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## EDITORIAL: FATHER'S DAY

There are many men to whom we must lift our hats to because they have been consistent in their roles as fathers to their children and for this we give God thanks. We also give God thanks that He has been, and still continues to be our father; that irrespective of what we have done God, continues to love us unconditionally.

Happy Father's Day to the real fathers! Happy Father's Day dear God!!

*Dahlia Palmer,  
Chairperson, Communications*

As part of our regular family month feature, this year we look at our church family members with businesses.

## Family Flair Mini Mart

The Family Flair Mini-Mart has been in operation for the past 50 years!! Yes, a real family affair. This business is owned and operated by the Radways and more specifically, Asbert Radway.

The original business name was 'Tom's Shop' as then, it was operated by his father Maas Tom. Maas Tom was a business man and as he took his coconuts to be sold in other parishes, he would return with other products for sale such as jippy-jappy hats, lamps etc. After awhile, he saw the need to formalize his business. Maas Tom, along with his wife who sold clothing, joined together and purchase a shop from someone who was going out of business and they became the first black owners of business in that community.



Currently the business sells general food items and its focus is to serve the community. The major challenge that Family Flair Mini Mart experiences is that the business is located in a small community where not many persons work. The business is kept alive by passersby and this too may be affected because of deteriorating road conditions which makes the business slow at times. Nevertheless, Asbert Radway advices that "no matter how rough it gets, as a business person you have to hang in there and try to run the business like a business. You must put back money into the business and use only the mark-up portion as your own otherwise you will be in trouble." Family Flair Mini Mart is located at Bamboo Walk, Retreat, St. Mary. The contact number is 996-3912.

## June Birthdays

Pauline Hamilton	5th
Leanord Bucknor	9th
Micol Israel	9th
Meryllyn Melvin	11th
Veronica Allen	13th
Daphne Reid	17th
Icilda Slyfield	20th
Karlene Wedderburn	20th
Rachel Thomas	21st
Pauline Brown	24th
Leroy Corey	25th
Gareth Irvin	25th
Nicola Nagheer	26th
Joslyn Spence	28th
Beverly Peddler	29th

## JUNE REMINDERS

21st	Fathers' Day
21st	Father's Day Concert
28th	Caribbean Baptist Fellowship (CBF) Sunday

## The re-dedication service of the Emmanuel Baptist Church

will be held on

Sunday, JULY 5, 2009

at the church



Remember to pray for the sick and shut-in members of the church and in our surrounding communities.



**BE A FRIEND TO A SICK OR SHUT-IN MEMBER TODAY! IT WILL BE WORTH IT!!**

**REV AINSLEY DAVIS - ON BEING A FATHER**

Ainsley Davis has been a biological father for the past 4 years and 11 months. He sees his role as a father as that of laying a foundation for his son (John-Mark). This foundation involves introducing John-Mark to God. Rev. Davis is ensuring that he builds a friendship with his son, provide the necessary guidance and encouragement, being a mentor and setting good examples for him.



Althea Davis, wife of Ainsley, commends him for his role as a father. She states that he is really committed to the task of fathering their son – things such as ironing his clothes, ensuring that he has fruits to eat, taking him to school, following up on PTA and other school matters, just to name a few. She also notes that he has been a good and positive impact on John Mark's life and she observes that whatever Ainsley does, John Marks follows both in action and in words. Althea also observes that Ainsley is a disciplinarian. John Mark never thinks twice about obeying his father. She cited an example where John Mark was told not to watch the television and she went and turned the television on. John Mark's comment was "mummy, why you turn on the TV? Daddy says not to turn it on." Of course she had to turn it off. Although he disciplines, Althea commented that he is never afraid to reward John Mark. In fact, hair cutting has become a regular routine treat where after each hair cut, the two go for treat at Burger King.

Althea ends by saying that Ainsley is a good father and I give him an A+ in this area!!

**FAMILY ISSUES**

Many fathers seem unaware of the significant impact that they make on the lives of their children. If they are absent and uninvolved, this impacts the child negatively and if they are present and provide positive models, this will have a good and lasting impact on their children.

Fathers, although your own father may not have fulfilled his responsibility to you as a child, this gives you no right not to accept your own responsibility as a father to your own children.

**Pledge to rise up and be a father to your children and be a positive one!**

**TO BE A GOOD FATHER**

To be a good father, a man must, with pleasure and joy, nourish those to whom he gave birth.

To be a good father, a man must give of himself so that he can fill up the lives of those to whom he gave birth to.

To be a good father, a man must share of his resources for the comfort of those to whom he gave birth to.

To be a good father, a man must express his love for the wholesome character of those to whom he gave birth to.

Are you a good father?

**JBU CAMPS 2009 under the theme:  
SPIRIT-FILLED WITH A PURPOSE TO FULFILL**

<b>Junior Camp</b>	<b>July 6-11</b>	<b>7-12 years</b>
<b>Intermediate 1</b>	<b>July 13-18</b>	<b>13-14 years</b>
<b>Intermediate 1</b>	<b>July 27-31</b>	<b>15-16 years</b>
<b>Youth 1</b>	<b>August 3-8</b>	<b>17-20 years</b>



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**SPECIAL PRAYER MEETINGS dealing with the future of the circuit**

The church will be engaged in a series of prayer meetings as we seek to understand the mind of God in moving forward as a church. Your support and participation will facilitate this process.

**For your attention:** The members of the search committee are: Vivene Irvin (Chair) and Joslyn Spence (Emmanuel), Sidney Lawes and Elsa Walters (Galina), Norman Brown and Aldine Grant (Hampstead), Novelette Brown and Marilyn Laing (Oxford), Gwendolyn Robinson (Secretary) and Linda Hines (Circuit representatives). Please continue to be in daily prayer.