

JULY 2014

Pastor K. D. Shivers & Elder E. R. Shivers

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Celebrating Freedom



Mark Your Calendar

7.14

Pastor Shivers Birthday

7.14

Pastor K. D. & Elder E. R. Shivers Anniversary

7.20

Elder Shivers preach @ Olive Branch

7.20

Elder Shivers preach @ Gilfield Baptist

7.24

We will fellowship with Brown's A.M.E Church

7.26

Elder Shivers preach @ Shiloh Baptist
Boykins, VA

7.27

Family & Friends Day

Just Trust God

By [Michelle Medlock Adams](#).

We know that God is always at work for the good of everyone who loves him. (Romans 8:28)

Have you ever heard the expression “Without a great test, you can’t have a great testimony”? I’d have to say “Amen” to that.

I was reflecting on that truth this week as I prepared to teach at the [Blue Ridge Mountains Christian Writers Conference](#). When I began this journey as a writer, I received enough rejection letters to wallpaper my entire office. But, let me share, rejection doesn’t stop just because you have more than 60 books published. Rejection is simply part of the writing/publishing world.

Several years ago, my friend [Gena Maselli](#) and I signed a contract for our compilation book for women called *Divine Stories of the Yahweh Sisterhood*. We were so excited about this project. We had worked on it for more than six months, were contracted with a well-known publisher in the Christian Booksellers Association and met our copy deadline. Everything was moving forward, and we were praising God all the way.

Several weeks passed after we submitted the final draft and we still hadn’t heard from our publisher or received a copy of the signed contract for our records. Instead, we received a phone call letting us know that they had experienced a tough fiscal year and were forced to hand back several contracts—including ours. We were stunned. The test had begun.

Determined to find another publisher, we began submitting to every

Fun Things to Do This Summer

Can you believe the summer is already here? Below are a few things you can do to make Summer FUN!!!!

1. Visit a college
2. Make a music video
3. Picnic at a local park
4. Have an overnight movie marathon
5. Have a pajama party
6. Go swimming
7. Have a pool party
8. Play with water balloons
9. Volunteer in a community effort
10. Go fishing
11. Create a photo journal
12. Visit the local library
13. Make a website
14. Have an outdoor basketball free-throw contest
15. Read a book
16. Make smoothies
17. Visit an amusement park
18. Have an ice cream social
19. Play board games
20. Have a scavenger hunt
21. Run through a sprinkler
22. See some fireworks
23. See a local baseball game
24. Play mini-golf
25. Have a car wash to fundraise for a club or charity



Just Trust God continued...

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publishing house we thought might be remotely interested. We even hired an agent to represent the book for us, but nothing happened. No one seemed to want our book, yet we were sure we hadn't missed God. We felt strongly we were supposed to write that manuscript. "But God..."

Say that out loud right now, "But God." When God steps in, things transpire in ways you never could have imagined. We were unsuccessful in our search for a publisher, but God had it all worked out—in his perfect timing. That summer I was asked to sign one of my other books at the International Christian Retail Show (ICRS), and after my signing I headed to the food stand for a hot dog and a Diet Coke before my next author appearance. While standing in line, I noticed that the woman in front of me had adorable leopard print shoes, so I said, "I really love your shoes. Those are hot!" She smiled and said, "I was just going to compliment your handbag. That's really beautiful."

For the next several minutes, we discussed everything from our favorite designers to the best hair products on the market. I didn't know much about this woman, except that we both shared the same first name and that I wanted to shop with her next time I was in town. With our lunch trays in hand, she asked me to share a table with her and we devoured hot dogs while discussing our purpose for being at ICRS. When she found out I was an author, she began asking about the types of books I wrote. I showed her my latest children's book—the one I was signing at that show—and then I said, "And, I write inspirational humor and devotional books for women."

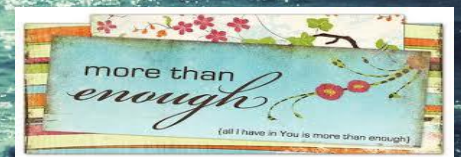
"Really?" she asked, taking out a business card. "Because I'm the vice president of a publishing house in need of books for women." For the next 30 minutes, I told her about Gena's and my book, and by the end of lunch, she was sold. She wanted to publish it, and she wanted to know what other books I might have to offer. It was just one of those divine appointments—no doubt about it.

Divine Stories of the Yahweh Sisterhood was released in January 2006. In its first week of release, it sold more than 20,000 copies. That was a miracle, and it was because God stepped in and took over. It was definitely a test for Gena and me. We had to keep our hearts right and believe that God had called us to write that book and would finish what he had started.

Now we have a testimony that encourages other writers to hang onto their dreams. It's a testimony I often share at conferences like BRMCWC, where I'm speaking today. I'm telling you what I tell all of the writers I encounter—don't give up on the dream that God has placed inside of you. Not only will he make a way; he *is* the way! Stop trying to figure it out and just trust God. No matter how long you have to wait or how discouraged you may feel, don't start murmuring and complaining. Stay in faith and "pass the test" because the testimony will be so sweet! Keep saying, "But God" and keep your heart full of joy. Now, take a deep breath and smile because your testimony is on the way...



July 27, 2014
9:00 a.m.
Family & Friends Day





JULY KINGDOM SCHEDULE



Scripture and Welcome

- 07/06 Phyllis Duck (John 13:18-21)
Linda Jordan (welcome)
- 07/13 Kinston Shivers (Romans 8:1-4)
LaQueshia Rawls (welcome)
- 07/20 Wanda Clarke (John 8:31-36)
Vernessa Black (welcome)
- 07/27 Moore, Brown, Wiggins Family (John 15:12-15)
Shenille Gray & Family (welcome)

Holy Communion



Servant Leader Schedule

- 07/06 Bro. Donald Watkins
- 07/13 Bro. Ernest Ruffin
- 07/20 Bro. Michael Green
- 07/27 Bro. Earl Moton

Worship Leader Schedule

- 07/06 Elder Edith Shivers
- 07/13 Elder Sarah Hatton
- 07/20 Minister Cynthia Edwards
- 07/27 Hatton, Chapman & Greene Family

July Door Opener

Bro. Michael Green

Communion Bowls

Bro. Michael Green
Bro. Earl Moton

July 27, 2014
9:00 a.m.

Family & Friends Day



CID Lessons for July

Though we are not having CID for the month – thought it would be appropriate to continue to display the lessons for those of us who want to continue to study God’s Word!

- 07-01 “Glorify God with Your Body” | 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
- 07-08 “Exercise Freedom with Caution” | 1 Corinthians 8
- 07-15 “Overcome Temptation” | 1 Corinthians 10:6-22
- 07-22 “Seek the Good of Others” | 1 Corinthians 14:13-26
- 07-29 “Comfort in Times of Trouble” | 2 Corinthians 1:3-11

Explanation of the lesson can be found on [our website. solomons-templechurch.org](http://ourwebsite.solomons-templechurch.org)

Additional Study Help: www.studylight.org www.biblestudytools.com



**There will be NO
CID sessions for
the months of
July and August**

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.



JUNE CARE TEAM

Sis. Crystal Wrenn
Sis. Deborah Williams



Please let the Church Administrator know of any disciples’ address, or phone number change!

Points to Ponder

The best vitamin for a Christian is **B1**.

If you can't sleep, don't count sheep. Talk to the Shepherd.

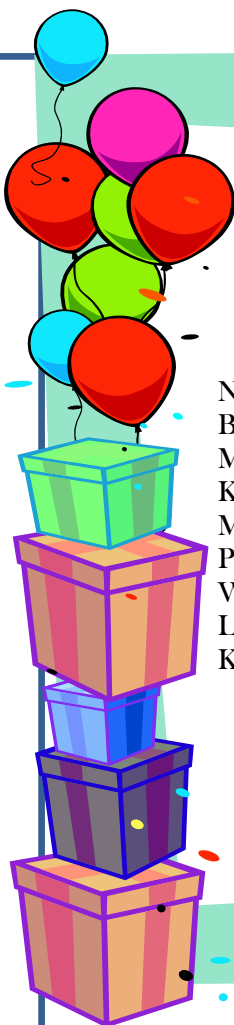
No God – No Peace.
Know God – Know Peace.



Kimesia Simone Burrell
Graduated on Sunday, May 11, 2014
Virginia State University
THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE – Management – Cum Laude



Congratulations and best wishes for a bright and successful future.



Happy Birthday

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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

Nasheena Roberts	July 5 th	Kristiana Smith	July 17 th
Brent Wrenn	July 6 th	Trakelia Hamlin	July 17 th
Mattie Turner	July 10 th	Mercedi Brown	July 18 th
Kinston Shivers	July 10 th	Latisha Robertson	July 19 th
Marcus Smith	July 12 th	Deloris Shivers	July 21 st
Pastor K. D. Shivers	July 14 th	Vernell Wrenn	July 26 th
Wanda Clarke	July 14 th	Vernessa Black	July 27 th
LaQueisha Rawls	July 16 th	Linda Jordan	July 28 th
Kathy Greene	July 17 th	Cornell Bailey	July 29 th



Sunday, July 27th

Family & Friends Day



Get ready for Family & Friends Day at the Temple! There will be great fun, fellowship and food. The committee is asking each disciple to give a donation of \$10.00. Please wear Khaki bottoms and a purple or gold shirt. There will be games, a spades and dominos tournament along with line dancing. Please come out and invite your family & friends to fellowship with us. See you there!!!

NOW AVAILABLE! Do you wish you had your newsletter on your computer, your Smart Phone, your iPad? Send your request to stsecretary1@gmail.com. Place in the subject line "Newsletter". Your copy of the newsletter will be sent electronically to the provided email address on the last Saturday before the first Sunday of each month and can be viewed via your computer, iPad and/or iPhone. This feature is **FREE** and **ONLY** available to Disciples of Solomon's Temple.

SOLOMONITE SPOTLIGHT



July's Solomonite Spotlight is

Jay'Vion Pierce

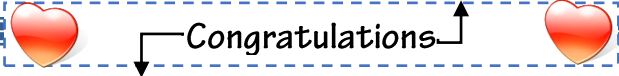
Jay'Vion is the son of our newest disciple Ms. Mor'Netra Johnson and grandson of Sis. Wendy Johnson. Jay is 4 years old and attends Quality Time Child Care. Jay enjoys the guitar as pictured above and the drums as well. Pay close attention now, he just might be a musician here at Solomon's Temple one day. Proverbs 22:6 says "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (KJV). Congratulations to **Jay'Vion Pierce** for being this month's Solomonite Spotlight.

WE LOVE YOU!

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



Kevin Shepherd, Ashley Tynes, Kianna Hill, Trakelia Hamlin, Tracy Murphy, Rodney Murphy, Roberto Duhart & Alma Gayton who successfully completed New Members Class last month! **Congratulations** to our newest disciples.



Sheila Brown, Christine Little, Derica White & Micheal Wiggins who successfully completed New Members Class last month! **Congratulations** to our newest disciples.

Lifting You Up In Prayer



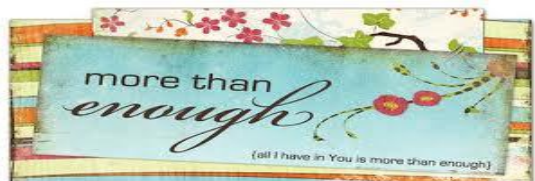
- Bro. Walter Chapman**
- Sis. Ruby Clarke**
- Sis. Evelyn Moton**
- Sis. Tammy Rawls**
- Bro. Michael Wellons**

"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.

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



July 27, 2014
 9:00 a.m.
 Family & Friends Day



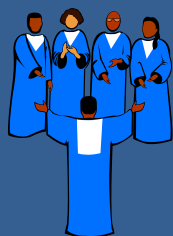
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Schedule of events

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
7/4/14	ALL DAY	Happy 4 th of July – Independence Day
7/5/14	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Joe & Lonnie Batten
7/10/14	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
7/12/14		Praise dance practice
7/14/14	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Pastor K. D. & Elder E. R. Shivers
7/17/14	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
7/20/14	9:00am	Elder Shivers preach at Olive Branch Baptist Church; 1 st Lady Day service
7/20/14	2:00pm	Elder Shivers preach at Gilfield Baptist Church; 1 st Lady Day service
7/23/14	6:30pm	Baby Shower for Jessica Smith at Sista's Cafe
7/24/14	7:00pm	We will fellowship with Brown's A.M.E. Church for revival service; Choir and ushers are asked to serve
7/26/14		Elder Shivers preach at pre-women's day breakfast at Shiloh Baptist Church, Boykins, VA
7/27/14	9:00am	Family & Friends Day; Greater Dimensions Kingdom Ministries will be our guest; Rev. Lorenzo Mallory, Pastor
7/28/14	6:30pm	Levite meeting
7/28/14	7:30pm	Assembly of Servants meeting
7/31/14	6:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal
7/31/14	7:00pm	Mass Choir rehearsal

Choir Rehearsal Schedule



Thursday before 1st Sunday
 6:00pm – Praise Team
 7:00pm – Mass Choir

Thursday before 2nd Sunday
 7:00pm – Sons of Solomon

Thursday before 3rd Sunday
 6:30pm – Youth Choir

Thursday before 4th Sunday
 6:00pm – Praise Team
 7:00pm – Joyful Voices



July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1.	2.	3. NO CHOIR REHEARSAL	4. Happy 4 th of July	5. Happy Anniversary Joe & Lonnie Batten Nasheena Roberts
6. Brent Wrenn	7.	8.	9.	10. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal Mattie Turner Kinston Shivers	11.	12. Praise dance practice Marcus Smith
13.	14. Happy Anniversary Pastor K. D. & Elder E. R. Shivers Pastor K. D. Shivers Wanda Clarke	15.	16. LaQuesha Rawls	17. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal Kathy Greene Kristiana Smith Trakelia Hamlin	18. Mercedi Brown	19. Latisha Robertson
20. 9:00am Elder Shivers preach @ Olive Branch 2:00pm Elder Shivers preach @ Gilfield Baptist	21. Deloris Shivers	22.	23. 6:30pm Baby Shower for Jessica Smith @ Sista's Cafe	24. 7:00pm We will fellowship with Brown's AME for revival service	25.	26. Elder Shivers preach @ Shilo in Boykins, VA Vernell Wrenn
27. 9:00am Family & Friends Day Vernessa Black	28. 6:30pm Levite meet 7:30pm Assembly of Servants meet Linda Jordan	29. Cornell Bailey	30.	31. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Mass Choir rehearsal		



JULY 14, 2014



Pastor K. D. Shivers



*Pastor K. D. & Elder E. R. Shivers
God Bless You and We Love You
Solomon's Temple Family*

*In Loving Memory of
Mother Ida Ford Shivers*

*July 31st
Happy Birthday
"Mother Ida"
Gone but not Forgotten*



July 31, 1935 - January 5, 2014

"One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple."
Psalm 27:4

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- 3rd Mass Choir to sing at Pentecostal Church
- 4th-6th Pastor Shivers in revival at Union Bethel A.M.E. Church
- 9th & 23rd Praise dance practice
- 10th Outreach Ministry Movie Night
- 19th Mass Choir to sing at First Gravel Hill
- 23rd Couples cookout @ The Rawls' home
- 24th Fellowship with White Oak Springs Missionary Baptist Church

SEPTEMBER

- 1st Labor Day
- 6th Issachar tribe "Shoe Show" service
- 6th & 13th Praise dance practice
- 7th Grandparents Day
- 14th Leading Lady Shivers Day
- 21st Fellowship with Diamond Grove Church
- 26th Elder Shivers preach @ Women's Conf.
- 28th Fellowship with Mt. Zion Word & Faith
- 29th Levite & AOS meetings

OCTOBER

- 11th & 25th Praise dance practice
- 12th Fellowship with Ferguson Grove Church
- 12th Clergy Appreciation Day
- 19th Pastor & Church Anniversary
- 24th Couples meeting
- 31st Hallelujah Fest/Trunk-Or-Treat

NOVEMBER

- 2nd Fellowship with Oak Grove Church
- 8th & 22nd Praise dance practice
- 11th Veteran's Day
- 23rd - 25th Fall Harvest Revival
- 27th Thanksgiving Day service
- 30th Beginning of Advent

DECEMBER

- 7th 2015 Accept/Decline forms due
- 8th Levite & AOS meetings
- 13th & 20th Praise dance practice
- 14th Christmas Celebration
- 20th Couples Christmas Holly Ball
- 24th Christmas Eve
- 25th Christmas Day
- 31st New Year's Eve Service

July 27, 2014
9:00 a.m.

Family & Friends Day



Verse of the Month

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To him be glory and dominion forever. **1 Peter 5:6-11**



2014 Graduates "Speak-Out"

On Tuesday June 17th a few of 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.



Kinston Shivers



Kevin Shepherd, Jr.



Tierra Rawls



Tracy Murphy



Kimesia Burrell



De'Ahzha Williams



On Sunday, June 29, 2014, Leading Lady Edith Robinson Shivers was ordained as an Elder of Solomon's Temple. To God be the Glory for the great things He has done! Pray for her as God continues to use her for His Glory!



GOD HAS A PURPOSE FOR YOUR PAIN, A REASON FOR YOUR STRUGGLES AND A REWARD FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS. DON'T GIVE UP!