

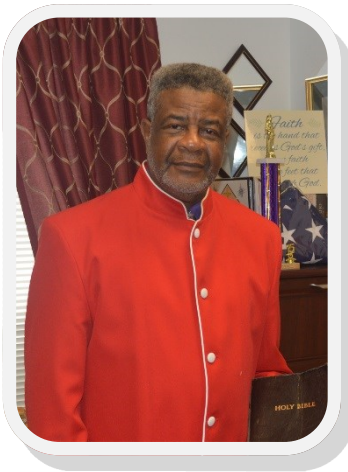
Joshua's Journal

Reaching People For Christ – **GOD FIRST**

✠ Pastor's Corner

Message from Pastor

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove



We are off to a good start in increasing the attendance in our Prayer Service and Bible Studies. Members let us not get weary in our well doing for in due season, we will reap a great harvest if we do not faint (give up). Brothers and sisters, I truly believe that prayer is the life-blood of the church. Because it is through prayer that we maintain our connection to our Source. And, we must also study the Word of God. For HE said in Hosea 4:6, “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” So, Joshua, we don’t want to faint nor be destroyed.

Also, let me thank the leadership of our Sunday Church School for a splendid Vacation Bible School – ‘Game On’. It was fun, informative, well-planned and well-attended. To GOD be the glory!

As I write, we are preparing for our annual Carnival Aquiva – ‘Generation to Generation’. And, also for our first Children’s Church Lock-In. I’ll have more to say about these two events next month.

In addition, our Annual Deacon’s Appreciation Dinner and our Men’s Day Service is scheduled for the 4th Friday and Sunday respectively. We are looking forward to these events with great expectation that our God is going to bless in a mighty way.

Joshua, always remember (no matter what) that God loves you and Lady Grove 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.**

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Pressing On—There's a song that says "I'm pressing on, trying to reach my heavenly home. I've got a few more tears I have to shed and a few more burdens I have to bear." The words go on to say that although some family members have gone on to be with the Lord, we are encouraged to try to make it in.

So with this in mind, Christians should have a steadfast hope in knowing that if we faint not, we will be victorious in the end. In our daily walk of life, although we have many trials, hurdles and obstacles, we must press on, hold on and be strong because our blessings far outweigh the temporary setbacks. Remember, the race is not given to the fastest runner but the one who makes it to the finish line. Brothers and sisters, let's keep **pressing on!**

because
HE BENDS DOWN TO
LISTEN
I WILL PRAY AS LONG AS I HAVE
breath

PSALM 116:2

ONE

One tree can start a forest;
One smile can begin a friendship;
One hand can lift a soul;
One word can frame the goal;
One candle can wipe out darkness;
One laugh can conquer gloom;
One hope can raise your spirits;
One touch can show you care;
One life can make a difference,

be that one today.

Walk in Patience

God's word is faithful to come to our rescue as we seek to walk with Him in the trying area of patience. What does the Bible suggest you and I can do?

Train yourself in long-suffering. Proverbs 19:11 offers this wisdom: "A man's discretion makes him slow to anger and it is his glory to overlook a transgression." In other words, learn to restrain your anger.

Lengthen your fuse. How long can you wait? Well, make that period a little longer. How many times can you wait? Make it a few more times next time. That's where prayer comes into play. Our patient God is willing to give you His patience whenever you ask.

Remove opportunities to sin. As Paul says, "Make no provision for the flesh" (Romans 13:14). And Proverbs instructs us that "keeping away from strife is an honor for a man, but any fool will quarrel" (20:3).

Follow Jesus' example. No one has ever endured more abuse than Jesus did! Yet He remained sinless even under the most severe mistreatment. Carry Jesus' response to suffering in your heart and mind . . . and try to lift your own responses to a higher level of godliness.

Pray! This was Jesus' sure-fire method for enduring His suffering. So precious one, when you are injured by others, turn your aching soul heavenward. Allow God to soothe your pain. Let Him fill you with His patience as you endure the hurt, without vengeance and for the good of those who hurt you. After all, it was by Jesus' wounds that you and I were healed. It was for our good that He suffered. And we are called to do the same—to be patient with others for their own good. There is no higher privilege for us as Christians.

— Elizabeth George



**The love of God continues to fall on us.
Thanks be to God!**

JBC Women's Retreat 2018

Theme: "Mary Wanted to Sit at Jesus' Feet: What's Wrong With That?"



We praise God for the success of this year's Women's Retreat! Women came together on July 27 & 28 and shared in an awesome experience of spiritual growth! Each day was spent in praise, worship, laughter, delicious meals and a great demonstration of solidarity and love. The consensus of the group is that the event presented us with more strength, confidence and a determination to **walk in authority and to be more committed.**

Comments from attendees:

- * We need to encourage each other.
- * We can do things better together.
- * A relationship with God is more important than material things.
- * God is patient with us.
- * I plan to spend more time with God.
- * Growth is very important - we need to help each other grow.
- * We are one body.

Women shared testimonies and embraced each other as chains were broken. They expressed how much love they feel from their sisters here at Joshua Baptist Church, where a spirit of warmth and welcoming personalities exist.

HATS OFF

TO THE
RETREAT COMMITTEE



A Job Well Done!

Congratulations to 2018 JBC's Vacation Bible School MVPs

THE ABC'S OF SALVATION



ADMIT:

Admit that you are a sinner and have made mistakes.

BELIEVE:

Believe that Jesus is God's only Son and He chose to die on a cross for you.

COMMIT:

Commit yourself to a life of following Jesus and serving others.



3 – 5 Year Old

Ja'Maya Pugh & Josiah Murray



9 – 12 Year Old

Chandler Moore & Janae Williams



13–17 Year Old

Shaun Harper & Thy'Nasha Pugh



Congratulations to Bonds-Wilson High School Class of 1962



It was a pleasure having Deacon Eugene and Deaconess Annette Wright's classmates worshipping with Joshua as part of their 56th High School Class Reunion. A special "thank you" goes to the BWHS Class of 1962 for their visit and kind donation to Joshua.



Students 3K Through 8th Grade Are Invited To Receive:

Two Free School Uniforms And Grade Related School Supplies

Each child may attend **only one site each year!**
 To be served: Your child must be present and accompanied by an adult with a **Drivers License** or **Official ID** from any Government.

Please check the schedule below to find the best site for you.

Date	Church	Address	Location	Time
Sat 28 Jul	Aimwell Presbyterian Church	8925 Charleston Highway	Colleton County	10:00 AM
SUN 29 JUL	BENEFIT CONCERT	James Island Presbyterian Church	James Island	5:00 PM
Mon 30 Jul	St. James Presbyterian Church	1314 Sessionville Road	James Island	5:00 PM
Tue 31 Jul	Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church	302 Hibben Street	East Cooper	5:00 PM
Wed 1 Aug	Edisto Presbyterian Church	1890 Cypress Bottom Road	Edisto Island	5:00 PM
Thur 2 Aug	Hebron Zion Presbyterian Church	2915 Bohicket Road	Johns Island	5:00 PM
Sat 4 Aug	Bethel Presbyterian Church	403 Church Street	Walterboro	10:00 AM
Mon 6 Aug	Yeamans Park Presbyterian Church	5931 North Murray Drive	Hanahan	5:00 PM
Tue 7 Aug	First Presbyterian Church	419 West Main Street	Moncks Corner	4:00 PM
Wed 8 Aug	First Presbyterian Church	419 West Main Street	Moncks Corner	4:00 PM
Wed 8 Aug	Zion Olivett Presbyterian Church	3347 Rivers Ave.	North Charleston	5:00 PM
Thur 9 Aug	Zion Olivett Presbyterian Church	3347 Rivers Ave.	North Charleston	5:00 PM
Thur 9 Aug	Williamsburg Presbyterian Church	411 North Academy Street	Kingstree	4:00 PM
Fri 10 Aug	Park Circle Presbyterian Church	4701 Park Place West	North Charleston	5:00 PM
Sat 11 Aug	Park Circle Presbyterian Church	4701 Park Place West	North Charleston	10:00 AM
Mon 13 Aug	Summerville Presbyterian Church	407 South Laurel Street	Summerville	4:00 PM
Mon 13 Aug	Second Presbyterian Church	342 Meeting Street	Downtown Charleston	5:00 PM
Tue 14 Aug	Second Presbyterian Church	342 Meeting Street	Downtown Charleston	5:00 PM
Wed 15 Aug	New Wappetaw Presbyterian Church	635 Pinckney Street	McClellanville	5:00 PM
Thur 16 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	5:00 PM
Fri 17 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	5:00 PM
Sat 18 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	10:00 AM



Welcome To Our Newest Ministerial Staff Member

Minister LaTonia Robinson was born in Charleston, S.C. to John C. and the late Linda M. Simmons. She is the oldest of her siblings.

She is married to Brother Michael Timothy Robinson and together they have nine children (four boys and five girls) and six grandchildren. She received her education in the public schools of Charleston County. She is employed by the United Postal Service as a supervisor and letter carrier.

As a member of Joshua, she serves as a Sunday School teacher, Chaplain for the Young Women Auxiliary, and President of the JBC Jubilee Choir. She is also a member of the Women's Empowerment Movement, Inc., Charleston Chapter.

In her spare time, she enjoys reading and spending time with her family.



Min. LaTonia S. Robinson

On April 29, 2018, she yielded to God's calling on her life; she stands today as an available and willing vessel fully surrendered to God's Will. Minister Robinson's trial sermon message was given to her nine years ago.

Her favorite scripture is found in Isaiah 40:31 "But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary;..." Rev. Isler sees Minister Robinson with the words found in 1 Corinthians 9:16 "For if I preach the gospel, I have no reason to boast, because I am compelled to preach--and woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!"

Minister Robinson's license was presented to her by Pastor, Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove in the presence of her family, friends and church family. May God continue to bless her.



Ministerial License: July 8, 2018

Initial Sermon: "Stay In His Will."

Scriptures: Micah 6:1-8; 1 Timothy 2:4





MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Bro. Carl Singleton

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.
Hebrews 13:16



Brother Carl Singleton is a faithful member of Joshua Baptist Church. He was born February 15th, 1956 in Charleston, SC and attended Charleston County public schools. He was employed with the ILA Longshoreman Hall for 26 years before leaving on disability. Since Singleton has been out on

disability, he joined Roper St. Francis Volunteer Team, which he has supported over the past five years.

He serves on the Joshua Brotherhood Ministry and Security Team.

He is the father of one daughter, Vondell Bailey and the grandfather of two beautiful grandchildren, Melachi and Cameron Singleton. Bro. Singleton enjoys spending time with his family and has even become a coach for his grandsons' basketball, football and baseball teams.

In addition to enjoying his daughter and grandchildren, he enjoys his church family and appreciates the bond that he has made with everyone. Bro. Singleton enjoys living life and appreciates everything that comes with it.



BE A BLESSING TO SOMEONE
TODAY
- PROVERBS 11:25

When I think of the Goodness
of
Jesus

Ministerial Staff Spotlight

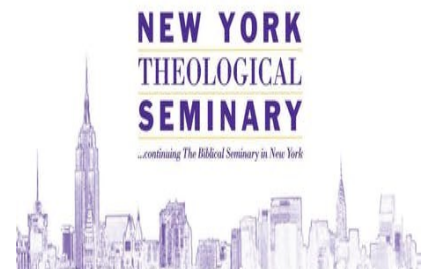
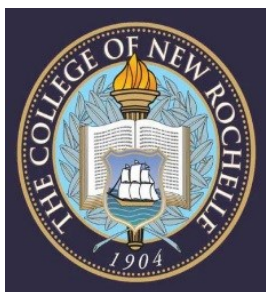
Rev. Albertha Isler

Rev. Albertha Isler is a native of Charleston, South Carolina. She is the daughter of the late Rev. Elijah and Alfair Grant. As a result of her upbringing, she learned the power of prayer, the importance of family and friends, and the need to be involved in community service. She gave her life to Christ at the age of nine.

She graduated summa cum laude from The College of New Rochelle in New York City with a B.A. in Psychology. She also attended Pace University in New York where she majored in Business Administration and Management. She attended New York Theological Seminary, and Community Bible Institute, Brooklyn, NY. She presently serves as an Associate Minister here at Joshua Baptist Church.

She is the founder and CEO of the Women's Empowerment Movement, Inc. (WEM). Consumed with the desire to encourage women both spiritually and intellectually, she set out in 1996 to form an organization where women's issues would be addressed and solutions would be explored. What started out as a band of women seeking an environment of growth and sisterly-love has turned into a ministry where women are motivated, encouraged and empowered. As a result of their monthly meetings, young girls are mentored, lectures are given, and workshops are implemented to educate the public.

Due to her love for the Lord, professional qualifications, organizational skills, and more importantly, the power of the Holy Spirit, Rev. Isler is doing her best to make a positive difference in our society. She was licensed to preach the gospel in 2001 and ordained in 2002.



Rev. Isler was honored by Gethsemane Baptist Church in Brooklyn, NY for her outstanding service in the community; awarded the Beacon of Hope Award by Congressman Major Owens; given the Miracle Maker Award from the Miracle Maker's Corporation in 1998; awarded Outstanding Women of the Year Award from the National Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce; voted one of the Women to Watch in the 21st Century by the New York's Women's Agenda Corporation; served as President of the National Political Congress of Black Women's Manhattan Chapter; honored as Woman of the Year by the Phyllis Tallifero Foundation; awarded the Certificate of Appreciation by the Links, Inc. of Greater New York and was crowned Ms. Cooper River Baptist Association of 2006 (Charleston, SC). She serves as 2nd Vice President of the Ministers' Ministry of the Cooper River Baptist Association. She has received numerous proclamations, citations and other acknowledgements from New York City officials. She and the organization have been highlighted in numerous local New York newspapers. For her work with teenage girls, she was awarded the Black History Community Service Award from I.S. 271 in Brooklyn, NY and adopted the William's Residence for Women in New York where many women were blessed because of the organization's generosity and prayers.

“
PRAYER
 is a powerful tool
 in the hands of a
KINGDOM WOMAN.
 ”



Rev. Isler is a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.



Wishing Rev. Isler A Happy Birthday
 and
 Happy Wedding Anniversary
 to the both of you.



Her motto is “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6



GET THE HELP YOU NEED, WHEN YOU NEED IT.

N. CHARLESTON, SC
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Everyone needs a little help sometimes. Whether you need some free food, diapers for your baby, a quick cash loan, assistance with your rent and utilities, some fresh clothing or a homeless shelter, you'll find the resources here to help you now.

Food Pantries - Food pantries give free food to local residents. There are 37 food pantries in the North Charleston, SC area.

Rental Assistance - When you need money to pay your rent, utility bills or get through a difficult time, there are 11 utility payment and rental assistance programs in the North Charleston, SC area.

Homeless Shelters - Temporary free shelters for people in need. There are 6 homeless shelters in the North Charleston, SC area.

Emergency Loans - Emergency Loans are quick easy loans for people in financial distress - some without a credit check. There are 12 cash loan programs available to residents in the North Charleston, South Carolina area.

Clothing Donations - Programs for free and reduced cost clothes and household goods. There are 28 programs in the North Charleston area that offer clothing.

Child Care - Free diapers, clothing and free or reduced cost daycare services for children of families in need. There are 3 child care programs in North Charleston, South Carolina.

If North Charleston is not your area, please go to the website . Web address is listed below. Enter your zip code for a location near you:

WWW.SUNTOPIA.ORG

How to Complete A Church Offering Envelope

Check # _____

Joshua Baptist Church
2482 Faber Road
North Charleston, South Carolina 29405
The Reverend Dr. ROBERT L. GROVE, Pastor

Date 8/5/13

Name Bro. John Victory

TITHES	BUILDING FUND	GENERAL OFFERING	OTHER
\$ <u>25.00</u>	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

1. Please include check # on right hand corner of envelope.
2. PRINT your FIRST and LAST name, no initials, i.e., J. Victory
3. Write giving amount clearly. i.e., \$25.00 or \$25 (This will ensure your that contribution is allotted correctly.)

COMING SOON

- ◇ A Photo folder has been added to the Joshua website for pictures. Some pictures from previous events and upcoming events will be uploaded soon. www.joshuabapt.org



- ◇ Please join us for a Special Back to School Prayer Service on Tuesday, August 7th at 6 pm. Bring your children out for prayer. Free School supplies will be available for all students.



- ◇ Please join us for our 24th JBC Deacons' Appreciation Dinner Celebration on Friday, August 24th in the JBC Activity Center at 6 p.m.

L *Laugh & Learn*

A couple had been having trouble in their marriage for a while. So when they hear about a marriage seminar promising to make their marriage great, they decide to attend.

“One of the most important things in marriage”, says the speaker, “is to get to really know your spouse well. For example, how many of you know what’s your wife’s favorite type of flower is? Something like this is very important.”

The husband smiles, proud of himself, leans over to his wife and whispers, “It’s all-purpose flour isn’t it?”



What’s missing?

Matthew

Mark

Luke

Acts

Romans

1 Corinthians

2 Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Colossians

1 Thessalonians

2 Thessalonians

1 Timothy

2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

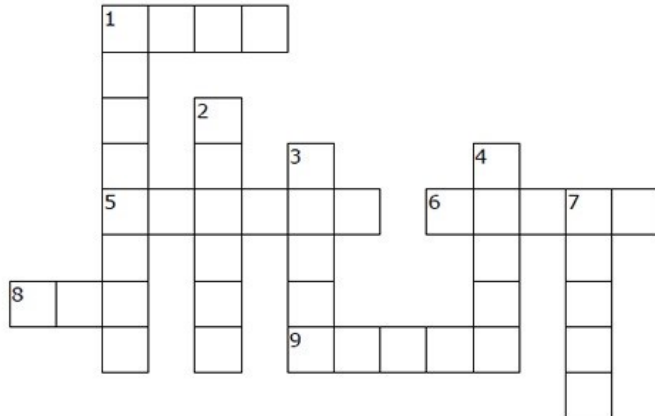
Can you fill in the blanks?

“First giving _____ to God, who is the _____ of my life, I’d like to say I’m glad to be in the _____ of the Lord one mo’ time. Cause He brought me from a _____ long _____. I coulda been dead, sleeping in my _____, but God is _____ all the _____, and all the _____, God is _____. He’s a _____ over troubled waters. He’s a mother to the _____, and a _____ to the _____, a doctor in a _____ room, and a _____ in the courtroom! He’s the _____ of the valley, a bright and _____ star. He got up early one _____ mon’ing, with all _____ in His _____. Pray for me that I grow _____ in the Lord.”

Don't Miss Church!

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" John 20:19 (NIV)

Based on John 20:19-31



ACROSS

- An entrance into a building or room
- The disciple who would not believe without seeing
- To be in a state of pleasure or delight
- Breaking a religious or moral law
- The body parts at the end of the arms

DOWN

- Unwilling to believe that something is true
- Not open
- To believe in something for which there is no proof
- A pointed and headed fastener designed to be pounded into wood
- Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war

NAILS	PEACE	DOOR	DOUBTING	HAPPY
THOMAS	CLOSED	SIN	HANDS	FAITH

What's Missing Answer Key : John—Phillipians - Hebrews—3 John

Answer Key: Honor-Head-House-Mighty-Way
Grave-Good-Time-Time-Good-Bridge-Motherless
Friend-Friendless-Sick-Lawyer-Lily-Morning-



- 1—CRBA Ministers’ Ministry Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 4—Carnival Aquiva From 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- 5—White Oak Manor at 2:00 p.m.
- 7—Back to School Prayer Service at 6:00 p.m.
- 10—Children’s Church Lock-In at 6:00 p.m.
- 18—CRBA Back to School Program, Victory Missionary Baptist Church at 11:00 a.m.
- 19—Calvary Temple of Praise - Church Anniversary at 4:00 p.m. - W.E. Hugee Male Choir
- 24—24th Deacons’ Appreciation Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
- 26—Annual Men’s Day at 10:15 a.m. Service
- 26—Pastor Grove at Victory Missionary Baptist Church at 4:00 p.m. – Voices of Joshua
- 27—Seasons’ Ministry at 6:00 p.m.



- 2—Andrea Grampus
- 4—Doroithine Shaver
- 5—Rev. Albertha Isler
- 12—Jacqueline Dent
- 15—Dea. Stanley Perry
- 16—Ja’Maya Pugh
- 17—Rev. Hester King
- 18—Marcus Glover
- 21—Kathy Capers
- 22—Stevie Grampus Sr.
- 22—Janaye Simmons
- 28—Barbara Jenkins-Dent
- 30—Gloria Ravenell
- 31—Jordan Jackson
- 31—Christine Rollison



- 3—Bro. Clarence & Rev. Albertha Isler
- 9—Bro. Michael & Min. Latonia Robinson
- 14—Dea. Lawrence & Sis. Alma Strother

New Members

Restoration

Gregory Salley

