednesday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 07:00 p.m. Monthly Stewardship Meeting: Central

Thursday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting

Friday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 06:30 p.m. BLAST Girls: Central (BAA Grounds)
 06:30 p.m. BLAST Boys: Central (Conference Room)

Saturday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 07:00 p.m. **New Member's Forum: Central Baptist Fellowship Hall**

ECBM DIRECTORY



Central Baptist Church	462-2894
Tyrells Baptist Church	460-3557
Covenant Baptist Church	561-4022
Baptist Academy	462-2894
Baptist Retreat Centre	463-8801

Eldership

Hensworth W. C. Jonas (Presiding)	771-4888
Ivor J. Walker (Associate)	464-1644
Orvin D. E. Paige (Associate)	464-1014
Joshua M. Jonas (Staff Associate)	726-9662
Rolando A. Lewis (Staff Associate)	784-6147

Diaconate

David S. Jarvis (Chairman)	464-7477
Earl W. F. Skerritt	722-4313
Ian J. Blair	773-1061
John Patrick Tomlinson	786-7957

Pray without ceasing. | Thessalonians 5:17

Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Ephesians 6:1-2
 Elementary — Matthew 5:16
 Secondary & Adults — Proverbs 28:13