

Happy Birthday to all of you!!!
January
 ~12th ~
 Sis. Annstachia Barlow - Central
 ~ 13th ~
 Bro. Jean Yvon Joseph - Tyrells
 ~14th ~
 Sis. Sonia Andrew - Central
 Sis. Janet Walker - Tyrells

Congratulations...
 ... to **Bro. Randy London, Sis. Murissa Benn, Sis. Mariah Selwood** who were baptized and received into the Tyrells Baptist Church and Central Baptist Church. All the brethren of the *ECBM Circuit* are encouraged to pray for these new members, that God will keep, sanctify and enable them to grow by His grace and that they will be faithful in their pursuit of holiness and rescuing the perishing.

Memory Verses For Next Week

Pre-school — Psalm 46:1
 Elementary — Psalm 119:11, 105
 Secondary & Adults — 1 Samuel 15:22

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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. Jasmine Jarvis, Sis. Paula Skerritt, Sis. Veronica Roberts,
SAFETY IN PREGNANCY: Sis. Karen Wehner, Sis. Susan Powell
PRIVATE CONCERNS: Sis. Diane Joseph & Sis. Melanie Benn
THANKSGIVING: Sis. Rhonda Grant, Bro. Daniel & Sis. Sarah Maina, Sis. Melanie Benn, Sis. Juliette Dorsette
NEW MEMBERS: Bro. Randy London, Sis. Murissa Benn, Sis. Mariah Selwood, Bro. Bedan Maina, Bro. Mark Theodore, Sis. Michelle Jeffrey
OVERSEAS: Bro. Alan Hamilton, Sis. Tamisha Blair
SHUT-IN: Bro. Isaiah James
WATCH CARE: Sis. Christophene Daniel, Sis. Edith McCoy, Sis. Enid Matthew, Bro. Claude Jeremiah

OTHER CONCERNS
SAVING GRACE: Tasheba Mathias, Kamoyia Williamson, Althea Thomas, Natasha Mussington, Donald Lewis, Gloria Lewis, Victoria Warner, Yvette Henry
NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS: Claudette Fowle (Covenant), Selwyn Frederick (Central), Monica Frederick (Central)

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: Covenant
Tues. 3:00 p.m.	Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
Wed. 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Service: All Churches Fellowship Groups
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Sovereign Grace Hour (ALR 103.9 FM)
6:30 p.m.	Acteens Club: Central
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Adult & Youth Praise Ensembles

FAMILY NEWS

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HOW TO PRAY FOR [OUR] PASTOR

One of the most effective ways you can minister to your pastor is to pray for him. As normal, ordinary men, pastors are fallible and must consistently pursue the character God requires of them, as well as faithfully completing the many duties attached to their roles. Knowing that others are praying for him is an encouragement to the heart of a man who longs to give his best to God! As you seek to pray for your pastor, consider praying for two areas of his life: his personal needs as well as his spiritual needs.

Personal Needs

- Effective use of time.** There are many tasks to accomplish during your pastor's workday. Pray that he will use those hours in a way that will allow him to accomplish much.
- Strong relationship with his wife and children.**
- Time with family.** Often church activities occur in the evenings or on weekends. Ask God to provide other times when your pastor can have quality time with his wife and children.
- Physical and mental strength.** Pastors often work much more than a forty-hour week studying and preparing for speaking and counseling, being available to those who need advice or friendship, and attending church meetings and functions. It can be an exhausting life.
- Opportunities to relax.** Ask God to give your pastor time away from the rigors of ministry to do things that he enjoys. Wisdom. We often think of this as a spiritual need, and it is. However, pastors have to make decisions for their own families for which they need guidance from God.

Spiritual Needs

- For Christ to live through him (**Galatians 2:20**)
- Faithfulness to spend time reading God's Word every day (**Psalm 119:11**)
- An intimate knowledge of God (**Philippians 3:10**)
- Fear of God -- respect and awe for Him (**Proverbs 1:7**)
- Strength to stand firm for the principles of God's Word (**Ephesians 6:10-11, 13**)
- To live according to the Holy Spirit's direction (**Galatians 5:25**) and worthy of his calling (**Ephesians 4:1**) as a good soldier of Christ (**2 Timothy 2:3-4**)

From The Pulpit...

Pastor Keelan Atkinson of the Greensboro Word Fellowship Reformed Baptist Church, North Carolina is our pulpit guest today at Tyrells (8:00 a.m.) and Central (10:00 a.m.) He will also be preaching at the Joint Service at Covenant at 6:00 p.m. **We welcome him. Pray for a mighty move of the Spirit of God in our services.**

Pastor Orvin Paige will preach at **Covenant** at **8:00 a.m.** on the topic **"A Celebration of Service"** based on **Isaiah 52:1-7.**

- Accuracy as he presents the truths of Scripture (2 Timothy 2:15)
 - Contentment in his present ministry (Philippians 4:11-13)
- How to Pray for your Pastor

It is with great joy that we, the Elders and members of the ECBM Baptist Circuit of Churches celebrate with Dr. Hensworth W. C. Jonas on his 23rd anniversary. Dr. Jonas has rendered unbroken and dedicated full time service as the Presiding Elder/ Executive Director of East Caribbean Baptist Mission and Principal of the Baptist Academy. God has used him greatly to minister the Word of God to Antigua and Barbuda, the region and further a field. We truly love you and thank God upon every remembrance of you.

Thank you for your faithful service...

Dr. Hensworth W.C. Jonas
23rd Anniversary as Presiding Elder

JESUS, THE CONQUEROR, REIGNS

Jesus, the Conqueror, reigns,
In glorious strength arrayed,
His kingdom over all maintains,
And bids the earth be glad.
Ye sons of men, rejoice
In Jesus' mighty love,
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice
To Him who rules above.

Extol His kingly power,
Kiss the exalted Son,
Who died, and lives, to die no more,
High on His Father's throne;
Our Advocate with God,
He undertakes our cause,
And spreads through all the earth abroad
The victory of His cross.

That bloody banner see,
And in your Captain's sight,
Fight the good fight of faith with me,
My fellow soldiers, fight!
In mighty phalanx joined,
To battle all proceed;
Armed with the unconquerable mind
Which was in Christ your Head.

Urge on your rapid course,
Ye blood besprinkled bands;
The heavenly kingdom suffers force,
'Tis seized by violent hands;
See there the starry crown
That glitters through the skies!
Satan, the world, and sin, tread down,
And take the glorious prize.

Through much distress and pain,
Through many a conflict here,
Through blood, ye must the entrance gain;
Yet, O disdain to fear!
Courage! Your Captain cries,
Who all your toil foreknew
Toil ye shall have; yet all despise,
I have o'ercome for you.

—Charles Wesley

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

1. **You are the Sov'reign** I am / Your name is holy / You are the pure spotless Lamb / Your name is holy / You are the Almighty One / Your name is holy / You are the Christ God's own Son / Your name is holy
In Your name / There is mercy for sin / There is safety within / In Your holy name / In Your name / There is strength to remain / To stand in spite of pain / In Your holy name
2. **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
3. **It is the cry of my heart!** To follow You./It is the cry of my heart/ To be close to You/It is the cry of my heart/To follow/All of the days/ Of my life.
Teach me/Your holy ways/Oh Lord/So I can walk/In Your truth/ Teach me
Your holy ways/Oh Lord/And make me/Wholly devoted to You.
4. **More than anything!**More than anything/I love you Jesus more than anything/More than anything/More than anything/I love you Jesus more than anything/More than worldly wealth/ more than life itself/I love you Jesus more than anything
5. **Oh may all who come behind us/Find us faithful!**May the fire of our devotions/Light their way/May the footprints that we leave/ Lead them to believe/And the lives we live inspire them to obey/Oh may all who come behind us/Find us faithful
6. **Let there be glory/And honour** and praises/ Glory and honour to Jesus/Glory and honour/Glory and honour to him.
7. **Blessed be the Lord God Almighty!** Who was and is and is to come/ Blessed be the Lord God Almighty/ Who reigns forevermore.
8. **Jesus you're my firm foundation** know I can stand secure/ Jesus, You're my firm foundation/ I put my hope in Your holy Word/ I put my hope in Your holy Word.
I have a living hope, I have a future/ God has a plan for me, of this I'm sure.
Your Word is faithful, mighty in power/ God will deliver me, of this I'm sure.
9. **Only by grace can we enter** / Only by grace can we stand / Not by our human endeavour / But by the blood of the Lamb / Into Your presence You call us / You call us to come / Into Your presence You draw us / And now by Your grace we come / Now by Your grace we come.

TO OUR PASTOR

**Our God has sent you to this place
To lead us in the way
That He would have us work and think
And live from day to day.**

**No matter the hour; whatever the need,
You go the extra mile
Always ready and willing to share
A comforting thought and a smile.**

**We're grateful that you're here with us
To teach us from His word,
And we will try to do our best
In service of our Lord.**

**We thank you for your ministry,
Your guidance and your care.
His greatest blessings for your life
Is our most humble prayer.**

And we urge you, brethren, to recognize those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very high in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves. 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

NOTICES

- ◇ **PRESIDING ELDER'S APPRECIATION SERVICE**
Today we will take the time to honour our Presiding Elder in all three churches of the Circuit. The special appreciation service will be this evening's Joint Service at the Covenant Baptist Church on Friars Hill Road at 6:00 p.m. Our guest speaker is Pastor Keelan Atkinson of the Word Fellowship Reformed Baptist Church at Greensboro, North Carolina. The theme for the service will be "The Heart of the Mission" based on Philippians 3:7-11. All members are asked to pray for and thank God for the service of our Presiding Elder.
- ◇ **ACTEENS CLUB**
All members of the Acteens Club are reminded of their meeting on Friday, 17th January at 6:30 p.m. at Central. Please be sure to bring your Bible, notebook and pen.
- ◇ **ADULT & YOUTH PRAISE ENSEMBLES**
All members of the Adult and Youth Praise Ensembles are reminded of their rehearsal this **Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Please be punctual.**

Lord if You mark our transgressions / Who would stand / Thanks to Your grace / We are cleansed by the blood of the Lamb.

10. If I have found favour in Your eyes! Teach me Your ways, teach me Your ways/That I may be pleasing in Your sight/Teach me Your ways; teach me Your ways/And if You have called me by my name/Teach me Your ways, teach me Your ways/And O, let Your presence ever remain/Teach me Your ways, teach me Your ways/I want to know You, Lord/I want to see Your glory and grace/ And may Your presence go with us all of our days/O Lord, teach me Your ways/O Lord, teach me Your ways.

11. I will celebrate! Sing unto the Lord/I will sing to Him a new song/I will praise Him/I will sing to Him a new song/I will praise Him/I will sing to Him a new song/Hallelujah/Hallelujah hallelujah hallelu hallelujah/I will praise Him.

BOW DOWN THINE EAR, ALMIGHTY LORD


Bow down Thine ear, Almighty Lord,
And hear Thy Church's suppliant cry
For all who preach Thy saving Word,
And wait upon Thy ministry.

In mercy, Father, now give heed,
And pour Thy quickening Spirit's breath
On those whom Thou hast called to feed
Thy flock redeemed by Jesus' death.

O Saviour, from Thy piercèd hand
Shed o'er them all Thy gifts divine;
That those who in Thy presence stand
May do Thy will with love like Thine.

Blest Spirit, in their hearts abide,
And give them grace to watch and pray;
That, as they seek Thy flock to guide,
Themselves may keep the narrow way.

O God, Thy strength and mercy send
To shield them in their strife with sin;
Grant them, enduring to the end,
The crown of life at last to win.
- **Thomas E. Powell**



CONGRATULATIONS!
BABY CONCEPTION

We rejoice with Bro. Daniel & Sis. Sarah Maina on the conception of their baby. Let us keep them in our prayers, and may the Lord continue to bless them.