

# FAMILY



# NEWS

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## TAKE TIME TO MEDITATE

*And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer;  
and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.*

—Isaiah 64:24

**M**editation prepares the heart for prayer. Meditate on your sins, and hunt them out of their lurking holes; this helps in our confession.




Meditate on your needs, for God is fully able to supply them. Consider what you need—pardoning mercy, strength for victory, power against sin—that you may entreat God to give them to you.

Meditate upon His mercies to you from birth. Look at the dangers you been delivered from. The journeys you have been protected in, the seasonable help He has sent you, the suitable support He has afforded you in distress, the counsel He has given you in doubts, and the comfort He has provided you in sorrow and darkness. These are present with you by meditation. Every breath in your life is a gift of mercy. Do not forget the former favour bestowed on you and your family. An empty perfume bottle still smells when the perfume is gone.

Then meditate upon your present mercies. How many do you enjoy—your house, family, body, and soul, are all full of blessings! Think of them particularly. Spread them out like jewels to your view. Meditate on how freely they are bestowed, on their fullness and greatness. But O, your soul's mercies—the image of God, the blood of Christ, eternal life,

## From The Pulpit...



-  **Pastor Dr. H.W. C. Jonas** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** (Friars Hill Road) on the topic "**Avoiding Spiritual Treason**" based on **Exodus 20:1-6**.
-  **Pastor Ivor Walker** will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (Tyrells Main Road) on the topic "**The Futility of Self-Determination And Defiance**" based on **Amos 5:16-20**.
-  **Bro. Rolando Lewis** will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at **Central Baptist Church** on the topic "**The Truth About Humanity**" based on **Jeremiah 17:9**.

and season of grace! Your whole life is a bundle of mercies. These stir us up to bless the Giver.

Then meditate on God to whom we pray. O how we are ashamed of our drops when we stand by this ocean! **Meditate on His mercy and goodness. These like Moses' strokes** will fetch water out of a rock. God delights to be sought and found. He delights to see men joyful in the house of prayer. God will not send you away sad.

When you have by meditation put the wood in order upon the altar, you may by prayer set fire to it and offer up a sacrifice of sweet smelling savour.

—George Swinnock



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!**  
 ~28th September-4th October~

~Today~

Sis. Rhonda Grant - Central

~29th~

Bro. Jahmaul Baltimore - Tyrells

Sis. Althea Gage - Central

Sis. Marie France Blanchard - Tyrells

~1st~

Sis. Christine Marcellus - Tyrells

~2nd~

Sis. Cassandra Jarvis - Central

Kingsley Irish Jr. - Tyrells

~3rd~

Sis. Silena Grant - Tyrells

~4th~

Bro. Mckebe Lawrence - Central



*THINK IT THROUGH*

'Man in affliction will receive the imprint of divine wisdom. It prepares us for glory. The potter beats the clay to make it well- tempered, moulds it on the wheel, and then bakes it in the oven before use. A wooden vessel is turned and cut before it is fit. Gold is heated and pounded before it is complete. So every vessel of mercy must be treated before it is fit for glory. The cross sharpens our faith and sets a sharp edge and lustre upon it. The stone is hewed, cut, carved, and polished. So suffering saints are prepared for the highest degrees of glory.'

- William Cooper



**Happy Wedding Anniversary**

~30th~

Mr. Clibert & Sis. Stacey Hector

**E-MAIL PRAYER REQUESTS**



Noonday Prayer Ministry

- ❖ We meet for prayer at **Central** from **12 noon to 1pm** from **Monday to Saturday**. All are welcomed to join us.
- ❖ Your request 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).

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- *Sunday School Adult & Youth Reading* •
- **Prepare for next week...** •
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- Study Guide: A Catechism by C. H. Spurgeon •
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- Question #78: How is Baptism rightly administered? •
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- *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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## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



### 1. MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

All men of the Circuit are expected to be at the **Men's Prayer Breakfast this Saturday, 4th October, 2014 at 7:00 a.m.** at the **Baptist Retreat Centre at Pares Village**. The Women's Ministry is reminded that it is responsible for the food preparation. Bring your Bibles as we go before the Lord in prayer, study His Word and fellowship together. Please avail yourself to this means of grace.

### 2. VOLUNTEER SERVICE FOR NEW CHURCH YEAR

All church members are encouraged to prayerfully consider the area of ministry in the church that they would like to be involved in for the new church year. You will need the recommendation of a Ministry Coordinator and the approval of the Elders to secure a volunteer service role in the church. Please note that places of service in each ministry is limited. If a given ministry that you desire is full, please ask one of the Elders to guide you concerning other areas of service. Please indicate to the Ministry Coordinator of the ministry or ministries in which you currently serve whether or not you desire to continue. Our goal is to complete the list of volunteer workers by September 30, 2014. Let us remember to "serve the Lord with gladness..."(Psalm 100:2).

### 3. 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.

### 4. 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.

### 5. ACTEENS CLUB

All teenage girls are reminded of their regular club meeting this **Friday at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Central Baptist Church**. Please be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and a pen. Please be punctual.

### 6. ROYAL AMBASSADORS CLUB

All teenage boys are advised of their regular club meeting this **Friday at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Central Baptist Church**. Be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and pen.

### 7. CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

### 8. EVANGELISM THRUST

All members are encouraged to pray for and be disciplined participants in our new evangelistic initiative. The adult Sunday School classes have been divided into teams for evangelism by appointment. The youth Sunday School classes will be evangelizing by canvassing the island with the assistance of their counselors and a few young adults. Let us pray for good success in extending the Kingdom of God. We thank all who made an effort yesterday and look forward to 100% participation this coming Saturday.

### 9. 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.

### 10. 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.

# 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)
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
	6:30 p.m.	RAs: Central
	6:30 p.m.	Acteens: Central
Sat.	7:00 a.m.	<b>Men's Prayer Breakfast: BRC</b> —Pares
	12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	Church-wide Evangelism: All Churches
	5:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal: (VOV & NCC)



## **BE EARNEST 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:** 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. Jasmine Jarvis  
**PRIVATE CONCERNS:** Bro. Nigel Pilgrim & Sis. Ann-Marie Pilgrim, Sis. Shanna-Kay Johnson  
**THANKSGIVING:** Sis. Judy Edwards, Sis. Julie Barnes, Sis. Juliette Dorsette, Sis. Margaret Joseph, Sis. Marion Locker, Sis. Denise Silston, Sis. Linette Robinson  
**SAFETY IN PREGNANCY:** Sis. Jenell Huston, Sis. Suzette Dowdie, Sis. Jo-Ann Paige  
**NEW MEMBERS:** Bro. Olrich Chery, Sis. Briana Griffith, Sis. Stacey Hector, Sis. Rickeshia Willock, Sis. Priya Jattan, Sis. Marian Locker, Sis. Nadine Fils Aime, Bro. Jonathan Wehner, Bro. Ernst Pierre-Louis, Sis. Benjy Chery, Sis. Aminata Joseph, Sis. Jenee Henry, Sis. Shinel Leo, Bro. Marc Sorel Salien, Sis. Sophia Marcellus, Sis. Marie France Blanchard  
**WATCH CARE:** Sis. Irene Jonas, Sis. Diana Richards, Bro. Charles Richards  
**SHUT IN:** Sis. Enid Matthew, Sis. Edith McCoy


**OTHER CONCERNS**  
**SAVING GRACE:** Alvin Valcin, Alicia David, Jamol Pilgrim, Lisa Pilgrim, Trevor James, Antoinette Nazim, Jelissa Samuel, Lynda Davis, Clairfoster Lewis, Vivian Mason, Kezron Lewis, Deondre Mason, Dedra Mason, Kamoyia Williamson, Lorri-Ann Joseph, **Rose Smith, Patroy Locker, La'Rica Locker, La'Nica Locker, Sonia Stevens, Dean James, Sydney Martin,** Iris Edwards, Donald James, Sylvester James, Irwin James, Charles Green, Delta Samuel, Ajani Dowdie, Theo Blair, Aaliyah Trotman, Cassandra Walcott, Ayesha Charles, Debbie Hurst, TheaLee Hurst, Ursil Hurst, Kiz Nathaniel, Chris Browne, Davina Browne,

*Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17*

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## **Memory Verses For Next Week**



Pre-school — Psalm 46:1

Elementary — 2 Timothy 1:7

Secondary & Adults — Phillipians 4:6-7