

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three;
but the greatest of these is **love.**

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13 NKJV



Joshua's Journal

✠ Pastor's
Corner

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

Message from Pastor

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove



There are many positive signs of growth in Joshua that our GOD is allowing us to witness. Our Children's Church Ministry is alive and well. Therefore, literally hundreds of our young Christians are being enriched with the Word of God on a level that they can understand and appreciate.

Our "Let's Talk Jesus is Listening Street Ministry" is reaching persons beyond the walls of Joshua. Our Deacons and Trustees and the laity are actively involved in security – keeping us safe. Moreover, last month Dr. M. Herring gave the church professional training on child sexual abuse - "Darkness to Light." And, since we are living in a world where any and everything goes, we cannot become complacent and nonchalant about these extremely important matters. So, we must continue to preach, teach, reach, and train as we fulfil our purpose of "Reaching People for Christ." Also, our 'Online Giving Program' is up and running (see the website). The next program for electronic giving (soon to come) will be "Text to Give." Prayerfully these initiatives will appeal to our younger members who often don't carry checkbooks and cash on their person.

Finally, brothers and sisters, never give up on God because He will never give up on you. And, never, ever adjust your expectations to your limitations. For our Father can supply your every need.

Remember, God loves you and we 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

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May 9, 2012



Sick & Shut In

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| Sis. Mary Jenkins | Sis. Sonya Jenkins |
| Sis. Yummy Jones | Sis. Betty Jones |
| Sis. Lillie Manning | Bro. Tony Brown |
| Bro. Curtis Sally | Bro. Leonard Sinclair |
| Dea. Joseph Wilson | Bro. Sammy King |
| Sis. Debra Wright | Sis. Margie Breland |
- Sis. Dorothy Sheppard
- Sis. Miriam Ragland
- Sis. Josephine Collins



A Prayer for Healing

*At every moment of our existence
you are present to us, God,
in gentle compassion.*

*Help us to be present to one another
so that our presence may be a strength
that heals the wounds of time,*

*and gives hope that is for all persons,
through Jesus our compassionate brother.*

"Perfect Peace"

The secret to "perfect peace" lies in this Scripture: "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in You, all whose thoughts are fixed on You!" It's not your circumstances, but how you think about them that robs you of peace. Focusing on your circumstances just causes more anxiety, because circumstances constantly change and often spin out of your control. However, God never changes, and nothing ever spins out of His control.

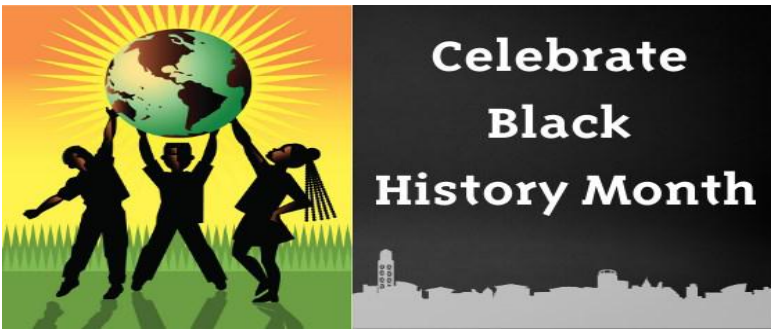
**God blesses you
with peace**

**"The Lord gives his
people strength. The
Lord blesses them with
peace."
- Psalm 29:11 (NLT)**

Peace and worry are mutually exclusive. Worry throttles your confidence, chokes your perspective, and suffocates your spirit. It robs you of the peace that comes from knowing the God who can handle anything, and through whom all things are possible. The reason we worry so much is because we engage in exactly the opposite behavior to that which brings peace. Worry is like a "no-confidence" vote in God. You may not intend it that way, but every time you give in to worry, in essence, you're saying: "I don't believe God can or will handle this for me. I'm not sure I can trust Him in this matter, so I'll just have to carry this burden and take care of the problem myself."

Almighty God is either the object of your trust or just a part-time helper you call on when you can't handle things on your own. It's reminiscent of the elephant and the mouse that walked over a bridge. When they got to the other side, the mouse said, "Man, we really shook that bridge!" When you begin to see God as playing the major role in your life and you the minor one, you'll then begin to find the peace which has escaped you for so long.

Answer Key: The Way of All the Earth. Saul, Solomon, John the Baptist. "The way of all the earth is death."



Black History Month is an annual celebration of too-often neglected achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central roles in U.S. history.

Marie Van Brittan Brown

(October 30, 1922 – February 2, 1999)



She was the inventor of the home security system (U.S. Patent 3,482,037) in 1966, along with her husband Albert Brown. In the same year, they jointly applied for a patent which was granted in 1969. Brown was

born in Jamaica, Queens, New York; she died there at the age of 76.

Inspired by how long it would take the police to arrive in her neighborhood, Brown invented the first form of a home security system. Her work hours were not the standard 9-5, and the crime rate in their Queens, New York City neighborhood was very high.

Brown's system had a set of three peep-holes. At the opposite side of the door, a camera was attached with the ability to slide up and down to allow the person to see through each peephole. The system included a device that enabled a homeowner to use a television set to view the person at the door and hear the caller's voice. The home security system that she and her husband invented allowed the monitor to be in a different room, and all of this was possible via a radio controlled wireless system. Even now, over fifty years later, her invention is being used by smaller businesses and living facilities. *source Wikipedia*



For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you because
I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.
(Psalms 139:13-14)

Pearls of Wisdom 

The PEARLS MINISTRY

“ALWAYS PRAY TO HAVE EYES THAT SEE THE BEST, A HEART THAT FORGIVES THE WORST, A MIND THAT FORGETS THE BAD, AND A SOUL THAT NEVER LOSES FAITH”
-Unknown

**LOVE WHEN YOU ARE READY,
NOT WHEN YOU ARE LONELY**
- Unknown

Titus 2:3-5 King James Version (KJV)

³The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

⁴That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

⁵To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.



Deacon Spotlight



Deacon Leroy White is a native of Johns Island, SC. He is the son of the late Steven Forest and Ruthie Mae White Rainey. He grew up in the Red Top community until he was 12 years old. He then relocated to the Ashleyville community and resided there until he met the love of his life Clarice E. Simmons. Deacon White has eight siblings, (four brothers and four sisters).

When he was a child, he wanted to become a fire-fighter. His favorite childhood memory is picking blueberries out of his grandmother's field and eating blueberry dumplings.

Deacon White attended Wallace School during his early childhood education. As a young man, he worked to help provide food and room and board for his siblings. He met his wife through a high school friend, Kenneth Ray Simmons, the brother of Sis. Clarice Simmons. He prayed for a wife and God sent her to him. They were united in Holy matrimony on March 15, 1985. They have been married for 34 years. They have two children Brandy and Leroy White, Jr. and one grandson, Tyler.

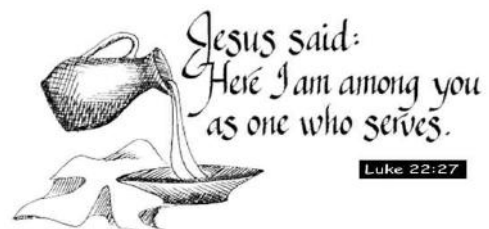
Deacon White worked as a professional spray painter and sandblaster for over seventeen (17) years. He also worked security for Metal Trade in Hollywood, SC for five (5) years.

He was ordained at St. Johns' Baptist Church as a Deacon in 2002. In April of 2012, Deacon and Deaconess White joined Joshua Baptist Church. They are the leaders of Winding Chain Team 8—Expansion. He is also a member of the Brotherhood Ministry; advisor to the Gospel Choir and one of the church's drummers.

His favorite Bible scripture is 23 Psalms and his favorite song is "Trouble in my Way". He enjoys grilling, playing basketball with his grandson and mentoring the youth in the neighborhood.



**SERVING IN THE
LOVE OF CHRIST**



Deacon Spotlight



Deacon Joseph Wilson was born July 1, 1928 in Kingstree, SC to Mr. McNeil Wilson and Mrs. Carrie Giles Wilson. He was raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with one sister and four brothers. While growing up, he wanted to be an architect.

He ended up serving in the United States Army for nine years, then became a service worker for SCE&G. They sent him back to school where he received his GED and undergrad degree. He became the first black lineman and worked in that department for three years, but he

had bigger aspirations. He wanted to become a service representative in the finance department. He was told that he didn't qualify because of his age, but that didn't stop him. He rose to the challenge presented in front of him by becoming the first black service representative in SCE&G out of 5,000 employees. He retired after 35 years of service.



While working for SCE&G in North Charleston, He met his wife Maryetta Wilson. The two married on June 27, 2015. They have one daughter, three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one godchild.



He served as the Sunday School Superintendent for 40 years at his previous church and became an ordained Deacon in 1963. He joined Joshua Baptist Church in 2012.

He loves doing crafts and projects. He would participate in the ceremonial swords ceremonies from California to New York. He also loves reading the Bible and sitting outside. His favorite hymn is Hymn #344, *"How Happy Every Child of Grace."*





We routinely go to the doctor when we notice something is going on with our bodies. We have a new ache or pain that just won't go away, and we get worried. What's going on?! Do we do the same when we are not feeling well emotionally? Mental health issues can be serious, and can impact how you live your everyday life. You may experience symptoms of feeling sad, hopeless, depressed, or anxious. Maybe you lived through a traumatic experience that still bothers you. For example, you may have nightmares, flashbacks, cry easily, or just can't seem to get the bad thing out of your head.



If you believe that you need help with your feelings or emotions, the best first step is to ask for help. Taking care of our bodies and mind are equally important.



You may be worried about what people will say if you ask for help. Nobody wants to be called "crazy." While prayer is a powerful tool, God has also given us trained professionals that can help. We would never shame someone if they found a lump, experienced shortness of breath, or needed surgery. Asking for help with your emotions should be no different. Treatment can include talking to a counselor about what is on your mind. The goal of counseling is to help you to live your best life emotionally and physically. Why not make a commitment to taking care the "whole" you, i.e., mind body and spirit!

Here are some local and national resources for mental health services:

- * Trident 211 Hotline, Suicide Prevention Lifeline Phone: 1-800-273-TALK (8255);
- * SC Department of Mental Health: 803-898-8581.
- * I am also happy to have a have a confidential conversation about mental health services, michell.herring@scdmh.org



Blessings,

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“Why does God allow Satan to tempt us?”

ASK THE PASTOR

What does the Bible say about...

Answer: There is no scriptural references to my knowledge that address the ‘WHY’ does God allow Satan to tempt us. And, where the scripture is silent, we must also remain silent.

However, Christians have been given authority over Satan in Jesus’s name. ~ Pastor Robert L. Grove

Joshua Baptist Children's Church

1st and 3rd Sundays at 10:15 a.m.

"Reaching People for Christ"



GOD First!

Straight from the Honeycomb!

LET the
LITTLE
CHILDREN
COME
LOVE
MATTHEW 19:14

We wish to acknowledge our children for all of their accomplishments. Please bring a copy of their report card or any certificates that they may have received when you check in, so they can be recognized.

As we get back into the swing of things, here are a few rules we would like everyone to keep in mind:

Just a friendly reminder...

- ⇒ Children are asked to not bring any cell phones, tablets, or other devices that may cause a distraction.
- ⇒ Please encourage your child(s) to bring their bibles and vest, if they have one.
- ⇒ If possible, please have your child(s) dress down and wear items that are comfortable for them to run and play in.

This year, we are going to study different facts about Jesus. We will start with what was said about Jesus through prophecies. Our children will focus on ten (10) prophecies during the month of February and March. Please learn the following prophecies and memory verse for the Month of February!

BONUS: For the month of February, we are asking the children to learn the scriptures where the prophecies are found in the Old and New Testament. Work with your child(s) to match up the scriptures to the correct prophecy.

Prophecies 1—5

1. Jesus would be born in Bethlehem.
2. Jesus would be born of a virgin.
3. Jesus would be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver.
4. Jesus would be struck and have His beard pulled out at his trial.
5. Jesus would be killed with criminals.

Old / New Testament Scriptures

- A) Isaiah 53:12b / Matthew 27:38
- B) Zechariah 11:12-13 / Matthew 27:3-5
- C) Isaiah 7:14 / Luke 1:26-28
- D) Micah 5:2 / Matthew 2:4-5
- E) Isaiah 50:6 / Matthew 26:67-68

Memory Verse

Jesus Says;
...I am the way, the truth, and the life:
No man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
John 14:6

Remember to let a staff member know when your child is ready to present what they learned!

Finally, we would like to thank you for all that you do to help our children exceed our expectations! We pray that everyone continues to work along with us, as we continue to grow into 2020!!!



I M P O R T A N T

Announcements

Scheduling Activities/Events

Sis. Joan Simmons is the designated Manager/Coordinator of Joshua Baptist Church Activity Center (JBCAC) events. She will schedule all activities which should be in harmony with the building's sacred purpose. Church standards should always be upheld. Joshua reserves the right to refuse the use of any of its facilities without cause.

All requests for the use of the JBCAC shall be made at least six (6) weeks in advance of proposed activity. Application must be received and returned to the Coordinator no less than five (5) weeks prior to event. A deposit of \$350 is required within 72 hours upon approval for the use of the Center along with the completed request form. The \$350 deposit will be applied to balance owed. Payment (no deposit) for the center's use should be submitted in full no later than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of the event.

Sis. Simmons will confirm activities once all deposits have been submitted. Dial (843) 225-8050 (Church) and leave a voice mail message (press 3 for rental of the activity center).

NOTE: ALL activities must be closed out no later than 10 PM.

Launching Online Giving



We're pleased to announce that Joshua Baptist Church now provides online giving. This is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Getting started is easy—just visit our website: www.joshuabapt.org, and click our online giving link. When you participate, your gift will transfer directly into the church's bank account. And you won't have to remember to write a check or stop by the ATM on Sundays! When you participate, you can view your giving history and pledge progress any time just by logging in. Your gifts and your participation are a blessing to us.



If you would like a copy of your giving statement, please see Dea. Frank Brown, Sis. Cindy Cato or Sis. Karen Pratt.



JBC Annual Women's Retreat February 21 – 23, 2020 Hampton Inn Broadway

Please join us for JBC Women's Retreat in Myrtle Beach, SC.

GET READY TO REPLENISH YOUR FLAVOR!

Taxation is \$35.00. Room prices are listed below per two nights.

\$240 for 1 occupant | \$120 for 2 occupants | \$80 for 3 occupants | \$60 for 4 occupants

Please pay All fees to Deaconess Shelley Brown or Sis. Thalia Frost.



The Pastor's Aide Ministry is making preparation for the celebration of our Pastor and First Lady Grove's 32nd Anniversary, April 17-19, 2020.

All members are asked to participate by giving a love offering of \$50. Please do your part by being a blessing to this man and woman of God. You can give your gift to your deacon or by Online giving.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED For Pamper Day (May 2, 2020) from

10:00 am - 2:00 pm. This day is set aside to minister to women by pampering them with hairstyles, pedicures, manicures, facials, etc. We are asking anyone who loves SERVING to please

volunteer as hairstylists, braiders, manicurists, pedicurists or assisting in any way necessary. If you would like to volunteer, please see any member of the WHTH U Ministry.



- ◆ **Church Bulletin:** If you have an announcement you would like printed in the bulletin, please notify Sis. Cindy Cato by Wednesdays at 11 a.m.
- ◆ **Journal:** The 3rd Sunday of each month is the deadline to submit articles, announcements, poems, etc., to be published in the upcoming issue. Please submit to any CAPPs member.
- ◆ **Birthdays and Anniversaries** are recognized each month in the Joshua Journal. If you are celebrating one of these events next month, please print information on the sheet posted on the bulletin board.



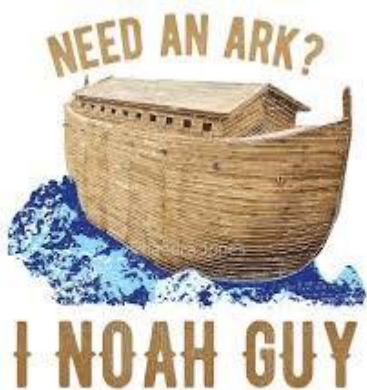
THE WAY OF ALL THE EARTH

David's final charge to Solomon before David's death is recorded in 1Kings 2:1-9. He prefaces his charge by affirming, "I am about to go the way of all the earth." Whose death is recorded in each of the following texts? See if you can fill in the blanks from the tombstones without looking in the Bible.



Kings and commoners, male and female, righteous and wicked—the way of all the earth is _____!

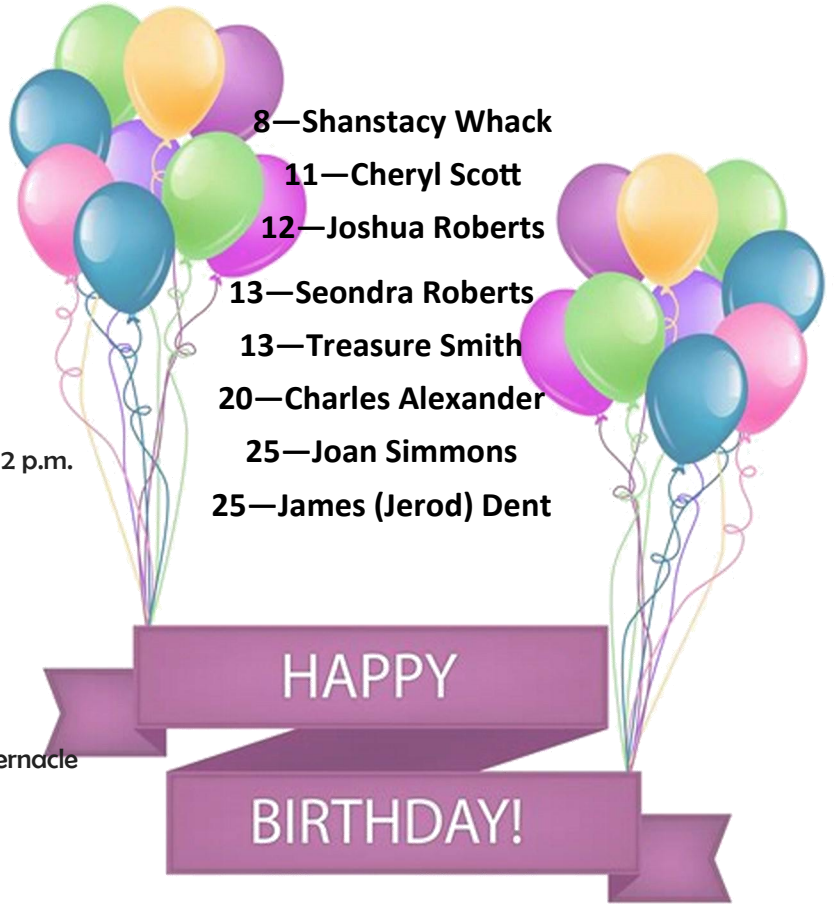
Bible Jokes



- During a Sunday school lesson, a child learned about how God created human beings. The child became especially focused when the teacher explained how Eve was created from Adam's ribs. Later in the week, the boy's mother saw him lying down on the floor, so she asked him what was wrong. His reply was priceless: "Mom, I have a pain in my side—I think I'm getting a wife."
- What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth? Answer: *He was Ruthless.*
- After having children, Adam and Eve started getting a lot of questions from their kids about why they no longer lived in Eden. Adam has a simple answer for this: "Your mother ate us out of house and home."

February EVENTS

- 1 Sunday School Silent Auction at 4:00 p.m.
- 2 White Oak Manor at 2:00 p.m.
- 3 Trustee Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- 5 CRBA Ministers' Ministry Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 8 Let's Talk Street Ministry at 9:00 a.m.
- 8 Deaconess Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
- 8 Health Advocate Ministry Health Fair from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- 13 WHTH U Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- 15 Praise Ministry Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
- 15 Brotherhood Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
- 15 D.R.E.A.M. Session at 10:00 a.m.
- 15 Mentee Session at 10:00 a.m.
- 15 CRBA Youth Dept. Black History Program, New Tabernacle 4th Baptist Church, 11:00 a.m.
- 16 Heritage Day during 10:15 service
- 19 Y.W.A. Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 21-23 JBC Women's Retreat in Myrtle Beach, SC
- 22 Let's Talk Street Ministry at 9:00 a.m.
- 22 E&M State Youth Dept. Retreat/Planning Meeting, 9:00 a.m.; 2020 Miss SC Baptist Youth Pageant, 12 Noon at Morris College, Sumter, SC
- 24 Seasons (Singles) Ministry Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- 29 VBS EXPO at Church at Life Park, Mt. Pleasant, SC from 8:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.



- 8—Shanstacy Whack
- 11—Cheryl Scott
- 12—Joshua Roberts
- 13—Seondra Roberts
- 13—Treasure Smith
- 20—Charles Alexander
- 25—Joan Simmons
- 25—James (Jerod) Dent

Candidate for Baptism

Jordan Jackson

Christian Experience

Sis. Nellie Banks

Bro. Maurice Wright

Bro. Ernest Frazier

Restoration

Sis. Kyriaki "Rocky" Crawford



Come join us Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

- 4 Dea. Norman Vanderhorst, his members, Winding Chain Team 5 – Increase, Youth Department and Security Ministry
- 11 Dea. Lawrence Strother, his members, Winding Chain Team 6 Health, D.O.T.T.C. and G.E.D. Ministry
- 18 Dea. Charles Pinckney, his members, Winding Chain 7 – New Members, Health Providers (Nurses) and the Praise Choir
- 25 Dea. Leroy White, his members, Winding Chain 8 - Expansion, Voices of Joshua and Gospel Choir



WELCOME
NEW
MEMBERS



16—Bro Carl & Sis. Shanstacy Whack

19—Dea. Albert & Deaconess Helen Hill

28—Dea. Tony & Rev. Mary Glover

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