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HINDRANCE TO PRAYER

If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me.

Psalm 66:18

Sin is an hindrance to prayer. When dust clogs the wheels of a watch, it cannot strike true. When the sin of the petitioner is before God's eyes, his petitions cannot enter His ears. Sin shouts louder than our prayers. The smallest sin, loved and liked, will hinder the course of prayer. 'Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or His ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God' (Isaiah 59:1-2).




Put away iniquity far from you when you are drawing near to the throne of grace. Prayer is a bandage to heal a man that is wounded. If a man is wounded by an arrow or bullet, it must be taken out of the body first, before the bandage may be applied.

Prayer will not prevail until the love of sin is taken out of the soul. Anger and worldly thoughts are also a hindrance to prayer. Wrath and anger like leaven sours the sacrifice. He that begs at peace at God's hands must not do it with war in his own heart. Do you think that God will forgive many millions, when you will not forgive your brother one mite? The heathen can love a friend but the Christian must love his enemy. We must forgive those that have wronged us.

Surely, if men considered the infinite affronts they do to the glorious God every day, they would be willing to pardon others. Would you offer to God the gall of malice, revenge, wrath, and bitterness with the sacrifice of your prayers? Worldly thoughts must also be laid aside. When our petitions to God are infested with worldly thoughts, they loose their

From The Pulpit...



-  **Pastor Dr. H.W. C. Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) and also at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic "**Hoodwinked: The Fooling Of Humanity**" based on **Genesis 3:1-9**.
-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic "**A Different Gospel**" based on **Galatians 1:6-10**.
-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will also preach at the **5:00 p.m.** Baptist Academy Thanksgiving Service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic "**Covered And Committed**" based on **2 Timothy 1:12-14**.

sweetness. Truly sometimes a poor Christian loses half a prayer by mingling it with worldly thoughts.

Resolve before you pray to watch your heart carefully so these may not hinder your prayers.

- George Swinnock

Congratulations

*Baptist Academy of Antigua
23rd Anniversary*



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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~19th October - 25th October~

~Today~

Sis. Norma Grant - Central

~20th~

Sis. Yvette Samuel - Central

Sis. Jhislaine Pierre-Louis - Tyrells

~21st~

Theo Blair - Central

~23rd~

Bro. Ephraim Gomes - Tyrells

~24th~

Yashanté Willock - Tyrells

MEMORY VERSE LIST FOR ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

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| 1. Genesis 1:1, 27 | 27. Romans 6:23 |
| 2. Deuteronomy 29:29 | 28. Romans 8:28 |
| 3. II Chronicles 7:14 | 29. I Corinthians 10:13 |
| 4. Psalm 1:1-2 | 30. II Corinthians 5:17 |
| 5. Psalm 19:14 | 31. Galatians 5:22-23 |
| 6. Psalm 27:1 | 32. Galatians 6:7 |
| 7. Psalm 46:1 | 33. Ephesians 2:8-9 |
| 8. Psalm 66:18 | 34. Ephesians 4:32 |
| 9. Psalm 90:11-12 | 35. Ephesians 6:1-2 |
| 10. Psalm 119:11, 105 | 36. Philippians 1:6 |
| 11. Psalm 121:1-2 | 37. Philippians 4:8 |
| 12. Proverbs 3:5-6 | 38. Philippians 4:13 |
| 13. Proverbs 15:3 | 39. Philippians 4:19 |
| 14. Proverbs 28:13 | 40. I Thessalonians 5:16-18 |
| 15. Ecclesiastes 12:1 | 41. I Thessalonians 5:22 |
| 16. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 | 42. I Timothy 4:12 |
| 17. Lamentations 3:22-23 | 43. I Timothy 6:6-7 |
| 18. Isaiah 1:18 | 44. II Timothy 3:16-17 |
| 19. Jeremiah 17:9 | 45. II Timothy 1:7 |
| 20. Matthew 5:16 | 46. Hebrews 11:1, 6 |
| 21. Matthew 6:33 | 47. Hebrews 13:5 |
| 22. John 3:16-17 | 48. James 4:6-7 |
| 23. John 14:6 | 49. I Peter 5:6-7 |
| 24. John 15:5 | 50. I John 1:9 |
| 25. Acts 4:12 | 51. I John 2:15 |
| 26. Romans 3:23 | 52. Revelation 4:11 |

MEMORY VERSE LIST FOR KINDERGARTEN 5 SUNDAY SCHOOL

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| 1. Genesis 1:1 | 6. Psalm 119:11 |
| 2. Proverbs 28:13 | 7. Psalm 119:105 |
| 3. Psalm 19:14 | 8. Psalm 121:1-2 |
| 4. Psalm 46:1 | 9. Matthew 5:16 |
| 5. Psalm 66:18 | 10. Matthew 6:33 |

THINK IT THROUGH...

A sensible thanksgiving, for mercies received, is a mighty prayer in the sight of God; it prevails with him unspeakably. —John Bunyan





MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. BAPTIST ACADEMY CELEBRATES 23RD ANNIVERSARY

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are advised that there will be a special 23rd anniversary service for the Baptist Academy of Antigua **today at 5:00 p.m.** at the Central Baptist Church. We thank God for this institution that promotes Christian education and academic excellence.

2. WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

All women of the Circuit are expected to be at the **Women's Prayer Breakfast this Saturday, 25th October, 2014 at 7:00 a.m.** at the **Baptist Retreat Centre at Pares Village.** The Men'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.

3. 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, 2014,** at the Covenant Baptist Church. Sunday School teachers should begin to prepare secondary students and elementary students. The memory verse lists for the elementary students are printed in the Family News. Secondary students can find their memory verse lists in their Sunday school study guide.

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.** Please 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. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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.



MEDITATE UPON THIS...

A thankful heart is one of the primary identifying characteristics of a believer. It stands in stark contrast to pride, selfishness, and worry. And it helps fortify the believer's trust in the Lord and reliance of His provision, even in the toughest times. No matter how choppy the seas become, a believer's heart is buoyed by constant praise and gratefulness to the Lord.
—John MacArthur

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

- Study Guide: A Catechism by C. H. Spurgeon
- Question #82: **What is meant by the words, "Until He Comes" which are used by the Apostle Paul in reference to the Lord's Supper?**
- *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*

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
 5:00 p.m. Baptist Academy Thanksgiving Service: Central

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)
 6:30 p.m. **Elders' 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

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

Sat. 7:00 a.m. **Women's Prayer Breakfast: BRC—Pares**
 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 3:00 p.m. Church-wide Evangelism: All Churches



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: Sis. Maxime James, Sis. Diane Joseph, Bro. Anthony & Sis. Tamisha Browne
THANKSGIVING: Sis. Judy Edwards
SAFETY IN PREGNANCY: 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: Jamol Pilgrim, Phyllis Mayers, Nalda Streete, Phyllis Hill, Grantley Edwards, Martina Edwards, Ajani Dowdie, Michelle Nicholas, Sam Nicholas, Theo Blair, Kinda Morgan, Martin Browne, Chris Browne, Colin Baker, Travis Mingo, Thea-Lee Hurst, David Toussaint, Dave Walton, Moses Walton, Ken Hurst, Ercuille Hurst, Debbie Hurst, Arah Sheridan, Joshua Joseph, Clarisse Williams, Vivian Mason, Clairfoster Lewis, Lorraine Mason, Kezron Lewis, Dedra Mason, Anna-Kay, Stoshana Johnson, Shari Irish, Reisah Irish, Kingsley Irish Jr., Ajenea Bryan, Micah Ralph, Alisa Lamothe, Ayesha Charles, Shaheem George, L'Wayne Kesto, Christophe Marcellus, Shauna Wehner, Chelsea Barlow, Chikaede Barlow, Milbert Joseph, Dianne Walker
NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Esther René (Central), Trishel Wetherill (Covenant), Jonathas René (Central)

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

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Hensworth W. C. Jonas (Presiding)	771-4888
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Joshua M. Jonas (Staff Associate)	726-9662

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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

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Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Psalm 66:18
 Elementary — James 4:6-7
 Secondary & Adults — Colossians 3:1-3