



Joshua's Journal

Reaching People For Christ – GOD FIRST!



Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove



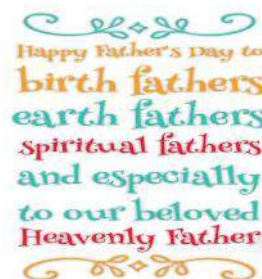
This too shall pass. It may seem as if COVID-19 is winning, but it is not. Although this virus is invisible, our GOD is invincible. And you and I must seek HIS will for us during this pandemic. It is not going to be business as usual as we make plans to re-open the Church. Brothers and sisters, we must really examine ourselves and all that we do as we serve and worship Almighty God. We are hopeful to be back in worship no later than the first Sunday in August, or sooner if possible.

I am thankful that our Church Family has been spared the devastation this virus can cause. However, we must take baby steps on our return to normalcy. I thank those of you who have not forgotten your responsibility to God and His House. Many of you, officers, ministry leaders, and members are still working diligently to keep Joshua moving forward. By your efforts, (Teleconference, YouTube, Facebook, and Zoom) we are still able to stay in contact with the membership. I see so many of you still bringing or mailing your tithes and offering to Church.

Finally, "The losers view their Christian experience like a prison sentence – something to be served reluctantly, but never enjoyed." However, "The winners see their life as a Christian as abounding with opportunities and blessings to be enjoyed." Joshua, we are winners!

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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.

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September 24, 1998

Amended
July 30, 2005

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May 9, 2012





Unrighteous Anger

Anger can shut down communication and break relationships apart. If suppressed, this emotion can turn into resentment, which poisons our thinking and behavior.

Unchecked, it can boil over into an explosive expression of rage that hurts not only the intended recipient but others as well.

While we can think of many reasons to justify our anger, the only view point that matters is what the Lord says about it.

The book of Proverbs offers insight into how God views angry people. He says they act foolishly (14:17), stir up strife (15:18), and commit transgressions (29:22). God also warns us not to associate with an angry person (22:24). In contrast, those who are slow to anger have great understanding (14:29) and demonstrate wisdom (29:8,11).

In the New Testament, the apostle James compared the tongue to a small spark that can set a whole forest on fire (James 3:5-6). He knew the damage a furious person could do.

He also wrote that our anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires for you or for me, nor does it fit who we are in Christ. Jesus paid our sin debt with His life by dying on Calvary's Cross in order to set us free from sinful behavior patterns and the repercussions they bring.

There were a few instances when Lord Jesus became angry, but they were fully in line with the Father's purposes. In us, however, anger is usually born out of self-defense, hurt feelings, or thwarted desires.

If the Lord has convicted you of unrighteous anger, confess to Him now and allow the Holy Spirit to reproduce Christ's character within you.

"Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry." James 1:19 (NIV)



I'm a Christian"

by Maya Angelou

When I say... 'I am a Christian', I'm not shouting 'I'm clean livin', I'm whispering 'I was lost, Now I'm found and forgiven.'

When I say... 'I am a Christian', I don't speak of this with pride. I'm confessing that I stumble and need Christ to be my guide.

When I say... 'I am a Christian', I'm not trying to be strong. I'm professing that I'm weak and need His strength to carry on.

When I say ... 'I am a Christian', I'm not bragging of success. I'm admitting I have failed and need God to clean my mess.

When I say... 'I am a Christian', I'm not claiming to be perfect, my flaws are far too visible but, God believes I am worth it.

When I say... 'I am a Christian', I still feel the sting of pain. I have my share of heartaches, so I call upon His name.

When I say... 'I am a Christian', I'm not holier than thou, I'm just a simple sinner Who received God's good grace, somehow!



WITH HEART-FELT APPRECIATION



WE GIVE THANKS
TO GOD ALWAYS
remembering your
*Work of Faith, and
Labour of Love, and
Patience of Hope.*
1 Thessalonians 1:2-3



Rev. Dr. Robert L. & First Lady Pauline Grove

First Lady

We LOVE You...

Thank you for always

being there and for

sharing your loving heart.

WE ARE BLESSED BY YOU.

PROVERBS 31:25

Thank you Pastor for the many ways you are laboring in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. You pastor, lead, and care for the members of Joshua Baptist Church. The pandemic reveals more of your true calling as a pastor, your heart to shepherd the flock of God, your commitment to God and Reaching People for Christ. As you always say, "Brothers and Sisters, do not grow weary in doing good." 2 Thessalonians 3:13. The Joshua Church Family is truly blessed by the both of you. Thank you for everything that the both of you do.

THE PEARLS MINISTRY

Pearls of Wisdom

Titus 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.

*"The smallest act
of kindness is
worth more than
the grandest
intention."*





STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Jamari Crawford
Ft. Dorchester High School



The Fort Dorchester varsity basketball team won a neutral playoff game against Carolina Forest (Myrtle Beach, SC) by a score of 55-53 on January 25, 2020. Fort Dorchester senior, Jamari Crawford scored a game-high 19 points to lead the charge. This game was part of the ["2020 SCHSL Boys Basketball State Championships - Class AAAAA Boys Basketball" tournament.](#)

Jamari Crawford is the proud son of Sis. LaTosha Waiters and an active member of Joshua Baptist Church. He is a Youth Team Leader for the JBC Children's Church Ministry. He is also a member of the JBC Mentoring Ministry.

Jamari was a senior and just recently graduated from Fort Dorchester High School with a 3.9 GPA. Jamari will be attending the University of South Carolina (USC) in the fall to study Civil Engineering.

He loves playing his two favorite sports, basketball and football. He played at Ft. Dorchester High School as a point guard on their basketball team and defensive back on their football team. He also loves family and hanging with his friends.

Jamari is a great role model for our future youths at Joshua. Congratulations Jamari on your Graduation!!



Joshua Baptist Church Family
is every proud of you.



Our Father, which art in heaven ...

GET TO KNOW

YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER



Heavenly Father,

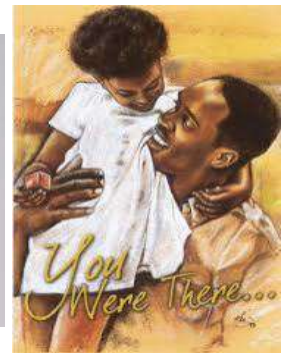
Thank You for the *gift* of a *father* who has been an *inspiration* through his love and dedication, just as You sent Your *Son* to show the world Your *love* for us as a *Father*, we pray that You will send Your *Spirit* upon *Dad* that he may be *strengthened* as he strives to guide and support his family. *Amen.*

HAPPY
Father's
DAY

Sunday, June 21, 2020

OUR *Father*
AND OUR *God*

**GOD IS THE
PERFECT EXAMPLE
OF WHAT A FATHER
SHOULD BE.**



Our heavenly Father knows what's best for us, so why should we complain.

We always want the sunshine, but He knows there must be rain.

So whenever we are troubled, and when things go wrong, trust GOD that He is working in us, to make us strong.



One night a father overheard his son pray: *Dear God, make me the kind of man my daddy is.*

Later that night, the father prayed:
Dear God, make me the kind of man my son needs me to be.

Ephesians 6:4 (NKJV)

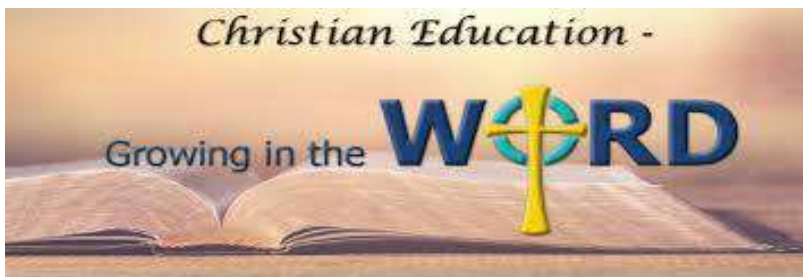
And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

In Loving Memory

Father's Day is full of memories wonderful yet sad,
Of all the celebrations and happy times we've had.

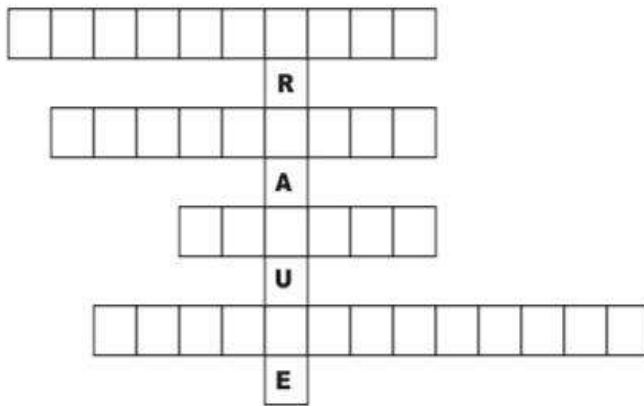
And though you're missed so very much every day,
smiling when we think of you helps us on our way.

And as you were so wonderful and played so many parts,
we will always hold memories of you in our hearts.



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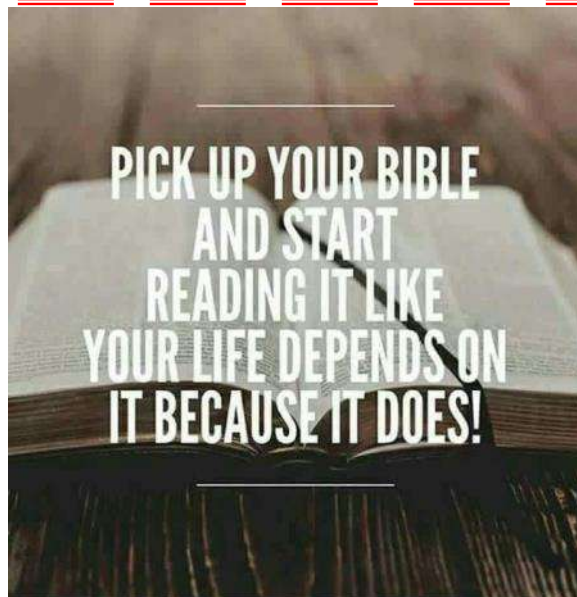
Complete this grid by filling in key words from Proverbs 2:1-11. The meaning implied by each word and the verse in which it is found are in the clues below. When you are finished, the word revealed in the middle column will tell you how we are to treat these four attributes.



1. The ability to plan with a purpose that preserves and protects a person
2. A familiarity with facts and people that allows one to experience them intimately
3. The ability to discern the right attitude, belief, or course of action
4. The faculty to process data reasonably to accomplish a task

Proverbs 2:1-11 (KJV)

- 1 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;
- 2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;
- 3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;
- 4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;
- 5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.
- 6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.
- 7 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.
- 8 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.
- 9 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yea, every good path.
- 10 When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;
- 11 Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:



God's Bible

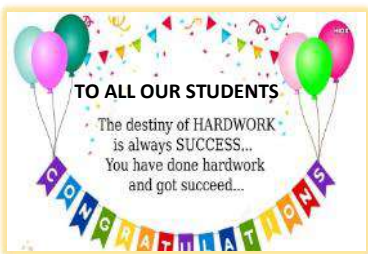
Unfortunately many homes, yes even so-called Christian homes, are like the one in which the little girl pointed to the Bible on the mantle that was never opened, and said to her mother, "Whose book is that?"

Her mother quite startled by her daughters question replied, "Why honey, don't you know? That is God's book!"

The child demonstrating that she had a very practical turn to her mind and said, "Don't you think that we had better give it back to him? No one around here ever reads it."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars



Our graduates will be recognized in next month's journal. If you have a high school or college graduate who is an active member of Joshua and graduated this year, please email or text the following information to Sis. Betty Rouse at rousebp3@gmail.com or 843-364-5305 as soon as possible. Please provide the student's name, graduation photo, graduating high school or college, future plans: workforce or college/university and major, school activities and JBC Church activities. **Please turn your information in by June 21st.** Thank you.



Sis. Gail Tolbert has applications for the annual Cooper River Women's Auxiliary Scholarships. Deadline to apply is July 3rd. Two scholarships are available:

- ◆ Alfair Grant Memorial Scholarship — 2020 high school graduate (1st year college or technical college student).
- ◆ Brown-Thompson Scholarship — Sophomore or junior student already enrolled at a four-year college with a declared major in a specified area.

If you would like to have an application mailed or emailed to you, please contact Sister Tolbert ASAP at 843.345.1495 or cassandrato@bellsouth.net.



Communications - Our IT team has been working diligently and consistently to connect you to Joshua through various social platforms. They are now offering another way to stay connected. Anyone who does not have internet access or just prefers to listen in, you may tune in to our Sunday morning services @ 11:00 a.m. Dial (978) 990-5232 and enter access code: 7329240, followed by #. Please share this information with other members of Joshua without internet access.

Sis. Trena Haskell has prepared step-by-step instructions for you to connect to all live streaming services through our website.

To access all live streamed services, go to our website: <https://www.joshuabapt.org/>

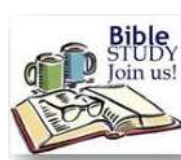
Scroll to the bottom of the page and click either of these links.

Facebook page – Be sure to click the Like button

Be sure to click the SUBSCRIBE button on the YouTube page so you will be notified when we are going live.



The books for the next session beginning June 7th are available for pick-up at the church. "Return to Love and Justice" Hosea 11:1-2, 7-10; 12:1-2, 6-14



If you would like a copy of the Bible book Pastor Grove is currently teaching from for Bible study, you can pick it up on Saturday or Sunday while the deacons are at the church.

August 21st: Deacon's Appreciation ~ We are very grateful to the Lord for the deacons he has given to Joshua. 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 among all of them.

September 27th: Four Seasons Tea ~ More information will be coming soon about a virtual tea. Members are asked to give \$100. Please indicate on your envelope the season or month of your birthday.



You can also give through Online Giving for both events. When giving for either event, there is a line for you to indicate the deacon's name you want to gift or the season of the Tea you want to give. Thank you for your support of these events.



In-Person: Drop off your gift with our deacons at JBC on Saturday or Sunday between 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
By Mail: Mail check to Joshua Baptist Church, 2482 Faber Road, North Charleston, SC 29405
Online: www.joshuabapt.org - Select the Online Giving **yellow** button in the upper right hand corner. You can make your gift 24/7.



STAY CONNECTED

WE'RE NOT CANCELLED, WE'RE ONLINE!

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

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

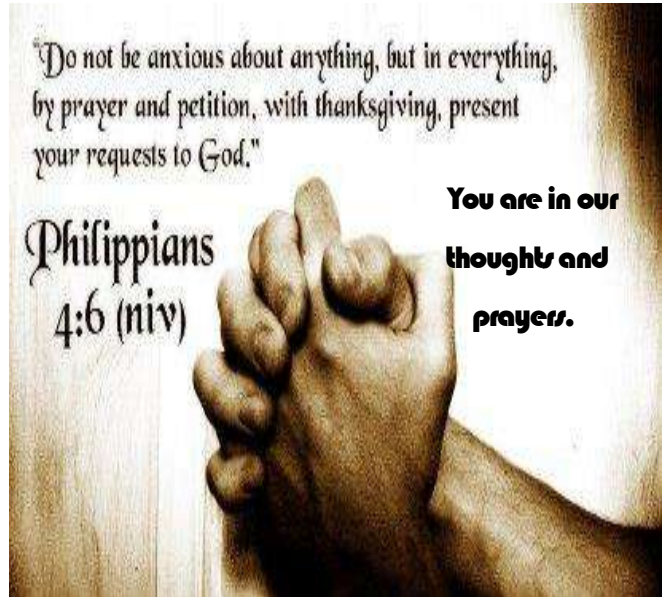
Sis. Maria Anderson & Sis. Marilyn Capers—Via Zoom



"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Philippians
4:6 (niv)

You are in our
thoughts and
prayers.

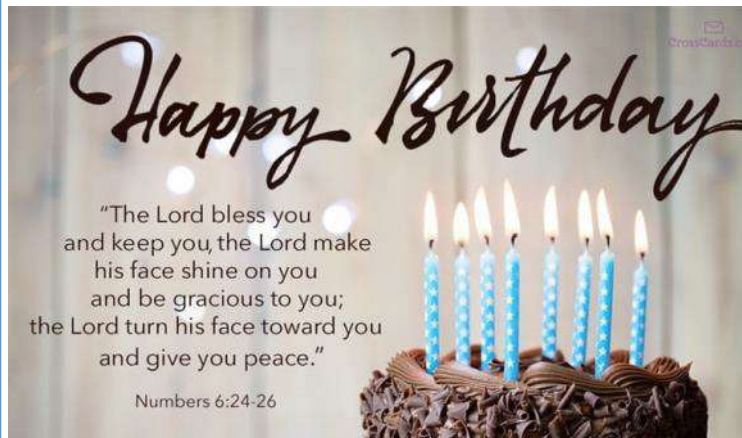


From The Deacons' Ministry

think
POSITIVE

This June, I am receiving more. I am trusting that I am being offered more chances to create and elevate to the life I want. I am thriving and living with more love, happiness, and peace. I am welcoming more abundance. I am being blessed with more opportunities and more doors are opening for me. I am releasing the past, and I am moving forward with faith that more miracles are manifesting for me.

To Our June Celebrants!!



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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

