

FAMILY NEWS

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HONOUR CHRIST




Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory our Father who is in heaven. —Matthew 5:16

Holiness is required, that we may not be a disgrace to God and a dishonour to Him. The sin of God's people stains His honour and profanes His name. When men profess to be a people near God, and live carnally and loosely, they dishonour God exceedingly by their conversation. Men judge by what is visible, and so they think of God by His servants. Since Christ was holy, certainly Christians should live more temperately, justly, and soberly. Men are apt to think of God by His worshippers, and by the people that profess themselves near and dear to Him; therefore it concerns us to walk so, that our lives may honour Him.

There is no way to honour God entirely and sincerely until we have learned both to know and to do His will. Otherwise we do but serve Christ as the devil served Him, who would carry Him upon the top of the mountain, but with the intent to bid Him to throw Himself down again. So we seem to exalt God much in our talk and profession; yea, but we throw Him down, when we pollute Him and deny Him in our conversation. Our lives are the scandal of religion, and a pollu-

From The Pulpit...



-  **Dr. H. W. C. Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic **“From Fasting To Feasting”** based on **Zachariah 8:19.**
-  **Pastor Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **“Monuments of God's Mercy”** based on **Romans 12:1-2.**
-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic **“The Essence of Biblical Faith”** based on **Genesis 12:4-9.**

tion and blot to the name of God. So with respect to ourselves, you see what need we have to go to God, that He will give us grace that we may please Him and glorify His name. Also a Christian should desire all others around him to also glorify God. A fire turns all things near it into fire, and leaven spreads until it has subdued the whole lump. So is the nature of grace, it loves to spread itself. We love to reach and diffuse our influence on others. False professors are not interested in those about them, but a true Christian will be earnest, and much in this matter. Therefore we need to be much in prayer that God's name will be hallowed!

—Thomas Manton



THANKS!!!

Thanks to the Elders, Deacons and members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches for your prayers and support at my recent bridal shower. A special thank you to all those who gave gifts and who took the time to attend this fellowship of celebration with me. I thank the Lord for all of you, and I covet your prayers as Bro. Chavez Watkins and I embark on this journey together. —**Sis. Romancia Moore**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~12th March - 18th March~

~ 13th ~

Bro. Marc Salien—Tyrells

~ 17th ~

Sis. Ariadne Walker — Tyrells

~ 18th ~

Sis. Briana Griffith—Central



THINK IT THROUGH...

I have read of *five men*, who being asked what was **the best means to mortify sin**, gave these answers:

Said the first, "The best means to mortify sin, is to meditate on the terrors of *death*."

Said the second, "The best means to mortify sin, is to meditate on the solemnity of *judgment-day*."

Said the third, "The best means to mortify sin, is to meditate on the joys of *Heaven*."

Said the fourth, "The best means to mortify sin, is to meditate on the torments of *Hell*."

Said the fifth, "The best means to mortify sin, is to meditate on the *death and sufferings of Christ*."

Doubtless the last man hit the nail on the head!

The daily sight of a bleeding, groaning, dying Savior — is the only thing which will subdue and mortify darling sins! —Thomas Brooks

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, Mar. 13th — **Mark 13:21-37**

Monday, Mar. 14th — **Mark 14:1-26**

Tuesday, Mar. 15th — **Mark 14:27-53**

Wednesday, Mar. 16th — **Mark 14:54-72**

Thursday, Mar. 17th — **Mark 15:1-25**

Friday, Mar. 18th — **Mark 15:26-47**

Saturday, Mar. 19th — **Mark 16**

Sunday, Mar. 20th — **Luke 1:1-20**



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

SERIES: UNSTOPPABLE GOSPEL
Study #6 Unstoppable Mission
(Acts 1:4-14)
—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. 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. Download the ECBM App today!

2. EVENTS PREPARATION MEETING

All members of the Events Preparation Ministry are advised of a meeting this Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Central. Please be punctual.

3. 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!

4. CHOIR REHEARSAL

All members of the Voices of Victory and the New Creation Singers are advised of a choir rehearsal on Friday at 5:00 p.m. Please be punctual.

5. 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.

6. 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.

BECOMING FIT FOR GLORY

The Lord will give grace and glory.

(Psalm 84:11)

Grace is what we need just now, and it is to be had freely. What can be freer than a gift? Today we shall receive sustaining, strengthening, sanctifying, satisfying grace. He has given daily grace until now, and as for the future, that grace is still sufficient. If we have but little grace the fault must lie in ourselves; for the Lord is not straitened, neither is He slow to bestow it in abundance. We may ask for as much as we will and never fear a refusal. He giveth liberally and upbraideth not.

The Lord may not give gold, but He will give grace: He may not give gain, but He will give grace. He will certainly send us trial, but He will give grace in proportion thereto. We may be called to labor and to suffer, but with the call there will come all the grace required;

What an "end" is that in the text—"and glory!" We do not need glory yet, and we are not yet fit for it; but we shall have it in due order. After we have eaten the bread of grace, we shall drink the wine of glory. We must go through the holy, which is grace, to the holiest of all, which is glory. These words and glory are enough to make a man dance for joy. A little while—a little while, and then glory forever!

— Charles Spurgeon

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. Tijorn 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 Joseph, 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. Worship: All Churches
 07:00 p.m. Sunday School: All Churches

Monday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting

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12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 06:30 p.m. **Elders' Meeting: Central**

Wednesday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 07:00 p.m. Prayer & Fellowship Groups: All Churches

Thursday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 05:30 p.m. Events Preparation Meeting: Central

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
 05:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal: VOV & NCS

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 4:32
 Elementary — Lamentations 3:22-23
 Secondary & Adults — Proverbs 6:16-19