

FAMILY NEWS

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CHRIST OUR SACRIFICE

The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

John 1: 29



When Christ became our sacrifice, He bore away our sins. The word 'to bear' is a full and emphatic word, signifying not only to bear, but to bear away. This is a real purging of sin. How great a mercy is this! 'Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered' (Psa. 32: 1). Who can express the happiness of such a state as this?

Pardoned reader, let me beg you, look over the cancelled bonds, and see what a vast sum has been remitted to you. Remember your natural state, and yet pardoned. Fully, finally, and freely pardoned! What can you do less than fall down at the feet of free grace that moved so freely towards so vile a sinner? Not long ago your iniquities were upon you. Now they are as far as the east is from the west (Psa. 103: 11-12).

O the unspeakable effectiveness of Christ's sacrifice; it extends to all sins (1 John 1: 7): past, present, without exception, and all sins to come! God 'did not spare His own Son'. Sparing mercy was denied to Christ. Not a moment of time was lessened for the

From The Pulpit...



-  **Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic "**Never Abandoned**" based on **Mark 14:22-31**.
-  **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) and also at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic "**Justified by Faith: Do You Believe?**" based on **Romans 4:9-25**.

suffering and wrath that was appointed for Him. Justice will not bend in the least. What a sad case for your soul, O reader, if you have no interest in this sacrifice! Consider how you can support the infinite wrath that Christ bore in the place of God's elect. Woe and alas for evermore to that man who meets a just God without a mediator! I beseech you, by the mercies of God, in the light of all the love you have for your own soul, do not neglect this opportunity. Get an interest in this sacrifice quickly. What will your state be when vast eternity opens to swallow you up? Happy is that man who can say in a dying hour: 'This is my comfort—"Forgiven!"'

Remember, no sin can stand before the effectiveness of His blood (1 John 1: 7).

JOHN FLAVEL

E.C.B.M. MISSIONS OFFERING



Where does your mission offering go?

- Haiti: Baptist Haiti Mission--Christian schools, churches, hospital, child services
- Dominica: Berean Christian Academy--Staff Support
- USA: Covenant Baptist Theological Seminary--Pastoral Training
- Antigua & Barbuda: Sovereign Grace Hour--Television & Radio

Your tithe supports the budget of your local church.
Give generously above your tithes for missions!

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Sunday School Adult & Youth Reading

Prepare for next week...

SERIES: "AWAKE:THE CALL TO A RENEWED LIFE"

Study #2 Return To Your First Love — Part 2 of 2
(Revelation 2:1-7)

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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NOONDAY PRAYER MINISTRY



- ❖ We meet for prayer at **Central** from **12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.** from **Monday to Saturday.** All are welcomed to join us.
- ❖ Your prayer requests will be the focus of our prayers at each Noonday Prayer Meeting.
- ❖ The e-mail address for this is prayer@baptistantigua.org.

BAPTIST ACADEMY EASTER RALLY

BAA Steel Ensemble



Secondary Choir

&

Dance Group



ECBM Creative Arts Ministry

Location:

The Multi-Purpose Centre
at Perry Bay

Date: March 28th, 2016
Easter Monday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Presentations from the Elementary &
Pre-School Divisions

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~20th March - 26th March~

~ Today ~

Bro. Andre Exaie—Tyrells
Gabriella Thomas—Central

~ 21st ~

Sis. Virginia Garnett—Central
Erturo Pankoga—Tyrells

~ 23rd ~

Bro. Ernst Pierre Louis—Tyrells

~ 24th ~

Sis. Breianna Blair—Central

~ 25th ~

Shauna Wehner—Central

~ 26th ~

Sis. Wanda Campbell—Central

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. GOOD FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

Our annual Good Friday Fellowship will be held this Friday, 25th March, 2016. This is a church-wide family picnic at the Baptist Retreat Centre at Pares Village and is opened to all church members as well as non-members who attend one of the churches of the Circuit. Tickets for regular non-members are available today 20th March, 2016 from your Resident Elder. All households are expected to make the contribution to the fellowship that has been recommended by the Events Preparation Ministry. Let us pray for all aspects of this fellowship time of fun and games with the brethren.

2. CREATIVE ARTS MINISTRY MEETINGS

All members of the ECBM Creative Arts Ministry are advised of their rehearsal on Monday and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

3. EVENTS PREPARATION MEETING

All the members of the Events Preparation Ministry are advised of a meeting on Monday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

4. YOUTH MEETINGS CANCELLED

All members of B.L.A.S.T. are advised that there will be no youth meeting this Friday.

5. NO NOONDAY PRAYER

All members of the Circuit are advised that there will be no noonday prayer time on Good Friday.

6. CARIBBEAN BAPTIST HERITAGE CONFERENCE

Please keep prominent in your prayers the Caribbean Baptist Heritage Conference 2016, which is fast approaching. The dates are July 3-6, 2016. The travel days are Saturday, July 2nd (arrival) and Thursday, July 7th (departure). All delegates are reminded to book their airline tickets accordingly and to do so as soon as possible. The conference will be hosted in Martinique, FWI, by the Eglise Evangélique Baptiste Rivière Salée where Pastor Gabriel Ambrosine is the Presiding Elder. Our Antigua

& Barbuda delegation from the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches will be 15 persons. All delegates are reminded that the registration fee is US\$200.00. This must be paid at the church office by 31st March, 2016 in US currency.

7. BAPTIST ACADEMY EASTER RALLY

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are advised of the Baptist Academy Easter Rally which will be held on Easter Monday (March 28, 2016) at 7:00 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Centre at Perry Bay. All members are encouraged to come out and support this evangelistic effort. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will move mightily during this rally.

8. COVENANT BAPTIST CHURCH 12TH ANNIVERSARY

All members of the ECBM Baptist Circuit of Churches are advised of the up-coming celebration of the 12th Anniversary of the Covenant Baptist Church (Friars Hill Road) on Sunday, 27th March, 2016. That Sunday also coincides with our Easter Sunday celebrations. Members are encouraged to fill every seat in their local churches on that Sunday. There will also be a Joint Service for the Circuit at the Covenant Baptist Church in the evening, and there will be a reception after the service. Let us pray that God will continue to flourish the ministries of Covenant Baptist Church.

READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Today, March 20th – Joshua 5-6

Monday, March 21st – Joshua 7-8; Mark 16

Tuesday, March 22nd – Joshua 9-10; Luke 1:1-56

Wednesday, March 23rd – Joshua 11-12; Luke 1:57-80

Thursday, March 24th – Joshua 13-14; Luke 2:1-21

Friday, March 25th – Joshua 15-17; Luke 2:22-52

Saturday, March 26th – Joshua 18-20; Luke 3

Sunday, March 27th – Joshua 21-22



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: Sis. Chanda Jonas, Sis. Veronica Roberts,
 Sis. Louise Pilgrim, Sis. Enid Matthew, Sis. Sharon Carty,
 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. Priya Jattan,
 Sis. Faye Charlton, Sis. Virginia Garnette, Sis. Cecelia Irish

PRIVATE CONCERNS: Sis. Dianne Joseph, Bro. Abner
 Marcellus, Bro. Ephraim Gomes,

THANKSGIVING: Bro. Xavier Joseph, Bro. Ivan & Sis. Maria
 Hurst, Bro. Ernest Davis, Bro. Malique Gerald, Sis. Pamela
 Walcott, Sis. Nadine Smith

NEW MEMBERS: Sis. Celine 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. Curline Joseph, Sis. Esther René

WATCH CARE: Sis. Irene Jonas, Bro. Charles Richards,
 Sis. Enid Matthew

SHUT IN: Sis. Edith McCoy

OTHER CONCERNS

SAVING GRACE: Julietta George, Moses Walton, Dave
 Walton, David Walton, Daid Toussaint, Lynda Davis,
 Christophe Marcellus, Sofia Morgan, Jace Spencer, Kurt
 Spencer, Dawn Williams, Arriana Dowdie, Ajani Dowdie,
 Theo Blair, Edric Tonge Jr., Edric Tonge Sr., Halle Johnson,
 Craig Williams, Theresa Edwards

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: **La'Rica Locker (Covenant)**,
 Eulyn Williams (Central), Carlos Jarvis (Central), Ashika
 Davis (Covenant), Alesha Joseph (Central), Kyle Abraham
 (Covenant), Enrico St. Jean (Central)

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Ephesians 6:1-2
 Elementary — Isaiah 1:18
 Secondary & Adults — Psalm 121:1-2

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
 5:30 p.m. Events Preparation Meeting: Central
 6:00 p.m. Creative Arts Rehearsal: Central
- 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
 6:00 p.m. Creative Arts Rehearsal: Central
- Fri. 9:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
 10:00 a.m. Joint Good Friday Fellowship: BRC—Pares
- Sat. 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting



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Tyrells Baptist Church	460-3557
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Baptist Academy	462-2894
Baptist Retreat Centre	463-8801

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