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LIVING BY FAITH

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isaiah 40: 31

By faith put off your sackcloth and ashes, and put on the garments of joy and gladness. Let your clothes be white, and your head anointed with oil. Live to the fullest. Live today, live tomorrow, live, O Christian, forever! This you can do if you learn to use your faith.


Do you desire to have a continual feast and rejoice always in the Lord? Let me prescribe a daily diet without ever neglecting it. Just as often as you refresh your body with rest and recreation, so your faith. This is the chief mystery of our spiritual life. Stir up your soul to talk with Christ.


Consider the promises and privileges you enjoy. Think of them, roll them under your tongue, chew on them until you feel their sweetness in your soul. View them together and individually. Sometimes contemplate one in particular, or another more deeply. Consider how wonderful that your **debts are cancelled, and how wonderful that God's wrath is satisfied.** Consider how happy and safe a condition you are in as a son of God, and how pleasant a state not to fear death and hell. Mingle these thoughts with prayers for grace and aid. Do not leave the mountain until your heart has been cheerfully warmed and revived. This is using your **faith. You will find your soul saying 'It is good to be here.'** It is good to daily be here and often. Unstirred coals do not **glow or give heat. The beauty of faith is its use. Don't just have muscles, use them.** Let a man diligently and thoroughly improve his faith and the joy it will bring to him will be great.


—SAMUEL WARD

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 **"A Real Encounter With The Living God"** based on **Genesis 32:26-28.**

 **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic **"Preparation For Affliction"** based on **1 Peter 1:1-5.**

 **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic **"Love In The Midst Of Suffering"** based on **John 11:1-6.**

READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

- Today, April 24th– 2 Samuel 8-10
- Monday, April 25th– 2 Samuel 11-13; Luke 18:35 -19:10
- Tuesday, April 26th– 2 Samuel 14-16; Luke 19:11-27
- Wednesday, April 27th– 2 Samuel 17-19; Luke 19:28-48
- Thursday, April 28th– 2 Samuel 20-22; Luke 20
- Friday, April 29th– 2 Samuel 23-1 Kings 1; Luke 21
- Saturday, April 30th– 1 Kings 2-3
- Sunday, May 1st– 1 Kings 4-6



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"**

Study #5 Return To Unity — Part 1 of 2
 (Acts 4:31-37)

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.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

~26th~

Bro. Renville & Sis. Josette Watkins

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~24th April - 30th April~

~26th~

Sis. Romancia Moore — Central

~27th~

Sis. Charissa Watkins — Central

Bro. Joshua Joseph — Covenant

~28th~

Bro. Rophen Jarvis — Central

~29th~

Shaniya Powell

~30th~

Sis. Rose-Marie Jarvis — Central

Thank You!

I would like to express thanks to the Elders, Deacons and members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches for the love and concern that was shown to me during my period of illness. Your visits, calls and other acts of kindness were greatly appreciated. I do covet your continued prayers, for a full recovery.

Much Love,
 Sis. Virginia Garnett



THINK IT THROUGH...

"You will never glory in God till first of all God has killed your glorying in yourself."

—Charles H. Spurgeon



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. JOINT FTI OPEN FORUM AT COVENANT

All church members of the Circuit are reminded of our Joint FTI Open Forum this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Covenant Baptist Church (Friars Hill Road). Be sure to avail yourself to this means of grace.

2. CHORUS TEAM PRACTICE

All members of the Chorus Team are advised of a rehearsal this Friday at 5:30 p.m. at Central. 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 meet from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and the BLAST Boys Club will meet from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and a pen. Be there!

4. CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

5. 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 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.

6. 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.

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.



FUNERAL SERVICE

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are encouraged to support **Deacon John Patrick Tomlinson, Sis. Velma Braithwaite and Sis. Rhonda Frederick** and their family in their bereavement due to the death of **Mr. Elvin Tomlinson**. The funeral will be on **Tuesday, 26th April, 2016, at the Spring Gardens Moravian Church at 2:00p.m.**

"Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep" (Romans 12:15).



BEREAVEMENT

The Elders and members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches extend sincere condolences to **Sis. Shereese Mack and family** upon the death of her mother, **Ms. Keturah Martin**. Let us pray for and support our sister and her family at this critical time. Pray that the Lord will comfort the family and remind her unsaved relatives of their mortality and need for the Saviour.

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. Celine Bolivar, 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, Jamol Pilgrim, Javonte Pilgrim, Lisa Pilgrim, Kristin Goodison, Cequan Joyce, Kiara Francis, Nakeisha Lee, John Lee, Tamica Lee, Sheniqueca Joyce, Kiara Francis, Serenity Joyce, Clyna Lewis, Cecil Henry, Tanisha Henry, Jermaine Henry

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), Helena Williams (Central), Corly Francis (Tyrells), Michael Gilbert (Central), Swinda Gilbert (Central), Godfrey Jervis (Central)

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Philippians 4:19
 Elementary — John 14:6
 Secondary & Adults — Matthew 5:16

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
- 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. Joint FTI Forum: Covenant
- 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
 5:30 p.m. Chorus Team Practice: Central
 6:00 p.m. BLAST (Girls) Youth Ministry: Central
 6:30 p.m. BLAST (Boys) Youth Ministry: Central
- Sat. 12:00p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal: VOV & NCS



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 Tyrells Baptist Church 460-3557
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