



Monthly Newsletter of Solomon's Temple Church

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## September 2018

### Turning Hurt into Love

Instead of lashing out when someone close to you is treated unfairly, seek out a deeper, wider justice. by **Edie Melson**

I think of myself as fairly level headed. I don't take offense easily, and I'm quick to forgive. However, when someone messes with my family, that description no longer applies. Things that would be quickly forgiven if aimed at me become huge stumbling blocks when aimed at those I love. And although my first reaction might be one of defense and retribution, I can't remember a single time when my interference helped. The only way I've found to make a difference is by turning to God.

Not only do I cry out and ask God to fight for my loved ones, but I also begin talking to Him about the person who [instigated the hurt](#). I learned to do this the hard way. Because I tend to want justice—my version of justice—when a family member has been hurt.

I experienced this after one particularly ugly discussion with a friend who insisted that my son was a horrible person for signing up to serve in the [military](#). I walked away from the conversation and took some time outside, begging God to make her see reason and feel the hurt that she had caused me and my son.

But [God's justice](#) is deeper and wider than that.

He loves the person behaving badly just as much as He loves me. That day He reminded me that although it goes against every ounce of how I'm feeling, going to God on their behalf makes a difference in how I feel about the situation. Somehow, it takes the hurt out of my heart and puts it at the foot of the cross, the place where I find perspective.

This doesn't mean we must reenter a relationship with the attacker, but it gives us the ability to move on and let God do the fighting for us—and for those we love. God the Father knows the hurt we're feeling on our child's behalf. He felt it when the world rejected His son, but only He knows how to turn that hurt into love.

### Church Events

- **Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Labor Day
- **Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Leading Lady Day
- **Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Youth Picture Fundraiser
- **Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Grandparents' Day
- **Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Yearbook orders/ads and money due
- **Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Ribbon Cutting at New Church
- **Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Pastor Shivers preach at New Bethany Church
- **Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
ST Appreciation Service
- **Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Youth Conference
- **Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Family & Friends Fitness Sunday



**Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> - Back to School**

**Welcome Back to School**

Dear students, the summer has ended. The school year at last has begun. But this year is totally different. I promise we'll only have fun. "We won't study any mathematics, and recess will last all day long. Instead of the pledge of allegiance, we'll belt out a rock-and-roll song. "We'll only play games in the classroom. You're welcome to bring in your toys. It's okay to run in the hallways. It's great if you make lots of noise. "For homework, you'll play your Nintendo. You'll have to watch lots of T.V. For field trips we'll go to the movies and get lots of candy for free. "The lunchroom will only serve chocolate and triple fudge sundaes supreme." Yes, that's what I heard from my teacher before I woke up from my dream. --Kenn Nesbitt

**WE'RE MOVING.....Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am**

**We will have service at the New Church - 15088 Mt. Holly Creek Lane**

We will cut the ribbon as we enter into our new church edifice. Praise God! Hallelujah!!

**REMINDER - LAST DAY!!!  
Sunday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>**

Orders, ads and money for the yearbook are to be turned in.

**Solomon's Temple  
Make-Up Photo Day Schedule**

Individual pictures will be taken as well. If you missed having your picture taken, please see Bro. Donald Watkins, Bro.

Terry Rawls or Bro. Shagan Gatewood.



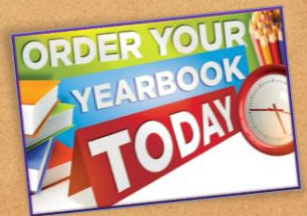
BY ALL THESE lovely tokens SEPTEMBER days are here, WITH SUMMER'S BEST of weather AND AUTUMN'S best of cheer.  
Helen Hunt Jackson

Verse of the Month  
**Psalm 37:25**  
I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	September 9 <sup>th</sup>	September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	September 30 <sup>th</sup>
Levite Ministry	Security Ministry	Intercessory Prayer	Bridge Ministry
Servant Leaders Ministry			Praise Dance Ministry

**Here are a few reasons to buy a Solomon's Temple Yearbook:**

1. So you won't miss out on all the fun and excitement when the yearbooks arrive.
2. Because our church is the greatest and you want to keep those wonderful memories.
3. To remember what our disciples used to look like years from now.
4. So one day you can look back at yourself and say "I remember when....."
5. To share with your family and future children or grandchildren.



**Love's Redeeming Power**

We do not have to agree with others, but we must find a way to love them. by Pablo Diaz

In times of religious, cultural and political polarization, love redeems our relationships with people who have opposing views. We do not have to agree with others, but we must find a way to love them. It's the message of the Gospel.

Love is humanity's most potent weapon for personal and social transformation. It builds bridges instead of tearing them down and conquers all evil. When we love, we spread peace, compassion, acceptance and mercy to people from all walks of life.

The Gospel's message is about a God who loved us all so much that He made a way to reach us when we were spiritually downcast. By His grace, he redeemed us with the ultimate, loving sacrifice. On the cross, Christ gave his life to free us from sin and reconnect us with our Heavenly Father so that we would have eternal security and experience abundant life in him.

Too often we label people based on their beliefs, gender and race. But no human is different than the rest. Love, the redeeming power, is for all of God's children. And as people of faith, we can build bridges and extend our love across societal barriers through our actions, words and engagement.

How can we love others who are different from us? *Lord, show us the path to love, and teach us how to spread your redeeming love to every human being that we encounter in the journey of life.*

# September Kingdom Schedule

**NEW**

## September Scriptures

9/2	1 Thessalonians 3:9-12
9/9	Genesis 12:1-3
9/16	Psalms 1:1-3
9/23	James 4:7-10
9/30	Isaiah 54:2-3

## Welcome Schedule

9/2	Sis. Phyllis Duck
9/9	Seniah Cypress
9/16	Sis. Angela Batten
9/23	Bro. Stanley Robinson
9/30	Bro. Donald Wells

## Door Opener

Bro. Ray Holmes

## Worship Leaders Schedule

9/2	Minister Ernest Ruffin
9/9	Sis. Wendy Green
9/16	Elder Karen Lee
9/23	Minister Cynthia Edwards
9/30	Elder Edith Shivers

## Servant Leaders Schedule

9/2	Sis. Wendy Johnson
9/9	Sis. Wendy Green
9/16	Sis. Shirley Haskins
9/23	Bro. James Green Sr.
9/30	Sis. Turekia White

## Communion Bowls

Sis. Turekia White  
Sis. Sylvia Gundy



## 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 2018 CID Teaching Schedule



CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION



**Educational Partners for the month of September are:** Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas, Elder Karen Lee, Sis. Sylvia Gundy and Sis. Turekia White

9/4	<b>NO CID</b>   God Creates Lights and Life   Genesis 1:14-25
9/11	<b>NO CID</b>   God Creates People   Genesis 1:26-31; Genesis 2:4-7
9/18	<b>NO CID</b>   God Creates the Family   Genesis 2:18-24; Genesis 4:1, 2
9/25	Teacher: Elder Karen Lee   God Confronts Sins   Genesis 3:8-17, 20-24

**Youth Teacher:** Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas

Explanation of the lesson can be found on our website. [solomonstemplechurch.net](http://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](mailto:stsecretary1@gmail.com) or leave the idea on the secretary's desk.

# September Schedule of Events



DATE	TIME	EVENT
9/3/18	All Day	Labor Day
9/4/18		Back to School
9/4/18		No CID session or Bible Study
9/9/18	9:00am	Leading Lady Day
9/9/18	After service	Youth Ministry Picture Fundraiser – Early Bird pictures from 8:00am-8:45am
9/9/18	All Day	Grandparents' Day
9/11/18		No CID session or Bible Study
9/16/18		Yearbook Ads, Orders and Money Due
9/16/18	9:00am	Ribbon cutting at New Church and first worship service held
9/18/18	7:00pm	Pastor Shivers will preach at New Bethany Christian Church, 15496 Benns Church Blvd., Smithfield, VA 23430 for Fall Revival service. Choir and ushers are asked to serve.
9/22/18	5:00pm	Solomon's Temple Appreciation Service & Matriarch/Patriarch recognitions
9/25/18	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID session/Bible Study
9/26/18	6:30pm	Elder Shivers will meet with the Bereavement Ministry
9/29/18	10:00am-2:00pm	Youth Conference
9/29/18	10:00am	Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal
9/30/18	9:00am	Family & Friends Fitness Sunday

## Thoughts to Ponder

“You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore” Christopher Columbus

“Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.” Anthony J. D'Angelo

“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere” Chinese Proverb

“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams” Eleanor Roosevelt

### Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 5:00pm Appreciation Service

This service will also include the Matriarch and Patriarch recognitions.

*Refreshments will be served after service.*



### 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. Hope Parker  
Sis. Angela Batten  
**Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas**

**Outreach Ministry**

# SEPTEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1. Happy Anniversary Willie & Florence Turner
2. Hope Parker	3. 	4. No CID session or Bible Study <b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>	5. Nikia Robertson Sarah Galewood	6. 7:00pm Joyful Voices Phyllis Wiggins	7.	8.
9. Leading Lady Day Grandparents Day Youth Picture Fundraiser	10. Ruby Clarke Shirley Haskins	11. No CID session or Bible Study	12.	13. 6:00pm Praise Team 7:00pm Mass Choir Edith Shivers	14.	15. Willie Turner Sr.
16. Yearbook Ads, Orders and Money due Move into new church Happy Anniversary Wayne & Sarah Hatton	17.	18. 7:00pm Pastor Shivers preach at New Bethany Church Katrina Suiter Nathan Williams	19. Ray Holmes Alonzo Taylor Jr. Happy Anniversary Alonzo & Shaquita Taylor	20. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon Karen Lee	21.	22. 5:00pm Solomon Temple Appreciation service
23. Marcus Gundy 30. Family & Friends Fitness Sunday Tara Clarke	24. Byrce Williams	25. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study	26. 6:30pm Elder Shivers will meet with the Bereavement Ministry	27. Margaret S. Thomas	28.	29. 10:00am-2:00pm Youth Conference 10:00am Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal

## 2018 Theme: The Year of Elevation – 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 5:6

So be content with who you are, and don't put on airs. God's strong hand is on you; he'll promote you at the right time. (MSG)

# September Birthdays

## Happy Birthday

Hope Parker  
Nikia Robertson  
Sarah Gatewood  
Phyllis Wiggins  
Ruby Clarke  
Shirley Haskins  
Edith Shivers  
Willie Turner Sr.  
Katrina Suiter  
Nathan Williams  
Ray Holmes  
Alonzo Taylor Jr.  
Karen Lee  
Marcus Gundy  
Bryce Williams  
Margaret Shivers-Thomas  
Tara Clarke



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Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>



## September Anniversaries Happy Anniversary



Willie & Florence Turner - Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>  
Wayne & Sarah Hatton - Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>  
Alonzo & Shaquita Taylor - Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>



### 4 Simple Ways to Express Thanks to the Lord

By Dr. Paul Chappell - **Thanksgiving Should Be A Way Of Life**

- 1. Obey His Word** - Giving thanks unto the Lord assumes that we do indeed follow Him as our *Lord*. *And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?*—Luke 6:46
- 2. Give Him Offerings** - One of the best ways to express thanksgiving is through thankful giving. Out of gratitude for what the Lord has done for you, give an extra offering to Him—invest in His work, or give to someone in need in His name. *Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.*—1 Chronicles 16:29
- 3. Verbally Thank Him In Prayer** - Our verbal expressions of gratitude are a sacrifice of praise to Him. *By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.*—Hebrews 13:15
- 4. Thank People He Has Used In Your Life** - Take some time today to express gratitude to others who God has used in your life—your family, friends, teachers, mentors, spiritual leaders. Thank them for their investment in you, and tell them specifically how God has used them to provide for, encourage, and strengthen you. *I thank my God upon every remembrance of you,*—Philippians 1:3. Thanksgiving at its best is *thanks giving*. Give the Lord thanks! *Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!*—Psalm 107:8

# Prayer List

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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. Tami Drew  
Bro. James Green Sr.  
Sis. Wendy Green  
Sis. Tamara Brown  
Bro. Corey Brown  
Sis. Marion Smith  
Sis. Frances Wells-Robertson  
Sis. Dorothy Robinson  
Bro. Stanley Robinson  
Bro. Grayland Robinson  
Elder Karen Lee  
Sis. Stacy Turner  
Sis. Mattie Turner  
Sis. Jackie Ruffin  
Sis. Lucy Watkins  
The Hatton Family  
Sis. Sarah Gatewood & Family  
Bereaved Families



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

### A New Way to Pray the Lord's Prayer

by Mimi Jones Hedwig

Use this prayer tip for new understanding of the world's best loved prayer.

When you pray, are you ever uncertain that you're "doing it right"? Jesus' disciples felt that doubt and asked their Master to teach them how to pray. He gave them, and us, the short but profound formula that we call "The Lord's Prayer."

It contains everything necessary to the life of our body and soul and to our worship of God. But maybe the words have grown rote and stale to you, through repetition. If that's the case, consider trying to put the Lord's Prayer into your own words. For instance, for "Our Father, which art in Heaven," you might say, "God, what a miracle it is that even though You are so far above us, we can speak to You directly and know that You are listening."

For "Hallowed be thy Name," perhaps: "You are holy and mighty and worthy of all praise." And so on. By really thinking about the meaning of the words, and putting them into your own language, you can create a new connection with this pure source of spiritual strength.

**Youth Ministry UniverSoul Circus Outing  
Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> - The Gallery at Military Circle Mall**



**Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**



**National Grandparents Day** is rooted in the innovative work of two committed and passionate pioneers: Jacob Reingold and Marian McQuade.

Celebrate Grandparents Day by committing to **Do Something Grand!** *Grandparents are a delightful blend of laughter, caring deeds, wonderful stories and love!*

**Pre Leading Lady Day Outing  
Shades, Sundresses and Sandals 2018  
Saturday, August 25, 2018  
Waterside-Stripers Restaurant**



**SMILE**

**YOU LOOK SO MUCH BETTER WHEN YOU SMILE!**  
A smile cost nothing, but gives much – It takes but a moment, but the memory of it usually lasts forever. None are so rich that can get along without it – And none are so poor but that can be made rich by it. It enriches those who receive, without making poor those who give – It creates sunshine in the home, fosters good will in business, And is the best antidote for trouble – And yet it cannot be begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is of no value unless it is given away. Some people are too busy to give you a smile – Give them one of yours – For the good Lord knows that no one needs a smile so badly as he or she who has no more smiles left to give. 😊😊😊

Author Unknown

Mark your calendar!

**Solomon's Temple Church Dedication services  
Sun., Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> – Wed., Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> and Sun., Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>**

“And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth forever.” (2 Chronicles 7:3)

# Amore

**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2018**

**"THE GOLDEN 50TH BIRTHDAY"  
CELEBRATION OF  
LADY EDITH ROBINSON SHIVERS**

## 50

**IT'S AN ITALIAN "festa di compleanno" *Birthday Party!***

**THEME: *Show Her Some "Amore" or Love***

**PLACE: SURRY RECREATION CENTER, SURRY VIRGINIA**

**TIME: 5:00pm – 8:00pm**

**CELEBRATION COLORS: Ivory/Gold/Black (*Optional*)**

***Ci vediamo lì - See you there!***

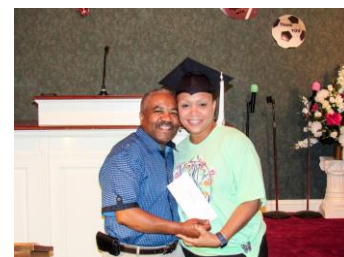


### **Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> – Leading Lady Day**

For all the kindness that you show, and the love you freely give; For all the thoughtful deeds you sow, and for the life you live; It is time to tell you, how others are so blessed; Not just for all the things you do; but because you are the best! (Wordpress.com) Happy Leading Lady Day

*Leading Lady Edith R. Shivers*

God bless you and we love you.  
Solomon's Temple Church Family



### **Youth Ministry Picture Fundraiser Sunday, September 9, 2018**



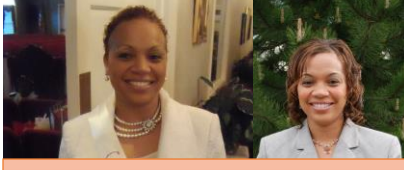
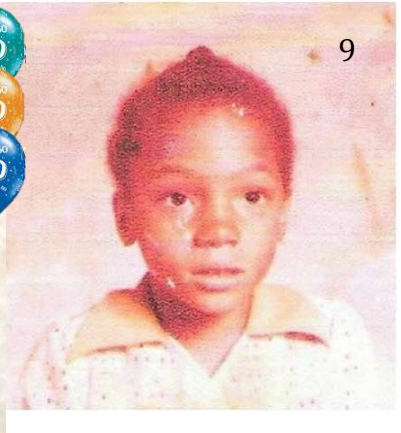
Grandparents Day is September 9th. Your grandchild would love to take a keepsake picture with you. Let's dress alike, wear matching colors, get dressed up in our best or you decide grandma or granddad since it's your day! Line up after church and get your picture taken immediately after service for a low price of \$10. All pictures will be taken by a professional and include a border. All pictures will be ready for pickup the following Sunday. Tell your other family members if they are grandparents, they can join in too. Early Bird times available from 8am-8:45am only. Must sign up!

*A Temple Nation Fundraiser*



# September 13<sup>th</sup> Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday

*Leading Lady Edith Robinson Shivers*



**50 and Beautiful**  
© Homemade-gifts-made-easy.com  
Like a beautiful flower  
sparkling with dew  
Your radiant smile is each day  
renewed. Your grace and  
beauty on your jubilee of gold  
Are an inspiring sight for all  
to behold!





# Solomon's Temple Youth Conference 2018

September 29, 2018 | 10:00am – 2:00pm

THEME: "Get Your Game On"

*It's Going to be a GREAT Day!*



The Youth Conference is for Solomon's Temple youth **ONLY!!** Please sign up if you plan to attend. The sponsors for the conference are *Chic-Fil-A, 7-Eleven, Bubba & Franks and Navy Federal*. **You must be present to get your gift card.** Following the conference, the youth and Men's Ministry have partnered up to attend a football game at the Dick Price Stadium on the campus of Norfolk State University at 4:00pm. Norfolk State vs Delaware State. This outing is open to adults as well (men and women). The cost for adults is \$20.00. Solomon's Temple youth are **FREE!!** *Everyone is asked to wear a white t-shirt and jeans.* Any adult interested in going can give your \$20.00 to Wendy Green by Sunday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> if you want her to get your ticket or you may purchase your own ticket before the game or the day of the game at the gate.

### Life Still Has A Meaning by Author Unknown

If there is a future there is time for mending- Time to see your troubles coming to an ending. Life is never hopeless however great your sorrow- If you're looking forward to a new tomorrow. If there is time for wishing then there is time for hoping- When through doubt and darkness you are blindly groping. Though the heart be heavy and hurt you may be feeling- If there is time for praying there is time for healing. So if through your window there is a new day breaking- Thank God for the promise, though mind and soul be aching, If with harvest over there is grain enough for gleaning- There is a new tomorrow and life still has meaning.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### OCTOBER

- Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> Thrift Store Fashion Show
- Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> Church Dedication services
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> Temple Nation/Church Dedication service
- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> Church & Pastor Anniversary services

#### NOVEMBER

- Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> Pastor Shivers preach at Pentecostal Holiness
- Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day
- Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> Temple Nation
- Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> Pastor Shivers preach at First Baptist in Franklin
- Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Dinner Outreach
- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>–20<sup>th</sup> Fall Harvest Revival
- Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> Thanksgiving Day

#### DECEMBER

- Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019 Agendas Due/First Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> Temple Nation
- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve
- Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day
- Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> Family & Friends Fitness Sunday
- Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> New Year's Eve

### Sunday School

#### Growing Together In Christ

#### October Adult CID Teachers

#### Educational Partners for October are:

Elder Wayne Hatton, Min. Bertram Blackwell,  
Bro. James Green Sr. and Bro. Donald Watkins

#### October Youth CID Teachers

- 10/2 Sis. Phyllis Duck & Sis. Turekia White
- 10/9 **No CID session or Bible Study**
- 10/16 Sis. Wendy Green & Sis. Wendy Johnson
- 10/23 Sis. Lucy Watkins & Sis. Kathy Greene
- 10/30 Elder Edith Shivers & Sis. Dana Cary

#### Disciples scheduled to give the

#### Welcome in October

- October 7<sup>th</sup> Sis. Lucy Watkins
- October 14<sup>th</sup> Kinston Shivers
- October 21<sup>st</sup> Sis. Tanisha White
- October 28<sup>th</sup> Sis. Sheila Brown