



Joshua's Journal

Reaching People For Christ – **GOD FIRST!**

Pastor's
Corner

Message from Pastor

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove



We serve a mighty and awesome GOD! He gave His best for us in the person of His Son Jesus the Christ. And, we should never, ever, forget what He's done for us.

Last month, the brothers of the church did an absolute manly job of feeding the flock for our annual Men's Day Service. I am thankful for the spirit of cooperation that was displayed from the beginning to the end - by the young and old.

Members, October will be another busy month for the church. The 128th Annual Session of the Cooper River Baptist Association will begin on the 8th – 14th. New Antioch Baptist Church will host the session at the Baptist Center.

Also, our Senior Ushers will be celebrating their 80th Anniversary on Friday the 19th and close on Sunday the 21st. Please come out and rejoice with them. Further, we will observe Breast Cancer Awareness Month (Pink Sunday) on the 28th.

Finally, we look forward this year to celebrating Harvest Night (31st) on the church grounds.

Moreover, your support of these activities is needed and is appreciated. Joshua, what I say unto one I say unto all, "watch, watch, watch, and pray."

God loves you and Sister 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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**"When a storm strikes... God will keep safe all who obey Him."
Proverbs 10:25 (CEV)**

Your Storm Shelter - Heart-rending scenes of nature's devastation are hard to forget. Victims caught in the path of storms, hurricanes, flood waters and earthquakes are tossed around like match sticks. But those prepared in advance escape its destruction.

There is no such thing as a storm-free life! The words "**When** a storm strikes" (**not if**), should teach us that we all go through times of heartache and trouble. The question is: Are you prepared? You can be. Almighty God can protect you during times of loss, sickness, divorce, unemployment, loneliness, depression, etc.

Although you may not be able to predict life's storms or prevent them, you can prepare for them and be protected in them by doing the following things:

Locate your storm shelter. Mid-storm is no time to be caught in confusion seeking refuge for yourself and your family. You must know in Whom and where your protection lies. The Holy Bible says, "**The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe**" (Proverbs 18:10). The Lord's "name" speaks of His character, His reliability and His faithfulness. A man or woman without God is forced to be their own god – **what a fearful thought!** But those who love God can say, "God is a safe place to hide, ready to help when we need Him. We stand fearless... courageous in sea storms and earthquakes, before the rush and roar of oceans, the tremors that shift mountains" (Psalm 46:1-3).

An old Irish preacher had his own take on this hymn. He'd say, "On Christ the solid rock I stand - all other rocks are sham-rocks!" Trust God; He is the only storm shelter you will ever need!

"You are a tower of refuge to the poor, O Lord, a tower of refuge to the needy in distress. You are a refuge from the storm and a shelter from the heat." Isaiah 25:4 (NLT)

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He Is

When you are the neediest,
He is the most sufficient.

When you are completely helpless,
He is the most helpful.

When you feel totally dependent,
He is absolutely dependable.

When you are the weakest,
He is the most able.

When you are the most alone,
He is intimately present.

When you feel you are the least,
He is the greatest!

When you feel the most useless,
He is preparing you.

When it is darkest,
He is the only Light you need.

When you feel the least secure,
He is your Rock and Fortress.

When you are the most humble,
He is most gracious.

When you say that you cannot,
remember that He can!

- Author Unknown-

Member Spotlight



Bro. Ricardo Johnson was born July 31, 1980 in Charleston, SC to the late Sis. Delia Johnson and Mr. David Johnson. He has one sister, Rolanda Johnson and two nephews. He is an outstanding uncle and loves helping his family.

Ricardo loves to read the newspaper and watch all kinds of sports. His favorite football team is the Carolina Panthers. His family said "if football was a snack, he would be full every day." He also likes to play music on his tablet and games like Candy Crush and Solitaire. He enjoys going to the library, movies and bowling.

He is always ready to help anyone. He attends a day program at the *Disabilities Board of Charleston County* where he packs different products. The staff enjoys having him there and he is a pleasure to be around. He has a great sense of humor. Bro. Ricardo enjoys going to the company's holiday party.

Bro. Ricardo attends church regularly. *Rolanda says, "Ricardo loves his church family, and I truly appreciate all the love Ricardo receives from the Joshua Baptist Church family".*

Joshua Baptist Church is blessed to have him as an active and faithful member. May God continue to bless him and his family.



Clergy Appreciation Month



We heard you Pastor Grove when you told us ***"It's in Our Hands Now"*** Acts 2:1-4, and that we are responsible for prayer, praise, worship and witnessing.

Rev. Scott said, ***"Jesus is Mine Because I Walk The Line"*** Amos 7:7, we heard that!

Min. Anderson you reminded us that ***"With Jesus, It's All Good"*** Psalm 119:71-72.

Min. Bennett you told us that ***"The Truth Is"*** Matthew 18:1-3, 6-7.

Evangelist Black you made it plain when you said, ***"Stop Making Excuses"*** Isaiah 53: 1-8.

Thank you Rev. Choice, we won't forget that we should be ***"Standing on the Promises of GOD"*** Matthew 28: 18-20.

Evangelist Gathers, no matter how it looks, we will give God a ***"Yet Praise"*** Psalm 7.



Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove, Pastor



Rev. Melvin Scott, Assistant Pastor



Min. Corey Anderson



Min. Belinda Bennett



Evang. Loretta Black



Rev. Abrou Choice



Evang. Brenda Gathers

...and how shall they hear without a preacher? (Romans 10:14 KJV)

Clergy Appreciation Day is observed on the second Sunday in October. It is a time to recognize the work of ministers, evangelists, and pastors, in the United States.

We should always lift our hands to GOD in prayer; that's what Rev. Glover was encouraging us to do when she said , **"Put Your Hands Up"** Exodus 17:8-12.

You were absolutely right Rev. Isler, life gets rough, but we just have to **"Count It All Joy"** James 1:1-4.

Because after all, **"This is My Season"** Acts 3:1-10, according to Rev. King.

As Christians, we sometimes find ourselves being in such a hurry. We want our prayers answered right now, but we have to learn to **"Wait on the Lord"** Psalm 27; isn't that right, Rev. Mazyck?

Thank you Rev. Ravenell for reminding us to **"Trust GOD"** Mark 4:35-41.

And Min. Robinson for instructing us to **"Stay in His Will"** Micah 6:1-8; 2 Timothy 2:4.

Min. Simmons, you enlighten us on what is **"A Good Day"** Esther 3:1-5, 8:17.

And we will heed the sound advice from Rev. Thurman that **"When GOD Speaks, You Better Listen!"** Mark 4:35-45.



Rev. Mary Glover



Rev. Hester King



Rev. Albertha Isler



Rev. Harriet Mazyck



Rev. James Ravenell



Min. Latonia Robinson



Min. Katrina Simmons



Rev. S. Christopher Thurman



To the Ministers of Joshua, continue to preach the uncompromising Gospel of Christ. Your preaching is not in vain, and we are listening! You serve the LORD in His church through your faithful exercise of your gifts and Joshua Baptist Church truly is Blessed. We want you to know that we love, respect and appreciate All of You.



A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER was describing to the class how Lot's wife looked back and suddenly turned into a pillar of salt. "My mother looked back once while she was driving," one boy said, "and she turned into a telephone pole."

Submitted by Brother Ken Murphy



A TREE AND A TEMPTATION

Today's text (Genesis 3:8-17, 20-24) describes the events following the woman and man eating fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Using the texts provided, answer the questions that provide the background for today's text.

1. According to Genesis 2:8, 9, what did God plant in Eden?
2. According to Genesis 2:16, 17, what was God's command to the man about the trees?
3. According to Genesis 2:17, what was the punishment if the man ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?
4. According to Genesis 3:1, how did the serpent twist the command of God in Genesis 2:17?
5. According to Genesis 3:3, how did the woman change the command of God in Genesis 2:17?
6. According to Genesis 3:4, 5 how does the serpent tempt the woman?
7. According to Genesis 3:6, why does the women eat the fruit?
8. According to Genesis 3:7, what was the result of the woman and her husband eating the fruit?

A Tree and a Temptation: 1=A garden, all kinds of trees, tree of life, tree of the knowledge of good and evil. 2=Free to eat from any tree, but must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. 3=Death. 4=He said they weren't allowed to eat from any tree. 5.=Not allowed to touch the fruit of the tree. 6.=Tells her she will not die, her eyes would be open, she would be like God. 7=She sees it is pleasing to the eye, desirable for gaining wisdom. 8=Eyes were opened, realized they were naked, covered themselves.



Attention Smart Phone and Google Assistant Users

Hey Siri—Hey Google— Ok Google

Please add an appointment to my calendar for Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. for Prayer Service & Bible Study.

We look forward to seeing you!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

& UPCOMING EVENTS

Collecting Pencils for Africa



Sis. Cheryl Brown continues to collect **pencils** to send to **Africa** and appreciates the donations she has received thus far. Please continue to give as she plans to send the package at the end of the year. Thank you for your kindness.



Sis. Michell Herring, Church Historian is asking all Ministry presidents/leaders to provide her with a copy of your ministry history. Please email her at michell.herring@yahoo.com. Thank you for your submissions!

The **Missionary Ministry** is collecting personal items and toiletries for patients of the **Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center** through **November 25th**. A box is located in the Fellowship Hall for donations.



During the month of **October** on **Tuesday evenings at 6pm**, the **Y.E.S. Ministry** will be discussing banking and finance. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board so age appropriate materials can be provided.



OCTOBER is BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

Joshua will be observing Pink Sunday October 28th during our 10:15 a.m. worship service.

Worship in pink.



Harvest Night will be celebrated October 31st from **5:00 - 7:00 p.m.** in the **JBC Activity Center**. All members are asked to **donate two bags of candy** or more for the children's treat bags. Please bring in your candy now.

2018 JBC Men's Retreat

November 8-10, 2018

Myrtle Beach, SC

Guest Speaker

Chief Reggie Burgess
N. Charleston Police Department

Please see Deacon Lawrence Strother if you would like to sign-up for this fabulous occasion.



Birthdays and anniversary are recognized each month in the **Joshua Journal**. If you are celebrating one of these events next month, make sure you put your information on the sheet provided on the bulletin board.

The deadline for submitting articles, announcements, poems, etc., you would like to have published in the Journal is the 3rd Sunday of each month. Please give your submission to Sis. Betty Rouse or any member of the CAPPS Ministry.

OCTOBER



- 2—Michell Herring
- 2—Gail Tolbert
- 8—Sanknetta Hammond
- 9—Sammy King
- 19—Brittany Lindsay
- 20—Zacc Oree
- 30—Julia Dennis
- 30—Dianne Smith



Happy anniversary!

29—Deacon & Deaconess Bobby & Margie Harper

Upcoming EVENTS

- 3—CRBA Ministers Ministry Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 6—CRBA Annual Session Youth Day @ Baptist Center—TBA
- 7—White Oak Manor at 2:00 p.m.
- 8—128th Annual Session Welcome Night ~ Pastor Grove and Gospel Choir @ 7:00 p.m.
- 9—14 CRBA 128th Annual Session at Baptist Center—TBA
- 19—Senior Ushers 80th Anniversary at 7:00 p.m.
- 21—Senior Usher Anniversary Concludes at 3:30 p.m.
- 27—Women’s Auxiliary Year End Meeting at 11:00 a.m.
- 28—Pink Sunday at 10:15 a.m. Service
- 29—Seasons Ministry at 6:00 p.m.
- 31—Harvest Night—5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

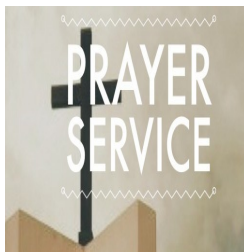


Candidates for Baptism

Makala Gatling
Tatianna Todd

Restoration

Rose Blue



- 10/2 - Dea. Frank Brown, his members, Team 1- Prosperity, Sunday School & Kitchen Ministry
- 10/9- Dea. Eugene Wright, his members, Team 2- Commitment, CAPPs & Joshua Journal
- 10/16 - Dea. Albert Hill, his members, Team 3- Salvation, Decorating Committee & W.E. Hugee Choir
- 10/23 - Dea. Arnold Jenkins, his members, Team 4 - Healing, WHTH U Ministry & Y.W.A.
- 10/30 - Dea. Norman Vanderhorst, his members, Team 5 - Increase, Youth Dept. & Security



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