

# FAMILY NEWS

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## GOD UNCHANGING

*“You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but you are the same, and your years have no end” —Psalm 102:25-27*





All people are looking for security in this ever-changing world. Some people seek refuge in the arms of another, investing all of their hope in the relationships they have with others. Many individuals place their trust in the government, believing that the leaders of their country can give them permanent safety from all ills. Still others trust in their bank account balance, thinking that they will be safe and sound if they can just sock away a sufficient sum.

Yet what could be more foolish than putting one's hope in that which is unable to bear it? Other people will fail us. Governments rise and fall. A financial crisis could wipe out all of our savings. None of these, or anything else in creation, can give us the security for which we long. Only the One who is not subject to change is able to provide us with the safety we need.

The author of Psalm 102 recognized this truth, which is why in the midst of his suffering and insecurity he turns to the Lord. As we see in this hymn, it is the psalmist's sound understanding of the character of God that sustains him as he walks through the gauntlet of trials and tribulations. How can he be confident that the Lord will finally have pity on Zion (v. 13)? How is he sure that the Creator will build up Zion and hear the prayer of the destitute (vv. 16–17)? From where does his assurance that the nations will worship the God of Israel come (vv. 18–22)? The answer to all of these questions is the same: from his understanding that the Lord God Almighty never

## *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 **“Dangers of Religiosity”** based on **Luke 4:14-30**.
-  **Pastor Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **“Intimacy with Christ”** based on **Revelation 3:19-20**.
-  **Dr. Hensworth Jonas** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic **“Relevant Preaching”** based on **I Corinthians 1:23-24**.
-  **Dr. Hensworth Jonas** will also preach at the **6:00 p.m.** joint service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **“Religious Perversion”** based on **Colossians 2:18-23**.

changes. And if God never changes, then His promises to redeem His people can never fail (2 Tim. 2:13). The psalmist reveals the unchanging nature of God by comparing Him to those aspects of creation that seem the most permanent—the heavens and the foundation of the earth. All these will pass away, but God Himself will remain ever the same (Ps. 102:25–28). The message to us is clear—only the Creator can make us secure and save us to the uttermost. John Calvin comments, “What are the changes which the whole world undergoes but a kind of presage, yea a prelude of destruction? If the whole frame-work of the world is hastening to its end, what will become of the human race? If all nations are doomed to perish, what stability will there be in men individually considered? We ought therefore to seek stability no where else but in God.” —[www.ligonier.org](http://www.ligonier.org)

## READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR...

Today, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> – Jer. 47-49  
 Monday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> – Jer. 50-52; Heb. 6  
 Tuesday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – Lament. 1-2; Heb. 7  
 Wednesday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> – Lament. 3-4; Heb. 8  
 Thursday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Lament. 5, Ezek. 1; Heb. 9  
 Friday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> – Ezek. 2-3; Heb. 10-11  
 Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> – Ezek. 4-5  
 Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Ezek. 6-8



## MEMORY VERSE LIST FOR ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Genesis 1:1, 27        | 27. Romans 6:23             |
| 2. Deuteronomy 29:29      | 28. Romans 8:28             |
| 3. II Chronicles 7:14     | 29. I Corinthians 10:13     |
| 4. Psalm 1:1-2            | 30. II Corinthians 5:17     |
| 5. Psalm 19:14            | 31. Galatians 5:22-23       |
| 6. Psalm 27:1             | 32. Galatians 6:7           |
| 7. Psalm 46:1             | 33. Ephesians 2:8-9         |
| 8. Psalm 66:18            | 34. Ephesians 4:32          |
| 9. Psalm 90:11-12         | 35. Ephesians 6:1-2         |
| 10. Psalm 119:11, 105     | 36. Philippians 1:6         |
| 11. Psalm 121:1-2         | 37. Philippians 4:8         |
| 12. Proverbs 3:5-6        | 38. Philippians 4:13        |
| 13. Proverbs 15:3         | 39. Philippians 4:19        |
| 14. Proverbs 28:13        | 40. I Thessalonians 5:16-18 |
| 15. Ecclesiastes 12:1     | 41. I Thessalonians 5:22    |
| 16. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 | 42. I Timothy 4:12          |
| 17. Lamentations 3:22-23  | 43. I Timothy 6:6-7         |
| 18. Isaiah 1:18           | 44. II Timothy 3:16-17      |
| 19. Jeremiah 17:9         | 45. II Timothy 1:7          |
| 20. Matthew 5:16          | 46. Hebrews 11:1, 6         |
| 21. Matthew 6:33          | 47. Hebrews 13:5            |
| 22. John 3:16-17          | 48. James 4:6-7             |
| 23. John 14:6             | 49. I Peter 5:6-7           |
| 24. John 15:5             | 50. I John 1:9              |
| 25. Acts 4:12             | 51. I John 2:15             |
| 26. Romans 3:23           | 52. Revelation 4:11         |

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

SERIES: **"Game Changer: How To Impact Your World"**

Study # 6 Act Faithfully — Part 1 of 2  
 (Daniel 6:6-10, 13-16, 19-22)

*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

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

*We celebrate with Bro. Corly Francis and Sis. Moira DeCastro on their official engagement. Let us pray for this couple as they make plans for their future together.*



## MEMORY VERSE LIST FOR KINDERGARTEN 5 SUNDAY SCHOOL

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| 1. Genesis 1:1    | 6. Psalm 119:11  |
| 2. Proverbs 28:13 | 7. Psalm 119:105 |
| 3. Psalm 19:14    | 8. Psalm 121:1-2 |
| 4. Psalm 46:1     | 9. Matthew 5:16  |
| 5. Psalm 66:18    | 10. Matthew 6:33 |

# Lord's Supper This Morning





## 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. EVENTS PREPARATION MEEETING

All members of the Events Preparation Ministry are advised of a meeting this Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

### 3. TRUSTEES MEETING ON TUESDAY

All members of the Trustees are reminded of their meeting this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. **in the Presiding Elder's office.** Be punctual.

### 4. 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.

### 5. 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 now meet from 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. in the Central Baptist Fellowship Hall. and the BLAST Boys Club will meet from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in Pastor Joshua **Jonas' office.** Do not miss this time of great fellowship!

### 6. 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, 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 from 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. at the Covenant Baptist Fellowship Hall. It will be a time of fellowship and encouragement in the Word.

### 7. HARVEST AND ANNIVERSARY 2016

Harvest in the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches is here again! This year's celebrations also includes the 51st Anniversary of Central Baptist Church as well as the 24th Anniversary of Tyrells Baptist Church. The dates are November 25-27, 2016. The guest preacher is Elder David Morris of North Carolina, USA. Our activities will include the following week-end schedule:

- ❖ ECBM Harvest Gospel Meeting at the Tyrells Baptist Church (Friday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.)
- ❖ ECBM Elders Luncheon at the BAA Canteen (Saturday, November 26 at 1:30 p.m.)

- ❖ ECBM Harvest Gospel Meeting at the Covenant Baptist Church (Saturday, November 26 at 7:00 p.m.)
- ❖ Sunday Morning Services at all Churches Sunday, November 27 at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.)
- ❖ Local Church Luncheon at all Churches (Sunday, November 27 at 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.)
- ❖ ECBM Harvest Gospel Meeting at Central Baptist Church (Sunday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m.)

Each and every church member is challenged to make a sacrificial contribution this year to the filling of the house in all of the meetings, the decorations of each church's chapel for Harvest, the food for the Church-Wide meals, the prayers for the guest preacher and other guests, and the prayers for the planning of the events.

### 8. MEMORY VERSE COMPETITION

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are advised of our joint Annual Memory Verse Competition which will be held on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2016, at the Covenant Baptist Church. Sunday School teachers should begin to prepare secondary students and elementary students. The memory verse lists for the elementary students are printed in the Family News. Secondary students must consult their teachers concerning their lists.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!**

~6th November - 12th November~

~ Today ~

Bro. Andrew Josiah — Tyrells  
Bro. Sherwin Parker—Tyrells

~ 7th ~

Sis. Sharma Matthew—Central  
Sis. Melanie Benn—Central

~ 8th ~

Shakwan Serrant—Central

~ 9th ~

Zackyle Joseph—Central

~ 10th ~

Sis. Jo-Ann Paige—Covenant

Sis. Sarah Maina—Central

Sis. Molvie Barthley—Tyrells

~ 12th ~

Sis. Tarra Bryan—Tyrells

Ajenéa Bryan—Tyrells

# 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 & Abundant Life Radio)

## CHURCH FAMILY

**HEALTH:** Bro. Egbert Gordon, Sis. Sharon Carty, Sis Chanda Jonas, Sis. Veronica Roberts, Sis. Louise Pilgrim, Sis. Enid Matthew, Sis. Jean Edwards, Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas, Sis. Ann-Marie Pilgrim, Bro. Nigel Pilgrim, Sis. Rosalind Ferris, Sis. Paula Skerritt, Sis. Cassilda Williams, Sis. Sonia Charles, Sis. Monica Gardener, Sis. Pamela Walcott, Sis. Juliette Smith, Sis. Priya Jattan

**PRIVATE CONCERNS:** Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis. Maria Hurst, Sis. Yvonne Lee, Sis. Nadine Smith, Sis. Curline Joseph  
 Dea. Ian & Sis. Bronwen Blair

**THANKSGIVING:** Bro Sherwin & Sis Sandra Nicole Parker, Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis Alesha Joseph, Sis Abiola Anthony

**NEW MEMBERS:** Sis. Michelle Paige, Sis. Helena Williams, Bro. Corly Francis, Sis. Eulyn Williams, Sis. Alesha Joseph, Bro. Kyle Abraham, Bro. Enrico St. Jean, Sis. Ashika Davis, Sis. Celinne Bolivard, Sis. Telesha Choy, Sis. Charissa Watkins, Bro. Ken Murray, Sis. Gloria Herrera, Bro. Kareem Michael, Sis. Clytie Francis, Bro. R. Oliver Baptiste, Bro. Shane Cory, Sis. Victoria Charlton, Sis. Eliena Louisa, Bro. Xavier Joseph, Bro. Zakeem Michael, Bro. Akeel Jarvis, Sis. Esther René

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

**SHUT IN:** Sis. Edith McCoy

## OTHER CONCERNS

**SAVING GRACE:** Athalia Andrew, Khadijah Andrew, BrendaLee Smith, Nesha Joseph, Moses Walton, Dave Walton, David Toussaint, Henderson Joseph, John Bowen, Brian Griffith, John Lee, Nikeisha Lee, Gregson Pilgrim

**NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS:** Christine Powell (Central), Kerrie-Faun Nathan (Central), Serena Richards (Covenant), Tijorn Burton (Central), Mowava Robinson (Covenant)

*Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17*

## Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Matthew 5:16  
 Elementary — 1John 2:15  
 Secondary & Adults — II Timothy 1:7

# THIS WEEK

- Sun. 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
- Mon. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
- Tues. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting  
 03:00p.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)  
 05:00p.m. Events Preparation Meeting: Central  
 06:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting: Central
- Wed. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting  
 07:00 p.m. Monthly Stewardship Meeting: Central
- Thurs. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
- Fri. 09:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)  
 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting  
 06:30 p.m. BLAST (Girls) Youth Ministry: Central  
 06:30 p.m. BLAST (Boys) Youth Ministry: Central
- Sat. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting  
 07:00 p.m. **NewMembers' Forum:** Covenant Fellowship Hall

## ECBM DIRECTORY

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