

Monthly Newsletter of Solomon's Temple July 2015

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THE WEDDING BAND PRAYER

By: Rick Hamlin

I can remember going to the jeweler's and picking out our wedding bands. We had them inscribed with our initials and the date of our wedding. I prayed and knew I'd wear that ring forever and I did. Until now. I'd never worn a ring before, and it felt so odd on my hand. On our honeymoon I'm sure I was easy to pick out as a newlywed. "He's the one fingering the gold band on his left hand. Obviously he's never worn one before."

I was acutely aware of it, as aware as I was of the woman who was sitting across from me at the breakfast table now, reading the newspaper and drinking her coffee. The answer to my "forever" prayer.

Sometimes the ring would clink against the side of glass, making a musical sound, a little reminder, "You're a married man now." Sometimes it would scrape against a brick wall or get a little scratched when I scrubbed the pots and pans.

My dad never wore a wedding ring. They were less common for men of his generation. Not for ours. None of us would have exited the church ceremony without that band of gold. It says who you are and whose you are. A reminder, too, if you're ever in

a tempting situation. (Not for nothing did the Lord give us the words of prayer, "Lead us not into temptation.")

My wife says all women notice whether men are wearing a wedding ring or not. I don't pay too much attention, but I'm going to trust her on this one. The ring is a tangible sign of our vows and prayers.

In thirty-some years of marriage I haven't taken it off for more than a minute. It's a part of me, like Carol is a part of me. We are one.

Then just the other day I got a bug bite on my ring finger which became infected. When I dropped into the neighborhood clinic to get it lanced, the doctor stared at the bulging skin and said, "I'm sorry but we're going to have to cut off your ring."

Carol says there's another jeweler in town who might be able to mend the ring and solder it back together. Good as new? Well, not exactly.

I'm glad of the bumps and bruises on it, reminders of the wear and tear of life. Carol and I have been through a lot over the years.

But our love for each other is still strong, stronger than it was when we first said our vows. We're like the inside of the ring, as good as gold. Rings aren't eternal, love is.



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



Pastor Shivers
July 14, 2015

Happy 25th Anniversary
Pastor Shivers &
Leading Lady Shivers



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

Mark 10:6-9 (NIV)

“But at the beginning of creation God made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”



Make Pastor Shivers’ birthday a special one he will always remember. Pastor Shivers sacrifices and gives unconditionally to his church, and celebrating his birthday is the perfect opportunity to give back to him what he freely gives on a daily basis. In this month of July, think of some creative ways to celebrate the ministry gift God has placed here at Solomon’s Temple.





JULY KINGDOM SCHEDULE



Scripture and Welcome

- 7/05 Sis. Lucy Watkins (John 13:18-21)
Sis. Beretta Smith (welcome)
- 7/12 Mercedi Brown (Romans 8:1-4)
Raven Parker (welcome)
- 7/19 Sis. Linda Jordan (Romans 8:18-21)
Sis. Trakelia Hamlin (welcome)
- 7/26 Family & Friends Day
Family & Friends Day

Servant Leader Schedule

- 7/05 Sis. Turekia White
- 7/12 Sis. Jackie Ruffin
- 7/19 Bro. Earl Moton
- 7/26 Sis. Shirley Haskins



Worship Leader Schedule

- 7/05 Elder Sarah Hatton
- 7/12 Bro. Willie Turner, Jr.
- 7/19 Minister Cynthia Edwards
- 7/26 Sis. Beretta Smith

Door Opener

Bro. Ray Holmes

Communion Bowls

Bro. Earl Moton
Sis. Shirley Haskins



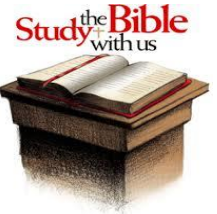
HOLY COMMUNION

“Let us break bread together.....”

July Teachers Schedule

There will be **NO CID Session** or **Bible Study** for the months of July and August. However, the lessons for July are listed below should you desire to continue to study the Word of God.

- 7-07 “No Tolerance for Corrupt Officials” | Micah 3:5-12
- 7-14 “What the Lord Requires” | Micah 6:3-8
- 7-21 “God’s Matchless Mercy” | Micah 7:14-20
- 7-28 “A Redeemer in Zion” | Isaiah 59:15-21



Explanation of the lesson can be found on our [website.solomonstemplechurch.net](http://www.solomonstemplechurch.net)
Additional Study Help: www.studylight.org www.biblestudytools.com



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, Bro. James Green Sr., Sis. Turekia White** or **Elder Wayne Hatton.**

MARRIAGE QUOTES

“Marriage: Love is the reason. Lifelong friendship is the gift. Kindness is the cause. Til’ death do us part is the length.”

“A successful marriage requires falling in love many times, always with the same person.”

“Marriages are like fingerprints; each one is different and each one is beautiful.”

“We come to love not by finding a perfect person, but by learning to see an imperfect person perfectly.”

“Love is the greatest gift when given. It is the highest honor when received.”

“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”

“Marriage is like watching the color of leaves in the fall; ever changing and more stunningly beautiful with each passing day.”

“Enjoy the little things in life... For one day you’ll look back and realize they were the big things.”



July Birthdays

If your birthday is missing from the list or incorrect, let the office know.



- Nasheena Roberts
- Brent Wrenn
- Mattie Turner
- Kinston Shivers
- Marcus Smith
- Pastor K. D. Shivers
- Wanda Clarke
- Crystal Spruill
- LaQueshia Rawls
- Kathy Greene
- Kristiana Smith
- Trakelia Hamlin
- Mercedi Brown
- Latisha Shivers
- Deloris Shivers
- Vernell Wrenn
- Vernessa Black
- Linda Jordan
- Cornell Bailey

- July 5th
- July 6th
- July 10th
- July 10th
- July 12th
- July 14th
- July 14th
- July 15th
- July 16th
- July 17th
- July 17th
- July 17th
- July 18th
- July 19th
- July 21st
- July 26th
- July 27th
- July 28th
- July 29th



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.

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.

JULY CARE TEAM

Sis. Vernessa Black
Sis. Mary Diggs
Sis. Desiree Brown



Lifting You Up In Prayer

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Bro. John Shivers
Bro. Walter Chapman
Sis. Ruby Clarke
Sis. Tammy Rawls
Bro. Michael Wellons
Sis. Vernell Brown
Sis. Mary Diggs
Sis. Connie Payne
Sis. Arlene Langhorne
Sis. Christine Little
Sis. Frances Wells-Robertson



"In our weakness, God will be our strength. Keep believing, Healing is on its way"

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." (II Corinthians 12:9)

Please remember to pray for, call or visit those who are sick, shut-in or bereaved.

If there are any names that need to be added to the list, let the Church Administrator know. Thanks.



July Solomonite Spotlight is Sis. Alice Day

Alice Day is a dedicated disciple of Solomon's Temple. She is active in the women's ministry, usher ministry and hospitality ministry. Alice will lend a hand and help out wherever she can. Hebrews 13:2 says, "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it. Solomon's Temple would like to congratulate **Alice** for being this month's "Solomonite Spotlight".

WE LOVE YOU!

**Will YOU be the Next
"Solomonite of the Month"?**



Ashley Boothe is a 2nd year Team Member in the Merchandise Department at WCUSA who knows how to wear so many different hats while keeping a smile on her face for all her guests and fellow Team Members. Ashley is very versatile and can work Cabanas, Lockers, and Shops with ease. She is most at home with her guests in the cabanas and truly enjoys meeting people from across the United States and from around the world. She has had guests as far away as Hawaii and Eastern Europe. Ashley loves the conversations she has with her guests and is always thrilled to turn a guest's day around from being unpleasant to spectacular. Ashley is a rising junior at Hampton University where she is studying Biology. Her future plans include going to Med School. Thank you for all that you do, Ashley. Congratulations, Ashley!





July



Schedule of Events

IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL INFORMATION TO BE ADDED TO THE TEMPLE NEWS FOR THE MONTH NEED TO BE GIVEN TO THE CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR NO LATER THAN THE 3RD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
7/4/15	ALL DAY	Happy 4 th of July
7/5/15	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Joe & Lonnie Batten 
7/6/15	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise dance practice
7/9/15	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
7/14/15	ALL DAY	Happy 25 th Anniversary Pastor K. D. & (LL) Elder E. R. Shivers 
7/16/15	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
7/17/15	7:00pm	Leading Lady Shivers along with other First Ladies will speak at Olive Branch Baptist Church
7/18/15	9:00am-11:00am	Adult praise dance practice
7/19/15	After service	Family & Friends Day committee will meet
7/19/15	3:00pm	Mass choir will sing at Campbell Chapel AME Church; Choir Anniversary
7/20/15	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise dance practice
7/23/15	6:00pm/7:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal/Joyful Voices rehearsal
7/25/15	5:00pm	Mass choir will sing at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church; Annual Choir Day service
7/26/15	9:00am	Family & Friends Day; Pastor Rondell Davis Higher Way Suffolk guest
7/30/15	7:30pm	We will fellowship with Oak Grove Baptist Church; 38070 Rocky Hock Rd., Wakefield, VA 23888; Revival service; choir & ushers are asked to serve



*To my husband
Happy Birthday/Happy 25th Anniversary
God has truly blessed us as a couple and family.
I thank God every day for allowing us to be
together. You are a great provider, a wonderful father, a
loving husband, an awesome friend, an anointed Pastor
and so much more. I pray God will give us many more
years together. I Love you always.*





July 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1.	2.	3.	4. <i>Happy 4th of July</i>
5. Happy Anniversary Joe & Lonnie Batten Nasheena Roberts	6. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise dance practice Brent Wrenn	7.	8.	9. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal	10. Mattie Turner Kinston Shivers	11.
12. Marcus Smith	13.	14. Happy Anniversary Pastor & Elder Shivers Pastor Shivers Wanda Clarke	15. Crystal Spruill	16. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal LaQueshia Rawls	17. 7:00pm (LL) Elder Shivers will speak at Olive Branch Baptist Church Kathy Greene Kristiana Smith Trakelia Hanlin	18. 9:00am-11:00am Adult praise dance practice Mercedi Brown
19. Family & Friends day committee will meet 3:00pm Mass choir to sing at Campbell Chapel AME Latisha Shivers	20. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise dance practice	21. Deloris Shivers	22.	23. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Joyful Voices rehearsal	24.	25. 5:00pm Mass Choir to sing at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church
26. 9:00am Family & Friends Day Yemell Wrenn	27. Yemessa Black	28. Linda Jordan	29. Cornell Bailey	30. 7:30pm We will fellowship with Oak Grove Baptist Church	31.	



2015 Graduates "Speak-Out"

On Tuesday June 16th our graduates spoke on their achievements and futuristic goals. Their talks were powerful, heartfelt and each spoke of how without Christ graduating would have been harder! Let's continue to pray for them and all upcoming seniors.



Latoya Diggs



Trakelia Hamlin



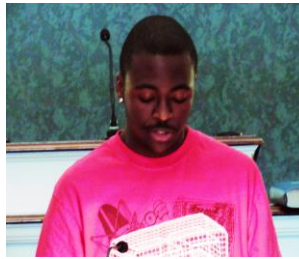
James (Mike Mike) Green Jr.



Raven Parker



Terren Clarke



Psalm 28:7

The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.



Sunday, July 26th

9:00am

Solomon's Temple Family & Friends Day



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

Theme: Challenge to be Chained

Family, Friends, Food and Fellowship.

Water play for the kids. Corn hole, Horseshoes, Volleyball and more.

Raffles and prize for the most invited guests.

Look forward to seeing you there!!!

**Our guest will be:
Pastor Rondell Davis
Higher Way Suffolk
1607 Bridge Rd.
Suffolk, VA 23433**

*The best times
are always
found when
Friends &
Family gather
round.*



Pastor Rondell Davis &
First Lady Jennifer Davis

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Solomon's Temple Tribe List

ASHER TRIBE Sylvia Gundy Shirley Haskins	BENJAMIN TRIBE James Green Sr. Wendy Green	ISSACHAR TRIBE Ernest Ruffin Jackie Ruffin	JOSEPH TRIBE Donald Watkins Lucy Watkins	LEVI TRIBE Phyllis Duck Turekia White
Angela Batten	Dana Cary	Kayla Battle	Earl Moton	Davion Archer
Joe Batten	Aiyanna Chapman	Ashley Boothe	Cornell Bailey	Vernessa Black
Lonnie Batten	Allan Clark	Seniah Cypress	Bertram Blackwell	Sheila Brown
Cynthia B. Watson	Allan Clark Jr.	Sarah Gatewood	Shakina Bond	Walter Chapman
Corey Brown	Nytara Clark	Anthony Gray	Mercedi Brown	Craig Clarke
Denise Brown	Latoya Diggs	Imani Gray	Alice Day	Ebony Clarke
Desiree Brown	Jordan Elliott	Jayla Gray	Mary Diggs	Ruby Clarke
Vernell Brown	James Green Jr.	Shenille Gray	Hilja Diggs	Tara Clarke
Kimesia Burrell	Joyce Hagins	Kathy Greene	Roberto Duhart	Terren Clarke
Alma Gayton	Kenya Hargrove	Trakelia Hamlin	Cynthia Edwards	Wanda Clarke
Sharon Goodman	Darnelle Jefferson	Lena Holmes	Donna Fenner	Tami Drew
Marcus Gundy	Mor'Netra Johnson	Ray Holmes	Ella Ford	Carl Duck
Theodore Gundy	Mor'Relle Johnson	Erica Judkins	Carl Henderson	Dorian Epps II
Jala Johnson	Morse Johnson	Jackie Judkins	Barbara Jones	Regina Green
Arlene Langhorne	Wendy Johnson	Laila Kinard	Junious Little	Sarah Hatton
Sonjia Moore	Linda Jordan	Rodney Murphy	Barry Nichols	Wayne Hatton
Lekesha Moton	John Lee	Tracy Murphy	Elaine Nichols	Kianna Hill
Marquis Palmer	Karen Lee	E'Lijah Raboteau	Jayla Nichols	Inez Jenkins
Arieana Parker	Brad Little	Bianca Robinson	Jasmine Parker	Nasheena Roberts
Hope Parker	Christine Little	Dorothy Robinson	Justan Purvis	Letitia Seaborn
Raven Parker	June Little	Grayland Robinson	Katrina Suiter	Alexis Smith
Shakilra Parker	Mariah Little	Stanley Robinson	Castachia Turner	Beretta Smith
Kameron Robertson	Samantha Little	Danielle Seaborn	Charles Turner	Jowanda S. Hawkins
Nikia Robertson	Shania Little	Kevin Shepherd Jr.	Christian Turner	Marion Smith
Courtland Shivers	Krystle Murphy	Dea. John Shivers	Florence Turner	Faye Thompson
Deloris Shivers	Brandon Newsome	Edith Shivers	Mattie Turner	Lisa Thompson
Destiny Shivers	Connie Payne	Kinston Shivers	Melissa Turner	Renazi Vinson
Latisha Shivers	Patricia Payne	Pastor K. D. Shivers	Melvin Turner Sr.	Stephanie Wells
Margaret S. Thomas	Jay'Vion Pierce	Jessica Smith	Quenton Turner	Frances W. Robertson
Crystal Spruill	LaQueshia Rawls	Kori Smith	Stacy Turner	Robert White
Hezekiah Spruill	Tammy Rawls	Kristiana Smith	Taleigha Tuner	Brent Wrenn
Malachi Spruill	Terry Rawls	Marcus Smith	Willie Turner Jr.	Crystal Wrenn
Willie B. Warren	Tierra Rawls	Alonzo Taylor Jr.	Willie Turner Sr.	Vernell Wrenn
Micheal Wiggins	Charlotte Wellons	Blair Taylor	Ashley Tynes	
Phyllis Wiggins	Michael Wellons	Jerrica Taylor	De'Ahzha Williams	
Lenore Williams	Davaren White	Joydan Taylor		
	Derica White	Khadedra Vaughan		
	Brittany Williams			
	Bryce Williams			
	Deborah Williams			



Challenged to Change (C2C)
Repositioning our Perspectives, Perceptions, and our Patterns for
Greater Service. (Matthew 9:17)





UPCOMING EVENTS



AUGUST

- 9th Fellowship with Mt. Gilead Pentecostal Church
 15th Baby Contest sponsored by Trustee Ministry
 22nd Couple Ministry Fun Day @ the home of Michael & Charlotte Wellons
 24th Levite/AOS meetings
 29th Praise Dance Ministry workshop/service

SEPTEMBER

- 8th Fellowship with Sandy Mt. Baptist Church
 13th Grandparents' Day
 13th Leading Lady Day
 13th (LL) Elder Edith Shivers' Birthday
 17th Men & Women Ministries meetings
 19th Trustee/Finance meeting at the Gundy's home
 19th Asher Tribe Prayer Breakfast
 26th Father/Daughter Glory service sponsored by Usher Ministry

OCTOBER

- 3rd Church Anniversary Banquet at Temple Beth El
 11th Clergy Appreciation Day
 11th Pre-Pastor/Church Anniversary service - Mt. Gilead Pentecostal Church will be our guest
 15th Men & Women's Ministries meetings
 17th Trustee Ministry Women in Hats service
 18th Pastor & Church Anniversary
 24th Couple Ministry meeting at the chapel
 25th Mass Choir sing at Mt. Lebanon COGIC
 31st Hallelujah Fest/Trunk-Or-Treat

NOVEMBER

- 3rd Election Day
 7th Issachar Tribe Day - Jesus, Jeans & Jerseys service
 11th Veteran's Day
 14th Levi Tribe service
 12th Men & Women's Ministries meetings
 22nd-24th Fall Harvest Revival
 26th Thanksgiving Day service
 29th First Day of Advent

DECEMBER

- 6th 2016 Accept/Decline forms due
 6th Mass Choir sing at Eternal Life Church
 12th Couple Ministry Christmas Gala
 20th Christmas Celebration
 24th Christmas Eve
 25th Christmas Day- Happy Birthday Jesus!!
 31st New Year's Eve service

UPCOMING

2015 Worship Leader Schedule (2nd Sunday of each Month)

August 9 th	Sis. Lucy Watkins
September 13 th	Sis. Kenya Hargrove
October 11 th	Sis. Turekia White
November 8 th	Sis. LaQueshia Rawls
December 13 th	Bro. James Green Sr.

VERSE OF THE MONTH

GALATIANS 5:1 (KJV)

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

Solomon's Temple Tribe Leaders

BENJAMIN TRIBE

Wendy Green 757-642-0585
 James Green 757-373-3832

LEVI TRIBE

Phyllis Duck 757-284-9764
 Turekia White 757-771-4740

JOSEPH TRIBE

Donald Watkins 757-292-5241
 Lucy Watkins 757-329-3848

ISSACHAR TRIBE

Ernest Ruffin 757-357-6927
 Jackie Ruffin 757-635-0543

ASHER TRIBE

Shirley Haskins 757-377-6344
 Sylvia Gundy 757-335-0406