

# FAMILY NEWS

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## THE ALL-SUFFICIENT GOD

*My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.*




*Psalm 84:2*

**E**arthy portions are limited in their nature and the comfort they yield. Health is better than sickness, but does not help poverty. Honour is better than disgrace, but does not help against pain. Money is said to be the answer of all things, but cannot command ease in sickness, or much less quiet a wounded spirit. Ahab was miserable in his ivory palace. Haman, though he had the favour of the king and adoration of the people was yet discontented because he wanted Mordecai's submission. If the world's darlings enjoy many good things, they lack all without Christ. God is all good things, and every good thing. He is self-sufficient, alone-sufficient, and all-sufficient.

If God were your portion, you would find in Him whatsoever your heart could desire, and tend to your happiness. Are you ambitious? He is a crown of glory. Are you covetous? He is unsearchable riches and righteousness. Do you desire pleasure? He is rivers of pleasures and fullness of joy. Are you hungry? He is a feast of wine on the lees and the fat things full of marrow. Are you weary? He is rest, a shadow from the heat, and a shelter from the storm. Are you weak? He is everlasting strength. Are you doubting? He is marvellous in counsel. Are you in darkness? He is the Sun of righteousness. Are you sick? He is the God of your health. Are you sorrowful? He is the God of all consolations. Whatever your calamity, He can remove it. Whatever your necessity, He can relieve it. He is silver, gold, honour, delight, food, raiment, house, land, peace, wisdom, power, beauty, father, mother, wife, husband, mercy, love, grace, glory, and infinitely more than all these.

## From The Pulpit...



-  **Pastor Orvin Paige** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic **"God's Amazing Grace"** based on **Romans 5:6-8**.
-  **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic **"The Maturity of Christian Love"** based on **1 John 4:17-19**.
-  **Pastor Joshua Jonas** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** (Radio Range) on the topic **"The Sovereignty of God"** based on **Psalm 97**.

There are all sorts of delights in Him. He is the tree of life bearing all manner of fruits, and a variety of all comforts. See God, and you see all. Enjoy God, and enjoy all.

—GEORGE SWINNOCK

## READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

- Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> – Numbers 35–36; Mark 8-9
- Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> – Deuteronomy 1-3
- Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> – Deuteronomy 4-6
- Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> – Deuteronomy 7-9; Mark 10:1-34
- Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – Numbers 10-11; Mark 10:35-52
- Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> – Numbers 12-13; Mark 11:1-14
- Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> – Numbers 14-16; Mark 11:15-33



## 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 #1 Return To God — Part 1 of 2  
(Jonah 1:1-3; 3:1-10)

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

**East Caribbean Baptist Mission**  
**Presents**  
**Easter Outreach Rally**

The Baptist Academy  
&  
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

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

~28th February - 5th March~

~Today~

Sis. Muriel Martin—Tyrells

~29th~

Sis. Shacarla Carty—Central

~1st~

Sis. Agnetta Whyte—Central

Sis. Ghislaine Fileus—Tyrells

~3rd~

Ajani Dowdie—Central

~4th~

Christophe Marcellus—Tyrells

## Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school — Ephesians 2:8-9

Elementary — Ecclesiastes 12:1

Secondary & Adults — Psalm 51:10-12



## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



### 1. NEW BIBLE STUDY SERIES—SUNDAY SCHOOL

All members of the Circuit are advised that we will be embarking on a new Bible Study Series in Sunday School. **“Awake: The Call to a Renewed Life”** is the theme for the series. Let us be in our places and earnestly ask God to revive our personal walk with God as well as our local churches as we study the Word of God.

### 2. CARIBBEAN BAPTIST HERITAGE CONFERENCE

The Caribbean Baptist Heritage Conference 2016 is fast approaching. The dates are July 3-6, 2016 (the travel dates are not included). The conference will be hosted in Martinique, FWI, by the Eglise Evangélique Baptiste Rivière Salée where Pastor Gabriel Ambroisine is the Presiding Elder. Our Antigua & Barbuda delegation from the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches will be 15 persons. Eleven places have already been filled. If you are interested in this restful and spiritually enriching experience, please call the church office to reserve your place.

### 3. ECBM EASTER OUTREACH RALLY

All members of the ECBM Circuit of Baptist Churches are advised of the ECBM Easter Outreach Rally which will be held on the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Centre. All members are encouraged to come out and support this evangelistic effort. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will move mightily during this ECBM Easter Outreach Rally.

### 4. CREATIVE ARTS MINISTRY MEETING

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

### 5. CHILDREN IN ACTION LEADERS MEETING

All the leaders of the Children In Action Ministry are advised of a meeting on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

### 6. EVENTS PREPARATION MEETING

All the members of the Events Preparation Ministry are advised of a meeting on Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2016, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church. Please be punctual.

### 7. 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.

### 8. 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!

### 9. READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

All church members of the Circuit are advised that the Elders have determined that each and every member should join them in reading through the entire Bible on a strict daily schedule for 2016. Each week in the Family News, we will print the passages that will be read for 7 days at a time. Some of us have read through the entire Bible before. We will do it again to the edification of our souls. Some have never done so. If you are a true Christian, this should be a priority, for how can you credibly claim that the Bible is the most important book in your lives and you have never read it in its entirety. We strongly recommend that this project be completed using the technology that is available to us. Open your Bibles as a family (or individually) to the prescribed passages each day, whether you plan to read it all at once or morning and evening, and play an audio of the passage while you follow along in your Bibles. Recommended versions of the Bible are KJV, NKJV, HCSB, and NASB. You may find audio at the following website: [BibleGateway.com- Audio Bibles](http://BibleGateway.com-Audio Bibles)

## BABY DEDICATION



We rejoice with Sis. Tarra Bryan on the dedication of her son, **Ajante Terrence Rai Nazaiah Bryan** on the **21<sup>st</sup> February, 2016**. He was born on **Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2015**. Let us pray for her as she raises her child in the fear

## 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. Nadine Smith

**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. 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. Jonathas René, 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*

# 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
	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)
	5:30 p.m.	Events Preparation 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
	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.	12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer Meeting

## ECBM DIRECTORY



Central Baptist Church	462-2894
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