

6. YOUTH EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH

All members the Acteens Club and Royal Ambassadors Club who are also church members are asked to assemble at their respective local churches for an evangelistic outreach effort beginning at 4 p.m. Youth Counsellors and Outreach Leaders will be accompanying you. **Let us rise to the challenge of the Great Commission.**

Memory Verses For Next Week



Pre-school —Matthew 5:16
Elementary — John 3:16-17
Secondary & Adults — Jeremiah 29:11

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
April

~ 21st ~
Bro. Byron Andrew - Central
Serena Richards - Covenant
Dylan Hypolite - Central
David London - Central

~ 23rd ~
Hayden Walsh Jr. - Central
Sis. Faye Jackson - Covenant

~ 25th ~
Sis. Marsha Jarvis - Central

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Covenant Baptist Church	561-4022
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TARRY 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. Helen Urlings, Sis. Cassilda Williams, Sis. Karen Wehner
PRIVATE CONCERNS: Sis. Nicole Henry, Sis. Cassandra Jarvis, Sis. Nadine Smith
THANKSGIVING: Bro. Utah & Sis. Deborah Morris, Sis. Norma Grant, Sis. Pamela Walcott, Sis. Michelle Thomas, Sis. Matilda Joseph
SAFETY IN PREGNANCY: Sis. Susan Powell, Sis. Sarah Maina, Sis. Annstachia Barlow
NEW MEMBERS: Sis. Wanda Campbell, Sis. Joanna Joseph, Bro. Randy London, Sis. Murissa Benn, Sis. Mariah Selwood, Bro. Bedan Maina, Bro. Mark Theodore, Sis. Michelle Jeffrey
SHUT-IN: Bro. Claude Jeremiah
WATCH CARE: Sis. Christophene Daniel, Sis. Edith McCoy, Sis. Enid Matthew, Bro. Claude Jeremiah, Bro. Isalah James

OTHER CONCERNS

SAVING GRACE: Friends, relatives, co-workers
NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Jemelia Saunders (Tyrells), Judy Butters (Tyrells), Nicole Anthony (Tyrells), Alex Spencer (Central), Edy Amisial (Central), Joshua Joseph (Covenant), Jeanette Joseph (Covenant)

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.	Joint Service : Central
Tues.	3:00 p.m.	Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
Wed.	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Service: All Churches
	7:45 p.m.	Fellowship Groups: All Churches
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
	6:30 p.m.	Acteens Club: Central
Sat.	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast: BRC-Pares
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Evangelistic Outreach - All Churches

FAMILY NEWS

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MAN'S UNWORTHINESS

'What is man?' The question implies the smallness of man. There is a tone of surprise and amazement in it. Man's unworthiness of God's attention hinges on two truths. First, there is the natural gap between the Creator and the creature. True, man is unique and stands head and shoulders above the rest of creation, but he is still a creature himself, and when he considers the greatness of his Creator, he must of necessity feel very small and unworthy. This is what the psalmist had in mind when he raised the same question as Job. He began by saying: 'O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! Who hast set thy glory above the heavens... when I consider thy heavens, the works of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; what is man that thou art mindful of him?' (Ps. 8:1-3).

Anyone who considers the vastness of space will have to come away with a sense of man's smallness, as the psalmist did. It should be a thing of wonder to us that God holds us in such high regard—even to the point of allowing us to have dominion over His creation (Ps. 8:16).

But there is a greater gap than this natural one between the Creator and the creature. There is also a spiritual gap. I pointed out that man is unique because he was created in God's image. Now I must tell you that the image of God is not what it was when God created the first man, Adam. It has been marred and distorted by sin. Adam sinned against God and, in so doing, brought sin upon us all (Rom. 5:12; I Cor. 15:21-22). So when we look at man we see, at one and the same time, a special creation who is entangled in the cords of sin. It's impossible to understand man in any other way.

If we have to leave man there, what a wretched, miserable creature he would be! But the story does not end there. God, in His matchless grace, has made [something] of us. The apostle John says He was 'made flesh and dwelt

From The Pulpit...

Dr. H. W. C. Jonas will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Tyrells Baptist Church** (temporarily meeting at the **Baptist Retreat Centre, Pares**) on the topic **"The End Was The Beginning"** based on **1 Corinthians 15:51-58**.

He will also preach at the **6:00 p.m.** Joint Service at the **Central Baptist Church** on the topic **"The Christian Life: Man's Only Hope"** based on **Ephesians 4:17-32**.

Pastor Orvin Paige will preach at the **8:00 a.m.** service at the **Covenant Baptist Church** on the topic **"Heading For Destruction"** based on **Daniel 4:24-37**.

Pastor Ivor Walker will preach at the **10:00 a.m.** service at the **Central Baptist Church** on the topic **"A Commendable Prayer"** based on **Colossians 1:10-14**.

among us' (John 1:14). And Paul says He 'took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men' (Phil. 2:7).

Why did He do this? The author of Hebrews says it was so He could 'taste death' for us (Heb. 2:9). In going to the cross, Christ received the punishment for sinners so the gap between them and God could be closed.

What then is man? He is a unique, unworthy creature upon whom God has set His heart, of which the supreme evidence is His sending of His Son to die for sinners. If you would have the image of God restored, turn to God through repentance from sin and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

—Roger Ellsworth

I AM RESOLVED

I am resolved no longer to linger,
Charmed by the world's delight,
Things that are nobler, things that are higher,
These have allured my sight.

Chorus

*I will, hasten to him,
Hasten so glad and free,
Jesus, greatest, highest,
I will come to thee.*

I am resolved to go to the Saviour,
Leaving my sin and strife,
He is the true one,
He is the just one,
He hath the words of life.

I am resolved to follow the Saviour,
Faithful and true each day,
Heed what He sayeth,
Do what he willeth,
He is the living way.

I am resolved to enter the kingdom,
Leaving the paths of sin,
Friends may oppose me,
Foes may beset me,
Still will I enter in.

I am resolved, and who will go with me,
Come, friends, without delay,
Taught by the Bible,
Led by the Spirit,
We'll walk the heav'nly way.

—Palmer Hartsough

Think it over...

Our appetites dictate the direction of our lives—whether it be the cravings of our stomachs, the passionate desire for possessions or power, or the longings of our spirits for God. But for the Christian, the hunger for anything besides God can be an archenemy, while our hunger for God—and Him alone—is the only thing that will bring victory. —John Piper

Music Ministry



Hymns & Choruses

Praise ye the Lord. Praise the Lord, O my soul. While I live will I praise the Lord: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being. —Psalm 146:1-2

MORNING HYMNS

Tyrells: #223, #511
Central: #44, #340
Covenant: #157, #166

EVENING HYMN

Central: #188

1. Rejoice/Rejoice/God is on our side/ Rejoice/Rejoice/The victory is ours/Jesus is great and glorious/ Reigning forever on high/ Jesus is our victorious champion/Conquering King/Exalted on high

2. In the secret, in the quiet place/ In the stillness You are there/ In the secret, in the quiet hour I wait only for You/ 'Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You/I want to hear Your voice/ I want to know You more/ I want to touch You/ I want to see Your face/ I want to know You more

I am reaching for the highest goal/ That I might receive the prize/ Pressing onward, pushing ev'ry hindrance aside out of the way/ 'Cause I want to know You more.

3. When my heart/ Is overwhelmed/ Hear my cry/ Give heed to my prayer/ And my eyes Are dim with tears O Father/ Make them clear/ From the ends of all the earth/ When my heart Is fainting/ Let me know/ That You have heard/ Lead me into safety.

Lead me to the Rock/ The Rock that's higher/ Lead me to the Rock/ That's higher than I/ Lead me to the Rock/ The Rock that's higher/ Higher than I

You, O Lord/ Have been for me/ A refuge from/ My enemies/ Let me live/ Within Your strength/ In the shelter/ Of Your wings/ From the ends/ Of all the earth/ When my heart/ Is fainting/ Let me know/ That You have heard/ Lead me into safety.

NOTICES

1. JOINT SERVICE TONIGHT

All members are reminded that there will be a **Joint Service** this evening at the **Central Baptist Church at 6:00 p.m.** Be sure to be in your places. You cannot afford to miss this time of spiritual edification.

2. 17th CARIBBEAN BAPTIST HERITAGE CONFERENCE

Our ECBM churches in Antigua have the privilege of hosting this year's conference. It is scheduled for July 5-8, 2009. The theme is "Exercise Thyself Rather Unto Godliness" (1 Timothy 4:7). Keynote speakers will be Pastor Anthony Carter and Pastor Eric Redmond. This conference came into being 17 years ago under the leadership of our Presiding Elder, Dr. Hensworth Jonas, and Pastor Gabriel Ambroisine of Martinique. The conference is aimed at our pastors, but welcomes the participation of all believers. We are expecting delegations from churches in at least 10 Caribbean territories. The registration fee for foreign delegates is \$125 USD and \$60 USD for locals. The fees cover participation in all aspects of the conference, including day sessions, meals and materials. You can begin now to plan for 3 days vacation and to pay in your conference fee. The evening evangelistic services are open to everyone without the need for registration. All church members are encouraged to support the conference, even as we had a 54-member delegation to last year's conference in Jamaica.

3. TYRELLS LAY-A-BLOCK FUND

All church members in our Circuit are reminded of our commitment to pledge and give to the Tyrells Lay -A-Block Fund. Construction has begun. We need to finish the building in time for the 17th Caribbean Baptist Heritage Conference. We do not have all the funds that we need. We need to pledge and give now to this project. Even the children need to get involved and make a pledge and give whatever they can. Let us make sure that our giving surpasses what we gave to the Covenant Lay-A-Block Fund. Let us rise to the challenge to the glory of God!

4. ACTEENS CLUB MEETING

All members of the Acteens Club are reminded of their meeting this **Friday, 24th April, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Central.** We will be watching a movie, and it will be a time of great fellowship and a means to grow in the Lord. *All teenage girls under 18 years of age, especially those in secondary school* are encouraged to participate. Be sure to bring a pen, a notebook and a Bible.

5. MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

All men of the circuit are encouraged to attend the **Men's Prayer Breakfast this Saturday, 25th April, 2009 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.

4. You are my strength when I am weak/You are the treasure that I seek/You are my all in all/Seeking You as a precious jewel/Lord to give up I'd be a fool/You are my all in all/

Jesus/Lamb of God/Worthy is your name/
Jesus/Lamb of God/Worthy is your name
Taking my sin/My cross/My shame/Rising again/I bless your name/You are my all in all/
When I fall down/You pick me up/When I am dry/You fill my cup/You are my all in all

5. Lord you are more precious than silver/Lord/You are more costly than gold/ Lord You are more beautiful than diamonds/ Nothing I desire compares with you

6. Lift up your heads to the coming King/ Bow before Him and adore Him, sing/ To His majesty, let your praises be/ Pure and holy, giving glory to the King of kings.

7. We have come to glorify thy name/ We have come to glorify thy name/ Jesus You are my King/ Jesus, You are my Lord/ Jesus/ You are my King/ Jesus/ You are my great reward.

8. Draw me close to You/ Never let me go/ I lay it all down again to hear You say that I'm Your friend/

You are my desire/ No one else will do/
'Cause nothing else could take Your place/ To feel the warmth of Your embrace/ Help me find the way/ Bring me back to You/

You're all I want/ You're all I've ever needed/
You're all I want/ Help me know You are near

9. Lord prepare me/ To be a sanctuary/ Pure and holy/ Tried and true/ With thanksgiving/ I'll be a living/ Sanctuary for You.

10. Let's just praise the Lord/Let's just lift our hearts to heaven and praise the Lord

