

FAMILY NEWS

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PLEASING GOD




Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.
—2 Corinthians 5:9

Is Christ your Prince? This calls for your loyal and faithful service to Christ— who has saved you from Satan's bondage. He has broken Satan's power over you and is able to defend you from his wrath. In a word, who has a right over you besides Christ? He has given His life to redeem you and has delivered you from all your enemies that you may serve Him without fear in holiness all your days. Let devils and men do their wicked work, but not your hand, O Christian! If you have any loyal blood running in your veins, your own heart will smite you when you break the least skirt of His holy law. You could as well carry burning coals in your bosom, as hide any treason in your heart against your dear Sovereign. No, I would have you desire to advance the name of Christ and be instrumental for God in your generation.

He is not a good subject who only seeks what he can get out of his prince, but never thinks what service he can render. He is not a true Christian whose thoughts dwell more on his own happiness than on the honour of his God. Paul was willing to suffer for the furtherance of the gospel, and to wait for his reward later. This makes life worth living, to serve God as proof of our gratitude for His redeeming love. O Christian, since He has rescued us out of the power of darkness and translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son, lose no time; what you desire to do for God, do it quickly! Work zealously! If you have your new Prince's sword in your hand, be sure to use it and take heed how you use it, that, when you give an account before God, your sheath will not be found

From The Pulpit...



-  **Pastor Orvin Paige** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic **"The Day of Reckoning"** based on **2 Peter 2:9**.
-  **Pastor Ivor Walker** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **"Your Options Are Limited"** based on **Luke 13:1-5**.
-  **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic **"God's Judgment"** based on **2 Peter 2:1-9**.

rusty through sloth and cowardice. Be faithful, attend to your work and labour, for you are His ambassador and shall see His face with joy.

—**WILLIAM GURNALL**

READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Today, July 17th – Psalms 25-27
Monday, July 18th – Psalms 28-31; Acts 19
Tuesday, July 19th – Psalms 32-34; Acts 20:1-16
Wednesday, July 20th – Psalms 35-38; Acts 20:17-38
Thursday, July 21st – Psalms 39-41; Acts 21
Friday, July 22nd – Psalms 42-43; Acts 22
Saturday, July 23rd – Psalms 44-46
Sunday, July 24th – Psalms 47-49



Congratulations

We rejoice with Bro. Rolando Lewis who has completed the requirements for the Master of Theological Studies at the Reformed Baptist Seminary in the USA. He completed the programme with a Grade Point Average of 3.64 on a 4.0 scale. He received honours (Cum Laude). We give God thanks for his success and pray that He will continue to bless and guide him with his future plans.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!

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

SERIES: "PRESSURE POINTS"

Study # 4 The Pressure of Words—Part 2 of 2
(James 3:1-18)

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

CHILDREN'S CAMP 2016

Theme: Walking Joyfully With Jesus



Date: August 8- August 12, 2016
***Registration Fee: \$10.00**
***Balance: \$50.00**

This Day Camp will meet from 9:00 a.m. to noon daily.

But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

—Matthew 19:14

Youth Summer Camp 2016

Theme:

"Unchanging Truth in a Changing World"



***"Heaven and earth shall pass away,
but my words shall not pass away."***

—Matthew 24:35

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~17th July - 23rd July~

~Today~

Bro. Adrian Barron — Tyrells

~18th~

Sis. Jenell Hutson — Central

Bro. Heraldo Mascary — Tyrells

~19th~

Sis. Jasmine Jarvis — Central

~21st~

Sis. Cassilda Williams — Covenant

*Happy is that man who possesses a Bible!
Happier still is he who reads it! Happiest
of all is he who not only reads it, but obeys
it, and makes it the rule of his faith and
practice!" —J. C. Ryle*



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. PRESIDING ELDER ON VACATION

All church members are encouraged to remember the Presiding Elder and his wife as they enjoy a few days vacation. Let us pray that it will be a time of refreshment, both for their marriage as well as their respective relationships with our Lord and Saviour.

2. EVENTS PREPARATION MEETING

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. 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's office**. Do not miss this time of great fellowship!

4. YOUTH CAMP FUND

All members are kindly asked to invest in the life of one or more of our young people by making a generous contribution to the Youth Camp Fund. This fund is to facilitate our young people attending the annual Summer Youth Camps 2016. You may collect a special envelope from the ushers. Invest in the kingdom of God and support our youth.

5. YOUTH SUMMER ACTIVITIES

There will be some exciting activities for the youth this summer. They are as follows:

BLAST Girls): July 25—July 30, 2016

BLAST (Boys): August 1—August 6, 2016

The fee for all of the above activities is \$280.

The theme for the camps is **“Unchanging Truth in a Changing World” (Matthew 24:35)**. Registration for the summer camps has begun. All interested persons are asked to complete the registration forms and pay the \$20.00 registration fee at the church office. The balance of \$280.00 is due today. All church members are asked to pray for all aspects of the camps.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

~Today~

Bro. Mckebe & Sis. Natalya Lawrence

~18th

Dea. David & Sis. Lorna-Mae Jarvis

~20th~

Dea. Earl & Sis. Paula Skerritt

Think It Through!

"The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out."—Leviticus 6:13.

Keep the altar of *private prayer* burning. This is the very life of all piety. The sanctuary and family altars borrow their fires here, therefore let this burn well. Secret devotion is the very essence, evidence, and barometer, of vital and experimental religion.

Burn here the fat of your sacrifices. Let your closet seasons be, if possible, regular, frequent, and undisturbed. Effectual prayer availeth much. Have you nothing to pray for? Let us suggest the Church, the ministry, your own soul, your children, your relations, your neighbours, your country, and the cause of God and truth throughout the world. Let us examine ourselves on this important matter. Do we engage with lukewarmness in private devotion? Is the fire of devotion burning dimly in our hearts? Do the chariot wheels drag heavily? If so, let us be alarmed at this sign of decay. Let us go with weeping, and ask for the Spirit of grace and of supplications. Let us set apart special seasons for extraordinary prayer. For if this fire should be smothered beneath the ashes of a worldly conformity, it will dim the fire on the family altar, and lessen our influence both in the Church and in the world.

The text will also apply to *the altar of the heart*. This is a golden altar indeed. God loves to see the hearts of His people glowing towards Himself. Let us give to God our hearts, all blazing with love, and seek His grace, that the fire may never be quenched; for it will not burn if the Lord does not keep it burning. Many foes will attempt to extinguish it; but if the unseen hand behind the wall pour thereon the sacred oil, it will blaze higher and higher. Let us use texts of Scripture as fuel for our heart's fire, they are live coals; let us attend sermons, but above all, let us be much alone with Jesus

— 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 & Abundant Life Radio)

CHURCH FAMILY

HEALTH: Bro. Egbert Gordon, Sis. Sharon Carty,
 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. Monica Gardener, Sis. Pamela Walcott, Sis. Juliette
 Smith, Sis. Priya Jattan

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

THANKSGIVING: Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis. Judy Edwards
NEW MEMBERS: Bro. Corly Francis, Sis. Eulynd 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. Rosamund
 Haynes, Sis. Victoria Charlton, Sis. Eliena Louisa,
 Bro. Xavier Joseph, Bro. Zakeem Michael, Sis. Nia
 Santana, 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: Thea-Lee Hurst, Milbert Joseph, Donald
 Lewis, Gloria Lewis, Joshua Joseph, Arah Sheridan, Theo
 Blair, Colin Baker, Leslie Hudson, Cheries Jacobs, Shernia
 Paige, Marilkea Davis, Kesi Samuel, John Lee

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Helena Williams (Central),
 Ingrid Thomas (Tyrells)

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Psalm 46:1
 Elementary — Ephesians 6:1-2
 Secondary & Adults — Romans 6:23

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. Worship: All Churches
- 07:00 p.m. Sunday School: All Churches
- Mon. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
- Tues. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
- 03:00 p.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
- 05:00 p.m. Events Preparation Meeting: Central
- 06:30 p.m. **Elders' Meeting: Central**
- Wed. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
- 07:00 p.m. Prayer Service & Fellowship Groups: All Churches
- 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



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