

# FAMILY



# NEWS

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## LOOK TO GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

*Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. 1 Peter 4:19*

When you are surrounded with troubles and dangers, there is the power of God to rely on. Let faith support you; trust in God's omnipotence, as Paul: 'I can do all things through him who strengthens me.' Are you called to grievous sufferings? Imitate the three children: 'Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us.' Like Abraham, believe he is able (Rom. 4:21). Stay yourself on God's power. Consider also God's mercy. There is no condition so low but mercy can reach it; none so bad, but mercy can better it; none so bitter, but mercy can sweeten it; and none so hopeless, but mercy can encourage it. Mercy bears our faith when nothing else can. If we had a friend who can help us with ease, without trouble or expense, with the turning of a hand, it is no hard matter to believe He will do it. So with God. And can we doubt that the Lord will do it? He delights to show mercy (Jer. 9:24). He is omnipotent and omniscient. Compare the attributes of God with what men usually trust. They trust in riches, strength, and princes. Riches are uncertain, unsatisfying, insufficient, limited, and deceitful. God is unchangeable, satisfying, all sufficient, and faithful. Strength is vain. God is omnipotent. Princes are trembling, broken reeds. God is the Rock of Ages. Will men trust in a spider's web, in a shadow, in a lie, and in nothing? Is it not reasonable to trust in the Lord? Use God's attributes to strengthen faith. I am sinful, but God is merciful. I am unworthy, but He is gracious. I abused patience, but He is love. I am unfaith-

## From The Pulpit...



-  **Pastor Dr. H.W.C. Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic "**Salvation Requires Regeneration**" based on **John 3:1-8.**
-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic "**Divine Guardianship**" based on **John 17:11-12.**
-  **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** on the topic "**A Portrait of Redemption**" based on **Ruth 4:1-10.**

ful, but He is faithful. Fix on the attribute of God that most suits your condition. In Him, there is more than we need, more than we desire, more than we can imagine, infinitely more!

—David Clarkson

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• *Sunday School Adult & Youth Reading* •  
• **Prepare for next week...** •  
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• Series: "CONNECTED—MY LIFE IN THE CHURCH" •

• Study #2—Connected in Unity (Ephesians 4:1-6) [Continued] •

• *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

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# 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](mailto:prayer@baptistantigua.org).

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~16th November - 22nd November~

~Today~

Carlson Jarvis - Central  
Sis. Chanda Benjamin - Central  
~17th~

Sis. Joana Joseph - Central  
~18th~

Tijorn Burton - Central  
Thaschama Exaie - Tyrells  
~19th~

Sis. Lettitia Lamothe - Covenant  
~21st

Sis. Karen Wehner - Central

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

~20th November~

Mr. George & Sis. Adelpher Browne  
Bro. Ernst & Sis. Jhislaine Pierre

## MEDITATE ON THIS

*And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham;  
Zephaniah 1:5*

Such persons thought themselves safe because they were with both parties: they went with the followers of Jehovah, and bowed at the same time to Malcham. But duplicity is abominable with God, and hypocrisy His soul hateth. The idolater who distinctly gives himself to his false god, has one sin less than he who brings his polluted and detestable sacrifice unto the temple of the Lord, while his heart is with the world and the sins thereof. To hold with the hare and run with the hounds, is a dastard's policy. In the common matters of daily life, a double-minded man is despised, but in religion he is loathsome to the last degree. The penalty pronounced in the verse before us is terrible, but it is well deserved; for how should divine justice spare the sinner, who knows the right, approves it, and professes to follow it, and all the while loves the evil, and gives it dominion in his heart?

My soul, search thyself this morning, and see whether thou art guilty of double-dealing. Thou professes to be a follower of Jesus—dost thou truly love Him? Is thy heart right with God? Art thou of the family of old Father Honest, or art thou a relative of Mr. By-ends? A name to live is of little value if I be indeed dead in trespasses and sins. To have one foot on the land of truth, and another on the sea of falsehood, will involve a terrible fall and a total ruin. Christ will be all or nothing. God fills the whole universe, and hence there is no room for another god; if, then, He reigns in my heart, there will be no space for another reigning power. Do I rest alone on Jesus crucified, and live alone for Him? Is it my desire to do so? Is my heart set upon so doing? If so, blessed be the mighty grace which has led me to salvation; and if not so, O Lord, pardon my sad offence, and unite my heart to fear Thy name.

~Charles Spurgeon~



## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



### 1. ANNUAL 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, 19th November, at the Covenant Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. Please avail yourself to this means of grace.

### 2. HARVEST FLYER

A flyer for our Harvest Gospel Meetings (November 30-December 3, 2014) has been posted on the ECBM Facebook Page. All members are encouraged to retrieve it and send it via email or facebook to all of their friends and relatives. A few flyers have been printed for physical distribution and are available from the ushers. Each member is encouraged to take at least 3 of the flyers to distribute to their family and friends.

### 3. HARVEST AND GOSPEL MEETINGS

All church members are encouraged to begin to pray for our annual Harvest celebrations and Gospel meetings (November 30-December 3, 2014). This is probably the biggest event on our church calendar and can be mightily used of God for the extension of the kingdom. Official invitations will be printed soon. Begin now to pray for Pastor Keelan Atkinson and Pastor Roger Skepple as they prepare to minister to us. Begin now to plan for who you will bring to church for that Sunday morning and each night of the meetings. Begin now to plan for what plants, fruits and vegetables you will bring to decorate the churches. Begin now to plan on your contribution to our Fellowship Meal after the Harvest Sunday morning service. Everyone must participate in everything and everyone must contribute. Let us do it for the glory of God!

### 4. ACTEENS CLUB

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

### 5. 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. Be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and pen.

### 6. CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

### 7. EVANGELISM THRUST

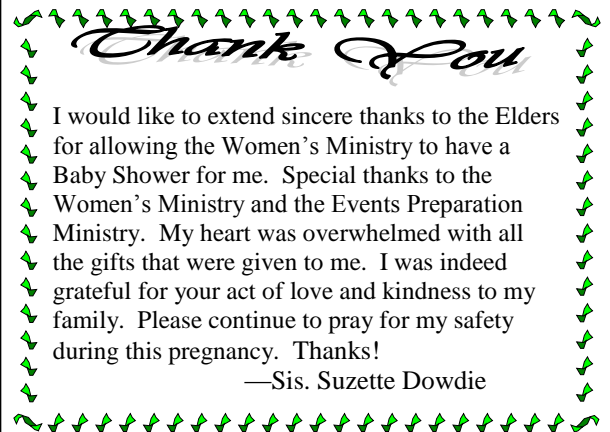
All members are encouraged to pray for and be disciplined participants in our new evangelistic initiative. The adult Sunday School classes have been divided into teams for evangelism by appointment. The youth Sunday School classes will be evangelizing by canvassing the island with the assistance of their counselors and a few young adults. Let us pray for good success in extending the Kingdom of God. We thank all who made an effort yesterday and look forward to 100% participation this coming Saturday.

### 8. DRAMA AND DANCE MINISTRY MEETING

All members of the ECBM Drama and Dance Ministry are advised of rehearsals on Monday, 17th November, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, 20th November, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

### 9. MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

All men of the Circuit are expected to be at the **Men's Prayer Breakfast** this Saturday, 22nd November, 2014 at 7:00 a.m. at the Baptist Retreat Centre at Pares Village. The **Women's Ministry is reminded that it is responsible for the food preparation.** Bring your Bibles as we go before the Lord in prayer, study His Word and fellowship together. Please avail yourself to this means of grace.



# 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.	Sunday School: All Churches
Mon.	12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Drama/Dance Rehearsal: Central
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.	Memory Verse Competition: Covenant
Thurs.	12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Drama/Dance Rehearsal: Central
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
	12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	RAs: Central
	6:30 p.m.	Acteens: Central
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Men's Prayer Breakfast: BRC—Pares</b>
	12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	Church-wide Evangelism: All Churches
	5:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal: (VOV & NCC)

## 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)	764-1491
Orvin D. E. Paige (Associate)	464-1014
Joshua M. Jonas (Staff Associate)	726-9662

### Diaconate

David S. Jarvis (Chairman)	464-7477
Earl W. F. Skerritt	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:** 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. Jasmine Jarvis  
**PRIVATE CONCERNS:** Bro. Anthony & Sis. Tamisha Browne, Sis. Marion Locker, Sis. Judy Edwards, Sis. Romancia Moore, Sis. Genevieve Leo, Sis. Diane Joseph  
**THANKSGIVING:** Sis. Norma Grant, Sis. Marion Locker, Sis. Linette Robinson, Bro. Ernest Davis, Sis. Judy Browne  
**SAFETY IN PREGNANCY:** Sis. Suzette Dowdie, Sis. Jo-Ann Paige  
**NEW MEMBERS:** Bro. Olrich Chery, Sis. Briana Griffith, Sis. Stacey Hector, Sis. Rickeshia Willock, Sis. Priya Jattan, Sis. Marian Locker, Sis. Nadine Fils Aime, Bro. Jonathan Wehner, Bro. Ernst Pierre-Louis, Sis. Benjy Chery, Sis. Aminata Joseph, Sis. Jenee Henry, Sis. Shinel Leo, Bro. Marc Sorel Salien, Sis. Sophia Marcellus, Sis. Marie France Blanchard  
**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, Sharon Grenville, Mark Grenville, Travis Mingo, Elton Isaacs, Sharon Casamir, Nadia Welch, Tameisha Cosier, Michelle Nicholas, Sam Nicholas, Althea Brookes, Chris Browne, Patroy Locker, La'Nica Locker, La'Rica Locker, Sateba Lawrence, Denfield Stevens, Lynda Davis, Julietta George, Clement Henry, David Toussaint, Moses Walton, Dave Walton, Ken Hurst, Debbie Hurst, Ercille Hurst, Egan Bazilio, Lloyd Bazilio, Ajani Dowdie, Shakwan Serrant, Kurt Spencer, Joshua Joseph, Arah Sheridan, Grantley Edwards, Martina Edwards  
**NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS:** Esther René (Central), Trishel Wetherill (Covenant), Jonathas René (Central), Rivert René (Central—Restoration)

*Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17*

## Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Psalm 121:1-2  
 Elementary — Revelation 4:11  
 Secondary & Adults — Titus 3:5