**Reaching People For Christ** GOD First!

# Web Address: http://www.joshuabapt.org

# From the Pastor

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove

# Sournal

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! We are looking forward to another fabulous Harvest Night Celebration on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Which is another chance for the Church of The Living God to say in word and deed. 'We don't secede any day that God has made to witches, devils, and spirits of darkness.' So, get ready to bring your children out to this fun-filled and faith-based event.

Also members, I'm exhorting more of you to come to Prayer Service (Tues 6:30pm) and our Bible Study classes (Tues 7:30pm & Wed 12noon). We grow and gain spiritual strength from worshipping GOD and studying HIS Word. I believe that preaching will bring us out of the world. However, teaching will bring the world out of us.

Finally, the property owners (Pritchard & Sherman) are reluctant to grant us the necessary easement (access & egress) rights with the sale of the land and buildings that we have offered to buy. Our position is that we must have these rights to protect the church in the future, should the property adjacent to ours change hands. We are still negotiating with them. With the faith and hope that victory belongs to the people of God. So, brothers and sisters, pray without ceasing! For, this too shall pass.

Always remember, God loves you and I do too!

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# Joshua's Mission Statement

Joshua Baptist Church is a Christian Church under the direct leadership of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are also a Missionary Baptist Church committed to the salvation of the lost, conversion of the unregenerate, and the spiritual growth of the saved. We seek to follow Christ as He leads us, cultivate a bond of Christian love, one with another; and to truly and care for those in tangibly need. As Christians, we covet a consistent holy and liberated lifestyle that testifies to our being a born again believer in Jesus Christ, as we strive to fulfill our purpose of Reaching People For Christ. Remember, GOD First, we walk by faith and not by sight.

# **Adopted**

September 24, 1998

**Amended** 

July 30, 2005

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May 9, 2012

# Jesus Loves Me Submitted by Sis. Yumanniee (Yummi) Jones

I had no joy; I had no tears; no laughter could I give. A darken room became home, I'd lost my will to live, then Jesus' love came streaming down, and caused my heart to see, no matter what I'd done or said, He loves me. Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me, sometimes it's hard to believe, but He loves me. I tried and I tried to be so good, but fell short every time. The devil said that I would die, he tormented my mind. But God the Holy Spirit came, in power and set me free, and now I know, beyond a doubt that He loves me, Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me, sometimes it's hard to believe, but He loves me.

It may be hard to believe but He loves YOU too.

**Jeremiah 29:11** For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope



1 Corinthians 2:7-9 But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"







Zephaniah 3:17 The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.





Philippians 3:20-21 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.



**John 6:47** Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.



**Revelation 21:4** He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."





Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.





**Philippians 1:21-23** For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.





**1 John 5:14** And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.



Isaiah 41:10 Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.



Psalm 32:8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.



# **Should Christians Celebrate Halloween?**

By Elliott Watson

CBN.com - What about Halloween?



# Should you and I be involved in the celebration of Halloween?

Finding the <u>answer</u> to this question has been an interesting journey in itself. I interviewed several people and then researched what many leading Christian writers, authors and spokesmen have written about the subject. I also searched various websites such as christianitytoday.com, focusonthefamily.org, and cbn.com to read what others might be saying. What I found was an agreement on the origins of Halloween, but a mixture of

recommendations about allowing our children to participate in this super-charged media driven holiday.

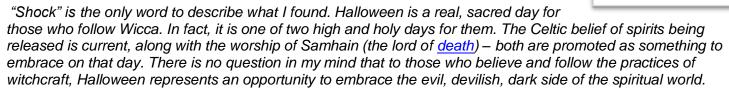
The origins of Halloween are Celtic in tradition and have to do with observing the end of summer sacrifices to gods in Druidic tradition. In what is now Britain and France, it was the beginning of the Celtic year, and they believed Samhain, the lord of death, sent evil spirits abroad to attack humans, who could escape only by assuming disguises and looking like evil spirits themselves. The waning of the sun and the approach of dark

winter made the evil spirits rejoice and play nasty tricks.



What about today? In the fourth century, Christians attempted to co-opt the holiday by celebrating the lives of faithful Christian saints the day before Halloween. This was a conscious attempt to provide an alternative and refocus the day away from ghouls, goblins, ghosts, witches and other "haunted" experiences. Since that time many Christians have decided to allow their children to dress in more "innocent" costumes of <u>pumpkins</u>, princesses, Superman or as a cowboy. Part of this is due to the simple reality that in today's Western culture it is nearly impossible to "avoid" Halloween.

Just before reaching a conclusion on the subject, I further my search and find out what Wicca, the official <u>religion</u> of witchcraft, has to say about Halloween. Perhaps they viewed the day as a simple fun and innocent neighborhood activity?



So after discovering this, what is a reasonable conclusion? **As Christians you and I are placed in this world to be a light in a world of darkness.** There is no lasting benefit to ignore a holiday that exists around us, but it also does harm to celebrate Halloween as it has originated and grown over the centuries.



#### My suggestion: Christians should be teaching their children (age appropriately) that:

- There is a spiritual world filled with goodness from God and evil from Satan (Eph. 2:1-10);
- † Life with Christ has power over darkness (I John 4:4); and
- † Those who celebrate Halloween either are unaware of its roots, or are intentionally promoting a world where evil is lauded and viewed as an ultimate power.

To counter the evil influence of Halloween, we need to join together and celebrate the reality of the heroic efforts of Christian saints over the evil in their day. Many leaders in the past -- and present -- have fulfilled the mandate of destroying the works of the devil through their sacrificial commitment to Christ and His Kingdom.

Too, rather than "hide" in the face of evil, we should unabashedly and boldly create an alternative that is positive and uplifting; that celebrates good over evil and the triumph of God over Satan. We need to provide an environment that also makes room for heaps of fun while using the day as a "teachable moment" to celebrate God's protection, provision and purpose for our lives.



# JBC BROTHERHOOD

Submitted by:

Harvest Night will be held October 31st from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the Ferndale Community Gym located at 1919-A Bolton Street. Each member of Joshua is asked to donate two or more bags of candy.

THANK GOD FOR THE MINISTERIAL STAFF OF JOSHUA BAPTIST CHURCH. YOU HAVE MADE A WONDERFUL DIFFERENCE IN OUR LIVES.

PREACH PREACHERS!



# **Romans 10:14 King James Version (KJV)**

<sup>14</sup> How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?



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Daniel 12:3 "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

We, the deacons and deaconesses of Joshua
Baptist Church would like to
"Thank You, You and
You" for thinking of us and taking the time to be kind, generous and a blessing to all of us!!!





Deacon & Deaconess Corey
Anderson



Deacon & Deaconess Frank
Brown

### Being a part Joshua is beautiful.



Deacon & Deaconess Leroy Brown



Deaconess & Deacon James
Cummings



**Deacon Henry Gilliard** 

# We appreciate your support.



Deaconess & Deacon Tony Glover

Your commitment to this event is second to none.

# We thank you for being



Deacon & Deaconess Bobby Harper

How can we thank you enough?



Deaconess & Deacon Albert Hill

We thank you for your hard work and dedication.

# Joshua Baptist Church Deacons & Deaconesses 20th Appreciation Dinner

Friday, September 19, 2014



**Deaconess & Deacon Arnold Jenkins** 



**Deaconess & Deacon Stanley** Perry



Deaconess & Deacon Leroy White

We appreciate your innovative thinking.



Thank you from the bottom of



**Deacon & Deaconess Charles Pinckney** 



**Deacon & Deaconess Casdell** Singleton



**Deacon & Deaconess Norman** Vanderhorst

Thanks for thinking of us; you





**Deacon Joseph Wilson** 



Deacon & Deaconess Eugene

Wright

Your attitude and work level suits



First Lady & Pastor Robert L. Grove

us here, so keep up the good work.

That was very kind of you.

Thank you for giving us the chance to fulfill our potential.



# **MARRIAGE SUCCESS TRAINING ...**

# Build the foundation for your lifetime together.

Gregory A. Kuhlman, PhD & Patricia Schell Kuhlman, LCSW

Article Submitted by First Lady, Sis. Pauline Grove

Many couples are blindsided by their differences as their relationship advances beyond the more exclusively romantic early stages, because they never systematically explored their expectations and differences and adopted strategies to accommodate them.

Marriage Success Training helps couples to understand their areas of similarity and difference, which are to be expected in every relationship. More important MST teaches strategy and skill options for managing these in accord with different relationship styles and helps couples to protect the mutuality and positive emotional tone of their relationship. MST guides couples in building a marriage that supports and thrives on their individual strengths and identities.

According to marriage research, conducted by John Gottman, among the most important predictors of marriage success are:

- ♣ The man's ability to accept influence from his partner; and
- The woman's ability to moderate her approach to seeking influence.

In other words, marriages succeed when both partners give up some control.

For men, this usually means agreeing to try some of the approaches suggested by his partner instead of withdrawing, surrendering or jumping in with a premature resolution at the first sign of conflict. We're not talking about merely complying with your partner's wishes regardless of whether you agree. It's not that she always gets her way. Influence means respecting her viewpoint and being willing to discuss issues.

**For example:** He wants to buy a small car. She recommends a larger vehicle, since they plan to start a family soon. On reflection, he decides that it makes sense to buy something larger.

For women, a moderate approach usually means toning down her insistence on getting a reaction from her partner even when she feels desperate to have a response. She doesn't give up raising the issues that are important to her, but she's patient and sensitive in how she engages him.

**Example:** Rather than asking him to discuss what kind of car to buy on a weeknight when he's tired, she suggests that they talk about it on the weekend. Instead of starting the discussion on a critical note about his preference, she is careful to suggest that they consider their future needs before deciding.

Both partners seem to get more of what they want when they give up some control. How can this be? As we've often noted, men and women have different styles when it comes to conflict, as in so many other things.

Men have a very low tolerance for unstructured conflict. They just can't seem to stand it when their partner brings up a sensitive issue, especially when they are feeling burdened or depleted by work or other demands. They often react by distancing themselves or withdrawing.

Women on the other hand, can't stand to feel ignored, especially when they're trying to

bring up something that's important to them. And that's just how they feel when their partner gets overloaded and withdraws. Often they react by criticizing and/or escalating. And that's just what their partner can't tolerate.

**So for guys:** Try to be open to your partner's point of view. Don't avoid issues or try to railroad your point of view. If you start to feel overloaded, it's okay to withdraw until you feel more able to handle a rational discussion.

**And women:** Start discussions calmly and positively. Avoid criticizing and escalating. If possible, schedule a mutually agreeable time to discuss your issue when your partner is feeling less depleted or burdened.

Believe it or not, these are the behaviors that research shows are among those most likely to contribute to a successful marriage.

Children's Church Newsletter October 2014



Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. NKJV

# CHILDREN'S CORNER



# HELLO EVERYONE,

We would like to take this time to tell you a little bit about Children's Church. We have 2 age groups 5 - 8, and 9 - 12, at this time there are already 2 teams for each age group. All age appropriate children are invited, and we can't wait to see them join us. The children play and have so much fun while learning their memory verse for the month, which will change every month.

POWER TIME, headed up by Reverend Glover, seems to be the children's favorite part of the day. Some of the various activities that the children will engage in is Bible Zone, which has puppets, praise dance, cheers, skits and more. Game Zone, is full of fun and exciting games, and activities, that are memory verse related. We have Deacon Jenkins to thank for Power Zone, and it is comprised of arts and crafts, and on occasion experiments. Last but not least is Mrs. Honey Bee's House, Deaconess Jenkins is the Queen Bee of this hive. This is where they show their memory verse knowledge, and where the children can exchange their tickets for a prize. Tickets are earned throughout the day, through learning the memory verse, good behavior, and following the rules. Mr. Joshua, and Deacon Pinckney are one and the same. He is also on hand to help. Snacks, are also provided for the children after service. Deaconess Pinckney manages this area, and tries to make sure the snacks are healthy.

The children seem to be excited. We have already had various and interesting activities. We have special guest speakers come in, and deliver motivational speeches, based upon the memory verse. The girls were surprised with a guest Princess, and all had their pictures taken with her. The boys were treated to a couple of football players. They had their pictures taken also. What a wonderfully exciting day that was.

At this time we would like to take the opportunity to thank our many volunteers for their generosity with their time, and their hard work. You are all very much appreciated. Thank you so very much. God Bless.



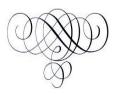
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jacobi Brooks 10/1

Zion Chisolm 10/3

Montell Johnson 10/6

Ne'Khia Miles 10/16



MEMORY VERSES

August JOHN 3:16

September PHILIPPIANS 4:13



#### SEPTEMBER SERMONS

Individual sermons may be ordered for a \$5 donation for each CD.

Please contact the Media Ministry.

Date	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Subject</u>
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Dr. R.L. Grove	Matthew 16:13-19	The Church of the living God-Part 1
14 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. J. Ravenell	Acts 2:1-8	Fill this House
21 <sup>st</sup>	Rev. Dr. R.L. Grove	Matthew 16:13-19	The Church of the living God-Part II
28 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Dr. R.L. Grove	Psalm 145: 17-21	The Lord is Righteous

# James Island Recreation Complex (JIRC) Presents Kids Safety Expo at Bayview Soccer Fields



October 11, 2014 10 AM- 1 PM

Bring your children to see and climb on fire trucks, EMS and police vehicles. Learn safety tips on any emergency. Smoke house will be open to walk through. Call 795-5678 for more information.

Event will be held at Bayview Soccer fields near JIRC on Fort Johnson Road.

# FREE - JBC Christian Classifieds Business/Service

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We appreciate the support of each business/service provided in our congregation.

It is important to remember that whenever you are making a financial decision, always get the details of the proposed transaction in writing.

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# **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**





# Top tips for breast cancer prevention

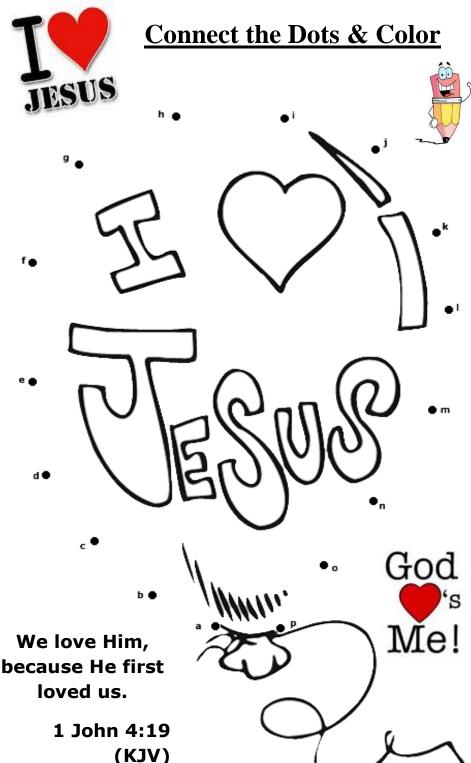
- Avoid becoming overweight. Obesity raises the risk of breast cancer after menopause, the time of life when breast cancer most often occurs. Avoid gaining weight over time, and try to maintain a body-mass index under 25. (Calculators can be found online)
- **Eat healthy to avoid tipping the scale.** Embrace a diet high in vegetables and fruit and low in sugared drinks, refined carbohydrates and fatty foods. Eat lean protein such as fish or chicken breast and eat red meat in moderation. Eat whole grains. Choose vegetable oils.
- Keep physically active. Research suggests that increased physical activity, even when begun later in life, reduces overall breast-cancer risk by about 10 to 30 percent. All it takes is moderate exercise like a 30-minute walk five days a week to get this protective effect.
- Drink little or no alcohol. Alcohol use is associated with an increased risk of breast cancer. Women should limit intake to no more than one drink per day, regardless of the type of alcohol.
- **Don't smoke**. Research suggests that long-term smoking is associated with increased risk of breast cancer in some women.
- If you bear children, breast-feed your babies for as long as possible. Women who breast-feed their babies for at least a year in total have a reduced risk of developing breast cancer later.
- Avoid hormone replacement therapy. Menopausal hormone therapy increases risk for breast cancer. If you must take hormones to manage menopausal symptoms, avoid those that contain progesterone and limit their use to less than three years.
- Ret regular breast cancer screenings. Follow your doctor or health care provider's recommendations to decide what type of screening you need and how often you need it.

If you are at high risk for breast cancer, such as having a particular gene like a BRCA gene, or have a strong family history or have had high-risk benign breast disease in the past, talk with your doctor about other options for you which might include:

- Extra screenings. For some women, MRI or ultrasound screenings can add valuable information to regular mammogram screening.
- Estrogen-blocking drugs. Women with a family history of breast cancer or who are over age 60 should talk to their doctor about the pros and cons of estrogen-blocking drugs such as tamoxifen, raloxifene, and aromatase inhibitors.
- Prophylactic surgery to remove breasts and/or ovaries.

  Women who have had both breasts surgically removed reduce their risk of breast cancer by over 90%. Women who have had both ovaries removed have about half the risk.

Pink Sunday will be held on the 4th Sunday in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness. Everyone is asked to wear pink.





# JOKES

- 1. How do you know when Enoch is at the door?
- 2. What's the first Supreme Court case in the Bible?
- 3. Why was the woman in the Bible turned into a pillar of salt?
- 4. Who were the three shortest men in the Bible?

#### Answers:

- 1. 'E knocks
- 2. Joshua Judges Ruth. (Joshua, Judges, Ruth).
- 3. Because she was dissatisfied with her lot.
- 4. Bildad the shoe-height, Knee-high Miah, and the man who fell asleep On His Watch.

# **Community Picnic**

A church had a picnic and invited the entire community to come. The Pastor placed a basket full of apples on one end of a table with a sign saying, "Take only one apple please - Remember that God is watching."

On the other end of the table was a plate of cookies where one of the children had placed a sign saying, "Take all the cookies you want -- God is watching the apples."



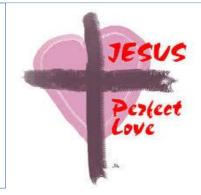
**Little Bobby**: Mom, why was nothing said about the other persons that Jesus raised from the dead together with Lazarus?

**Mom**: Oh dear, now where did you learn that there were other persons? It was only Lazarus.

**Little Bobby**: But mom, every time I read that verse I cannot help but assume that there were at least four persons.

Mom: Now why would you assume something like that?

Little Bobby: 'Cause Lazarus came fourth' (forth)!





2 Michell Herring

2 Gail Tolbert

3 Elizabeth Frazier

5 Asia Monroe

8 Sanknetta Haymond

9 Sammy King

14 Keron Rouse

19 Brittany Lindsay

20 Zacc Oree

24 Paul Felder

24 Henry Simmons

24 Aaliyah Washington

25 Helen Hill

29 Soporiah Frazier

29 Jasmine Glover

30 Erick Capers

30 Julia Dennis

30 Laquetta Simmons

30 Dianne Smith



5 White Oak Manor at 2:00

6 –10 Cooper River Baptist Association 124th Annual Session-Baptist Center

10 WHTH-U Meeting at 6:30

11 Praise Ministry Meeting at 10:00

15 – 17 Senior Ushers Ministry 76th Anniversary at 7:30

18 Brotherhood Meeting at 9:00

18 D.R.E.A.M. Meeting at 10:00

19 Conclusion of Senior Ushers Ministry 76th Anniversary at 3:00

24 Pastor's Aide 25th Anniversary at 7:00

25 Marriage Ministry at 10:00

25 Women's Auxiliary Year-End Meeting at 11:00

26 Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday (wear pink)

27 Seasons Ministry at 6:00

31 Harvest Night 5:30-7:30 at the

Ferndale Baptist Church Gym





27 Deacon and Sis. Norman Vanderhorst Sr.28 Deacon and Sis. Bobby Harper



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