



# God Bless AMERICA



**Keep Loving, Keep Praying, Keep Distance. God is Near.**

## Joshua's Journal

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



**Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove**



Lady Grove and I were simply overwhelmed with gratitude for the many ways you acknowledged our 32nd Pastoral Anniversary. Your numerous gifts and expressions of love will never be forgotten. And, the “Parade of Cars” was uniquely Joshua – bold and awesome! Also, I want to thank our Deacons and Trustees for your faithful service every Saturday and Sunday since this Pandemic began. Likewise, our IT (Information Technology) Team has been relentless in their pursuit of excellence as we present our Worship Services virtually. And, our Church School is using all available means and methods to teach and reach the membership. I encourage you to continue or begin your support of the ministries offered at Joshua. We are still teaching biblical principles on Tuesdays (6pm) and Wednesdays (12 noon).

Furthermore, with the purchase of new equipment, our live streaming Worship Services on Facebook and YouTube is now of greatly improved quality.

Members, our expected date of return to open services in Joshua is August 2nd. However, we want to be safe and comfortable when we return. So, pray for our Church Pandemic Committee who is preparing the church to re-open.

Finally, as we ‘Reach People for Christ’, pray for America and for the removal of this virus from the land. Only God can fix what is wrong in our nation and in this world.

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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 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





"I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living."

Psalms 27:13 (NKJV)

*Start Seeing it Differently*

When you choose to see things from God's perspective, it changes how you feel. The only thing keeping your old negative feelings in place is your thinking. "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7).

When you start thinking the right way, your life starts going the right way. But remember, you didn't become negative overnight, and you won't become positive overnight. So how do you start?

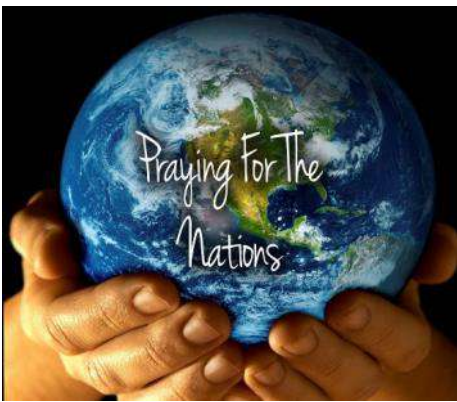
1) *Replace your* negative thinking with thoughts that are "praiseworthy" (Philippians 4:8). Deal with destructive thoughts the way you'd deal with flies at a picnic - shoo them away. With practice and persistence, you can do it. You have that choice!

2) *Remember:* Before you take on the future, recall God's goodness to you in the past. King David said: "I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart" (Psalms 27:13-14).

We don't have more problems than other people, we just think about them more often. Stop and reread that last sentence! What you *think* produces how you feel. If you don't believe that, try feeling angry without first having angry thoughts, or feeling sad without first having sad thoughts. To experience a feeling, you must first entertain the thought that produces it.

Trust in the Lord  
with all your Heart  
- Proverbs 3:5

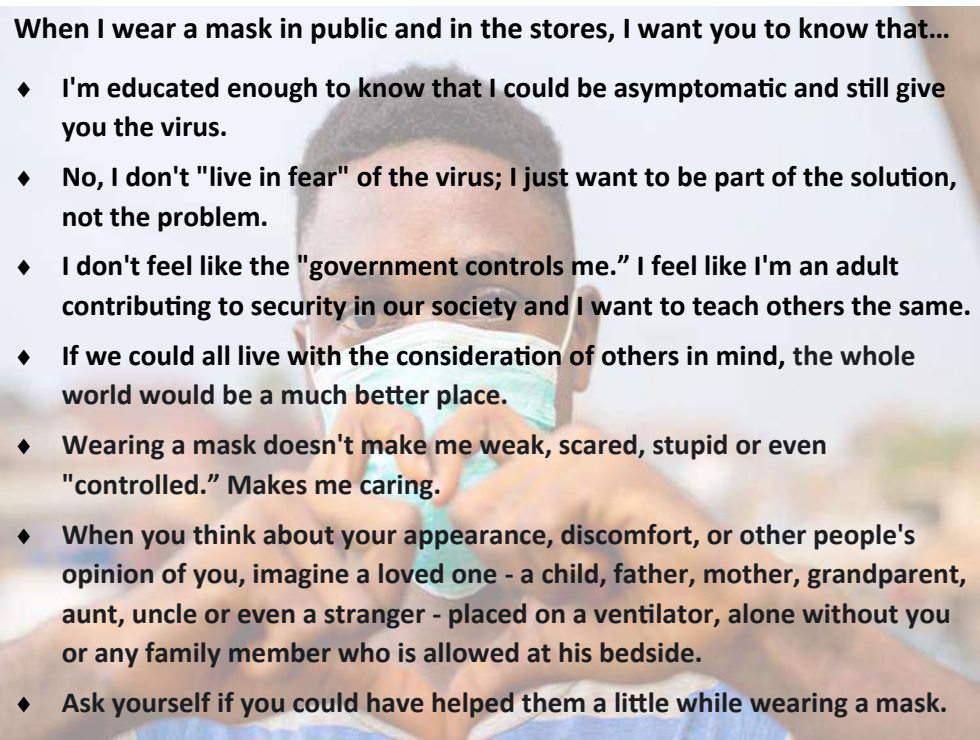
 **Stop the Spread**



**STAY SAFE,  
WE WANT  
YOU BACK!**

**When I wear a mask in public and in the stores, I want you to know that...**

- ◆ I'm educated enough to know that I could be asymptomatic and still give you the virus.
- ◆ No, I don't "live in fear" of the virus; I just want to be part of the solution, not the problem.
- ◆ I don't feel like the "government controls me." I feel like I'm an adult contributing to security in our society and I want to teach others the same.
- ◆ If we could all live with the consideration of others in mind, the whole world would be a much better place.
- ◆ Wearing a mask doesn't make me weak, scared, stupid or even "controlled." Makes me caring.
- ◆ When you think about your appearance, discomfort, or other people's opinion of you, imagine a loved one - a child, father, mother, grandparent, aunt, uncle or even a stranger - placed on a ventilator, alone without you or any family member who is allowed at his bedside.
- ◆ Ask yourself if you could have helped them a little while wearing a mask.







GOD BLESS AMERICA  
HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

Remember who you are. Don't compromise for anyone, for any reason. You are a child of the Almighty God. Live that truth.

*We have the freedom to come boldly to the Throne of Grace*

- F** Freedom came with a price, the price of Christ blood shed on the Cross.
- O** Our Lord and Savior saved us all from our sins.
- U** nrighteous we may be, but the grace of God set us free.
- R** Rely on God, He will show our paths.
- T** The truth is in God's Word, the Bible, His Holy Book.
- H** Helping one another along the way.
- O** bedient to what God wants us to do.
- F** Father, Creator, God is He.
- J** Jesus died for our sins.
- U** nited one day, we believers will be in Heaven.
- L** Love one another as Christ loved us.
- Y** You are a special creation made from God, our Heavenly Father.

Blessed is the NATION whose GOD is the LORD



GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE

*Independence Day*  
is a time to remember our freedoms and thank God for them.

Out of my distress I called on the LORD; The LORD answered me and set me free.  
Psalm 118:5(AMP)

**THE "PEARLS CORNER"**

Titus Chapter 2:3-5

3—The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;  
4—That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,  
5—To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

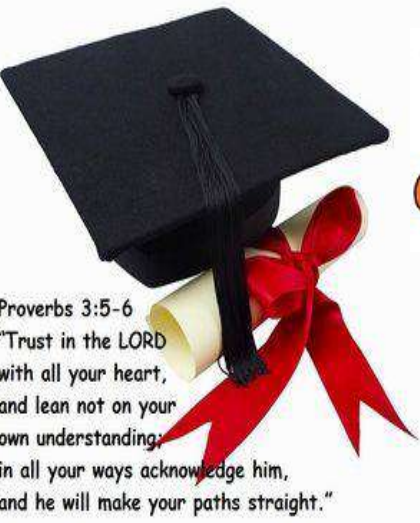
*Pearls of Wisdom*

**DON'T ALLOW SOMETHING THAT SOMEONE SAID TO DISCOURAGE YOU. INSTEAD, USE IT AS A MOTIVATOR TO KEEP GOING.**



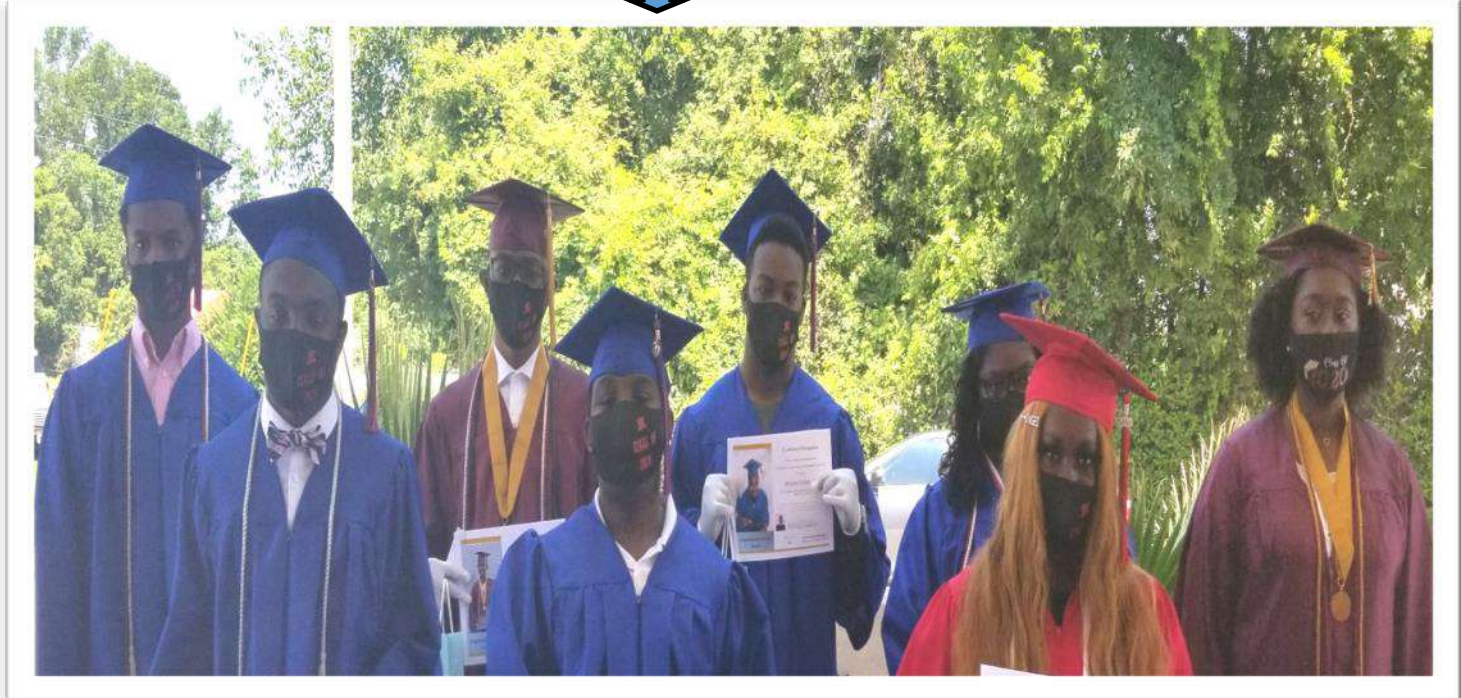
# SALUTE TO THE CLASS OF 2020

SOME HAVE A STORY  
*We made*  
**HISTORY**



Proverbs 3:5-6  
"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

YOU'RE A COLLEGE GRADUATE!





**JOSHUA BAPTIST CHURCH HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES**



Kayla Brown, College of Charleston

**Degree**  
Bachelor of Science  
in Biology

**Major**  
Science Biology

**Workforce**  
Roper St. Francis  
Hospital



Tamera Green, Columbia College

**Degree**  
Bachelor of Arts in  
Social Work

**Future Plans**  
NC Central University

**Masters Degree**  
Social Work



Jamari W. Crawford, Ft. Dorchester High School

**Future Plans**  
University of SC

**Major**  
Civil Engineering

**Activities**  
Football, Basketball,  
JBC Mentoring  
Ministry, JBCC  
Youth Leader



Marcus Glover, Ft. Dorchester High School

**Future Plans**  
Trident Technical  
College

**Major**  
Film Production



Avery Hollingsworth, Ashley Ridge High School

**Future Plans**  
US Marine Corp

**Major**  
Cybersecurity

**Activities**  
JBCC Youth Leader  
Audio-Visual  
Ministry, Piano



Marques Lindsay Jr., Ft. Dorchester High School

**Future Plans**  
Trident Technical  
College/Transfer to  
Charleston Southern  
University

**Major**  
Information Technology

**Activities**  
Football  
AP/Honors Class



Navayah Morgan, Ft. Dorchester High School

**Future Plans**  
Clafin University

**Major**  
Early Childhood  
Education

**Activities**  
Photography, Piano  
Awards, Board of  
Trustees Award  
(Grade A in all  
subjects YR'19-20),  
Kitchen Committee



Ty'Shara Pugh, Military Magnet Academy

**Future Plans**  
SC State University

**Major/Minor**  
Elementary Education

**Activities**  
Sunday School Secretary,  
Praise Dancer, Stepper,  
Youth Usher, President  
of Lord's Angels Choir,  
JBCC Youth Leader,  
Cheerleader, Softball,  
Drill Team, 2019-20  
Homecoming Queen



Patricia Reid, Ashley Ridge High School

**Future Plans**  
Francis Marion  
University

**Major**  
Political Science

**Activities**  
DREAM, Lord's Angel  
Choir, Youth Usher,  
JBCC Youth Leader,  
Varsity Basketball, ARHS  
Honors, Orchestra



Rodriquez Simmons, Ft. Dorchester High School

**Future Plans**  
University of SC

**Major**  
Marketing

**Activities**  
Varsity Basketball,  
JBC Brotherhood  
Ministry, JBCC  
Youth Team  
Leader



Sanaa Walker, Ft. Dorchester High School

**Future Plans**  
Trident Technical  
College/Transfer  
to Coastal  
University or SC  
State University

**Major**  
Sports Medicine



# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



## THANK YOU



Still remembering and thanking each of you for a beautiful Anniversary. "Shout Out" to Sister Donna Cato, Chairperson, Pastor's Aide Ministry and the Pastor's Aide Ministry members, officers and members of Joshua Baptist Church. Pastor Grove and I love and appreciate each of you.

Love & Blessings,  
Pastor & Lady Grove



*When someone does a kindness,  
it always seem to me  
that's the way God up in Heaven  
would like us all to be.*

*For when we bring some pleasure  
to another human heart,  
We have followed in His footsteps  
and we've had a little part*

*In serving God who loves us -  
for I'm very sure it's true  
That in serving those around us,  
we serve and please God too."*

*Helen Steiner Rice*

### 3 WAYS TO GIVE



IN PERSON



BY MAIL



ONLINE

**In-Person:** Drop off your gift with our deacons at JBC on Saturday or Sunday between 9 am-12 pm.

**By Mail:** Mail check to Joshua Baptist Church, 2482 Faber Road, North Charleston, SC 29405

**Online:** [www.joshuabapt.org](http://www.joshuabapt.org): Select the Online Giving yellow button in the upper right hand corner.

## QUARANTINE AND PRAY

**"Go, my people,  
enter your  
rooms and shut  
your doors behind you.  
Take cover,  
for in a little while  
the fury will be over."  
Isaiah 26:20**



### ~Deacon's Appreciation~

**August 21, 2020**

We are very grateful to the Lord for the Deacons He has given to Joshua. Thank you to each of our Deacons and Deaconesses who has served our Church and Lord so faithfully and unselfishly!

If you would like to financially bless these men of God, indicate on your envelope which Deacon is to receive your gift or indicate ALL if it is to be split amongst all of them.

# TODAY is the day to learn something NEW

A proverb a  
day keeps the  
devil away!

**Proverbs 28:5**

**Evil men do not understand justice, but those who seek the Lord understand it completely.**

## SEVEN DAYS OF JUSTICE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

If we want the world to *be* right, we must *do* right! For the next seven days, evaluate how you can do your part in making a fairer and more righteous society. Consider the question of the day, and meditate on the associated Scripture passage for that day. Recruit an accountability partner to complete this exercise with you.

- Day 1—*Forgiveness* (Matthew 6:15): Am I holding a grudge? Am I resentful to those whom I believe are treating me unfairly?
- Day 2—*Concern* (Proverbs 21:13): Do I really care about those around me in need? What can I do to help them?
- Day 3—*Selflessness* (James 4:3): Am I more concerned about my comfort than the suffering of others? Are my prayers overly centered on asking God to give me things?
- Day 4—*Patience* (Micah 7:7): Do I keep on praying for a situation, or do I give up too easily?
- Day 5—*Understanding* (1 Peter 3:7): Do I act as if everyone should be just like me? Or do I seek to understand others' differences and respond to them compassionately?
- Day 6—*Ethics* (Deuteronomy 24:14): How do the people with whom I do business see me? Am I to be trusted? Do I act ethically in my business dealings?
- Day 7—*Impartiality* (Romans 12:16): Do I harbor preconceptions about people who are of a different ethnicity, socioeconomic group, or religion? How can my circle of friends become more inclusive?



## A Soapy Prayer

Almighty and eternal Father, help us to no longer be *The Young and the Restless*. Help us to build a *Dynasty*. Let us remain close to You, walking not in *Ryan's Hope*, but in Christian hope, for our destination is heaven. May your people always say to You: "Bless and protect *All My Children*." Truly these are the *Days of Our Lives*. And so, *As the World Turns*, and some of us have to visit *The Doctors* and *General Hospital*, may we ever keep You, dear Lord, as our *Guiding Light*. Then, we will not be concerned with the foolish *Search for Tomorrow* nor waiting on *The Edge of Night*; for together, Lord, we can begin building *Another World*. Amen. — Anonymous



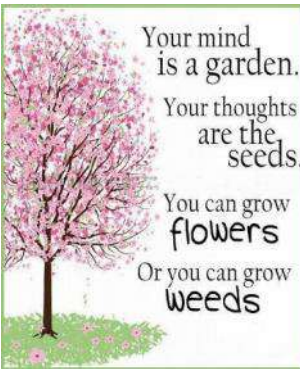




*Our Deacons are praying for you.*

**I pray for you,  
You pray for me,  
And watch God  
change things!!**

*God is our refuge  
and strength,  
a very present help  
in trouble.*  
Psalms 46:1



### Be Kind to Your Mind

Tips to cope with stress during COVID-19

- 1 **PAUSE.** Breathe. Notice how you feel
- 2 **TAKE BREAKS** from COVID-19 content
- 3 **MAKE TIME** to sleep and exercise
- 4 **REACH OUT** and stay connected
- 5 **SEEK HELP** if overwhelmed or unsafe

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

*To those celebrating birthdays  
& wedding anniversaries in  
July, may GOD's love and  
peace be with you always.*



## JBC's Bible Study, Sunday Worship Service & Sunday School Classes Schedule

### Bible Study

Tuesday Nights

Pastor Robert Grove — Via Facebook and YouTube Live @ 6:00 PM

Wednesday Noon Days

Rev. Albertha Isler — Via Teleconference @ Noon  
Dial-In #: 1-701-802-5010 Access Code: 833827

### Sunday Worship Services

Facebook and YouTube Live @ 11:00 AM  
Or Conference Call (978) 990-5232, Access Code 7329240#

### Sunday School Classes

#### Adult @ 9:00 AM

Evangelist Loretta Black - Via Phone Conference  
Dial-in #: 1-978-990-5026 Access code: 894579

Sis. Shelley Brown - Via YouTube

Min. Latonia Robinson - Via Facebook Live

#### Young Adult @ 9:30 AM

Min. Corey Anderson—Via Zoom

#### Intermediate @ 10:00 AM

Sis. Trudie Dukes & Trustee Stevie Grampus—Via Zoom

#### Youth @ 1:00 PM

Rev. Chris Thurman & Trustee Andrea Oree—Via Zoom

#### Beginners/Primary @ 11:30 AM

Sis. Maria Anderson & Sis. Marilyn Capers—Via Zoom



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Joshua Baptist Church

**VIRTUAL** Four Seasons Tea

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020**

**4:00 PM**



***Motto: "Everybody in the BODY is Somebody Special!"***

In order to abide by social distancing guidelines, we will be streaming **LIVE**. Joshua members and friends will be able to enjoy the tea of his/her choice in the comfort of their home, while enjoying a short program by tuning into Joshua's YouTube channel.

For further information, please contact Rev. Albertha Isler at (843) 760-9277.

Envelopes for your \$100 assessment will be available at the church on Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 am — 12:00 pm. You may also use Online Giving. This is a fundraiser, so please do your very best to help us be a blessing regarding the growth and needs of Joshua.

Rev. Albertha Isler, Chairperson

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove, Pastor

