



# Joshua's Journal



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR  
REV. DR. ROBERT L. GROVE

*Love One Another*  
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. JOHN 13:34

*Although, (post Mother Emanuel), our tears have finally dried up, the stains still remain! Like the tragedy of 9-11-01 our lives will never be the same. We have learned the hard way that not only can the devil attack our country, but our most revered institution, the church of the **Lord Jesus Christ** can also be attacked. Therefore, we must be absolutely unwavering in our effort to be safe rather than sorry.*

*I strongly encourage you to follow the guidance of our Security Team. These dedicated soldiers of the cross are carrying out their duty to protect us, so that we can all worship in peace and safety. I ask each member to be aware of your surroundings as you go to and from your vehicles and enter or exit the church. Be especially alert to 'stranger danger'. Remember, that Satan can transform himself into an angel of light (II Cor. 11:14). Therefore, we must verify first and trust second.*

*As we come together to praise and worship our Father in spirit and in truth. Let us always keep in mind that everybody is somebody in the body of Christ. There are no 'superstars' in this parade! We are all in this together. So, stay in your lane and let us work with and not against each other.*

*Joshua, we will grow and prosper together as brothers and sisters in Christ or will perish together as fools. I pray for togetherness - how about you?*

*Finally, as I write this article, I'm praying for Carnival Aquiva 2015, and will have more to say next month. Always remember that God loves you and I do too!!*



## 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 tangibly care for those in 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

Amended

May 9, 2012

**Web Address: <http://www.joshuabapt.org>**

# INSPIRE ENCOURAGE



# MOTIVATE CELEBRATE

"Who would you like to sit down and have lunch or dinner with?!" This is a common question posed by talk-show hosts. Most respond with names of persons who have soared in popularity. Although you can see the excitement of their desires in their actions, chances are very slim that most respondents will actually get to speak to the Celeb of their choosing.

When Jesus walked the face of the earth, he was not welcomed in circles of status nor his friendship sought after by those of great wealth. Matthew 13:55 tells us that members of his home community rejected him, because they were offended that he had stepped outside of the boundaries that they tried to impose upon him--indignantly, they reminded him that his place was at the bottom of the class system, the appropriate place reserved for "just a carpenter's son"! We know how that triumphant story ends--Jesus didn't allow them to define who he was. That's still a great lesson for each of us to embrace today!

Who would you like to have a conversation with? Are you missing opportunities to speak with persons in your immediate presence who are a wealth of wisdom because they don't fit the mold of society's definition of success? Who inspires you?

Often, through speeches, leaders will tell us what catapulted them to great heights--persevering, overcoming obstacles, patience, etc.! However, that kind of intangible wealth doesn't seem significant enough to intrigue many of us. The excitement of the wheeling and dealing with other persons of status and their fine homes and cars, etc. are what most people embrace.

I share good morning exchanges with a very accomplished individual whom I admire. We have a running joke about me letting pennies fall

on the floor and him picking pennies up to add to his collection.

That very small action spoke a very profound message to my spirit--take care of the least, as there's a potential for greatness to evolve as experiences accumulate!

As he left to go to his office, the epiphany, was strong, and I did that unprofessional thing of yelling out his name to catch him before he got out of the area. He returned, and I asked him to share something with me about his success story that I could share with others for inspirational purposes.

Like several persons of achievement, whose priority is not self-exaltation, he was caught off guard, and his characteristic of modesty immediately appeared on his face.

After some coaxing for just one good memory, he shared with me that amongst his strongest catalysts was a prophetically spoken name ascribed to him and a few of his friends by an elderly church mother, Ms. Jessie Mae Ravenel. She called them each a "Will Be!" This woman of God's words spoke His message to their spirits, and God sealed their destinies by giving them an unquenchable desire to fulfill that prophecy.

At the time, they were picking cotton and living without basic tangible necessities. "But Mother Ravenel said they "Will Be" going to college, they "Will Be" achieving higher heights here on earth. They...Will Be...!!!

My Conversant is none other than the Honorable Rep. Floyd Breeland of SC.

*Speak words of Encouragement & Inspiration to someone,  
Like pennies, they'll multiply into greater significance!!*





# Sunday School Department



**Sis. Catherine Pratt and Dea. Frank Brown Sunday School Superintendents**

Sister Pratt and Deacon Frank Brown were recognized and presented with a scrapbook to show our love and appreciation for them on July 12, 2015, during regular worship service for their continuous hard-work and dedication for the Sunday School Department and making it possible for our children to go on a trip to Carowinds with funds raised from the Sunday School annual silent auctions. The scrapbooks were presented by our very own Deaconess Maria and Deacon Corey Anderson.



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## It's Our Church Anniversary



**Come and Celebrate With US!!**

**W**e will be celebrating our **132nd Church Anniversary** on **August 16th at 3:30 pm.** Our speaker for this occasion is **Rev. Larry Nelson of Shiloh AME Church.** Our theme is **"Moving Forward by Faith,"** Mark 11:22. Plan now to be a part of this very special celebration.



**"N**ew Joshua, I salute you for all the hard work you have done and to Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove, Joshua's ambassador, a man with a vision. Thank God for sending us what we needed and what he wanted us to have."

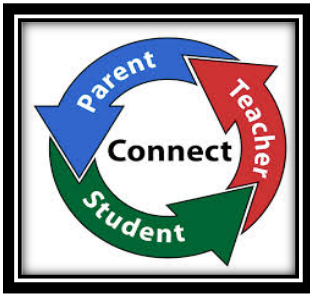
The song says, "My soul looked back and wondered how I got over," but Joshua we don't have to wonder, because we are witnesses that it was God's love, grace and mercy that brought us to this place where God is first and people are **l o v e d . "**

- Sister Dorothy Sheppard

**1 Corinthians 16:13-14(NIV)**

13. Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.

14. Do everything in love.



# We're Going Back To School



**What building has the most stories?**

(The library!)

**JUST KIDDING**



**As you head off to school today, this is what I'm praying for you:**

I'm praying that your day will go smoothly — that your locker will open, that you'll get to class on time, that you won't forget anything, and that you'll find friends in your classes.

I'm praying that your teachers will know just how to teach you in a way that you will love to learn.

I'm praying that you will make friends who will have your back, make you laugh and will make you better.

I'm praying that you'll have the opportunity to be the light of JESUS to someone.

I'm praying that you will always be kind, even in the face of conflict or disagreement.

I'm praying that you will seek out the new person or the lonely person and help them find their place.

I'm praying that you'll learn to be a leader.

I'm praying that you will do everything to the best of your ability — even when you don't want to.

I'm praying that you will be focused on the things your teachers are trying to teach you.

I'm praying that you'll have confidence from knowing you are a child of GOD.

I'm praying that if things go wrong, you'll always remember that GOD loves you and so do we.

I'm praying that you'll laugh a lot during your day.

I'm praying that you will follow in JESUS' footsteps and grow in wisdom and in stature and in favor with GOD and man.

Most of all, I'm praying that this year will be filled with learning, growth, joy and fun.

Have a great year!

Source: God Vine



**Back to School with God!**

**Back to School Prayer Service**

**Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**



*"Every young person in America deserves a world-class education. We've got an obligation to give it to them," - President Barack Obama*



Renay Sally	08/02
Daniel Coleman-Jenkins	08/07
Jamari Crawford	08/07
Kyla Frost	08/08
Khiante Mack	08/16
Payden Johnson	08/18
Janaye Simmons	08/22
Miles Washington	08/25
Tyrus Wilson Jr.	08/25
Lyrik Young	08/26

**CALENDAR**

**8/2 - Children's Church One Year Anniversary Service**

**8/9 - Staff Meeting after Worship Service**

**8/27 - Staff Meeting at 6pm**





## Events to Help CCSD Families Prepare for August 17<sup>th</sup>

CCSD schools and programs are actively preparing for the first day of school on Monday, August 17th. Below are three organizations offering events that will help equip children for success and make the 2015-2016 academic year the best yet!



### Hands of Christ Uniform Distribution Events

Hands of Christ is a Presbyterian Church (USA) program that distributes free uniforms and school supplies to elementary and middle school students in need living in the tri-county area. CCSD students in Kindergarten through the eighth grade receive **two uniforms and a bag of grade-appropriate school supplies.**

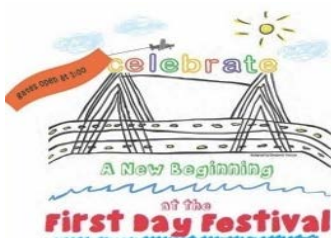


### Hootie's Homegrown Roundup: Back to School Basics

This year's Roundup will assist students attending **Burns, Sanders Clyde, Chicora, Mary Ford, Memminger, Charleston Progressive Academy, Pinehurst, St. James Santee, Angel Oak, Murray Lasaine, Dunston, and Oakland.** The Roundup will be held at **Burke High School from 12 - 4 pm on Saturday, August 8.**

The goal of the Roundup is to provide school age children with the essential supplies and services they need to start each school year ready to learn. **Haircuts, dental exams, backpacks, shoes, and other essential back to school needs will be provided to students entering kindergarten through fifth grade and attending the participating schools.** Please contact **Shelia Grier at 843-579-4828** for additional information.

### The 13th Annual First Day Festival



On **Sunday, August 16th, from 1 - 4 pm**, the City of Charleston will again host the **First Day Festival at Liberty Square at the SC Aquarium and the Charleston Maritime Center.** This community-wide celebration allows students, parents, and educators to enjoy an afternoon of entertainment, free food, school supplies, and information on student support services.

There will be lots of other fun and free events set to take place including:

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Admission into the SC Aquarium | Tours of Ft. Sumter Museum   | Boat rides                             |
| Educational exhibits           | Healthy snacks               | Face painting                          |
| Kids zone                      | Health and Wellness exhibits | Create your own shaved ice w/Kona Ice! |

**Entertainment will be held in Liberty Square and expect several local mascots to make an appearance! (Parking is \$1.)**



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Money for College

**Scholarships with  
August Deadlines**

**Deadline to Apply is August 22, 2015**



**APPLY NOW**

**Alfair Grant Memorial Scholarship**

2015 High School Graduate

*(Already accepted to a college or technical school)*



**Mildred Gibson Brown Scholarship**

*(Must be attending college—Sophomore or Junior)*



**Anna B. Thompson**

**Music Scholarship**

*(Must be a vocal or instrumental major at a 4 year college or university)*

Please see Sis. Marilyn Capers for an application.

For a List of South Carolina Scholarships, go to the following website: <https://www.Mycollegeoptions.org/SC/0/South-Carolina/search-results-scholarship-search-by-location.aspx>

**South Carolina's Tax Free Weekend 2015**

South Carolina's Tax Free Weekend is scheduled **August 7-9, 2015**. The tax-free savings applies to the following items:

- Clothing
- Accessories
- Footwear
- School supplies
- Computers

Compare prices at several different stores and use coupons whenever possible. Keep in mind that big outlet centers draw a lot of shopping during tax free weekend, but local stores may actually offer you better deals. Don't overlook the stores nearest you when planning your back-to-school shopping.

In addition, be careful not to overspend just because it is the tax free weekend. The regular (base) sales tax rate in South Carolina is 6-8.5%, so that's how much money you'd be saving.



# NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE QUIZ

1) What language was the New Testament originally written in?

- English  Greek  Hebrew  Latin

2) Who were the apostles?

- The six most important disciples of Jesus  
 The twelve most important disciples of Jesus.  
 The chiefs of the twelve tribes of Israel  
 The six angels from the Book of Revelation.

3) Which New Testament books are called the "Gospels?"

- Romans, Galatians, Ephesians, and Colossians  
 Acts, Romans, and Revelation  
 Matthew, Mark, Luke and John  
 Matthew, Mark, Luke, and Revelation



4) Jesus is the central character of the New Testament. What do Christians believe about Jesus?

- Jesus was the last and most authoritative of the Hebrew prophets.  
 Jesus is an angel that God sent to earth.  
 Jesus is the Son of God.  
 Jesus is the successor to the God of the Old Testament.

5) What does "Christ" mean

- Anointed  God  King  Savior

6) What religion did Jesus practice?

- Christianity  Islam  Judaism  Buddhism

7) Which of these was at the heart of Jesus' teachings?

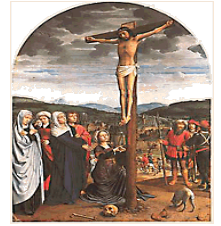
- The restoration of the glory of the nation of Israel  
 The coming of the kingdom of God  
 The final defeat of the Roman Empire  
 The establishment of the Christian Church

8) What did Jesus say were the two great Commandments that should guide our lives?

- You shall not murder and you shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
 You shall not bow down before any idol, and you shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
 Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy, and you shall have no other gods before me.  
 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself.

9) How did Jesus die?

- He was crucified by the Jews.  
 He was crucified by the Romans.  
 He was crucified by the Pharisees.  
 He was mortally wounded by Satan.



10) What was unusual about Jesus' death?

- His spirit was seen to leave His body at the moment of death.  
 He was resurrected to life again three days later.  
 He was carried up to heaven in a chariot of fire.  
 His body disappeared at the moment of death.

11) When was the New Testament written?

- Between 20 and 30 A.D.  Between 30 and 50 A.D.  
 Between 50 and 120 A.D.  Between 120 and 240 A.D.

12) Which of these men wore clothing made of camel's hair, and ate locusts and wild honey.

- John the Baptist  Matthew  Paul  Peter

13) Which of these men was a tax collector before becoming Jesus' disciple?

- John the Baptist  Matthew  Paul  Peter

14) Which of these men denied knowing Jesus three times before the cock crowed?

- John the Baptist  Matthew  Paul  Peter

15) Which of these men encountered Jesus for the first time while on the road to Damascus?

- John the Baptist  Matthew  Paul  Peter

## Results for: The New Testament Bible Quiz

1.Greek 2.The twelve most important disciples of Jesus. 3.Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, 4.Jesus is the Son of God 5.Anointed 6. Judaism 7.The coming of the kingdom of God 8. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself 9.He was crucified by the Romans 10.He was resurrected to life again three days later 11.Between 50 and 120 A.D. 12.John the Baptist 13.Matthew 14.Peter 15.Paul





1 Carnival Aquiva 10:00-2:00

2 White Oak Manor at 2:00

5 Post Carnival Aquiva Meeting at 6:00

8 Health Advocates Ministry Meeting at 10:00

11 Back to School Prayer Service at 6:30



12 Pastor Grove at Oak Grove Baptist Church at 7:30-Jubilee Choir

15 Brotherhood Meeting at 9:00 am

15 D.R.E.A.M. at 10:00



CRBA Youth Dept. Back to School Extravaganza - 11:00 - 1:00

16 132nd Church Anniversary at 3:30

23 Annual Men's Day at 10:15



23 Pastor Grove at Victory Baptist Church at 3:30-Voces of Joshua



- 2 Andrea Grampus
- 2 Shannon Sally
- 3 Simeon Smiley
- 4 Nasir Pryor
- 4 Dorothine Shaver
- 5 Rev. Albertha Isler
- 6 Michael Robinson
- 10 Kendrick Capers
- 10 Donnetia Simmons
- 12 Le'Gaia Lowe
- 15 Dea. Stanley Perry
- 17 Rev. Hester King
- 18 Marcus Glover
- 19 Darius King
- 19 Tasha Peek
- 20 Thomasette Peek
- 21 Kathy Capers
- 21 Angelique Frost
- 22 Stevie Grampus, Sr.
- 23 Janaye Simmons
- 24 Daviona Washington
- 25 Tyrus A. Wilson, Jr.
- 27 Tamisha Hill
- 27 Tamar Murray
- 28 Sharon Jackson
- 30 Tricia Cooke
- 30 Gloria Ravenell
- 31 Christine Rollison



## Welcome

### NEW MEMBERS

### CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM

- Destiny Dunn
- Latiesha Dunn
- Frederik McFadden
- Ta'leyah Willis

### CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE

- Liz Ellen Harley
- Anastasia McFadden
- Tamika Myers
- Tyrone Myers
- Tyon Myers

- 3 Rev. Albertha and Bro. Clarence Isler
- 9 Bro. Michael and Sis. Latonia Robinson
- 14 Bro. Lawrence and Sis. Alma Strother

