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# Monthly Newsletter of Solomon's Temple

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## September 2014

### Mark Your Calendar

**9.14**

Leading Lady Day

**9.20**

Pastor & Church Pre-Anniversary service

**9.21**

Fellowship with Diamond Grove Baptist  
Church

**9.26**

Elder Shivers preach at Renaissance Hotel  
for Women's Conference

**9.27**

Levi Tribe Picture Day/ "Wacky Tacky"  
Fashion Show

**9.27**

Finance/Trustee Ministry Fish Fry

**9.28**

Fellowship with Mt. Zion Word & Faith  
Ministry

**9.29**

Levite & AOS Meetings

### How to Change When Change Is Hard

**This excerpt from the *Women's Devotional Bible* reminds us that we have the strength to change.**

*But Lot's wife looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.  
Genesis 19:26*

Letting go of the familiar is tough. Changing careers or colleges or moving to a new city can take an emotional toll on us. It's even more difficult to leave behind old habits, attitudes and behaviors.

Lot's wife wasn't able to let go of her home in Sodom, even though God sent angels to warn her family to run for their lives because judgment was coming. In fact, the angels' warnings included such grave commands as "Don't look back" and "Don't stop."

Why in the world did this woman choose to stop and look back? Could it be that she loved the life she was leaving too much? Though Sodom was full to overflowing with sin and vice, apparently the dark and oppressive city was comfortably familiar to Lot's wife.

It is difficult to leave the familiar behind. That fact is as true today as it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah's destruction—even when God himself is saying, "It's time to move on."

If you've ever struggled with a destructive habit, you've felt the pull of the familiar—even as you've sensed God's nudge,

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**How to Change When  
Change Is Hard**  
continued.....

“Move on now.” You’ve experienced the temptation to turn back just one more time, for one last look, one last taste, one last “fix”—even as God has whispered, “Don’t look back.” Maybe you’ve agonized over a loved one’s downward spiral, desperately attempting to rescue them time and time again—until finally God impressed upon you, “Stop. Let go.” Unlike Lot’s wife, none of us have ever become a pillar of salt by turning back for one last peek. Yet we all struggle with the difficulties of letting go of the old in order to grasp the new. Take heart. God understands that letting go of the familiar is hard. Yet he has called us to move on to a new life in Jesus Christ by letting go of our old worldly lives, our old habits, our old dreams—to boldly move forward without looking back. When you feel God’s call to move, allow him to guide you. He will give you the grace to do whatever he has asked.



Sunday, September 7, 2014

# Why You Need to Understand the 6 Moods of a Worship Service

by [Mark Driscoll](#)

*To better understand God’s Word, we must not only understand the content on the page but also the emotional context in which it takes place.*

How many times have you misunderstood a letter, an email or a text because you misread the intended tone? Whether it was haste perceived as anger, friendship perceived as romance or sarcasm perceived as sincerity, anyone living in the digital age is sure to have stories of mixed signals.

It all just goes to show the significance of tone in all communication, even communication that comes without facial expressions or vocal inflection. That principle even includes the Bible. To better understand God’s Word, we must not only understand the content on the page but also the emotional context in which it takes place.

## Identify the tone

For studying a particular passage of Scripture, I came up with a basic framework that helps me identify the emotional tone, which in turn helps me understand the overall message God is communicating through those specific words.

This approach also helps set up the service order and music for corporate singing. Too often, a church service is themed theologically, without consideration for the mood emotionally. But getting the mood right is *very* important. If you don’t, the sermon and the rest of the service won’t align for a journey, but collide like a car wreck.

Imagine a funeral dirge being played at a wedding, or cheerleaders showing up for a funeral. Some church services are like that: emotionally conflicted, confusing and chaotic.

In general, I tend to think of six kinds of Bible texts that require six emotional varieties of church services:

### 1. Wedding

A wedding is a celebration. Easter Sunday, Christmas Eve and [Ephesians 3:1-14](#) are sermons that should feel like a wedding. Many passages in Scripture are cause for a big party. The message is exciting, we’re all celebrating, Jesus is alive, sin is forgiven and we get to live forever in heaven. The tone is energetic and upbeat.

### 2. Funeral

Other sections of the Bible are like a funeral. A death takes place.

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Sodom and Gomorrah are destroyed. God floods the earth. Jesus dies on the cross, and the sky goes black. The tone of a funeral is somber and tearful.

### 3. Classroom

Sometimes the emotional tone of a passage is neither high nor low, but rather even-keeled. Like a professor addressing the classroom, God provides us with certain information that's communicated on a practical level and tells us what we need to know, think about or work on when it comes to topics like relationships, money, marriage, parenting, work, etc. The book of Proverbs is very much like this.

### 4. Halftime

I can still remember my first football game in high school. At halftime, we were down. We went to the locker room, and our coach—a big guy with a walrus mustache—got up and just started losing his mind. He gave the guts-and-glory speech, and we all headed back onto the field fired up and ready to go. Like a halftime speech, some parts of the Bible are incredibly inspiring, and the tone is meant to move people into action.

### 5. Boot camp

A drill sergeant doesn't waste a lot of time before making a point. A drill sergeant doesn't say to recruits, "Let's build a relationship of trust, and I will then offer you some advice." No. A drill sergeant issues orders that the listeners are simply meant to obey. God is our Lord, and he has the authority and the position to tell us what to do. He speaks with clarity for our benefit, to guard us from folly and damnation, and we disobey to our own detriment. God uses his drill sergeant tone when speaking through many of the prophets with a sense of high authority and urgency.

### 6. Family

More than a teacher, a coach or a soldier, God is a good dad who loves his kids. For those who have been reconciled and adopted into the family through Jesus, all of God's words can be read with the tone of a loving father. He encourages, instructs, corrects, disciplines, warns and leads because he loves us. Pastors who prefer a particular tone will gravitate toward the parts of the Bible that match their taste. But read through the entire Bible, and you'll hear a variety of tones, including everything on this list and probably more. For church leaders, the key is to work with your team to have the theological and emotional trajectory (course, path, route) of your Sunday service match up with the text you are teaching, as best you can.

Beginning Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, each tribe is required to be prepared to give a definition of each of the Names of God, and scripture(s) where they might be found.

#### THE HEBREW BIBLE NAMES OF GOD

EL, rendered, God in English Bibles, is God Omnipotent, All Powerful, God in full strength and absolute might. God is God whether you look through a telescope or a microscope.

Use The Bible Names Of God EL listed below to examine God In His Power!

<u>Levi Tribe</u> El Olam El Elyon El Roi El Shaddai	<u>Zebulum Tribe</u> El Hashamayim El Chaiyai El De'ot El Hakkadosh	<u>Asher Tribe</u> El Haggadol El Channun El Yisrael El Rachum
<u>Joseph Tribe</u> El Shama El Emet El Hannora El Kanno	<u>Benjamin Tribe</u> El Shamar El Hanne'eman El Tsaddik El Yeshuati	<u>Issachar Tribe</u> El Gibbor El Sali El Hakkavod El Echad

## Lifting You Up In Prayer



Bro. John Shivers  
 Bro. Walter Chapman  
 Sis. Ruby Clarke  
 Sis. Tammy Rawls  
 Bro. Michael Wellons  
 Sis. Doris Seaborne  
 Sis. Vernell Brown  
 Sis. Phyllis Wiggins  
 Bro. Earl Moton

Sis. Jowanda Smith-Hawkins  
 Minister Cynthia Edwards

***"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, please let the Church Administrator know. Thanks.*

# SEPTEMBER KINGDOM SCHEDULE

**Scripture and Welcome**

- 09/07 Shirley Haskins (Matthew 26:17-20)  
Ray Holmes (welcome)
- 09/14 Marcus Gundy (Psalms 1:1-3)  
Nikia Robertson (welcome)
- 09/21 Hope Parker (Exodus 20:8-11)  
Desiree Brown (welcome)
- 09/28 Lekesha Moton (Isaiah 40:28-31)  
De'Ahzha Williams (welcome)

**Servant Leader Schedule**

- 09/07 Bro. Earl Moton
- 09/14 Sis. Shirley Haskins
- 09/21 Sis. Jackie Ruffin
- 09/28 Sis. Lucy Watkins

**Worship Leader Schedule**

- 09/07 Elder Wayne Hatton
- 09/14 Sis. Phyllis Duck
- 09/21 Minister Cynthia Edwards
- 09/28 Minister Bertram Blackwell



**September Door Opener**

Bro. Stanley Robinson

**Communion Bowls**

- Sis. Jackie Ruffin
- Sis. Lucy Watkins

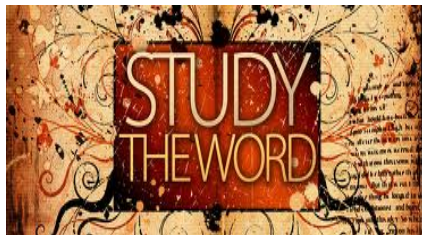
## September Teachers Schedule

**ADULT TEACHERS**

- 09-16 Minister Cynthia Edwards (9-21) | "Anticipation of a New Future" | Jeremiah 32:1-9, 14, 15
- 09-23 Elder Edith Shivers (9-28) | "Future Peace and Joy" | Jeremiah 33:1-11
- 09-30 Sis. Turekia White (10-05) | "Yet I Will Rejoice" | Habakkuk 2:1-5; Habakkuk 3:17-19

**YOUTH TEACHERS**

Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas  
Sis. Jackie Ruffin



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

Additional Study Help:  
[www.studydrive.org](http://www.studydrive.org)  
[www.biblestudytools.com](http://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.

# September Birthdays

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

## Points to Ponder

If you don't like the way the cookie crumbles, try the Bread of Life

Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less

We cannot direct the winds of life.....But..... We can adjust the sails

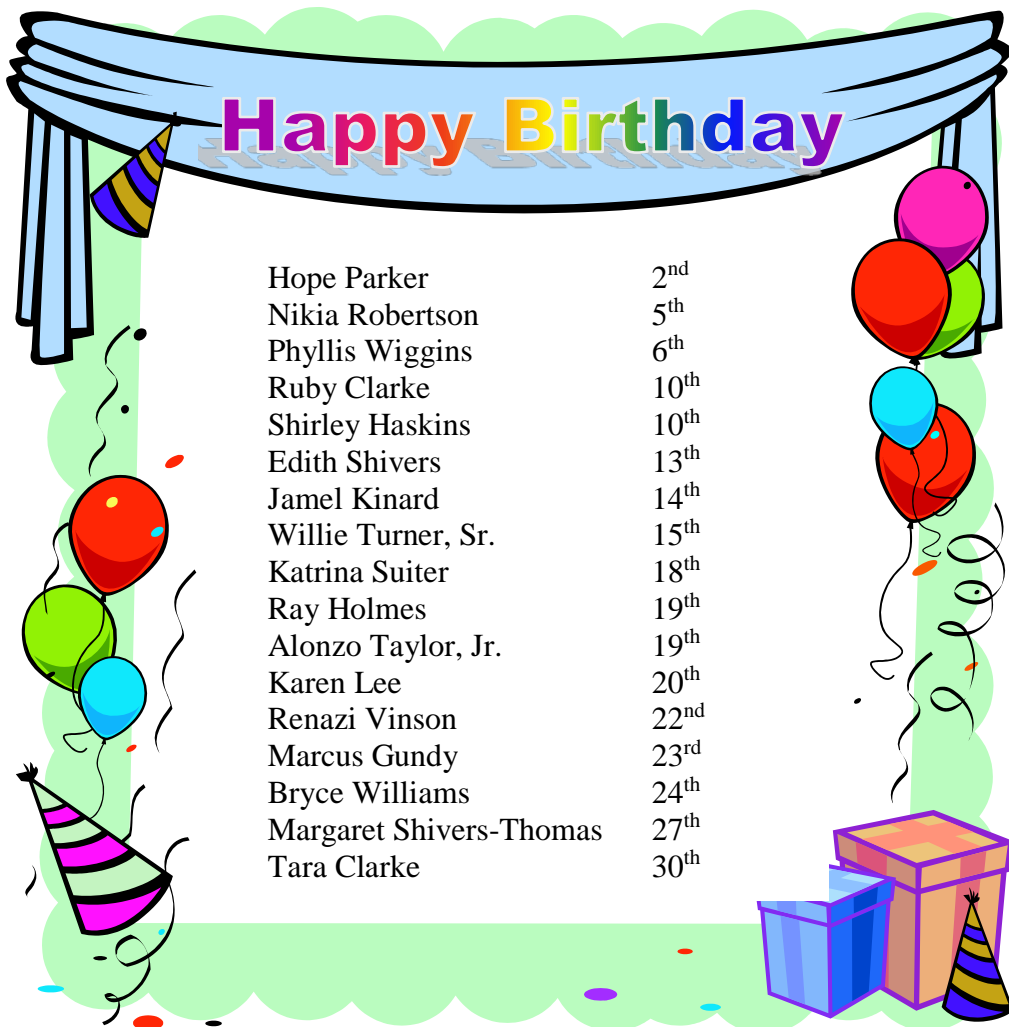
Never underestimate the importance of having a person in your life who can always make you smile.

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Church Administrator  
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Hope Parker	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Nikia Robertson	5 <sup>th</sup>
Phyllis Wiggins	6 <sup>th</sup>
Ruby Clarke	10 <sup>th</sup>
Shirley Haskins	10 <sup>th</sup>
Edith Shivers	13 <sup>th</sup>
Jamel Kinard	14 <sup>th</sup>
Willie Turner, Sr.	15 <sup>th</sup>
Katrina Suiter	18 <sup>th</sup>
Ray Holmes	19 <sup>th</sup>
Alonzo Taylor, Jr.	19 <sup>th</sup>
Karen Lee	20 <sup>th</sup>
Renazi Vinson	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Marcus Gundy	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Bryce Williams	24 <sup>th</sup>
Margaret Shivers-Thomas	27 <sup>th</sup>
Tara Clarke	30 <sup>th</sup>



## Pastors in Concert

*Pre-Anniversary Service*  
Saturday, September 20, 2014  
4:00 p.m.  
Solomon's Temple Church



Featuring:

**Pastor Kerry White**  
Mt. Zion Word & Faith Ministry  
Smithfield, VA

**Rev. Dr. Bobby Taylor**  
Sandy Mt. Baptist Church  
Smithfield, VA

**Pastor James Rich**  
Rising Star Baptist Church  
Smithfield, VA

**Pastor Chris Carter**  
New Hope Baptist Church  
Hampton, VA

**Pastor Hallie Richardson, Jr.**  
Little Zion Baptist Church  
Hampton, VA



## ATTENTION LADIES:

Don't forget to sign the room list on the table in the hallway if you are planning to attend the 2015 Women's Conference/Retreat.

Thank you  
Elder Edith Shivers  
Women's Ministry Contact Person

### SOLOMONITE SPOTLIGHT



#### September Solomonite Spotlight is Raven Parker

**Raven Parker** is a youth disciple of Solomon's Temple. She serves on the youth choir, usher ministry, praise dance ministry and youth ministry. Raven is a senior at Smithfield High School and will be graduating next year in June class of 2015. Raven is a member of the Marching Band at Smithfield High School. She is the daughter of Sis. Hope Parker and granddaughter of Servant Leader Shirley Haskins.

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

**WE LOVE YOU!**

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

## OUTREACH

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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.



**WE WANT YOU!**  
Men of Solomon's Temple

### SEPTEMBER CARE TEAM

Sis. Deborah Williams  
Bro. Stanley Robinson



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

## SEPTEMBER 13, 2014

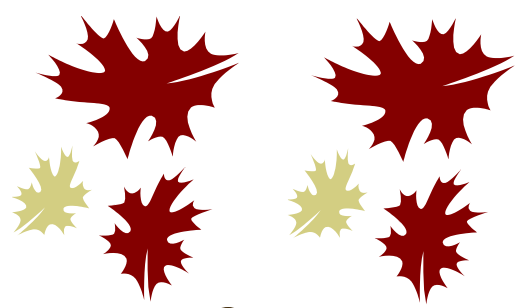


### LEADING LADY EDITH R. SHIVERS





# September



## 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 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.**

DATE	TIME	EVENT
9/1/14	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Willie Sr. & Florence Turner 
9/1/14	ALL DAY	LABOR DAY
9/4/14	6:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal
9/4/14	7:00pm	Mass Choir rehearsal
9/6/14	9:00am-11:00am	Praise dance practice
9/7/14	ALL DAY	Happy Grandparents Day
9/7/14	After service	Ushers luncheon/meeting at Ella Ford's home; 13508 Comet Rd., Windsor 23487
9/11/14	6:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal
9/11/14	7:00pm	Joyful Voices rehearsal
9/13/14	9:00am-11:00am	Praise dance practice
9/14/14	9:00am	Leading Lady Day
9/16/14	6:00pm	Outreach Ministry meeting
9/16/14	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID/Bible Study
9/16/14	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Wayne & Sarah Hatton 
9/18/14	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
9/18/14	6:30pm	Men & Women Ministry meetings
9/20/14	4:00pm	Pastor & Church Pre-Anniversary service
9/21/14	1:00pm	We will fellowship with Diamond Grove Baptist Church; 6890 Crittenden Road, Suffolk, VA 23432; Deacons, Deaconess & Trustee Anniversary
9/22/14	6:30pm	1 <sup>st</sup> meeting for Weight Watchers class. Everyone is invited. See Sis. Phyllis Duck for more information
9/23/14	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID/Bible Study
9/25/14	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
9/26/14	7:00pm	Elder Shivers preach at Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth for Women's Conference
9/27/14	10:00am-1:00pm	Levi Tribe Picture Day
9/27/14	TBA	Finance/Trustee Ministry Fish Fry
9/27/14	5:00pm	Levi Tribe Wacky Tacky Fashion Show
9/28/14	4:00pm	We will fellowship with Mt. Zion Word & Faith Ministry, 110 Hill St. Smithfield
9/29/14	6:30pm	Levite meeting
9/29/14	7:30pm	Assembly of Servants meeting
9/29/14	ALL DAY	Happy Anniversary Terry & Tammy Rawls 
9/30/14	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID/Bible Study

### Choir Rehearsal Schedule



*Thursday before 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday*

*6:00pm – Praise Team*

*7:00pm – Mass Choir*

*Thursday before 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday*

*7:00pm – Sons of Solomon*

*Thursday before 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday*

*6:30pm – Youth Choir*

*Thursday before 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday*

*6:00pm – Praise Team*

*7:00pm – Joyful Voices*

# SING

# September 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1. <b>Happy Anniversary</b> Willie Sr. & Florence Turner  <b>LABOR DAY</b>	2. Hope Parker	3.	4. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Mass Choir rehearsal	5. Nikia Robertson	6. 9:00am-11:00am Praise dance practice  Phyllis Wiggins
7. Grandparents Day  Fishers luncheon & meeting at the home of Ella Ford	8.	9.	10. Ruby Clarke Shirley Haskins	11. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Joyful Voices rehearsal	12.	13. 9:00am-11:00am Praise dance practice  Leading Lady Edith Shivers
14. Leading Lady Day  Janel Kinard	15. Willie Turner, Sr.	16. 6:00pm Outreach meeting 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study  <b>Happy Anniversary</b> Wayne & Sarah Hatton	17.	18. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal  6:30pm Men & Women Ministry meetings  Katrina Suiter	19. Ray Holmes Alonzo Taylor, Jr.	20. 4:00pm Pastor & Church Pre-anniversary service at the chapel  Karen Lee
21. 1:00pm We will fellowship with Diamond Grove Baptist Church	22. 6:30pm Weight Watchers meeting  Renazi Vinson	23. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study  Marcus Gundy	24. Bryce Williams	25. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal	26. 7:00pm Elder Shivers preach at Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth	27. 10:00am-1:00pm Levi Tribe Picture Day 5:00pm Levi Tribe Wacky Tacky Fashion Show  Finance/Truce Fish Fry Margaret Shivers-Thomas
28. 4:00pm We will fellowship with Mt. Zion Word & Faith Ministry	29. 6:30pm Levite meeting 7:30pm AOS meeting  <b>Happy Anniversary</b> Terry & Tammy Rawls	30. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study  Tara Clarke				



# In The NEWS



Like FATHER . . . Like SON!



Michael Green, Yeates class of 1985, scored 12 points for his team in the contest against Kennedy.



Smithfield wide receiver James Green, right, attempts to make a catch during practice.

Now here's something you don't see every day!

**To the Left.** Our very own **Bro. Mike Green** who was seen in Sunday's (Aug.17<sup>th</sup>) Virginia Pilot playing basketball. The actual basketball game was Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> 2014 and is an annual fundraiser for Lakeside High School. **Bro. Green** "held his own" by scoring 12 points. Also participating were a few NBA ball players.

AND

**To the Right,** our very own **Li'Mike Green** who was photographed (Daily Press) during football practice for The One and Only Smithfield High School - Home of the Packers!!

Congratulations to this Dynamic - Father and Son TEAM.



Craig Clarke, Faye Thompson and Lisa Thompson receive their baptism certificates from Pastor Shivers on Sunday August 24<sup>th</sup>. They were baptized on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>.



Leading Lady accepting gift presented to her from White Oak Springs Missionary Baptist Church member on Sunday August 24<sup>th</sup> as we shared in their church anniversary service.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## OCTOBER

- 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Praise dance practice
- 12<sup>th</sup> Fellowship with Ferguson Grove
- 12<sup>th</sup> Clergy Appreciation Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> Sis. Wendy Green speak at Union Bethel AME – Layperson Service
- 19<sup>th</sup> Pastor & Church Anniversary
- 24<sup>th</sup> Couples Meeting
- 31<sup>st</sup> Hallelujah Fest/Trunk-Or-Treat

## NOVEMBER

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Fellowship with Oak Grove
- 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Praise dance practice
- 11<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Fall Harvest Revival
- 27<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Day Service
- 30<sup>th</sup> Beginning of Advent

## DECEMBER

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



## **PASTOR AND CHURCH ANNIVERSARY**

***SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014***

9:00 a.m. – Church Anniversary

Rev. Leo Whitaker

Swan's Point Baptist Church  
Spring Grove, VA

3:00 p.m. - Pastor Anniversary

Rev. Dwight O. Steele, Sr.

Pilgrim Baptist Church  
Roanoke, VA

## **SOUPER SATURDAY**

**OCTOBER 11, 2014**

**11:00am – 3:00pm**

**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**201 CEDAR STREET**

**SMITHFIELD, VA 23430**



**\$5.00 adults**  
**\$3.00 12 & younger**

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