

FAMILY



NEWS

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THE GLORY OF GOD

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.




1 Corinthians 10:31

This life is not to be valued but as it yields opportunities to glorify God. We were not sent into the world to live for ourselves, but for God. If we could make ourselves, then we could live for ourselves. If we could be our own first cause, then we might be our own end. But God made us for Himself, and sent us into the world for Himself. It is not our duty to glorify God in heaven only, but also here on earth in the midst of difficulties and temptations. No one is sent into the world to be idle, or to bring forth fruit to themselves, but **God's glory must be our chief work and aim while we are here upon earth.** We must not promote merely our own interests.

Every man, besides his general calling, has his own work and course of service where he might glorify and honour God; 'I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do' (*John 17: 4*). In a great house one has one employment, one another: so God has designed for every man the work he has to do; some in one calling, and some in another; but all have their service and work given them for **God's glory.** Every morning we should revive the sense of this upon our hearts. This day I am going to live with

From The Pulpit...



-  **Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m. service** at the **Covenant Baptist Church (Friars Hill Road)** on the topic **"Rejecting Assimilation"** based on **John 7:1-9.**
-  **Brother Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m. service** at the **Tyrells Baptist Church (Tyrells Main Road)** on the topic **"Hope For The Lawless"** based on **2 Samuel 12:1-15.**
-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **10:00 a.m. service** at the **Central Baptist Church (Radio Range)** on the topic **"The Gripping Love of God"** based on **1 John 3:1.**

God. When a Christian leaves home in the morning, he **must remember he is at Christ's disposal; he is not to do as he pleases, but to be guided by rule, and for God's glory**— not only in his duties or immediate conversation with God, but in his sports, business, and recreation. What is it to do things in the name of Christ, **but to do them according to Christ's will and command?** In discharge of this work, we must do it all for **God's glory. We can do nothing without Him. If we have anything to do for God, we must do it in His own strength, in every word and every deed.**

—THOMAS MANTON



THINK IT THROUGH...

The Reason for Singing

The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

(Zephaniah 3:17)

What a word is this! Jehovah God in the center of His people in all the majesty of His power! This presence alone suffices to inspire us with peace and hope. Treasures of boundless might are stored in our Jehovah, and He dwells in His church; therefore may His people shout for joy.

We not only have His presence, but He is engaged upon His choice work of salvation. "He will save." He is always saving: He takes His name of Jesus from it. Let us not fear any danger, for He is mighty to save.

Nor is this all. He abides evermore the same, He saves, He finds rest in loving, He will not cease to love. His love gives Him joy. He even finds a theme for song in His beloved. This is exceedingly wonderful. When God wrought creation He did not sing but simply said, "It is very good"; but when He came to redemption, then the sacred Trinity felt a joy to be expressed in song, Think of it, and be astonished! Jehovah Jesus sings a marriage song over His chosen bride. She is to Him His love, His joy, His rest, His song. O Lord Jesus, by Thine immeasurable love to us teach us to love Thee, to rejoice in Thee, and to sing unto Thee our life-psalm.

-Charles Spurgeon



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~11th October - 17th October~

- ~12th October~
Bro. Neville Bowen—Covenant
- ~14th October~
Sis. Jeanine Jonas—Central
- ~15th October~
Sis. Inovia Oreste—Central
- ~17th October~
Aaliyah Trotman—Tyrells

Sunday School Adult & Youth Reading

Prepare for next week...

SERIES: "LIKE NO OTHER—THE LIFE OF CHRIST"

Study #6 Resurrected Like No Other—Part 1 of 2
(Matthew 28:1-10)

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

E-MAIL PRAYER REQUESTS



Noonday Prayer Ministry

- ❖ We meet for prayer at **Central** from **12 noon to 1pm** from **Monday to Saturday**. All are welcomed to join us.
- ❖ Your request 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



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. HARVEST & ANNIVERSARY PLANNING

All Elders, Deacons, and the members of the Events Preparation Ministry are advised of a very important planning meeting on Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. sharp at the Central Baptist Church for the planning of our 50th anniversary. Please make an effort to be on time.

2. CREATIVE ARTS MINISTRY MEETING

All members of the ECMB Creative Arts Ministry are advised of rehearsal on Monday, 12th October, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

3. HARVEST AND ANNIVERSARY 2015

Harvest in the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches is here again! This year's celebrations also includes the 50th Anniversary of Central Baptist Church as well as the 23rd Anniversary of Tyrells Baptist Church. The dates are November 27-29, 2015. The theme is "Lay Aside Every Weight" (Hebrews 12:1). The guest preacher is Pastor Patrick Harrison of the Reformed Baptist Church of Lafayette, New Jersey, USA. Our activities will include the following weekend schedule:

- ❖ Evangelistic Meeting at the Tyrells Baptist Church (Friday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m.)
- ❖ Church-Wide Prayer Breakfast at the Baptist Retreat Centre (Saturday, November 28 at 7:00 a.m.),
- ❖ Elders & Deacons Luncheon at Central Baptist Church (Saturday, November 28 at 1:30 p.m.)
- ❖ Evangelistic Meeting at the Covenant Baptist Church (Saturday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m.)
- ❖ Sunday Morning Services at all Churches (Sunday, November 29 at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.)
- ❖ Church-Wide Dinner at all Churches (Sunday, November 29 at 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.)
- ❖ Evangelistic Meeting at Central Baptist Church (Sunday, November 29 at 6:00 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 guests preacher and other guests, and the prayers for the planning of the event.

4. DOMINICA RELIEF FUND

Special envelopes are now available for aid to our Dominican brethren. Our goal is to collect \$30,000 (Eastern Caribbean Dollars) by the end of October to bring relief to the Roseau Berean Bible Church and the Berean Christian Academy. Let every one give generously, remembering God's grace to us in our time of need. Luke 6:38--"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom..."

5. BLAST YOUTH MINISTRY

All teenage boys and girls are reminded of BLAST (Building Lives Around Scriptural Truth) this Friday at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and a pen. Be there!

6. BAPTIST ACADEMY ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Church members are encouraged to plan to attend a service of thanksgiving to mark 24 years of service for the Baptist Academy of Antigua on October 18, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Let us celebrate the blessing of God upon this ministry of the ECBM.

HAVING A BURDENED HEART FOR THE LOST...

"Every true Christian should be exceedingly earnest in prayer concerning the souls of the ungodly, and when they are so, how abundantly God blesses them, and how much the church prospers. But beloved, souls may be damned, yet how few of you care about them! Sinners may sink into perdition, yet how few tears are shed over them! The whole world may be swept away by a torrent down the precipice of woe, yet how few really cry to God on its behalf. How few men say, 'Oh that my head were waters and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I may weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!' We do not lament before God the loss of men's souls, as it well becomes Christians to do."

—Charles H. Spurgeon

This Week

- Sun. 8:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ABS TV)
 8:00 a.m. Worship: Tyrells & Covenant
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Central
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School: Tyrells & Covenant
 10:00 a.m. Worship: Central
 6:00 p.m. Worship: All Churches
 7:00 p.m. Sunday School: All Churches
- Mon. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Creative Arts Rehearsal: Central
- Tues. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 3:00 p.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
 6:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting: Central
- Wed. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 7:00 p.m. Prayer Service & Fellowship Groups: All Churches
- Thurs. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Harvest Planning Meeting: Central
- Fri. 9:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 6:30 p.m. BLAST Youth Ministry: Central
- Sat. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting

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

PRIVATE CONCERNS: Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis. Judy Edwards, Bro. Anthony & Sis. Tamisha Browne, Sis. Nadine Smith

THANKSGIVING: Bro. Charlesworth & Sis. Suzette Dowdie

NEW MEMBERS: Bro. Zakeem Michael, Bro. Dr. Bhaskara Murikipudi, Sis. Nia Santana, Bro. Jonathas René, Bro. Akeel Jarvis, Sis. Curline Joseph, Sis. Esther René

WATCH CARE: Sis. Irene Jonas, Sis. Diana Richards, Bro. Charles Richards

SHUT IN: Sis. Enid Matthew, Sis. Edith McCoy

OTHER CONCERNS

SAVING GRACE: Theo Blair, Joshua Joseph, Martina Humphreys, Michelle Nicholas, Sam Nicholas, Kinda Morgan, Saleema Anthony, Akeem Agard, Milbert Joseph, Donald Lewis, Gloria Lewis, Colin Baker, Sharon Grenville, Mark Grenville, Art Bazilio, Lloyd Bazilio, George Browne, Hamadi Browne, Ajani Dowdie, Arianna Dowdie, Athalia Andrew, Kadajah Andrew, Marlensky Salien, Christophe Marcellus, Shari Irish, Reisah Irish

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Sonel Saint Jean (Tyrells), R. Oliver Baptiste (Tyrells), Clytie Francis (Central—restoration), Shane Corey (Central), Kareem Michael (Covenant), Rosemund Haynes (Central—transfer), Victoria Charlton (Central), Sylissa Richards (Covenant), Eliena Louisa (Central), Xavier Joseph (Covenant)

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Ecclesiastes 12:14
 Elementary — Hebrews 13:5
 Secondary & Adults — Philippians 2:9-11

ECBM DIRECTORY

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| 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

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| Hensworth W. C. Jonas (Presiding) | 771-4888 |
| Ivor J. Walker (Associate) | 764-1491 |
| Orvin D. E. Paige (Associate) | 464-1014 |
| Joshua M. Jonas (Staff Associate) | 726-9662 |

Diaconate

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