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GOD'S TIMING

For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. Matthew 7: 8


In the things we ask for in prayer, God knows the proper time so the answers are good for us. God gives us His cheque, but He will pay at His pleasure. The time is concealed and hidden to us, though not uncertain to God. Abraham bound Isaac and his hand was lifted up to kill, but deliverance came at the right moment. There are several reasons why the Lord delays to help and hear us.


(1.) That our faith and dependence on Him might be better tried. We know from experience that though the way is sore and we must be courageous, the outcome is joyful. Though the way is bitter, the victory will be great. The woman of Canaan had a good cause, but the Lord put her off that He might display her faith to us forever (Matt. 15: 28).


(2.) Sometimes it is done to humble us. 'God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble' (James 4: 6). Until we are nothing in our own eyes, He never comes with comfortable deliverance; or until we come to that pinch in which we cry, 'Lord, how long?' as Paul said of himself (2 Cor. 1: 9). The Lord took away his hope of life that he might be humbled and know the only place to find life, help, and comfort in all his extremities.

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 **"The Ascendancy of Corruption"** based on I Kings 18:20-39.

 Brother Rolando A. Lewis will preach at the 8:00 a.m. service at the Tyrells Baptist Church (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **"Sovereign Grace"** based on Romans 9:12-13.

 Pastor Joshua M. Jonas will preach at the 10:00 a.m. service at the Central Baptist Church (Radio Range) on the topic **"The Pursuit Of Holiness"** based on I Peter 1:13-16.

(3.) God puts us off longer to quicken our appetite. We are unwise to think that He intends to put us off forever. God does not want us to give up, but to press Him so much the more. This experience once found is very sweet, though it smarts at the beginning.

(4.) He delays and puts off our requests to enhance the value of the gift. What comes lightly, goes lightly. We highly prize that which cost us dear. If the things of God did not cost us sighs and tears, we would think them easy to be had. God therefore, to enhance their value, keeps them off that we may know their true price.

—RICHARD SIBBES



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~16th August - 22nd August~

~Today-

Sis. Altude Exaie —Tyrells

~18th August-

Dea. Patrick Tomlinson—Covenant

Sis. Sasha Charles—Covenant

~19th August-

Chelsea Barlow—Central

~20th August-

Bro. Egbert Gordon—Central

~21st August-

Bro. Barthelemy Dorsurin—Tyrells

~22nd August-

Limahl Johnson—Tyrells

Alvin Valcin—Covenant

Happy Anniversary

~20th August~

Mr. John Lee & Sis. Yvonne Lee

~22nd August~

Mr. Martin Richards & Sis. San-Joy Richards

Congratulations!

We are grateful to God for His continued blessings and faithfulness to the Baptist Academy of Antigua. The class of 2015 has performed with excellence in the CXC/CSEC Examinations.

BAPTIST ACADEMY CSEC PERFORMANCE 2015...

- ❖ The Baptist Academy of Antigua submitted 14 candidates for the 2015 sitting of the CSEC Examinations. We received 100% passes. All the students passed all of their subjects.
- ❖ We maintained 100% passes in English A and Mathematics.
- ❖ All 14 candidates received a Grade 1 in Mathematics.
- ❖ Our top student is Syreba Cornelius. She passed 15 subjects, receiving 14 Grade 1 passes and one Grade 2 pass.

Baptist Academy of Antigua Form 5 class...

- ❖ Syreba Cornelius (Covenant) - passed 15 subjects with 14 Grade 1's
- ❖ Giselle Abraham - passed 11 subjects with 6 Grade 1's
- ❖ Nneka Morgan - passed 10 subjects with 6 Grade 1's
- ❖ Grantley Edwards (Central) - passed 8 subjects with 6 Grade 1's
- ❖ Kyle Abraham - passed 11 subjects with 5 Grade 1's
- ❖ Remy Richards (Covenant) - passed 9 subjects with 5 Grade 1's
- ❖ Matthew Bailey - passed 9 subjects with 5 Grade 1's
- ❖ J'Qwan Mercury (Central) - passed 9 subjects with 5 Grade 1's
- ❖ Enrico St. Jean (Central) - passed 8 subjects with 5 Grade 1's
- ❖ N'jeri Hazel - passed 11 subjects with 4 Grade 1's
- ❖ Raidon Jarvis (Central) - passed 9 subjects with 4 Grade 1's
- ❖ Najee Burnette - passed 9 subjects with 4 Grade 1's
- ❖ Abdiel Williams - passed 8 subjects with 2 Grade 1's
- ❖ Kerry-Ann Quinland - passed 8 subjects with 1 Grade 1

Students attending our Circuit of Churches from other secondary schools are as follows...

- ❖ Shenika Thompson (Central) passed 10 subjects with 8 Grade 1's.
- ❖ Ashley Powell (Central) passed 9 subjects with 5 Grade 1's.

THANKS!

The Children in Action Ministry gives God thanks for the success of the Children's Camp. Special thanks to all those who sponsored children to attend the camp. Thanks to those who narrated stories and all those who assisted with the other activities. We are also very grateful to the Events Preparation Ministry, the Transportation Ministry and the youth who assisted the children. Thanks to all who made the camp a success.

PRAISE BE TO THE LORD!



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

1. ACTEENS CLUB

All teenage girls are advised of their regular club meeting this **Friday at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Central Baptist Church**. Please be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and pen. Please be punctual.

2. ROYAL AMBASSADORS CLUB

All teenage boys are advised of their regular club meeting this **Friday at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Central Baptist Church**. Please be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and pen. Please be punctual.

3. 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.

4. PROVE THE TITHE

All church members are encouraged to be faithful with the giving of their tithes (10% of gross income) in accordance with the teaching of Malachi 3:8-10, as well as the **Missions Offering** as the Lord blesses you. The former supports our local church programmes and the latter our outreach beyond the walls of our churches. Let us give cheerfully, in obedience to Christ, and keep the work of the ministry strong and efficient.

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

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

Study #2 A Birth Like No Other—Part 1 of 2
(Luke 1:26-35)

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

BEREAVEMENT

The Elders and members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches extend sincere condolences to Sis. Enid Matthew upon the death of her twin sister Fernella Williams. The late Fernella Williams was also the mother of Sis. Muriel Martin. Let us pray for and support our sisters and their families at this critical time. Pray that the Lord will comfort these families and remind their unsaved relatives of their mortality and need for the Saviour.



FUNERAL SERVICE



The funeral service for the late Cecil Peters, father of **Sister Rosemarie Jarvis**, is schedule for **Monday, August 17, 2015**, at the **Zion Church of God, North Street, St. John's, Antigua**. The service begins at **2:00 p.m.** with tributes starting at 1:30 p.m. All church members are encouraged to support our sister, the Peters and the Jarvis families in this time of bereavement.

"Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep" (Romans 12:15).

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.

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
- Tues. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 3:00 p.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
- 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
- Fri. 9:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 6:30 p.m. Acteens: Central
 6:30 p.m. Royal Ambassadors: Central
- Sat. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting



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 |
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| 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. Skerriit | 722-4313 |
| Ian J. Blair | 773-1061 |
| John Patrick Tomlinson | 786-7957 |

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. Nekecher Ryner,
 Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas, Sis. Ann-Marie Pilgrim,
 Sis. Jean Edwards, Bro. Nigel Pilgrim, Sis. Rosalind Ferris,
 Sis. Paula Skerriit, Sis. Cassilda Williams, Sis. Monica
 Gardener, Sis. Pamela Walcott, Sis. Juliette Smith, Sis.
 Veronica Roberts, Sis. Priya Jattan, Sis. Nelseta Gordon

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

THANKSGIVING: Bro. Carl & Sis. Cassandra Jarvis,
 Sis. Muriel Martin, Bro. Charlesworth & Sis. Suzette
 Dowdie, Bro. Abner Marcellus

NEW MEMBERS: Zakeem Michael, 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, Kadjiah 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), 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 — Genesis 1:1
 Elementary — Philippians 4:19
 Secondary & Adults — 2 Corinthians 6:14