

# FAMILY NEWS



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## DEPENDENCE ON GOD!

*O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.*

*2 Chronicles 20: 12*


**T**imes of adversity are reasonable times to trust in God. When we have no bread to eat, or water to drink, but only afflictions and astonishments, this is a time not for over-grieving, murmuring, sinking, desponding, despairing, but for trusting. In a tempest a believer must cast his anchor upward.


Trust is a believer's choicest antidote against fainting, swooning, and sinking. When the hand of the Lord has greatly multiplied our sorrows; when He breaks upon us with breach upon breach; when His arrows stick fast in us, and His hand presses us sore; when we are fain to eat ashes like bread and to mingle our drink with weeping; now is a time to stir up our faith to purpose. In this tempest, faith sits at the helm and preserves the soul from shipwreck.

Faith grapples with the Goliath of affliction, and overcomes it. When the heart is apt to fail, when the soul is apt to swoon, faith draws forth its bottle and administers a reviving cordial. Amidst all storms, winds, and tempests, yea, in a hurricane of sorrow and misery, faith knows where and how to cast anchor: 'Let not your hearts be troubled' (John 14: 1). Faith is the antidote and healer of all diseases. It allows a believer to live in the midst of death. God has extraordinary means to bear us up when ordinary ones fail. He can turn poisons into antidotes, hindrances into furtherances, and destructions into deliverances. The ravens give Elijah food. A whale becomes Jonah's ship, and pilot too. An Almighty God can work without means. God often brings His people into such a condition that they do not know what to do. He does this

## From The Pulpit...



 **Pastor Joshua Jonas** 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 **"Steps To Persevere"** based on **I Timothy 6:11-12.**

 **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **"The Blessing of Salvation"** based on **John 7:37-39.**

that they might know what He can do. God is with His people at all times, but He is most sweetly with them in the worst of times.

—THOMAS LYE

## READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Today, May 22<sup>nd</sup>— I Chronicles 5-6

Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>— I Chronicles 7-8; John 7

Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>— I Chronicles 9-11; John 8:1-11

Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>— I Chronicles 12-14; John 8:12-38

Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>— I Chronicles 15-17; John 8:39-59

Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>— I Chronicles. 18-20; John 9

Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>— I Chronicles 21-23

Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>— I Chronicles 24-26



### 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!

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

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

Series Revision Session

*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

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

# 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



We rejoice with **Bro. Andrew Joseph, Sis. Chauntel Jarvis** and **Sis. Alexandra Joseph**, who graduated on **Wednesday, May 11th, 2016** from Pensacola Christian College in Florida, USA.

**Bro. Andrew Joseph** graduated with a **Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Marketing**, **Sis. Chauntel Jarvis** graduated with a **Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education**. **Sis. Alexandra** graduated with a **Master of Business Administration**.

We give God thanks for the success of our students, and we pray that He will continue to bless and guide them with their future plans.



## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



### 1. PRESIDING ELDER TRAVELS

Please remember Dr. Jonas in prayer as he ministers the Word abroad. Yesterday he began a conference in Richmond, Virginia, USA, at the All Saints Reformed Presbyterian Church. He will preach four times as well as lead two Q & A sessions under the theme "Christian Discipleship." On Tuesday, he will travel to Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania, USA, where he will deliver two sermons at the Banner of Truth (BOT) USA Ministers' Conference where over 300 pastors from around the world are expected. The theme of the 2016 BOT USA Ministers' Conference is "Kingdom Life In A Hostile World." Let us thank the Lord that He is using our Presiding Elder for the extension of the Kingdom worldwide.

### 2. YOUTH SUMMER ACTIVITIES

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

BLAST (Girls): July 25—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 by Sunday, 5th June, 2016. The balance of \$280.00 is due Sunday, 3rd July, 2016. All church members are asked to pray for all aspects of the camps.

### 3. 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.

### 4. CHILDREN IN ACTION LEADERS MEETING

All leaders of the Children In Action Ministry are advised of a meeting on Monday, May 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

### 5. ENCOURAGEMENT MINISTRY MEETING


All members of the Encouragement Ministry are advised of a meeting on Thursday, May 26, 2016 from 6:30p.m. to 8:00p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

### 6. 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.** The BLAST Girls members are asked to note the new times for their meeting as it comes into effect as of this Friday. Do not miss this time of great fellowship!

### 7. CARIBBEAN BAPTIST HERITAGE CONFERENCE

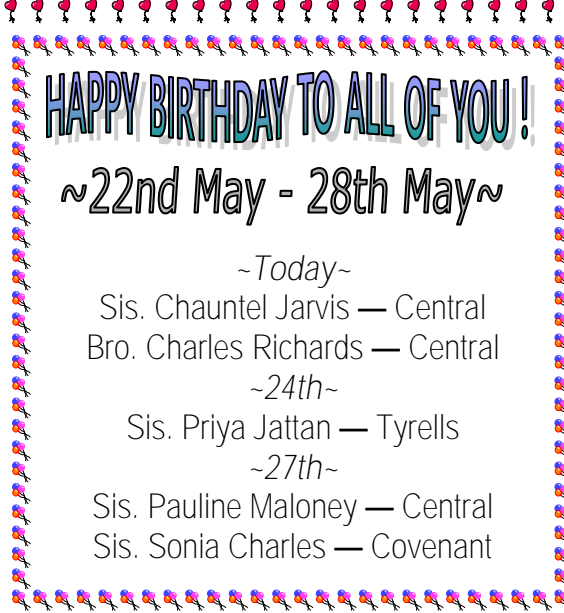
Please keep prominent in your prayers the Caribbean Baptist Heritage Conference 2016, which is fast approaching. The dates are July 3-6, 2016. The travel days are Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> (arrival) and Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> (departure). All delegates are reminded to book their airline tickets 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 Ambroisine is the Presiding Elder. Pray for our Antigua & Barbuda delegation from the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches and for all aspects of the conference.



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

~26<sup>th</sup>~

Bro. Andrew & Sis. Icilma Josiah



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~22<sup>nd</sup> May - 28<sup>th</sup> May~

~Today~

Sis. Chauntel Jarvis — Central

Bro. Charles Richards — Central

~24<sup>th</sup>~

Sis. Priya Jattan — Tyrells

~27<sup>th</sup>~

Sis. Pauline Maloney — Central

Sis. Sonia Charles — Covenant

# 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. 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. Jamelia Edwards, Sis. Yvonne Lee, Sis. Nadine Smith, Dea. Ian & Sis. Bronwen Blair

THANKSGIVING: Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis. Judy Edwards

NEW MEMBERS: 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. 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: Jalon Lewis, Shenique Barry, Anna-Kay Johnson, Stoshana Johnson, Shantol Johnson, Cheries Jacobs, Shernia Paige, Marleka Davis, Kesi Samuel, Lynda Davis, Jamol Pilgrim, Javonte Pilgrim, Lisa Pilgrim

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Eulyn Williams (Central), Carlos Jarvis (Central), Alesha Joseph (Central), Kyle Abraham (Covenant), Enrico St. Jean (Central), Helena Williams (Central), Corly Francis (Tyrells), Michael Gilbert (Central), Swinda Gilbert (Central), Godfrey Jarvis (Central), Ingrid Thomas (Tyrells)

*Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17*

## Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Revelation 4:11  
 Elementary — Romans 6:23  
 Secondary & Adults — Luke 9:62

# 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  
 5:00 p.m. Children In Action meeting: 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  
 6:30 p.m. Encouragement Ministry Meeting: Central
- Fri. 9:00 a.m. Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)  
 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting  
 6:30 p.m. BLAST (Girls) Youth Ministry: Central  
 6:30 p.m. BLAST (Boys) Youth Ministry: Central
- Sat. 12:00p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting



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