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Grow Your Faith Garden

Ask Jesus to help you see the purpose of the struggles in your life. *By Keri Wyatt Kent*

And the seed that fell on good soil represents those who hear and accept God's word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted! Mark 4:20 (NLT)

So often, reading this parable or hearing it taught as I grew up in the church, the focus was on the harvest. This verse is rightfully linked with Jesus' words in John 4:35, which says the fields are ripe for harvest.

In the church I grew up in, this harvest, ripe for the picking, has to do with winning converts to the faith. Since it came after Jesus' conversation with the Samaritan woman and the subsequent conversion of many in her town, that makes sense. But so often we think, What do I have to do to get busy harvesting?

Yet Jesus is not saying the good seed represents a farmer who does the harvesting. It represents the soil. Good soil, in which seeds can grow.

And how does soil become good? As a gardener, I can tell you: the soil can't become good on its own. In fact, the Gardener has to work with it. It has to be broken apart so that it's softened. It has to have rocks and weeds pulled from it. Good soil has organic matter in it: nutrients produced by the decay of dead leaves or manure. Circumstances in my life that, at the time, felt like "manure" have often been used by God to help me to grow.

So if Jesus is telling us to be "good soil" so that our hearts can be fertile ground for his word, perhaps we will have to submit to Him, allowing Him to break us, to pull the weeds of materialism and worry and perhaps even "fertilize" us with what feels like dying to self.

Faith step: How is Jesus trying to work the soil of your heart? Are you resisting Him because it feels difficult? Ask Him to help you see the purpose of the struggles in your life.



10 Reasons to Thank God

Scripture gives us many examples of why we are to be thankful.

By Elizabeth Peale Allen

Remember the Gospel story of Jesus healing the 10 lepers (Luke 17:11-19)? It's a wonderful recounting of Jesus' generous and healing spirit. Nonetheless, it's a troubling story, because only one of the lepers came back to thank Jesus. How could only *one* return? How could the other nine dance off in joy, completely forgetting how—and by whom—they were healed?

As Christians, we're called *beyond* simple thanks for the good things God has sent our way. We're also to give thanks for what He has done for us...and for who He is.

Scripture gives us many examples of why we are to be thankful:

We are to be thankful for what God has given us:

1. His love that "endures forever" (Psalm 107:1).
2. His grace, freely "given you in Christ Jesus" (1 Corinthians 1:4).
3. Continuous victory "through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 15:57).
4. "Righteous laws" to guide us (Psalm 119:62).
5. Fellow believers to sustain and cheer us: "I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers" (Philemon 1:4).

We are to be thankful for what God has done:

6. He has "answered me [and] become my salvation" (Psalm 118:21).

7. He has redeemed us. "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

8. He has qualified us "to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light" (Colossians 1:12).

We are to be thankful for who God is:

9. "He is good" (1 Chronicles 16:34).
10. He is "faithful and just" (1 John 1:9).

The Apostle Paul encourages us to "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts...And be thankful" (Colossians 3:15). Amen!

Happy moments,
Praise God.
Difficult moments,
Seek God.
Quiet moments,
Worship God.
Painful moments,
Trust God.
Every moment,

Thank God.

ANNOUNCEMENT 

2015 Accept/Decline Forms are due **Sunday, December 7th**

Forms are located on the table in the hallway. Also, the 2014 Officers List is there for your convenience. Please fill out form and place in basket on table.

**Thank You
Church Administrator**



NOVEMBER KINGDOM SCHEDULE



Scripture and Welcome

- 11/02 Sis. Phyllis Duck (Matthew 28:1-6)
Sis. Shenille Gray (welcome)
- 11/09 Bro. Terren Clarke (Ephesians 1:15-17)
Sis. Tierra Rawls (welcome)
- 11/16 Sis. Wendy Johnson (Psalm 95:1-6)
Sis. Faye Thompson (welcome)
- 11/23 Sis. Phyllis Wiggins (2 Corinthians 4:11-15)
Sis. Tracy Murphy (welcome)
- 11/30 Sis. Arlene Langhorne (1 Timothy 4:1-5)
Sis. Beretta Smith (welcome)

Servant Leader Schedule

- 11/02 Sis. Jackie Ruffin
- 11/09 Sis. Turekia White
- 11/16 Sis. Phyllis Duck
- 11/23 Sis. Sylvia Gundy
- 11/30 Bro. James Green Sr.



Worship Leader Schedule

- 11/02 Elder Sarah Hatton
- 11/09 Sis. Shirley Haskins
- 11/16 Minister Cynthia Edwards
- 11/23 Elder Jamel Kinard
- 11/30 Elder Karen Lee

November Door Opener

Bro. James Green Sr.

Communion Bowls

- Sis. Phyllis Duck
- Sis. Sylvia Gundy

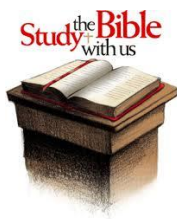


HOLY COMMUNION

November Teachers Schedule

ADULT TEACHERS

- 11-04 Sis. Sylvia Gundy (11-09) | "The Altar Offers Hope" | Ezekiel 43:13-21
- 11-11 Sis. Wendy Green (11-16) | "Water From The Sanctuary Gives Life" | Ezekiel 47:1-12
- 11-18 Sis. Lucy Watkins (11-23) | "Inheritance Marks A New Beginning" | Ezekiel 47:13-23
- 11-25 **NO CID - FALL HARVEST REVIVAL**



YOUTH TEACHER
Elder Jamel Kinard

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

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

Reminder:
CID
Session
every
Tuesday
night at
6:30pm

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 **Brother James Green, Sr.** or **Sister Turekia White.**

POINTS TO PONDER

“Don't judge each day by the **harvest** you reap, but by the seeds you plant.”

Robert Louis Stevenson

“Bloom where you are planted and sow where you are fed...”

Stella Payton

“Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving”

W. T. Purkiser

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. *Galatians 6:9*



Tuesday
November 4th
Election Day



Let your voice be heard!

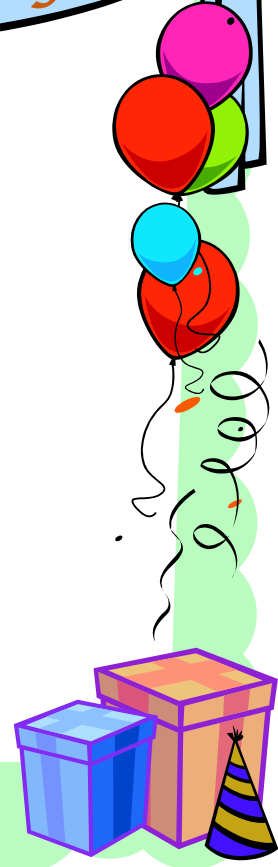
your VOTE is your VOICE

November Birthdays

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



Rodney Murphy	7 th
Khadedra Vaughan	16 th
Jay' Vion Pierce	18 th
Willie Turner Jr.	19 th
Faye Thompson	20 th
Wendy Johnson	22 nd
Tierra Rawls	22 nd
Antonio Dixon	23 rd
Davaren White	26 th
Jowanda Smith-Hawkins	28 th
Arlene Langhorne	30 th



Newsletter Submissions

Do you know someone who is doing great things in the community, school, or church? Nominate them to be the Outstanding Disciple 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.

NOVEMBER CARE TEAM

Patricia Payne & Connie Payne



SOLOMONITE SPOTLIGHT



November Solomonite Spotlight is Mariah Little

Mariah Little is a youth disciple of Solomon's Temple. She is the daughter of Brad & Samantha Little and sister to Shania Little. Mariah is 7 years old and she is such a delight. Matt. 19:14 reads, "But Jesus said, suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Solomon's Temple would like to congratulate **Mariah** for being this month's "Solomonite Spotlight".

WE LOVE YOU!

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

Congratulations!

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Craig Clarke successfully completed New Members class last month. **Congratulations** to our newest disciple!

Lifting You Up In Prayer

Bro. John Shivers
Bro. Walter Chapman
Sis. Ruby Clarke
Sis. Tammy Rawls
Bro. Michael Wellons

Sis. Vernell Brown
Sis. Connie Payne
Sis. Mary Diggs
Sis. Phyllis Wiggins

Sis. Sonjia Moore
Bro. Earl Moton
Sis. Jowanda Smith-Hawkins
Minister Cynthia Edwards
Sis. Danielle Seaborn

*"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 and the Mothers and Father of our Church.

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




November



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
11/2&16/14	11:00am	Elder Wayne Hatton will preach at First Baptist Church, Burdette in Franklin
11/2/14	3:00pm	We will fellowship with Oak Grove Baptist Church, 38070 Rocky Hock Rd., Wakefield, VA 23888. Pastor Aide Anniversary service. Dinner served at 2:00pm.
11/4/14	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID Session/Bible Study
11/6/14	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
11/8/14	9:00am-11:00am	Praise dance practice
11/9/14	Morning Service Pass The Word!	Men Unity Sunday. ALL men are asked to wear white shirt, black pants and a Bow-Tie of their choosing. Group picture taken after service!! Please Help Support.
11/9&23/14	11:00am	Elder Sarah Hatton will preach at First Baptist Church, Burdette in Franklin
11/11/14	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Carl & Phyllis Duck 
11/11/14	ALL DAY	Happy Veterans' Day
11/11/14	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID Session/Bible Study
11/13/14	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
11/13/14	6:30pm	Men & Women Ministry meetings
11/15/14	9:00am	Knowledge is Power Workshop held at the chapel
11/16/14	2:30pm	Fellowship with Morning Star Baptist Church, 4780 First Court Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23455 for 127 th Church Anniversary service
11/18/14	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID Session/Bible Study
11/20/14	6:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal
11/20/14	7:00pm	Joyful Voices rehearsal
11/22/14	9:00am-11:00am	Praise dance practice
11/23/14	2:00pm	Opening of Fall Harvest Revival; Pastor Dwight Riddick, First Baptist Church, Franklin will be the guest messenger
11/24/14	7:00pm	Fall Harvest Revival; Bishop Clarence Russell III, St. Paul Baptist Church, Suffolk will be the guest messenger; Christian Home Baptist Church choir & ushers will serve
11/25/14	7:00pm	Fall Harvest Revival; Bishop Darren Gay, Higher Way Ministries, Petersburg, will be the guest messenger; Emmanuel Baptist Church choir & ushers will serve
11/27/14	ALL DAY	HAPPY THANKSGIVING
11/27/14	9:00am	Thanksgiving Day service held at the chapel
11/30/14	ALL DAY	Beginning of Advent

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

November 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1.
<p>2. 11:00am Elder Wayne Hatton preach at First Baptist Burdette, Franklin</p> <p>3:00pm Fellowship with Oak Grove Baptist Church</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time</p>	3.	4. 6:30pm CID Session 7:15pm Bible Study	5.	6. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal	7. Rodney Murphy	8. 9:00am-11:00am Praise dance practice
<p>9. 9:00am MEN UNITY SUNDAY</p> <p>11:00am Elder Sarah Hatton preach at First Baptist Burdette, Franklin</p>	10.	11. 6:30pm CID Session 7:15pm Bible Study	12.	13. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal	14.	15. 9:00am Knowledge is Power Workshop held at the chapel
		Happy Anniversary Carl & Phyllis Duck Veterans Day		6:30pm Men & Women Ministry meetings		
16. 2:30pm Fellowship with Morning Star Baptist Church	17.	18. 6:30pm CID Session 7:15pm Bible Study	19. Willie Turner Jr.	20. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal	21.	22. 9:00am-11:00am Praise dance practice
11:00am Elder Wayne Hatton preach at First Baptist Burdette, Franklin		JayVion Pierce		7:40pm Joyful Voices rehearsal		Wendy Johnson Tierra Rawls
Kladedra Vaughan				Faye Thompson		
23. 2:00pm Fall Harvest Revival	24. 7:00pm Fall Harvest Revival	25. 7:00pm Fall Harvest Revival	26. Davaren White	27. 9:00am Thanksgiving Day service held at the chapel	28. Jovanda Smith-Hawkins	29.
11:00am Elder Sarah Hatton preach at First Baptist Burdette Antonio Dixon				Thanksgiving Day		
30. Advent begins						
Arlene Laughorne						

FALL HARVEST REVIVAL

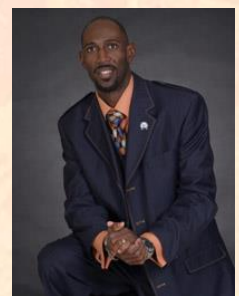
November 23rd - 25th, 2014

Sunday, November 23rd

2:00pm

Guest Speaker:

Pastor Dwight Riddick
First Baptist Church
Franklin, VA



The Word



Monday and Tuesday, November 24th - 25th

7:00pm Nightly

Guest Speakers:



Monday, November 24th

Bishop Clarence Russell III
St. Paul Baptist Church
Suffolk, Virginia



Tuesday, November 25th

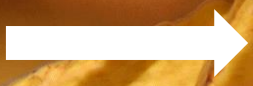
Bishop Darren Gay
Higher Way Ministries
Petersburg, Virginia



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Pastor K. D. Shivers & Leading Lady E. R. Shivers

**GET READY!!
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**Solomon's Temple
Knowledge is Power Workshop
"I Want To Be Strong"**

Date:

Saturday, November 15, 2014

Time:

9:00am

Place:

Solomon's Temple
12749 Courthouse Hwy.
Smithfield, VA 23430
Ph. 757-357-9500

Rev. Dr. K. D. Shivers, Pastor

FREE

Adult Session I – Mr. Ronnie Whitehead

When should I start saving? Is it too late?

Where should I begin? 9:00am-9:45am (*Psalm 39:4-7*)

Adult Session II – Mr. Nathan Tschohl

When should I get Life Insurance? What type/how much?

10:00am-10:45am (*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*)

Adult Session III – Pastor Wendell Waller

When or should I have a Will, Living Will or Power of Attorney? 11:00am-11:45am (*Prov. 13:22*)

Adult Session IV – Pastor K. D. & Elder

E. R. Shivers

How much does it Cost to die? 1:00pm-2:00pm

(*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*)

Teen Session I

Things to do to get hired for a job and how to get promoted on your job.

(*Prov. 3:5-6; Matt. 20:1-34*)

Teen Session II

Do I look Cheap?

(*I Cor. 11:15; Prov. 7:10*)

FREE

Lunch will be served.

Proverbs 15:14 (ESV)

“The heart of him who has understanding seeks knowledge, but the mouths of fools feed on folly.”



Grafton at Smithfield

Smithfield's Marcus Gundy makes a catch over Grafton's DJ Dobbins during a game at Smithfield High School on Friday, October 3, 2014.

Daily Press



VERSE OF THE MONTH

And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. **Colossians 3:17 (KJV)**