

Joshua's Journal

Reaching People For Christ – GOD FIRST!



The Pastor's Corner



Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove

he time has come for us to step out on faith. Members, we have done all within our power to do, as we prepare to return to open worship on 1st Sunday. Please be prayerful and patient as it will take more time now to enter and be seated in the Church. You will likely be seated in a different section or seat than you are accustomed to. Also, our service will be shorter than before – probably for the remainder of 2020. However, we will still give Almighty GOD the glory as we

worship HIM in spirit and in truth.

I am so thankful for the support that you have given to the Church during this pandemic. Some of you have not missed a week in bringing or sending your tithes and offerings to the storehouse. However, many of our Christian churches and our brothers and sisters in Christ are not doing as well as we are. So, we must continue to pray for the Creator of heaven and earth to sweep this virus from the land. Saints, I believe this pestilence will be removed from around the world when we recognize the omnipotence of Jehovah.

And finally, a vaccine will not cure the ills of this world. We need Jesus - nothing or no one else will do! Always remember that GOD loves you and Lady Grove and I do too.

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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 а Missionary also Baptist Church committed to the salvation of the lost, of conversion 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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Scriptures of Comfort and Encouragement

Joshua 1:9—Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.

Isaiah 41:9-10—I have chosen you and have not rejected you. So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Jeremiah 29:11-13—For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Isaiah 52:12—But you will not leave in haste or go in flight; for the LORD will go before you, the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

Zephaniah 3:17—The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing."

Psalm 46:1-3 God is our refuge and strength, an everpresent help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.



I count my smiles instead of my tears I count my blessings instead of my fears. I am a **SURVIVOR**

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A Courageous Heart

Having the will to fight Your spirit just won't bend Knowing with all your might Success, you will win

Battles you must face Sometimes you'll feel alone Fear you must displace Defeat will not be known

As we do our part Hope fills your mind Courageous is your heart Victory you will find







I Have a Friend Named Jesus

I have a friend named Jesus. There is no other friend like He. I have a friend named Jesus. Gave His life to set me free.

I have a friend named Jesus. A perfect, sinless man. I have a friend named Jesus. For me He has a plan.

I have a friend named Jesus. On Him I can rely. I have a friend named Jesus. All my needs He will supply.

We Preach CHRIST CRUCIFIED - RISEN – COMING AGAIN



Thank you for all you do and who you are.

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS THE MINISTERIAL STAFF OF JOSHUA BAPTIST CHURCH

> Rev. Dr. Robert L. Grove, Pastor Rev. Melvin Scott, Assistant Pastor Min. Corey Anderson Evang. Loretta Black Rvang. Loretta Black Rev. Abrou Choice Bvang. Brenda Gathers Rev. Mary Glover Rev. Mary Glover Rev. Albertha Isler Rev. Harriett Mazyck Rev. James Ravenell Min. LaTonia Robinson Min. Katrina Simmons

I'm Living for Him



I'm living for Him each and every day He gave His life for all, to show us the way.

I'm living for Him, I feel His embrace. He took all my sins and died in my place.

I'm living for Him what a wonderful peace His love for me will never cease.

I'm living for Him, I'm clothed in His glory Jesus, the only answer, what an amazing story.

MATTHEW 4:19 (KJV) And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.







Deaconess "Mother" Helen Hill



Sister Angie Green



Joshua Baptist Church

Special Thanks To Our JBC Family & Friends For ALL Your Contributions & Support!!!







Sister Andrea Grampus



Sister Jhaness Wright



Sister Ruthie Coleman



Sister Janet Vanderhorst











Deaconess Betty Fields



Sister Robin Roper







To the Joshua family, visitors and friends: Thank you so much for celebrating with us in person or virtually. Also, thank you to those who worked behind the scenes to help make this fundraiser a success. May God continue to bless you all.

Mistress of Ceremony ~ Rev. Albertha Isler Welcome ~ Sis. Maria Anderson Prayer ~ Deacon Frank Brown, Jr. Musician ~ Bro. Jarrod Coleman Duet: Sis. Alexis Jenkins and Sis. Sarah Grove Poem ~ Sis. Fortrena "Trena" Haskell Praise Dance ~ Sis. Lakesha Hill Cooper Remarks ~ Pastor, Rev. Robert Grove & Lady Pauline Grove Decorating Committee ~ Sis. Barbara Jenkins-Dent, Sis. Mary Jamison, & Sis. Jacqueline Dent Bulletin ~ CAPPS Audio/Visual & IT Teams Security Team Participants



Sis. Fortrena "Trena" Haskell



Sis. Lakesha Hill Cooper



Sis. Alexis Jenkins and Sis. Sarah Grove



The optimist says the teacup is half full. The pessimist says the teacup is half empty. The child of God says, my teacup runneth over with Peace, Love and the Joy of the LORD. Author unknown





ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER

hank you Sis. Elizabeth Brisbane for obeying the Holy Spirit and submitting the following scripture to encourage our church family.

> And Mizpah; for he said, The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.

> > Genesis 31:49

THE PEARLS MINISTRY

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.



Candy Corn

Psalms 104:34 My meditation of Him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD.

1 John 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

Have you ever looked at a piece of candy corn? God is like this piece of candy. He is so sweet and full of goodness. The candy corn comes in three colored parts: White, Drange and Yellow. God comes in three parts too: the Father, the son and The Holy Spirit. Three parts, but yet He's still one. This might be a little confusing to you, but let me explain. God was always there. He has a son named Jesus that He sent to earth through a woman named Mary. He came into the world to die for our sins. Jesus made a way for us to ask for forgiveness so we could go to Heaven when we die. After Jesus died on the cross and rose again, He went back up and when He did, He left the Holy Spirit. He also called it the Comforter. We have the Holy Spirit here with us. So just like the candy corn comes in three parts, it's still one piece of candy. Just like God is one God, but yet he comes in three parts.

In the day when I cried out, You answered me, and made me bold with *strength* in my soul

Psalms 138:3 (NKJV)





wrong, it usually is.



WHAT WERE THEY THINKING?

Look again at the story recorded in Luke 5:1-11. At each juncture of the story indicated by the verse references below, jot down what the main characters might have been thinking in response to what was happening.

vv. 1-3	What was Jesus thinking?
	What was Simon thinking?
vv. 4-5	What was Jesus thinking?
	What was Simon thinking?
vv. 6-10a	What were Simon's companions thinking?
	What was Simon thinking?
vv. 10b-11	What were Simon and his companion thinking?
	What was Jesus thinking?





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When Ι grow **up**—After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother, "Mom, I've decided to become a minister When I grow up."

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"That's okay with us, but what made you decide that?"

"Well," said the little boy, "I have to go to church on Sunday anyway, and I figure it will be more fun to stand up and yell, than to sit and listen."

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PRAYER

The Deacons as well as the Ministers of Joshua want you to know that you are in their concerns and prayers. Please continue to pray one for another.

> Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.







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

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Nights at 6:00 PM—Via Facebook and YouTube Or Conference Call (978) 990-5232 Access Code 7329240# Dr. Rev. Robert L. Grove

Wednesday Noon Days at 12 Noon—Via Teleconference

Dial-In #: 1-701-802-5010 Access Code: 833827 Rev. Albertha Isler

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday Mornings at 11:00 AM—Via Facebook and YouTube Or Conference Call: (978) 990-5232, Access Code: 7329240#

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adults at 9:00 AM—Via YouTube Live / Teleconference

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

> Sis. Shelley Brown - Via YouTube Min. Latonia Robinson - Via YouTube

Young Adults at 9:00 AM—Via Zoom

Min. Corey Anderson

Intermediate at 9:00 AM —Via Zoom

Sis. Trudie Dukes & Trustee Stevie Grampus

Youth at 9:00 AM—Via Zoom

Rev. Chris Thurman & Trustee Andrea Oree

Beginners/Primary at 9:00 AM—Via Zoom

Sis. Maria Anderson & Sis. Marilyn Capers

JBC Sunday School/Children's Church FlipGrid Page (Upload your Memory Verses) https://flipgrid.com/jbccc

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Election day is Tuesday, November 3,

What to bring on Election Day— Photo ID -Acceptable forms include: SC driver's license or SC Department of Motor Vehicles ID Card; SC Concealed Weapons Permit; SC voter registration card with photo; US military ID; or US passport.

 <u>Voters without ID</u>: You may show your non-photo voter registration card and vote a provisional ballot. However, for your vote to be counted, you must provide one of the photo IDs to the election

Voter registration deadlines

- In Person: 30 days before Election Day.
 If this falls on a Sunday, the last preceding day that the county board of voter registration and elections is open.
- By Mail: Postmarked 30 days before Election Day, the deadline is extended to the next business day if this falls on a Sunday.
- **Online:** 30 days before Election Day



TOUCHLESS VOTING

Your safety is our top concern. That's why we're introducing touchless voting in all of our updated polling places.

- Check in by simply holding up your ID
- Bring your own pen to sign in
- Vote with the provided disposable cotton swab
- Stay socially distanced with voting equipment that is placed six feet apart
- Rest easy knowing all poll managers will be provided masks, shields and gloves
- Use hand sanitizer at any time during the process

Masks are encouraged and our poll managers are receiving special training to ensure a safer environment with social distancing.

To register in South Carolina you must:

- be a citizen of the United States
- be at least 18 years old on or before the next election
- be a resident of South Carolina, and live in the county and precinct where you are registering
- not be confined in any public prison resulting from a conviction of a crime
- never have been convicted of a felony or offense against Election Day laws, or if previously convicted, have served your entire sentence, including probation or parole, or have received a pardon for the conviction
- not be under a court order declaring you mentally incompetent

From Sis. Gail Tolbert: Political Messages - This word of caution is from someone who has worked the polls a lot in the past: "More and more, I'm seeing women announcing they will be voting with shirts, buttons, masks or hats that say "Ruth Sent Me", or something similar. Remember: POLITICAL MESSAGES AREN'T ALLOWED in the POLLING PLACE (that could include BLM shirts, unfortunately.) Also unfortunately, messages can be interpreted by whoever is in charge. It could mean, in some cases, that a voter wearing a shirt or hat or mask they believe is political can be denied the right to vote after waiting in line for hours.

Approach this election strategically and vote smarter and cleaner than ever have before. Understand that some folks will do what it takes to advance their agenda. We need to vote in record numbers. But we need to vote SMART. We can wear that wonderful "Ruth Sent Me" or BLM shirt or mask when we get home.

& UPCOMING EVENTS



This coming Sunday, October 4th, Joshua will resume in-person worship at 11:00 a.m. Church services will continue to be live-streamed for those who do not feel comfortable attending or can't return to church at this time. All Sunday School classes will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will continue to be held over the various social media platforms previously used for the past few months. No classes will be held at the church.

If you choose to worship in-person, please arrive early. As you enter the building, it is mandatory that everyone over the age of two must wear a mask. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided for you. A temperature check will be done, and you will be asked to sanitize your hands. Mask must be worn over your mouth and nose in an effort to prevent the possible spread of illness to others. If you cannot wear a mask or if you are sick or displaying any symptoms (runny nose, cough, sore throat, upset stomach, fever, etc.), you will be asked to return home. Also, please maintain the recommended social distancing of 6 feet. The pews and floor will be marked with distance markers to help you do this. Please remember, those most at risk or feeling sick are encouraged to stay home.

The Pandemic committee has worked long and hard to hammer out the details. We are grateful for their time, effort, and skills.



Tuesday Night Bible Study will be LIVE on Facebook and YouTube at 6:00 p.m. Anyone who does not have internet access or just prefers to listen in, can dial (978) 990-5232, enter access code: 7329240 followed by #.

Pastor Grove has begun a new study entitled **Purpose In Affliction**. The study guide is attached to this email and you can also pick up a copy on Saturday or Sunday from the deacons.

Wednesday Noon Day Bible Study is taught by Rev. Isler via telephone conferencing. Class will begin promptly at 12:00 pm. Everyone is asked to MUTE their phones before the study begins. Pastor Grove & Rev. Isler are looking forward to teaching you!

To avoid the one cent charge per minute, please call: 1. 1-502-420-9034 2. 1-701-802-5010 3. Access Code: 833877

You Tube Message from our IT team ~ Thank you to the Joshua Family for tuning in each week on Facebook and YouTube. Please tune in directly to our page if you're using Facebook so your comments can be shared with Pastor Grove or other ministers who bring the sermon each Sunday. If you join in on a shared video from a member's page, your comments are only seen by that member.

Please **subscribe** to our YouTube page and share the link with as many people as possible asking them to subscribe as well. During these difficult times, it's even more important to "Reach People for Christ."



Prayer Requests - In these days and times the need for prayer is ever present. If you have a particular prayer request you would like to share with Joshua, please let Sis. Cindy Cato know by each Saturday so it can be included in her weekly email. Unfortunately, she cannot send an email each time she receives a request, but we want you to know that we care, are deeply concerned and want to honor each request. Thank you for your consideration. Please continue to pray for

Brothers: Ernest Frasier, Steven Heyward, Jesse McNeal, Danny Moore, Marion Reed, and Carl Singleton; Sisters: Sharon Chaver, Georgette Coleman, Yvonne Johnson, and Janet Vanderhorst; Deacon Lawrence and Deaconess Alma Strother and their families.





Message from Sis. Gail Tolbert ~ Voteless People Event Series - The last session in the series VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HOPELESS PEOPLE is being presented on Tuesday, October 6th. We are at a critical point in the history of our country, and we must continue to educate people to

register to vote through October 4th. The phrase every vote counts has taken on a new meaning in this election. Please attend any or all of these virtual events if possible; encourage everyone to MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE AND VOTE EARLY. Registration Link: actionnetwork.org/forms/beta-kappa-lambda-rsvp

Please share information with other members of Joshua. If you know of someone who does not receive emails and would like to be included, please ask them to email Karen Pratt (kpratt@ycrlaw.com) with their email address.