

FAMILY NEWS

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HONOUR GOD!

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

—1 Corinthians 10:31

This life is not to be valued but as it yields opportunities to glorify God. We were not sent into the world to live for ourselves, but for God. If we could make ourselves, then we could live for ourselves. If we could be our own first cause, then we might be our own end. But God made us for Himself, and sent us into the world for Himself. It is not our duty to glorify God in heaven only, but also here on earth in the midst of difficulties and temptations. No one is sent into the world to be idle, or to bring forth fruit to themselves, but God's glory must be our chief work and aim while we are here upon earth. We must not promote merely our own interests.

Every man, besides his general calling, has his own work and course of service where he might glorify and honour God; 'I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do' (John 17:4). In a great house one has one employment, one another: so God has designed for every man the work he has to do; some in one calling, and some in another; but all have their service and work given

From The Pulpit...



Dr. Hensworth Jonas will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic **“Unmasking Narcissism”** based on **Daniel 4:28-37.**



Pastor Orvin Paige will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **“Triumph & Tragedy”** based on **Joshua 7:1-26.**



Pastor Rolando Lewis will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic **“Monuments of God's Mercies”** based on **Romans 12:1-2.**

them for God's glory. Every morning we should revive the sense of this upon our hearts. This day I am going to live with God. When a Christian leaves home in the morning, he must remember he is at Christ's disposal; he is not to do as he pleases, but to be guided by rule, and for God's glory. Not only in our duties or immediate conversation with God, but in our sports, business, and recreation. What is it to do things in the name of Christ?—But to do it according to Christ's will and command! In discharge of this work, we must do it all for God's glory. We can do nothing without Him. If we have anything to do for God, we must do it in His own strength, in every word and every deed.

—Thomas Manton

BEREAVEMENT



The Elders and members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches extend sincere condolences to the family of **Sis. Edith McCoy** who died on Thursday, 23 February, 2017. Let us pray for her niece Hildred Lee who is making plans to return her body to Antigua for burial. Let us pray and support our sister's family at this critical time. Pray that the Lord will comfort the family members and remind them of their mortality and need for the Saviour.

NOONDAY PRAYER MINISTRY



- ❖ We meet for prayer at **Central** from **12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.** in the Conference Room 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 BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~26th February - 4th March~

~28th~

Sis. Muriel Martin—Tyrells
Sis. Shacarla Carty—Central

~1st~

Sis. Agnetta Whyte — Central
Sis. Ghislaine Fileus—Tyrells

~3rd~

Ajani Dowdie—Central

~4th~

Christophe Marcellus—Tyrells

E.C.B.M. MISSIONS OFFERING



Where does your mission offering go?

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

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

READING THE NEW TESTAMENT IN A YEAR...

- Today, Feb. 26th – **Mark 5:21-43**
- Monday, Feb. 27th – **Mark 6:1-29**
- Tuesday, Feb. 28th – **Mark 6:30-56**
- Wednesday, Mar. 01st – **Mark 7:1-13**
- Thursday, Mar. 2nd – **Mark 7:14-37**
- Friday, Mar. 3rd – **Mark 8**
- Saturday, Mar. 4th – **Mark 9: 1-29**
- Sunday, Mar. 5th – **Mark 9:30-50**



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

- SERIES: UNSTOPPABLE GOSPEL
Study #4 Unstoppable Message
(Acts 2:22-38)
–Part 2 of 2

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



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



1. 25TH CARIBBEAN BAPTIST HERITAGE CONFERENCE
The Caribbean Baptist Heritage Conference 2017 is approaching. The dates are July 2-5, 2017. The travel days are Saturday, July 1st (arrival) and Thursday, July 6th (departure). The conference will be hosted in St. Lucia by the Deliverance Baptist Church in Ciceron where Pastor Marcellus Henry is the Presiding Elder. The deadline for applications is Sunday, 30th April, 2017. If you are interested in this spiritually enriching experience, please call the church office to reserve your place.
2. EVENTS PREPARATION MEETING
All members of the Events Preparation Ministry are advised of a meeting this Thursday 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 6:30 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. on the BAA grounds. and the BLAST Boys Club will meet from 6:30 p.m. — 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Do not miss this time of great fellowship!
4. 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.
5. 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.

Think It Through!



Continual Guidance

*The Lord shall guide thee continually.
(Isaiah 58:11)*

What aileth thee? Hast thou lost thy way?
Art thou entangled in a dark wood and
canst thou not find thy paths? Stand still, and see
the salvation of God. He knows the way, and He
will direct thee in it if thou cry unto Him.

Every day brings its own perplexity. How sweet
to feel that the guidance of the Lord is continual!
If we choose our own way or consult with flesh
and blood we cast ok the Lord's guidance; but if
we abstain from self-will, then He will direct
every step of our road, every hour of the day,
and every day of the year, and every year of our
life. If we will but be guided, we shall be guided.
If we will commit our way unto the Lord, He
will direct our course so that we shall not lose
ourselves.

But note to whom this promise is made. Read the
previous verse: "If thou draw out thy soul to the
hungry." We must feel for others and give them,
not a few dry crusts, but such things as we our-
selves would wish to receive. If we show a ten-
der care for our fellow-creatures in the hour of
their need, then will the Lord attend to our ne-
cessities and make Himself our continual Guide.
Jesus is the Leader, not of misers, nor of those
who oppress the poor, but of the kind and tender-
hearted. Such persons are pilgrims who shall
never miss their way.

—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)



CHURCH FAMILY

HEALTH: Sis. Veronica Roberts, Sis. Louise Pilgrim, Sis. Enid Matthew, Sis. Jean Edwards, Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas, Bro. Nigel Pilgrim, Sis. Rosalind Ferris, Sis. Paula Skerritt, Sis. Cassilda Williams, Sis. Monica Gardener, Sis. Juliette Smith, Sis. Joycelyn Henry, Sis. Magella Selwood

PRIVATE CONCERNS: Bro. Abner Marcellus, Sis. Diane Joseph, Sis. Nadine Smith, Sis. Judy Browne

THANKSGIVING: Sis. Abiola Anthony, Sis. Martha Bowen, Bro. Ephraim Gomes, Sis. Muriel Martin, Sis. Judy Edwards

NEW MEMBERS: Bro. **Je'vivre Benjamin**, Sis. **Kerrie-Faun** Nathan, Sis. Serena Richards, Sis. Michelle Paige, Sis. Helena Williams, Bro. Corly Francis, Sis. Eulyn Williams, Sis. Alesha Joseph, Bro. Kyle Abraham, Bro. Enrico St. Jean, Sis. Ashika Davis

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

SHUT IN: Sis. Edith McCoy

OTHER CONCERNS

SAVING GRACE: George Browne, Khalid Browne, Hamadi Browne, Michelle Nicholas, Sam Nicholas, Martin Browne, Theo Blair, Milbert Joseph, Margaret Joseph, Athalia Andrew, Khadijah Andrew, Cherisse James, Kurt Spencer, Christophe Marcellus, Jaeda Joseph, Brendalee Smith, Nesha Joseph, Devaughnia George, Andy Josiah, Patrice Josiah, Arah Sheridan, Joshua Joseph, John Bowen, Ajani Dowdie, Gregson Pilgrim, Jamol Pilgrim, Chelsea Barlow, Chikaede Barlow, Grantley Edwards, Martina Edwards, Egan Bazilo, Colin Baker, Otis Brisport, Carlos Jarvis, Carlon Jarvis, Carlson Jarvis, Salonge Wynter, Nadisha Jardine, Thea-Lee Hurst, Arnelle Grey, Neville Bannis, Joseph Choy

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Tijorn Burton (Central), **Mowava Robinson** (Covenant), **Je'vivre Benjamin** (Central), Leyann Lam (Central), Sasha Rodney (Central)

Pray without ceasing. | Thessalonians 5:17

Memory Verses For Next Week

Pre-school — Ephesians 2:8-9
 Elementary — Ecclesiastes 12:1
 Secondary & Adults — Psalm 90:1-2

THIS WEEK

Sunday

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

Monday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting

Tuesday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 06:30 p.m. **Elders' Meeting: Central**

Wednesday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 07:00 p.m. Prayer Service & Fellowship Groups: All Churches

Thursday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 05:30 p.m. Events Preparation Ministry Meeting: Central

Friday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting
 05:00 p.m. Chorus Team Practice: Central
 06:30 p.m. BLAST Girls: Central (BAA Grounds)
 06:30 p.m. BLAST Boys: Central (Conference Room)

Saturday

12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer Meeting

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Covenant Baptist Church	561-4022
Baptist Academy	462-2894
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