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EDITORIAL: FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE

The human body is the most complex and unique organism ever created. Every aspect of the body—from the largest organ to the tiniest cell—tells that the body is a distinctive model of humanity. Indeed, the complexity and uniqueness says much about the mind of the Creator. Since God in his creativity and wisdom made us as unique beings, we must do everything to maintain this uniqueness. We must care for our physical being; stimulate our mental capacities; enhance our social nature and nourish our spiritual being. There are many ministries of the church that can help us to nurture our entire being: Prayer meetings, Bible studies, worship services, health fair, circuit convention, camps and conferences—are just a few of the activities that we can participate in to enrich ourselves in a holistic way. Above all, we must give Christ our hearts and commit to personal communication with Him so that His Spirit can live and reign in our lives; then we will be fully equipped to serve Him and to minister to others. Let us take the time to thank and honour God for our bodies that he has so fearfully and wonderfully made in an exceptionally intricate way!



Historically, June has always been the most popular month for weddings. That is where the term "June bride" comes from. The month of June derives its name from Juno, the Roman goddess of marriage. It was anciently thought that couples who married in June would be blessed with prosperity and happiness.

Fortunately, it is not the month that determines whether a couple (man and woman) will enjoy happiness in a marriage. In the sacrament of marriage as ordained by God, both parties must place Christ at the centre of their lives, as they work continually at the relationship to achieve blessings, prosperity and happiness.

In marriage, two individuals are united, they "become one flesh" (Ephesians 5:31). It is in this atmosphere that the husband and wife are able to meet each others need, and to grow to their fullest potentials as individuals and as a couple.

In a good marriage, there are important elements that promote a sense of well-being in the relationship. Some of these elements include:

- **Love:** This is an essential ingredient for the well-being of both persons in the marriage relationship. Love encompasses commitment, and the demonstration of loyalty and faithfulness between both persons. This commitment means sticking together through happy and challenging times.
- **Communication:** Good communication helps couples to understand each other better. Each person should be able to share thoughts, feelings, and deep needs with each other. Similarly, active listening is necessary for good communication. This

JUNE REMINDERS

- June Beginning of Hurricane Season
- 1st Cradle Roll Anniversary
- 1st Marriage Enrichment
- 1st Disaster Awareness Sunday
- 2nd Caribbean Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
- 8th Pentecost Sunday
- 8th Circuit Convention (Emmanuel)
- 8th BWA Youth World Day of Prayer
- Trinity Sunday
- 8-15th JBU Brotherhood's Men's week of activities
- 15th Fathers' Day
- Fathers' Day Concert
- 22nd Caribbean Baptist Fellowship Sunday
- 27th Health Fair
- 29th Exchange of Pulpit

Up-coming Events

- July 13th Harvest Thanksgiving & Ingathering Services

Start making plans to attend the trip at the end of July.

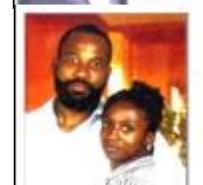
June Wedding Anniversaries



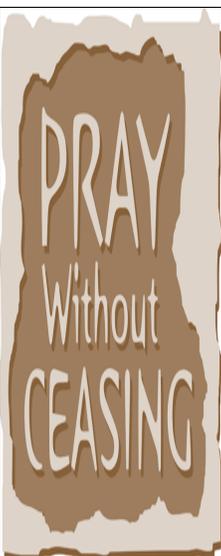
Annette & Winston Tracey celebrate 17 years of marriage on June 7.



Claudette & Victor Taylor celebrate 14 years of marriage on June 19.



Winsome & Gregory James celebrate 9 years of marriage on June 25.



June Birthdays: Happiness to you on your day!

					
Dave Campbell 1st	Leonard Bucknor 9th	Micol Israel 9th	Marilyn Melvin 11th	Veronica Allen 13th	Daphne Reid 17th
					
Karlene Wedderburn 20th	Pauline Brown 23rd	Leroy Corey 25th	Joslyn Spence 26th	Beverly Peddlar 26th	Nicola Nagheer 26th

involves giving attention to the spouse who is speaking, and seeking to genuinely understand his or her point of view.

- **Shared intimacy:** Spouses need to have a sense of connectedness in their relationship. This means that each spouse must be responsive to the needs of his/her spouse and know all aspects of each other. It is being able to share and be open to each other without being afraid. In such a loving relationship, spouses are not afraid because perfect love drives out all fear (1 John 4:18).
- **Quality time:** Spouses should set and make it a priority to spend time together consistently. But it is not enough to set the time; spouses must make good use of the time spent together. This means finding ways to show your spouse how much you love him or her. Find time to share and connect with each other, through sharing hobbies, interests, and even weekend getaways together.

Couples, try these and begin/continue to enrich your marriage

Adapted from: <https://suite.io/yvette-stupart/5p2p20n>

The day of Pentecost was one of the most important days in world history! When the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles and the other believers on the Day of Pentecost, those who heard them speaking in tongues were perplexed and asked, "What does this mean?" (Acts 2:12). This question is still asked today.



Pentecost must be interpreted in light of Acts 1:4-8, where the risen Jesus, told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the promise of the Holy Spirit and they would receive power to be Christ's "witnesses ... even to the remotest part of the earth" (v. 8). Just as the ministry of Jesus depended on the Holy Spirit descending on Him at His baptism, so the ministry of the disciples depended on them receiving the Holy Spirit and relying on His power.

Today, the ministry of the church depends on the Holy Spirit. Pentecost therefore signals the fullness of the Spirit in God's people to empower them for witness to all the nations. Pentecost is about God equipping His church with the power of His Spirit so that He will be glorified among the nations. The Holy Spirit equips us for mission!

If we truly understand this great historic event, our hearts will embrace the Holy Spirit; our physical being will be empowered with gifts of the Spirit and we will be enflamed with a passion to proclaim Christ to the unsaved and the broken-hearted.

The Cradle Roll Ministry Celebrates !

Today marks one year since the Cradle Roll Ministry of the church was launched. This ministry of the church has responsibility for embracing and facilitating the holistic development of children dedicated at the church. In addition, some of the needs of parents are also catered to with regards to parenting and spiritual guidance. Some of the activities of this ministry include (but are not limited to) hosting birthday parties on a quarterly basis, assigning and meeting with guardians of the children and providing parental tips and advice through a quarterly newsletter.



Looking back over the year, the Cradle Roll Ministry gives God thanks for all the children and parents whose lives have been impacted in some small way. Of course, there is so much more to do as it relates to fulfilling God's mission plan in the lives of these our children (and their parents).

Please continue to be in prayer for this ministry group as well as to support the activities and plans as they unfold.

Thought:

**Take time to enjoy the little things,
for one day you will look back and realize
they were the big things.**

PLEASE **PRAY** FOR: the sick and shut-in members of the church and in our surrounding communities. Here is a list of our sick and shut-in members: Port Maria Class: Sis. Audrey Maxwell; Sis. Emma Scarlett-Grant; Sis. Ionie Thomas; Trinity Class: Sis. Inez Graham; Valerie Melbourne; Sis. K. Spence; Sis. Loretta Reid; Mason Hall Class: Sis. Gwendolyn Byfield; Galina Class: Sis. Daphne Reid; Sis. Violet Daley; Cox Street Class: Sis. Georgina Peart; Bro. Lucan Scott; Sis. Adassa Reddie.

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