

*We warmly **welcome** everyone to our Worship Service.  
May God continue to richly bless each of you.*

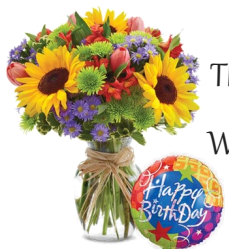


Cecilia Adderley, Brenda Albury, Hubert Albury, Emily Hanna-Brown, Christopher Burrows, Michelle Butler, Jacqueline Cartwright, Raymond Claridge, De'Ann Darville, Doris Hanna, Gaylene Higgs, Agnes Johnson, Helen Johnson, Deloris Knowles, Lady Holly Knowles, Betsy Pinder, Linda Sands, Marion Seymour, James Storr, Clio Sweeting and Sheran Sweeting.



Please keep in prayer, Dr. Reginald Eldon who is receiving medical care in Florida and Mrs. Deborah Knowles who is in hospital.

The Bahamas Conference Of The Methodist Church will host a **Spiritual Growth Conference** from May 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in Central Eleuthera. Volunteers are needed. Please contact the Conference's Office at 393-3726 or 393-2355 for more information.



## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY "Rev"**

The flowers today are donated by **Linda and Carrol Sands**, in celebration of **Rev Milton Lightbourne's birthday**. We are grateful for their kind donation, and extend loving birthday wishes to our dear 'Rev'. May God continue to bless you!



**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** (March 20 - March 26, 2022) go out to Rev. Milton Lightbourne (20<sup>th</sup>), Ann Lowe (21<sup>st</sup>), Alexander Wilkinson (22<sup>nd</sup>), Norma Watson (22<sup>nd</sup>), Keilon Collie (23<sup>rd</sup>), Carina Dorsett (25<sup>th</sup>), John Phillpot (26<sup>th</sup>) and all who celebrate their birthday this week!

**Church Attendance**  
March 13, 2022 - 103

**Next Sunday - March 27, 2022**  
Preacher: Rev. Milton Lightbourne



## **EBENEZER METHODIST CHURCH**

Bahamas Conference of The Methodist Church

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Sunday, March 20, 2022

11:00 am Worship Service

# **THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

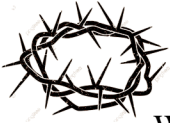
## **A CROWN OF THORNS**



Worship Leader: Mr. Percy Sands

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Crown of Thorns



## Order of Service

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Welcome & Announcements - Mr. Percy Sands

### Call To Worship

Leader: On this third Sunday of Lent, we continue our journey with Jesus.

People: **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being, bless His Holy Name.**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all His benefits.

People: **The Lord is kind and merciful. He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.**

Leader: The Lord redeems your life from destruction, and crowns you with kindness and compassion.

All: **The Lord is kind and merciful, gracious, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so is God's kindness toward those who fear Him.**

Opening Hymn      ***"O Sacred Head Once Wounded"***      #202

### Affirmation Of Faith

### The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hades; on the third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

### Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. O praise Him. O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### Prayer Chorus

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God.  
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In Thee, O Lord, I put my trust. In Thee O Lord, I put my trust.  
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Pastoral Prayer

Miss Asari Mackey

The Lord's Prayer (*Sung By All*)

Offertory Hymn      ***"Weep Not For Him"***      #175

Offertory Prayer      Miss Megan Martin

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading      Psalm 22:1-8      Mr. Dwight Thurston

Selection      Dr. Linda Lightbourne

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Readings      John 19:25-27      Mrs. Anne Lever  
Mark 15: 33-34

Hymn of Faith      ***"There Is A Green Hill Far Away"***      #180  
(*Collection For The Caring Fund*)

Sermon      Rev. Milton Lightbourne

Closing Hymn      ***"Old Rugged Cross"***      (See Insert)

Mission Statement

To Worship God Joyfully, Offer Christ Faithfully,  
Promote Growth Hopefully, Serve Others Lovingly.

Benediction      Rev. Milton Lightbourne

Benedictory Response      ***"Old Rugged Cross"***      Verse 1



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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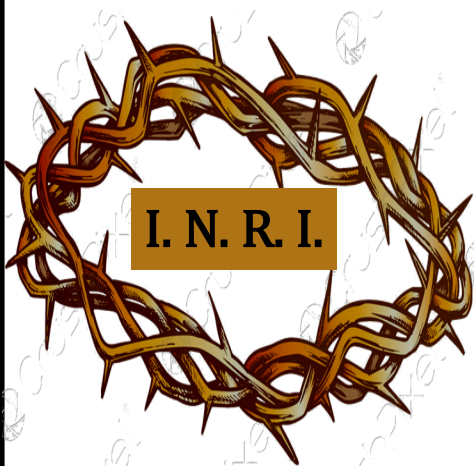


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## ALTAR DISPLAY

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suffering so that we would know salvation. His sacrifice was for our salvation.



## The Old Rugged Cross



On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
The emblem of suffering and shame;  
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best,  
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

So, I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
'Till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
And exchange it some day for a crown.

O, that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
Has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above,  
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### Chorus

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,  
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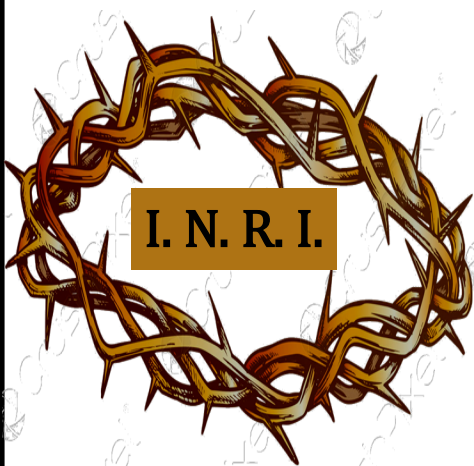


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