



Temple News

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Easter, Day of Glorious Hope

by Norman Vincent Peale

The most tremendous of all earthly events took place almost 2,000 years ago when Jesus of Nazareth, put to death by the cruel power of Rome, rose from His tomb and appeared again to His sorrowing followers. With their despair turned to joy, they were inspired to carry His spirit and His teachings to the ends of the earth.

That was the first and greatest Easter experience. But Easter experiences have been happening ever since. They happen every day. They can happen to me and they can happen to you.

Sometimes they are small, gentle moments of reawakening. It is no accident, I'm sure, that Easter comes in the radiant season of rebirth after the bleakness of winter. Each year I walk around my farm on Quaker Hill in Pawling, New York, and thrill to the sound of returning birds. I find myself tingling to the touch of the warm sun and the odor of new young grass.

I marvel at the thought that no one but God knows the process that makes the grass so green. I meditate on the miraculous profusion of spring flowers in their infinite form and color and variety. When I think of old friends and become aware of wonderful qualities I never appreciated before, they too seem to blossom out in a personal springtime.

The Easter experience can also happen to people who are discouraged or defeated, who are groping their way through life burdened by problems and only half-alive, who have lost their sense of wonder, their capacity to be deeply moved, their ability to love and hope and dream.

Happy Easter



Pastor K. D. &

Leading Lady E. R. Shivers

Happy Easter - He Is Risen

Easter celebrates that Jesus was resurrected from the dead, and that therefore by accepting Jesus as Savior we can be promised an eternal home in Heaven! Acts 24:15 says, "I have hope in God, which they themselves also accept, that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust." (NKJV) *Our 2017 Theme is: The Year of Kingdom Victory.* 1 John 5:4 "For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith." Wishing you peace, love, and happiness at Easter and always.

Blessings

Pastor K. D. & (LL) Elder E. R. Shivers



Through mushy, heart-melting love of springtime baby animals, I am reminded of the promise of new life through Him.

I was eight or nine. The fresh green aroma of hay filled the barn as I stood peering into a wooden nesting box beneath a glowing heat lamp. Growing up in Vermont, I had many opportunities to spend with farm animals. This was my first time witnessing the wonder of a baby chick hatching.

I still go through the same emotions as I did when I was a young girl, thinking about this miraculous event. First, there's **anticipation**. The tiny beak within pecks at the shell. It makes such a tiny crack. It seems to take forever. The chick pecks then rests, regrouping to peck again. The crack widens.

Then, **amazement**. The chicken finally emerges from the egg. So much effort to start its new little life!

Next, a bit of **disappointment**. The newborn chick is not what I expect. Wet feathers stick to bare, pink flesh. Dark patches encircle closed eyes. It collapses at an awkward angle, and I worry.

Now, **joy**. It moves! It's alive! It lifts its head. Soon the chick is standing, the feathers are drying. There is hope in this new life, and the beauty ahead.

We may go through the same emotions in our relationship with the Lord:

Anticipation—what is ahead? Will our path be rocky or smooth? How will He work in our life?

Amazement—He is there for us! He brings things together in powerful ways! Our prayers are answered!

Disappointment—what's going on? This isn't what I wanted. Life is difficult.

Joy—in everything, there is hope. In the good and the bad, there is God. We can do all things, because of Him.

Every Easter when I see a newborn chick (or bunny, or lamb), I still get the same feelings of awe and joy. This is a brand new life, a miracle of God's creation!

And through this mushy, heart-melting love of springtime baby animals, I am reminded of the promise of new life through Him.

Verse of the Month

Ephesians 4:7

Unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.



Time and again I have seen the power of the risen Lord reach out and enfold and awaken such people—people entombed by the power of alcohol or drugs, people enslaved by immorality, people who suffer from lost love, lost faith, lost hope—who then rebound, victorious and whole, from their dark night of the soul. When that happens, when the spirit of Easter really touches them, they too come back from the dead.

But the deepest message of Easter now is, and always has been, the promise that this life here on earth is only a beginning for all of us, that the here and the hereafter are merely different aspects of the same thing. "Because I live," said Jesus, "ye shall live also." (John 14:19) I take that tremendous promise to mean that eternity does not begin with death; we are living in it now. Death is but a change; a change for the better, that's all.

This Easter message can reach the human heart in many ways.

We are here on earth for a short time. God wants us to accept His plan for our lives, to develop our talents and make the fullest, most selfless, most constructive use of them. And finally, when our work here is done, we will be taken home, and then burst into glorious bloom.



Points to Ponder

The great gift of Easter is Hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake. *Basil Hume*

The Bible tells us that Jesus Christ came to do three things. He came to have my past forgiven, you get a purpose for living and a home in Heaven. *Rick Warren*

There is only one secure foundation: a genuine, deep relationship with Jesus Christ, which will carry you through any and all turmoil. No matter what storms are raging all around you, you'll stand firm if you stand on His love. *Charles Stanley*

Easter is meant to be a symbol of hope, renewal and new life. *Janine di Giovanni*

April Kingdom Schedule

April Scriptures

4/2 Matthew 20:17-19
 4/9 John 12:12-15
 4/16 Mark 16:5-7
 4/23 1 Corinthians 15:21-22
 4/30 Romans 8:34-37

Worship Leaders Schedule

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4/2 Elder Wayne Hatton
 4/9 Bro. Kevin Shepherd Jr.
 4/16 Elder Karen Lee
 4/23 Elder Edith Shivers
 4/30 Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas

Welcome Schedule

4/2 Bro. Donald Watkins
 4/9 Imani Gray-Davis
 4/16 Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas
 4/23 Bro. Willie Turner Jr.
 4/30 Bro. Melvin Turner Sr.

Servant Leaders Schedule

4/2 Bro. Donald Watkins
 4/9 Sis. Phyllis Duck
 4/16 Sis. Wendy Green
 4/23 Sis. Shirley Haskins
 4/30 Sis. Lucy Watkins

Door Opener

Bro. Rodney Murphy



Communion Bowls

Sis. Wendy Green
 Bro. James Green Sr.



April 2017 CID Teachers Schedule



**CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION**



- April 4th Adult Teacher: Sis. Shirley Haskins | John 3:1-16 | *“Saving Love”*
 Youth Teacher: Elder Edith Shivers & Sis. Dana Cary
- April 11th NO CID: John 20:1-10; 1 Peter 1:3-9 | *“Victorious Love”*
- April 18th NO CID: Romans 5:6-11; Romans 8:31-39 | *“Reconciling Love”*
- April 25th Adult Teacher: Sis. Lucy Watkins | John 10:1-15 | *“Protecting Love”*
 Youth Teachers: Min. Bertram Blackwell & Bro. James Green Sr.

Explanation of the lesson can be found on our website. solomonstemplechurch.net

OUTREACH

Solomon's Temple Outreach Ministry
 Is In Full Effect!

Please let us know if anyone is in the hospital, in-outpatient surgeries and death in the family or any other life changing event (medical or death). We have *“Care Teams”* for each month that is willing and ready to contact you. We love our church family and we believe love is not what it says - it's what it does.

CARE TEAM FOR THE MONTH

Sis. Alice Day
 Sis. Kathy Greene
 Bro. James Green Sr.



**You are stronger
 than you know...
 braver than you
 think...
 and more loved than
 you can imagine.**



Meet Our Newest Disciple



Shaquita Taylor completed her New Disciples class in March. Congratulations Shaquita and welcome to the Solomon's Temple family.

April Birthdays

Happy Birthday



Blow out the candles,
wish away,
you are the
superstar of the day.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

James Green Jr.	April 2 nd
Regina Green	April 7 th
Sierra Johnson	April 8 th
Taleigha Turner	April 14 th
Allan Clark	April 16 th
Alexis Smith	April 17 th
Marion Smith	April 17 th
Frances Wells-Robertson	April 18 th
Darnelle Jefferson	April 18 th
Brandon Newsome	April 20 th
Imani Gray-Davis	April 20 th
Alice Day	April 23 rd
Bianca Robinson	April 23 rd
Lena Holmes	April 26 th

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to *Arieana Parker* for an awesome indoor track season. She came in First place Conference, First place Regional and Third place at States.

April Anniversary



Shagan & Sarah Gatewood
April 11th

An anniversary is a time to celebrate the joys of today, the memories of yesterday and the hopes of tomorrow.

Newsletter Submissions



Do you know someone who is doing great things in the community, school, or church? Nominate them to be the Solomonite of the Month. This person can be a youth or an adult. Don't forget to recognize those celebrating an anniversary, graduation (from high school, college, or any other), or special occasion. We also want to know about those who have made the honor roll. Let's not forget baby announcements, bible humor or recipes. If you have a story or idea that you would like to incorporate into the newsletter, forward the story to stsecretary1@gmail.com or leave the idea on the secretary's desk.

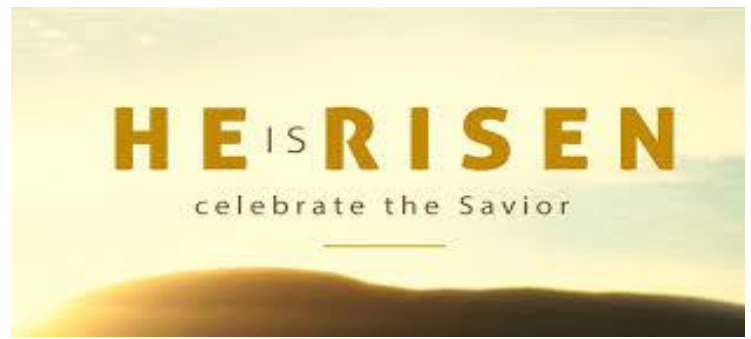
New to Solomon's Temple?



First of all **WELCOME!** We are so pleased that you have come to visit our church. Whether you are just inquiring about our church, a new visitor, or simply want to see if Solomon's Temple is the right fit for you and your family, we are grateful to have you among us. We hope you will find your spiritual home here. Here at Solomon's Temple, we offer many exciting ministries to assist in your daily walk.

Solomon's Temple holds New Disciple Orientation sessions that can provide information about our church, what we offer and what to expect from your church family. If you have any questions, please contact **Elder Sarah Hatton**, **Elder Wayne Hatton**. or **Bro. James Green Sr.**

April



Schedule of Events

DATE	TIME	EVENT
4/2/17	After service	Bridge Ministry will meet in Parlor A
4/3/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Adult & Youth Praise Dance Practice
4/4/17	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID session/Lenten Service – Messenger: MIT Ernest Ruffin
4/5/17	7:30pm	Kingdom Victory Workouts
4/6/17	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
4/7/17	7:00pm	Friday Night Hour of Victory service – Speaker: Sis. Wendy Green
4/8/17	10:00am	Trustee & Finance Ministry Deep Cleaning of the Chapel
4/9/17	All Day	Palm Sunday
4/9/17	After service	Men's Ministry Prayer Breakfast Committee will meet
4/9/17	3:00pm	Opening of Holy Week Revival. Dinner will be served at 2:00pm
4/10-13/17	7:00pm nightly	Holy Week Revival
4/14/17	12:00pm (noon)	Good Friday service–The Last Seven Statements of Jesus Christ on the Cross
4/15/17	9:00am	Carrying the Cross (meet behind Hardees - Smithfield Square Shopping Ctr.)
4/15/17	10:30am	Mass Choir rehearsal
4/16/17	All Day	Easter/Happy Resurrection Sunday
4/16/17	6:00am	Sunrise Service at the chapel
4/22/17	6:00am	Singles Ministry bus trip to Luray Caverns
4/24/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Adult & Youth Praise Dance Practice
4/25/17	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID session/Bible Study – Teacher: Min. Cynthia Edwards
4/26/17	7:30pm	Kingdom Victory Workouts
4/27/17	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
4/29/17	1:00pm-4:00pm	Youth Ministry Car Wash and Bake Sale at Advance Auto, Smithfield, VA
4/30/17	After service	Family & Friends Day committee will meet in Parlor A
4/30/17	3:00pm	100 Kingdom Minded Victorious Women service

Mid-Week Motivation 6:00am

Wednesday, April 5th & Wednesday, April 12th
Call the conference line 1-302-202-1106 and enter code 596347 to join in with the morning word and prayer.



Always pray to have

Eyes that see the best in people, a *Heart* that forgives the worst, a *Mind* that forgets the worst, and a *Soul* that *Never* loses faith in God.

PRAYER LIST

Sis. Sonjia Moore
Sis. Tami Drew
Bro. James Green Sr.
Sis. Lonnie Batten
Sis. Mary Cornick
Sis. Tamara Jones
Holmes & Taylor Family
Rawls & Wellons Family
Williams & Mason Family



Sis. Vernell Brown
Sis. Vernell Wrenn
Sis. Connie Payne
Sis. Mary Diggs
Sis. Phyllis Wiggins
Sis. Florence Turner
Shivers Family
Lee Family
Wrenn Family



If there are any names that need to be added to the list, let the church administrator know. Thank You.



April 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2. Youth Conference Lynchburg, VA Bridge Ministry will meet after service James Green Jr.</p>	<p>3. 7:00pm-8:30pm Adult & Youth Praise Dance practice</p>	<p>4. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Lent service</p>	<p>5. 6:00am Mid-Week Motivation 7:30pm Kingdom Victory Workouts</p>	<p>6. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal</p>	<p>7. 7:00pm Friday Night Hour of Victory Regina Green</p>	<p>1. Youth Conference Lynchburg, VA</p>
<p>9. Palm Sunday After service Men Prayer Breakfast committee will meet 3:00pm Holy Week Revival (2pm dinner)</p>	<p>10. 7:00pm Holy Week Revival</p>	<p>11. 7:00pm Holy Week Revival Happy Anniversary Shagan & Sarah Gatewood</p>	<p>12. 6:00am Mid-Week Motivation 7:00pm Holy Week Revival</p>	<p>13. 7:00pm Holy Week Revival</p>	<p>14. 12:00pm Good Friday service (7 Last Words) Taleigha Turner</p>	<p>15. 9:00am Carrying the Cross</p>
<p>16. 6:00am Sunrise service Easter Sunday Allan Clark</p>	<p>17. Marion Smith Alexis Smith</p>	<p>18. No CID/Bible Study Frances Robertson Darnelle Jefferson</p>	<p>19. No Kingdom Victory Workouts</p>	<p>20. No Choir rehearsal Brandon Newsome Imani Gray-Davis</p>	<p>21.</p>	<p>22. Singles Ministry Bus Trip to Luray Caverns</p>
<p>23. Alice Day Bianca Robinson</p>	<p>24. 7:00pm-8:30pm Adult & Youth Praise Dance practice</p>	<p>25. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study</p>	<p>26. 7:30pm Kingdom Victory Workouts Lena Holmes</p>	<p>27. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>28.</p>	<p>29. 1:00pm-4:00pm Youth Car Wash & Bake Sale at Advance Auto</p>
<p>30. 3:00pm 100 Kingdom Minded Victorious Women service</p>						

2017 Theme: The Year of Kingdom Victory

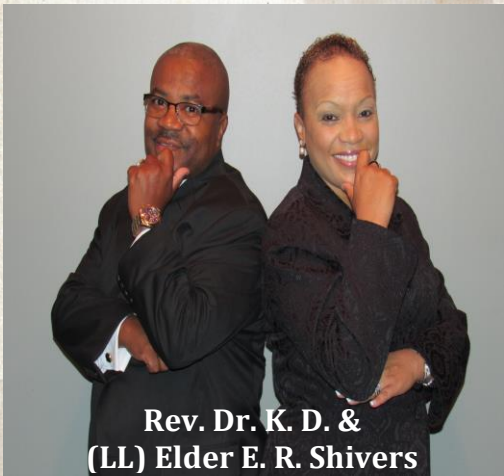
“For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.” (1 John 5:4)



Solomon's Temple Holy Week Revival 2017

Sunday, April 9th - Thursday, April 13th

Sunday @ 3:00pm
7:00pm nightly
Monday - Thursday



Rev. Dr. K. D. & (LL) Elder E. R. Shivers

The community is invited to Solomon's Temple Holy Week Revival.

Guest Church Choirs & Ushers for the week include:

- Sunday, 4/9/17 Rising Star Baptist Church, Smithfield, VA
Pastor Terrell Batten
- Monday, 4/10/17 Solomon's Temple, Smithfield, VA
Pastor K. D. Shivers
- Tuesday, 4/11/17 Mt. Tabor C.O.G.I.C., Smithfield, VA
Pastor C. J. Sellers Jr.
- Wednesday, 4/12/17 Shiloh Baptist Church, Windsor, VA
Pastor Larry Simmons Sr.
- Thursday, 4/13/17 White Oak Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Franklin, VA
Pastor Melvin Wofford

Guest Preachers will include:

Sunday, April 9th & Monday, April 10th
Pastor Terrell Batten
Rising Star Baptist Church Smithfield, VA

Tuesday, April 11th & Wednesday, April 12th
Pastor C. J. Sellers Jr.
Mt. Tabor C.O.G.I.C. Smithfield, VA

Thursday, April 13th
Maundy Thursday (Observe Holy Communion)
Pastor Melvin Wofford
White Oak Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Franklin, VA



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Rev. Dr. K. D. Shivers, Pastor | Elder E. R. Shivers, Leading Lady

The Churches of
 Isle of Wight County
 and Vicinity presents
 “The Last Seven Statements of
 Jesus Christ on the Cross”

Good Friday
April 14, 2017
12:00pm
Solomon’s Temple
 12749 Courthouse Highway
 Smithfield, VA 23430
(Everyone Is Welcome)



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FOR MORE INFORMATION
CALL 757-357-9500

Speakers will include:

Bro. Joshua Fenner
 Garden of Prayer Worship Center
“Father Forgive Them” Luke 23:34

Bro. Kinston Shivers
 Solomon’s Temple
*“Today Shalt Thou Be With Me
 in Paradise” Luke 23:43*

Min. Shaana Thomas
 Greater Dimensions Kingdom Ministries
*“Woman, Behold Thy Son! Behold Thy
 Mother” John 19:26-27*

Sis. Latoya Barnes
 Olive Branch Baptist Church
*“My God, My God Why Hast Thou
 Forsaken Me?” Mark 15:34*

Bro. Larry Simmons Jr.
 Shiloh Baptist Church
“I Thirst” John 19:28

Evangelist Barbara Eley
 Mt. Calvary Outreach Ministry
“It Is Finished” John 19:30

Bro. Glenn Lyttle Jr.
 Olive Branch Baptist Church
*“Father, Into Thy Hands I Commend
 My Spirit” Luke 23:46*



Solomon's Temple 6th Annual Carrying of the Cross!

When: Saturday April 15, 2017

Where: We will gather behind Hardee's Restaurant

On Church St., Smithfield, VA

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Disciples dress up biblically and march down Church Street escorted by the Smithfield Police Department. Men carrying the Cross and ladies singing hymns of praise.

Past Event Pictures:





THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY OF SOLOMON'S

Temple Church



Invites **YOU** To Share With Us In Our..



100 KINGDOM MINDED VICTORIOUS WOMEN service

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017



@ 3:00pm

Guest Messenger

Rev. Sylvia C. Murphy

Oak Grove Baptist Church

Suffolk, VA 23434

Rev. Dr. Anthony Copeland, Pastor



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April is Stress Awareness Month

Stress happens. Sometimes it's unavoidable, at times it's unbearable. That's why taking time for yourself is invaluable. It's healthy to relax, renew, and rejuvenate.

Stress does not merely afflict your mind; it can also affect you on a cellular level. In fact, long-term stress can lead to a wide range of illnesses—from headaches to stomach disorders to depression—and can even increase the risk of serious conditions like stroke and heart disease. Understanding the mind/stress/health connection can help you better manage stress and improve your health and well-being.

If you suffer from chronic stress and can't influence or change the situation, then you'll need to change your approach. Be willing to be flexible. Remember, you have the ability to choose your response to stressors, and you may have to try various options.

- Recognize when you don't have control, and let it go.
- Don't get anxious about situations that you cannot change.
- Take control of your own reactions and focus your mind on something that makes you feel calm and in control. This may take some practice, but it pays off in peace of mind.
- Develop a vision for healthy living, wellness, and personal growth, and set realistic goals to help you realize your vision.

Be sure to carve out some time to relax and take care of yourself each day—even just 10 to 15 minutes per day can improve your ability to handle life's stressors. Also, remember that exercise is an excellent stress reliever. Everyone has different ways they like to relax and unwind. Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- Take a walk
- Read a book
- Go for a run
- Have a cup of tea
- Play a sport
- Spend time with a friend or loved one
- Meditate
- Do yoga

While you can't avoid stress, you can minimize it by changing how you choose to respond to it. The ultimate reward for your efforts is a healthy, balanced life, with time for work, relationships, relaxation, and fun.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month!

Each year, there are nearly 3 million reports of child abuse and neglect. And we know that child abuse cases are vastly underreported, as adults often fail to recognize or respond to warning signs of child abuse, and abused children suffer in fear and silence. The [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) defines *child abuse* and *child maltreatment* as "all forms of physical and/or emotional ill-treatment, sexual abuse, neglect or negligent treatment or commercial or other exploitation, resulting in actual or potential harm to the child's health, survival, development or dignity in the context of a relationship of responsibility, trust or power."^[4] In the United States, the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) uses the term *child maltreatment* to refer to both acts of commission (abuse), which include "words or overt actions that cause harm, potential harm, or threat of harm to a child", and acts of omission (neglect), meaning "the failure to provide for a child's basic physical, emotional, or educational needs or to protect a child from harm or potential harm". The United States federal [Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act](#) defines *child abuse and neglect* as, at minimum, "any recent act or failure to act on the part of a parent or caretaker which results in death, serious physical or emotional harm, sexual abuse or exploitation" and/or "an act or failure to act which presents an imminent risk of serious harm".^{[5][6]}

National Child Abuse Prevention Month offers a powerful opportunity to highlight child abuse facts, explain the importance of reporting child abuse, encourage community involvement, and support abused children.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

May 5 th -6 th	Women's Conference/Retreat
May 6 th	Mother's Day Celebration
May 7 th	Women's Day
May 14 th	Mother's Day
May 20 th	Media Ministry Fashion Show
May 21 st	Ministry Day
May 21 st	Elder Shivers preach at Sandy Mt. Baptist Church – Women's Day
May 28 th	Pastor Shivers preach at Galilee Baptist Church – Family/Friends Day

JULY

July 4 th	Independence Day/4 th of July
July 8 th	Youth Car Wash/Bake Sale
July 9 th	Outreach Ministry Breakfast
July 15 th	Singles Ministry Outing
July 22 nd	Men's Fun Day Outing
July 23 rd	Family/Friends Day

JUNE

June 2 nd	Couples Ministry Movie Night
June 3 rd	Benjamin Tribe Victory Walk
June 10 th	Youth Conference
June 11 th	Youth Day
June 17 th	Bikers for Christ
June 17 th	Benjamin Tribe Victory Day Picnic
June 18 th	Father's Day
June 23 rd -24 th	Men's Conference
June 25 th	Men's Day
June 25 th	Outreach Neighborhood Ministry

AUGUST

August 19 th	Men's Prayer Breakfast
August 19 th	Back to School Cookout
August 28 th	Pastor Shivers preach at Tree of Life Church, Surry, VA
August 30 th	Pastor Shivers preach at Rising Star Baptist Church, Smithfield, VA