

Temple News

Monthly Newsletter of Solomon's Temple Church

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

September 2017

5 Best Questions to Ask God in Prayer by Bob Hostetler

Not every question is a good question. But these are. What do you think are the most common questions people ask God? I bet one comes to mind immediately—*why?* Right? We get bad news or hit a rocky spot and turn to God, asking, *Why?* But “why” is seldom—if ever—a useful question. I don’t think God has ever answered that question for me, probably because I wouldn’t understand if He did. But there are many questions that God has answered, at least for people in the Bible. Here are five of them:

1. Who am I?

When God assigned to Moses the task of going back to Egypt and telling Pharaoh to set the Hebrew slaves free, Moses asked, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” (Exodus 3:11, NIV). It was, of course, a protest, a statement more than a question. But it is still a good question, one of the best we can ask God in prayer. Who am I? What is my identity? What does God say about me in His word, the Bible? The person who sincerely asks God, “Who am I?” is often abundantly blessed by the answer.

2. What if?

When God revealed to Abraham His plans to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah, the patriarch posed a series of questions. “What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it?” (Genesis 18:24, NIV). He kept asking “what if?” until God answered, “For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it” (Genesis 18:32, NIV). Abraham’s questions didn’t save those cities but they do seem to reveal that God enjoys the “what if” questions. “What if we got together with other churches in our town for this purpose?” “What if I took a different course in my career?” “What if—” You get the idea.

3. How long?

One of the most frequent Bible questions is “How long?” The Psalms alone repeat the question 15 times. “How long will you hide your face from me?” (Psalm 13:1, NIV). “How long will my enemy triumph over me?” (Psalm 13:2, NIV). “How long must your servant wait?” (Psalm 119:84, NIV). It is a better prayer than “why,” not only because the psalmists prayed it so often but perhaps also because it carries within it the seed of an answer: Not always. Not forever. Not (we hope) much longer.

4. What can I offer?

The beautiful Psalm 116 contains the question, “What can I offer the Lord for all he has done for me?” (Psalm 116:12, NLT). It is a fine question to ask any time. “What can I offer?” I see a need in my community; “God, what can I offer?” I hear the cry of someone in pain; “What can I offer?” I remember an upcoming appointment; “What can I offer?” It is a prayer question that will often squeeze sweetness out of the sourest circumstances.

5. What must I do?

When an earthquake opened the doors of the European jail in which Paul and Silas had been imprisoned, the jailer was shocked to learn that no one had escaped, and thus his life and livelihood had been preserved. The discovery prompted him to ask, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” Then followed their famous answer, “Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, you and your household” (Acts 16:30-31, NIV). It is a great question to ask in prayer, any time. “Lord, what must I do?” “What are you saying to me?” “Where are you pointing me?” “What will bring about deliverance and freedom in this situation?”

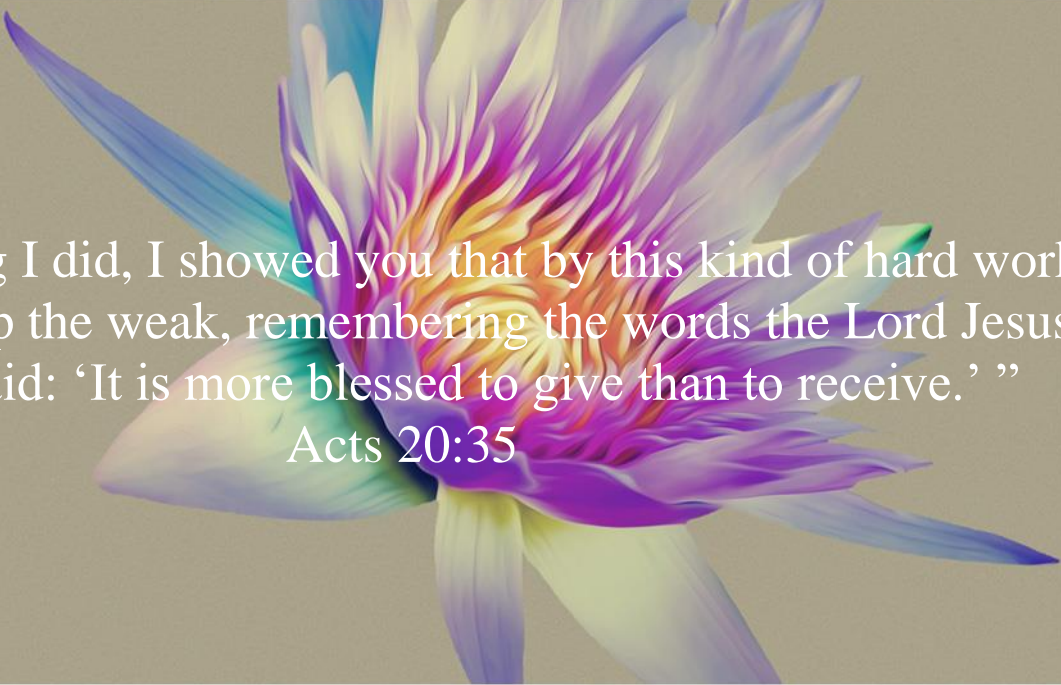
Why a spur-of-the-moment handful of flowers or loving note resonates most deeply

There's something about a gaily-wrapped gift that just makes me smile. But some touch my heart in an extra special way. I call them the "just because" gifts. I've experienced the sweetness of hearing my doorbell ring and discovering my precious little grandson standing there with a bouquet of flowers he picked from the yard for me...just because he loves me. I've found notes from my husband sitting on the kitchen counter, "I'm praying for you, baby. Love you!" Those random acts of love totally make my day. I know he's usually rushing to get out the door in the mornings, but he makes the time...just because he loves me.

But there's one "just because" gift that blows me away every time I think about it. It boggles my mind that Someone would love us enough to give His life for us ... just because He loves us. He didn't have to, but He did. There are no words to thank Him. No actions that can fully express my appreciation for His amazing gift—but I can bring my own "just because" gifts to Him:

- I can spend time with God, making Him a priority in my life. Carving out moments to read His Word, to share my heart with Him, to listen for His whispers to my soul.
- I can do things for others in His name.
- I can tell other people about Him in case they haven't met Him.
- I can praise God, thanking Him for who He is and for all that He's done for me.

And I hope that when I bring my simple gifts to Him, that they touch His heart, and that He knows they're "just because" I love Him so much.



In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' ”
Acts 20:35

Alpha Iota Chapter

The Alpha Iota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. has partnered with the Sentara Cancer Network to address Cancer disparities in Western Tidewater. We are proud to offer **FREE** prostate cancer and colon cancer screenings to the **first 100 men** to register in the Western Tidewater region. There will be a **FREE** meal and a nationally renowned speaker. The event will be held at:

Sentara Obici Hospital, 2800 Godwin Blvd. Suffolk VA 23434 - September 19, 2017 5:30pm-8:30pm

Classrooms C/D on the Garden Level - Call 757-934-4791 - Space is limited, so register today.

Talking Points

- Cancer is the #2 cause of death in the U.S.
- 160,000 men are diagnosed with Prostate Cancer yearly in the U.S. roughly 30,000 will die
- 135,000 cases of Colon and Rectal Cancer yearly in the U.S. roughly 50,000 will die
- Western Tidewater ranks #1 in death from ColoRectal Cancer and #2 in death from Prostate Cancer in the State of VA
- Screening tests exist to catch both types of cancers early and increase chances of a cure.
- The screening test for Prostate Cancer is a blood test called a PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) and a DRE (Digital Rectal Exam) to check for nodules. Each test is effective alone but combining them increases the chances of finding an abnormality early.
- African American men should have a baseline PSA at 45 years old and White men at 50.
- The screening for ColoRectal Cancer is a F.I.T. test. (Fecal Immunohistochemical Test) which checks for blood in your bowels. This test is noninvasive and done in the privacy of your home. Results are mailed in to be processed.
- Screening for ColoRectal Cancer starts at age 50.



**Happy Birthday
(LL) Elder Edith R. Shivers
September 13, 2017**



**Happy Leading Lady Day
Leading Lady E. R. Shivers
September 10, 2017**

*God Bless You and We Love You
Solomon's Temple Church Family*



**A Prayer for
The Pastor's Wife**

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the position you have given to Pastor's all around the world. Thank you for trusting them with your Word. Thank you for their wives, who support them, love them, and serve them. I pray that you would strengthen their marriages everyday. I pray for the pastor's wife right now. May your Holy Spirit empower her to continue sowing, to continue doing good, Bless her Lord. Equip her to do your will. I pray against any temptation that would come to tear her down or hold her in bondage. I pray against the schemes of the enemy and I pray against his attack on marriage. May you send people to encourage her today and every day. Remind her daily of her value and the love you have for her. Reveal to her the purpose for why she is where she is. Refine her and fill her with your wisdom. May your peace and joy abound in her heart in Jesus name AMEN!

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SEPTEMBER KINGDOM SCHEDULE⁴

September Scriptures

9/3 Psalm 44:4-7
9/10 Proverbs 31:30
9/17 Exodus 23:20-22
9/24 Romans 8:26-28

Welcome Schedule

9/3 Sis. Sylvia Gundy
9/10 Sis. Wendy Johnson
9/17 Sis. Hope Parker
9/24 Sis. Barbara Jones

Door Opener

Bro. Ray Holmes

Worship Leaders Schedule

9/3 Minister Ernest Ruffin
9/10 **Leading Lady Day**
9/17 Minister Cynthia Edwards
9/24 Elder Karen Lee

Servant Leaders Schedule

9/3 Sis. Phyllis Duck
9/10 Sis. Sylvia Gundy
9/17 Bro. James Green Sr.
9/24 Sis. Turekia White

Communion Bowls

Sis. Turekia White
Sis. Sylvia Gundy



NEW

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.**

September CID Teaching Schedule

September 5th NO CID: Circumcision | Genesis 17:1-14
September 12th NO CID: Sabbath Observance | Exodus 31:12-18
September 19th NO CID: Spirit-Filled Heart | Ezekiel 36:22-32
September 26th CID: God's Covenant with Abraham | Genesis 15:1-6, 17-21
Adult Teacher: Elder Karen Lee
Youth Teachers: Minister Bertram Blackwell and Bro. James Green Sr.



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

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.



2017 Theme: 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.





DATE	TIME	EVENT
9/3/17	2:00pm	Pastor Shivers will preach at Tabernacle Baptist Church, 3621 Nansemond Parkway Suffolk, VA 23435 – Pastor Trevon Boone's Pastoral Anniversary service
9/5/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise Dance practice
9/6/17	7:00pm	Pastor Shivers preach at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, 1141 Campostella Rd., Norfolk, VA 23523; Revival service; Dinner will be served after service; choir and ushers are asked to serve
9/7/17	7:00pm	Joyful Voices rehearsal
9/10/17	9:00am	Leading Lady Day service – Guest Messenger: Elder Carol Lyttle of Olive Branch Baptist Church, Suffolk, VA
9/11/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise Dance practice
9/12/17	7:00pm	Pastor Shivers preach at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, 14165 Racetrack Rd., Ivor, VA 23866; Revival service; choir and ushers are asked to serve
9/13/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise Dance practice
9/14/17	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
9/14/17	6:30pm	Men and Women's meetings at the chapel
9/17/17	During am service	Baby Dedication of Kali Burrell daughter of Kimesia Burrell
9/17/17	After service	All Solomon's Temple disciples are asked to remain for a brief meeting with the Pastor & Church anniversary committee
9/17/17	TBA	Benjamin Tribe outing at Nike Park – see Mike and Wendy Green for details
9/18/17	6:30pm/7:30pm	Levites will meet/Servant Leaders will meet / Assembly of Servants will meet
9/19/17	7:00pm	Pastor Shivers will preach at New Bethany Christian Church; Fall Revival service; choir and ushers are asked to serve
9/20/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise Dance practice
9/21/17	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
9/23/17	TBA	Singles Ministry Movie outing at Cine Bistro – see Minister Cynthia Edwards for details
9/24/17	After service	Outreach Ministry will meet at Riverview Park
9/24/17	11:00am	Elder Edith Shivers will preach at New Jones Grove Baptist Church for Women's Day
9/24/17	11:00am	Pastor Shivers will preach at First Gravel Hill Baptist Church for Pastor Bracey's Anniversary service
9/25/17	6:30pm	Advisory Meeting – Levites, Servant Leaders, Trustees, and all Contact Persons and Assistant Contact Persons are asked to be present
9/26/17	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID Session/Bible Study: Elder Edith Shivers will teach on "Victory over Death".
9/27/17	7:00pm-8:30pm	Praise Dance practice
9/28/17	6:00pm/7:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal/Mass Choir rehearsal
9/29/17	6:30pm	Couples Ministry Tell All/Game Night at the chapel

Verse of the Month


Mark 13:31

Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3. 2:00pm Pastor Shivers will preach at Tabernacle Baptist Outreach Center</p>	<p>4. </p>	<p>5. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise Dance practice BACK TO SCHOOL No CIDD/Bible Study Nikia Robertson Sarah Gatewood</p>	<p>6. 7:00pm Pastor Shivers will preach at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church Phyllis Wiggins</p>	<p>7. 7:00pm Joyful Voices rehearsal</p>	<p>1. Happy Anniversary Willie & Florence Turner</p>	<p>2. Hope Parker</p>
<p>10. 9:00am Leading Lady Day Grandparents Day Ruby Clarke Shirley Haskins</p>	<p>11. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise Dance practice</p>	<p>12. 7:00pm Pastor Shivers preach at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church</p>	<p>13. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise Dance practice Edith Shivers</p>	<p>14. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal 6:30pm Men & Women will meet</p>	<p>15. Willie Turner Sr.</p>	<p>16. Happy Anniversary Wayne & Sarah Hatton</p>
<p>17. Baby Dedication Church meeting with Anniversary Committee Benjamin Tribe will meet at Nike Park</p>	<p>18. 6:30pm Levites meet 6:30pm Servant Leaders will meet 7:30pm AOS meet Katrina Suiter-Fulgham</p>	<p>19. 7:00pm Pastor Shivers preach at New Bethany Ray Holmes Alonzo Taylor, Jr.</p>	<p>20. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise Dance practice Karen Lee</p>	<p>21. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal</p>	<p>22.</p>	<p>23. Singles Ministry Movie Outing at Cine Bistro Marcus Gandy</p>
<p>24. 11:00am Elder Shivers preach at New Jones Grove 11:00am Pastor Shivers preach at First Gravel Hill Outreach will meet at Riverview Park Byce Williams</p>	<p>25. 6:30pm Advisory Meeting</p>	<p>26. 6:30pm CIDD Session 7:1-7pm Bible Study</p>	<p>27. 7:00pm-8:30pm Praise Dance practice Margaret S. Thomas</p>	<p>28. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Mass Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>29. 6:30pm Couple Ministry Tell All and Game Night</p>	<p>30. Tara Clarke</p>

“Never let life impede on your ability to manifest your dreams. Dig deeper into your dreams and deeper into yourself and believe that anything is possible, and make it happen” -Coren Nemecc

September Birthdays



Happy Birthday



Hope Parker	September 2 nd
Nikia Robertson	September 5 th
Sarah Gatewood	September 5 th
Phyllis Wiggins	September 6 th
Ruby Clarke	September 10 th
Shirley Haskins	September 10 th
Edith Shivers	September 13 th
Willie Turner Sr.	September 15 th
Katrina Suiter-Fulgham	September 18 th
Ray Holmes	September 19 th
Alonzo Taylor Jr.	September 19 th
Karen Lee	September 20 th
Marcus Gundy	September 23 rd
Bryce Williams	September 24 th
Margaret Shivers-Thomas	September 27 th
Tara Clarke	September 30 th

September Anniversaries



Willie Sr. & Florence Turner
September 1st

Wayne & Sarah Hatton
September 16th

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

Without God our week would be:

- Sinday
- Mournday
- Tearsday
- Wasteday
- Thirstday
- Fightday
- Shatterday

**Alone
I am Weak
But in CHRIST
I am STRONG**



(7 days without God makes one weak!)

Prayer List

- Sis. Vernell Brown
- Sis. Mary Diggs
- Sis. Lonnie Batten
- Sis. Connie Payne
- Sis. Vernell Wrenn
- Sis. Ruby Clarke
- Sis. Mary Cornick
- Sis. Florence Turner
- Sis. Sonjia Moore
- Sis. Phyllis Wiggins
- Sis. Jackie Ruffin
- Sis. Tami Drew
- Bro. James Green Sr.
- Sis. Tamara Jones
- Sis. Krystle Murphy
- Sis. Kathy Greene
- Bro. Stanley Robinson
- Sis. Deloris Shivers
- Sis. Stacy Turner
- Sis. Lisa Thompson
- Sis. Faye Thompson
- Bereaved Families



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



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.


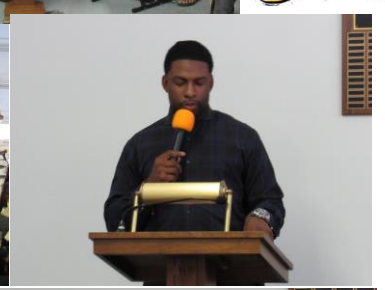
Care Team for the Month

- Sis. Shenille Gray
- Sis. Deborah Williams
- Sis. Phyllis Duck**

Please let the church administrator know of any disciples' address or phone number change. Thank you.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

PRAYER | FOOD | FELLOWSHIP

2017 Youth Conference





Monday, September 4th Happy Labor Day

THEY WHO TREAD THE PATH OF LABOR
~ Henry Van Dyke

They who tread the path of labor follow where My feet have trod; They who work without complaining, do the holy will of God; Nevermore thou needest seek Me; I am with thee everywhere; Raise the stone, and thou shalt find Me, cleave the wood and I am there.

Where the many toil together, there am I among My own; Where the tired workman sleepeth, there am I with him alone: I, the Peace that passeth knowledge, dwell amid the daily strife; I, the Bread of Heav'n am broken in the sacrament of life.

Every task, however simple, sets the soul that does it free; Every deed of love and mercy, done to man is done to Me. Nevermore thou needest seek Me; I am with thee everywhere; Raise the stone, and thou shalt find Me; cleave the wood, and I am there.

Sunday, September 10th Happy Grandparents Day

Grandparents (pinterest.com)

When God created grandparents
The world was truly blessed
With all the special joys
That make a family happiest

For grandparents know how to do
The little things that warm our heart
They touch our lives with love and care
Right from the very start

They show that they believe in us
And all we're dreaming of
When God created grandparents
He blessed our lives with love

**God doesn't give us what we can handle;
God Helps us handle what we are given.**

Health Care Ministry Corner

Health Awareness for the Month of September

Atrial Fibrillation (AFib) Awareness

AFib Feels Like...



Atrial Fibrillation — also known as AFib or AF — is the most common arrhythmia. It affects more than 2.5 million American adults and 4.5 million people living in the European Union, and accounts for approximately one-third of hospitalizations for cardiac rhythm disturbances.

It is characterized by a rapid and irregular heartbeat caused when the top chambers of the heart (the atria) quiver (fibrillate) erratically, sometimes faster than 200 times per minute. The condition can have a significant negative impact on an individual's quality of life, causing heart palpitations, chronic fatigue, debilitating pain and can increase the risk of stroke fivefold.

THOSE TIMES when you feel like quitting **CAN BE TIMES** of **Great Opportunity**, for God uses your troubles to help you **Grow**.

Prostate Cancer Awareness

The *prostate* is a walnut-sized organ located just below the bladder and in front of the rectum in men. Prostate cancer is the most common non-skin cancer among American men. Prostate cancers usually grow slowly. Most men with prostate cancer are older than 65 years and do not die from the disease. Finding and treating prostate cancer before symptoms occur may not improve your health or help you live longer.

Men can have different systems for prostate cancer. Some men do not have symptoms at all. Some symptoms of prostate cancer are difficulty starting urination, frequent urination (especially at night), weak or interrupted flow of urine, and blood in the urine or semen. There is no way to know for sure if you will get prostate cancer. The older a man is, the greater his risk for getting prostate cancer. Men also have a greater chance of getting prostate cancer if they are African-American or have a father, brother, or son who has had prostate cancer.

Screening Tests commonly used to screen for prostate cancer—

- **Digital rectal exam (DRE):** A doctor or nurse inserts a gloved, lubricated finger into the rectum to estimate the size of the prostate and feel for lumps or other abnormalities.
- **Prostate specific antigen (PSA) test:** Measures the level of PSA in the blood. PSA is a substance made by the prostate. The levels of PSA in the blood can be higher in men who have prostate cancer. The PSA level may also be elevated in other conditions that affect the prostate.

Upcoming EVENTS

OCTOBER

- October 7th Pastor, Choir & Praise Dancers will participate in a celebration service at New Life Church
- October 8th Elder Shivers preach at Galilee Baptist Church
- October 8th Pastor Shivers preach at Emmanuel Baptist Church
- October 8th Clergy Appreciation Day
- October 15th Pastor & Church Anniversary
- October 29th Elder Shivers preach at Campbell Chapel AME Church
- October 29th Pastor Shivers preach at New Branch Church

NOVEMBER

- November 11th Veterans' Day
- November 19th – 21st Fall Harvest Revival
- November 23rd Thanksgiving Day/Thanksgiving Day service

DECEMBER

- December 3rd First Day of Advent
- December 24th Christmas Eve
- December 25th Christmas Day
- December 31st New Year's Eve service

attention

There will be no Kingdom Victory Workouts for the month of September

CHURCH CALENDAR



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September 3rd

Pastor Shivers will preach at Tabernacle Baptist

September 6th

Pastor Shivers will preach at Mt. Lebanon Baptist

September 10th

Leading Lady Day

September 12th

Pastor Shivers will preach at Mt. Sinai Baptist

September 14th

Men and Women will meet at the chapel

September 17th

Benjamin Tribe Outing at Nike Park

September 18th

Levite Ministry/Servant Leader Ministry
Assembly of Servants meetings

September 19th

Pastor Shivers will preach at New Bethany

September 24th

Elder Edith Shivers will preach at New Jones Grove

September 24th

Pastor Shivers will preach at First Gravel Hill

September 24th

Outreach Ministry will meet at Riverview Park

September 25th

Advisory Meeting

September 26th

CID/Bible Study resumes

