



Temple News

Monthly Newsletter for Solomon's Temple Church

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What Makes Love Work by Pablo Diaz

Even when love disappoints, it's better to remain open to its possibilities.

When we love others and are loved in return, we feel valued, wanted and respected. These benefits not only come from a romantic relationship but any type of relationship built on a solid foundation of mutual care. Love is indeed a feeling, but it entails action as well. When we love someone, we make time to be with them. We make sacrifices on their behalf (big or small) and so much more to show that we care. But that doesn't mean a loving relationship cannot be shaken by adversity, setbacks and disappointments.

Many who have been deeply hurt by someone they loved avoid putting themselves in a vulnerable situation again. Love can leave us with deep scars that take a long time to heal. But on a positive note, the benefits of love outweigh the drawbacks. Where there is love, there is also grace, forgiveness, friendship, joy, peace and happiness.

Recently, I presided over a vow renewal ceremony for a couple celebrating their 35th wedding anniversary. Throughout the years this couple endured many challenges, including the husband's military deployment. But through them all, they held onto their love for one another. Their love has evolved, but one thing is evident—they remain committed to each other now more than ever.

A loving relationship requires effort from both parties. It means keeping no record of wrongs and learning to forgive. Yes, some marriages and relationships do not make it. However, we should not avoid opening our hearts to others. We learn from past hurts and grow because of them. In return, we learn to love ourselves and others.

Lord, teach us to love and be loved.

Church Events

February 1st

Pre-Super Bowl service

February 2nd

2020 Agendas Due

February 9th

Temple Nation

February 9th

Wear red in observance of American Heart Month

February 9th

Seasoned Saints meeting

February 13th

Show love in the community

February 14th

Valentine's Day

February 22nd

Praise Team sing at Little Zion

February 23rd

Disciples asked to dress in African Attire

February 23rd

Brunch celebrating Bridge Ministry

February 26th

Ash Wednesday service/First Day of Lent

February 28th

Men and Women's meetings

February 28th

Friday Night Hour of Power service

Verse of the Month

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Ephesians 4:24

Moments in Black History



“Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.” —Maya Angelou

Solomon's Temple Bridge Ministry Disciples (Ages 18-40) and their families

attention

You're invited to Brunch
Sunday, February 23, 2020

The Men and Women's Ministries want to celebrate you!! Join us in the fellowship area after morning service. You are very important to Solomon's Temple Ministry and we want to show our love to you!! Please let Elder Shivers know if you plan to attend by Sunday, February 16, 2020. 1 John 4:19 says, "We love because he first loved us."

2020 Theme

20/20 GLAIR (God's Loving Anointed and Influential Revelations) Matthew 5:13-16

We look forward to seeing you there.

Having influence is not about elevating self, but about lifting others. *Sheri Dew*

Black History Facts

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February marks Black History Month, a tribute to African American men and women who have made significant contributions to America and the rest of the world in the fields of science, politics, law, sports, the arts, entertainment, and many other fields.

While Black History Month is synonymous with prominent figures such as Martin Luther King Jr., Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, Muhammad Ali, Jackie Robinson, Langston Hughes, Maya Angelou, George Washington Carver and Barack Obama, there are countless other African Americans who've made a profound impact in history: self-made millionaire Madam C.J. Walker, astronaut Mae C. Jemison, open-heart surgeon Daniel Hale Williams, inventor Garret Morgan, media mogul Oprah Winfrey and "Father of Black History" Carter G. Woodson, who lobbied extensively to establish Black History Month as a nationwide celebration, among many others.

In an effort to honor this expansive and growing history, Black History Month was established by way of a weekly celebration in February known as "Negro History Week" by historian Carter G. Woodson. But just as Black history is more than a month, so too are the numerous events and figures that are often overlooked during it.

What follows is a list of some of those "lesser known" moments and facts in Black history.

1. Before there was Rosa Parks, there was Claudette Colvin
2. Martin Luther King Jr. improvised the most iconic part of his "I Have a Dream Speech"
3. Inoculation was introduced to America by a slave
4. The earliest recorded protest against slavery was by the Quakers in 1688
5. Of the 12.5 million Africans shipped to the New World during the Transatlantic Slave Trade, fewer than 388,000 arrived in the United States
6. The diverse history of Historically Black Colleges and Universities
7. One in four cowboys was Black, despite the stories told in popular books and movies
8. Esther Jones was the real Betty Boop
9. The first licensed African American Female pilot was named Bessie Coleman
10. Interracial marriage in the United States was banned in 1664 and not overturned until 1967

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream was a manifestation of hope that humanity might one day get out of its own way by finding the courage to realize that love and nonviolence are not indicators of weakness but gifts of significant strength." *Aberjhani*

Disciples are asked to dress in African attire on Sunday, February 23, 2020 in observance of Black History Month.

February Kingdom Schedule ³

February Scriptures

2/2 1 John 4:15-17
2/9 John 3:16-21
2/16 Romans 8:35-39
2/23 Ephesians 2:1-6



Worship Leaders Schedule

2/2 Elder Margaret S. Thomas
2/9 Bro. James Green Sr.
2/16 Minister Ernest Ruffin
2/23 Minister Cynthia Edwards

Welcome Schedule

2/2 Sis. Kathy Greene
2/9 Jasmine Parker
2/16 Sis. Sheila Brown
2/23 Sis. Lena Holmes

Servant Leaders Schedule

2/2 Sis. Phyllis Duck
2/9 Bro. James Green Sr.
2/16 Sis. Sylvia Gundy
2/23 Sis. Wendy Johnson

Door Opener

Bro. James Green Sr.



Communion Bowls

Sis. Sylvia Gundy
Sis. Wendy Johnson



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 Sis. Phyllis Duck.

February 2020 CID Teaching Schedule

Elder Sarah Hatton, Min. Ernest Ruffin, Sis. Phyllis Duck & Sis. Wendy Green

February 4th Sis. Phyllis Duck | God-Honoring Piety | Matthew 6:1-8
Youth Teachers: Joseph Tribe

February 11th Min. Ernest Ruffin | Kingdom-Seeking Prayer | Matthew 6:9-15
Youth Teachers: Bridge Ministry

February 18th Elder Sarah Hatton | Ever-Persevering Petitions | Luke 11:5-13
Youth Teachers: Joseph Tribe

February 25th No CID | A Call to Accountability | Amos 5:18-24



**Join us for Intercessory Prayer - Wednesday mornings at 6:00am
Call the conference line to join in 1-302-202-1106 code 596347**

"Prayer is the key; faith unlocks the door"

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.

February schedule of events



Date	Time	Event
2/1/20	4:00pm	Men's Ministry Pre-Super Bowl service. Guest Messenger: Dr. Kelvin E. Turner, Sr. Pastor and the Zion Baptist Church family
2/2/20		2020 Ministry Agendas due
2/4/20	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID session/Bible Study
2/5/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer; call the conference line to join in
2/6/20	7:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
2/9/20	During service	Temple Nation
2/9/20	After service	Seasoned Saints Ministry will meet (men and women ages 41 and above)
2/11/20	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID session/Bible Study
2/12/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer; call the conference line to join in
2/13/20	5:00pm-6:00pm	Men and Women's Ministries show love in the community – distribute flowers to women in the parking lot at Kroger in Smithfield, Dollar General in Chuckatuck and Food Lion in Carrollton. Volunteers are needed.
2/14/20	All Day	Happy Valentine's Day
2/15/20	9:00am/10:00am	Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal/Youth Choir rehearsal
2/16/20	After service	Joseph Tribe will meet
2/18/20	6:30pm/7:15pm	CID session/Bible Study
2/19/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer; call the conference line to join in
2/20/20	6:00pm/7:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal/Joyful Voices rehearsal
2/22/20	3:00pm	Praise Team sings at Little Zion Baptist Church, 9496 Old Stage Highway, Smithfield, VA for Royal Degree Circle of the United Order of Tents service
2/23/20	After service	Brunch celebrating Solomon's Temple Bridge Ministry and their families
2/25/20		No CID session/Bible Study
2/26/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer; call the conference line to join in
2/26/20	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday service at the church
2/27/20	6:00pm/7:00pm	Praise Team rehearsal/Mass Choir rehearsal
2/28/20	6:00pm	Men & Women's meetings
2/28/20	7:00pm	Friday Night Hour of Power service. Speaker: Sis. Sylvia Gundy

Choir Rehearsal Schedule for February 2020

Thursday before 1st Sunday

6:00pm Praise Team
7:00pm Mass Choir

Saturday before 3rd Sunday

9:00am Young Adult Praise Team
10:00am Youth Choir



Thursday before 2nd Sunday

7:00pm Sons of Solomon

Thursday before 4th Sunday

6:00pm Praise Team
7:00pm Joyful Voices

2020 Theme: The 20/20 Glair – "God's Loving, Anointed & Influential Revelations" Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1. 4:00pm Men's Ministry Pre-Super Bowl service
2. 2020 Agendas due	3. Robert White	4. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study	5. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Mary Diggs Barry Nichols James Green Sr.	6. 7:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal	7.	8.
9. Seasoned Saints meet Temple Nation Disciples asked to wear red for heart month	10.	11. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study	12. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer	13. 5:00pm-6:00pm Show love in the community	14. Happy Anniversary Theodore & Sylvia Gundy VALENTINE'S DAY	15. 9:00am Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal 10:00am Youth Choir rehearsal
16. Joseph Tribe will meet after service	17. Happy Anniversary Corey & Tamara Brown	18. 6:30pm CID session 7:15pm Bible Study	19. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer	20. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Joyful Voices rehearsal	21.	22. 3:00pm Praise Team sing at Little Zion Baptist Church
23. Brunch celebrating S. T. Bridge Ministry Disciples asked to dress in African attire	24.	25. No CID/Bible Study	26. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer 7:00pm Ash Wed. service Happy Anniversary Stanley & Dorothy Robinson	27. 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal 7:00pm Mass Choir rehearsal	28. 6:00pm Men & Women meetings 7:00pm Friday Night Hour of Power service	29.

My dear, dear friends, if God loved us like this, we certainly ought to love each other. No one has seen God, ever. But if we love one another, God dwells deeply within us, and his love becomes complete in us—perfect love! (1 John 4:11-12)

February Birthdays

Happy Birthday

Robert White	February 3 rd
Mary Diggs	February 5 th
Barry Nichols	February 5 th
James Green Sr.	February 5 th
Joydan Taylor	February 7 th
Jai'Ciana Brock	February 10 th
Shaquita Taylor	February 12 th
Jade Hunt	February 13 th
Elaine Nichols	February 15 th
Jackie Ruffin	February 16 th
Kaden Taylor	February 21 st
Anthony Gray Jr.	February 22 nd
Zhaetwan Wells	February 23 rd



Prayer List

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



Sis. Vernell Brown
Sis. Vernell Wrenn
Sis. Mary Diggs
Sis. Lonnie Batten
Sis. Connie Payne
Sis. Marion Smith
Sis. Ruby Clarke
Sis. Florence Turner
Sis. Sheila Gatewood
Sis. Mary Cornick
Bro. Carl Duck
Bro. Stanley Robinson
Sis. Dorothy Robinson
Bro. Charles Turner
Bereaved Families



January - June 2020 Key Holders Schedule

January	Bro. Kinston Shivers
February	Bro. James Green Sr.
March	Bro. Stanley Robinson
April	Bro. Ray Holmes
May	Bro. Earl Moton
June	Bro. Kinston Shivers

March 2020 Welcome Schedule

March 1 st	Min. Ernest Ruffin
March 8 th	Kristiana Smith
March 15 th	Bro. Ray Holmes
March 22 nd	Sis. Cynthia Watson
March 29 th	Bro. Barry Nichols



February Anniversaries



Happy Anniversary



Theodore & Sylvia Gundy – February 14th

Corey & Tamara Brown – February 17th

Stanley & Dorothy Robinson – February 26th

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

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.

February Care Team

Sis. Shenille Davis, Sis. Stacy Turner & Sis. Joyce Greene

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

Bereavement Ministry

The purpose of the Bereavement Ministry is to provide comfort and support to disciples of Solomon's Temple during time of loss of a loved one, and to show love to our disciples and assure them that they are not alone during this difficult time in their lives. We have "Spiritual Support Care Teams" to help you in this.

February Bereavement Team

Bro. Donald Watkins & Sis. Kathy Greene

He give us **comfort** in all our troubles. Then we can **comfort** other people who have the same troubles. We give the same kind of **comfort** God gives us." **2 Corinthians 1:4**



Congratulations to Smithfield High School senior **Nikia Robertson**. The Packers played Tabb High School on Wednesday, Jan. 22nd. Nikia had 22 points, 4 assists and 4 steals for the Lady Packers. **Girls Varsity Basketball Senior Night is Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 7:00pm at Smithfield High School.**



**Ash Wednesday Service
February 26, 2020 @ 7:00pm
Solomon's Temple Church**



Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. Its official name is “Day of Ashes,” so called because of the practice of rubbing ashes on one’s forehead in the sign of a cross. Since it is exactly 40 days (excluding Sundays) before Easter Sunday, it will always fall on a Wednesday. Lent is intended to be a time of self-denial, moderation, fasting, and the forsaking of sinful activities and habits. Ash Wednesday commences this period of spiritual discipline. While the Bible does not mention Ash Wednesday, it does record accounts of people in the Old Testament using dust and ashes as symbols of repentance and/or mourning (2 Samuel 13:19; Esther 4:1; Job 2:8; Daniel 9:3). The modern tradition of rubbing a cross on a person’s forehead supposedly identifies that person with Jesus Christ.



Health Care Ministry Corner

February Is: American Heart Month

Heart Disease: It Can Happen at Any Age

Heart disease doesn’t happen just to older adults. It is happening to younger adults more and more often. This is partly because the conditions that lead to heart disease are happening at younger ages. February is Heart Month, the perfect time to learn about your risk for heart disease and the steps you need to take now to help your heart. Heart disease—and the conditions that lead to it—can happen at any age. High rates of obesity and high blood pressure among younger people (ages 35-64) are putting them at risk for heart disease earlier in life. Half of all Americans have at least one of the top three risk factors for heart disease (high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and smoking). Other conditions and behaviors that affect your risk for heart disease include: obesity, diabetes, physical inactivity, and unhealthy eating patterns.

In observance of American Heart Month, disciples are asked to wear red on Sunday, February 9, 2020.



Happy Valentine's Day to our Church Mothers



Sis. Mary Diggs



Sis. Connie Payne



Sis. Vernell Brown



Sis. Lonnie Batten

Pastor and Church Anniversary 2020 Theme: 20 Years of Walking in Divine Influence and Purpose



Greetings,

To God be the Glory for the Great Things He Has Done! Solomon's Temple Church is excited to celebrate our Pastor, Rev. Dr. K. D. Shivers and Leading Lady Elder Edith R. Shivers' 20th year pastor and church anniversary. Our anniversary service will be held on **Sunday Oct 18, 2020**. We are soliciting your help to purchase an ad for our 20th year Anniversary Booklet. The prices for the ads are as follow:

Full Page - \$100.00 Half Page - \$50.00
Quarter Page - \$25.00 Patrons - \$10.00

All Ads Are Due By Sunday, July 19, 2020.

"A pastor never gets to say "I'm off duty". Never gets to punch out at 5. Never gets to have a normal schedule. We don't know how many sleepless nights they spend on their knees praying for their church. How much opposition they face. How many family opportunities they miss to meet with hurting people. We can't carry their burden for them but we can do what the Bible tells us to: **Pray for them. Encourage them. Support them.** By blessing them we will only be blessed in return. *daughterbydesign.wordpress.com*

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

- Mar. 3rd Lenten Service
- Mar. 6th Friday Night Hour of Power service
- Mar. 10th Lenten Service
- Mar. 13th Friday Night Hour of Power service
- Mar. 16th Praise Dance practice
- Mar. 17th Lenten Service
- Mar. 20th Men & Women's meetings
- Mar. 20th Friday Night Hour of Power service
- Mar. 21st Praise Dance practice
- Mar. 23rd Elder Shivers preach at Pentecostal Holiness Church for Spring Revival service
- Mar. 24th Lenten Service
- Mar. 27th Friday Night Hour of Power service
- Mar. 28th Praise Dance practice
- Mar. 29th Family & Friends Fitness Sunday
- Mar. 30th Praise Dance practice
- Mar. 31st Lenten Service

APRIL

- Apr. 3rd Friday Night Hour of Power service
- Apr. 4th Praise Dance practice
- Apr. 5th Palm Sunday
- Apr. 5th - 9th Holy Week Revival
- Apr. 10th Good Friday
- Apr. 11th Carrying of the Cross
- Apr. 11th Praise Dance practice
- Apr. 12th Easter Sunday
- Apr. 25th Men's Ministry Sing-Out

MAY

- May 9th Men's Ministry Prayer Breakfast
- May 10th Mother's Day
- May 17th Ministry Day
- May 17th Intercessory Prayer Ministry fellowship luncheon
- May 25th Memorial Day
- May 31st Family & Friends Fitness Sunday

JUNE

- June 1st Youth Praise Dance practice
- June 3rd Youth Praise Dance practice
- June 6th Men's Ministry Fish Fry
- June 8th Youth Praise Dance practice
- June 10th Praise Dance practice
- June 14th Youth Day
- June 21st Father's Day
- June 22nd Youth Praise Dance practice
- June 24th Youth Praise Dance practice
- June 29th Youth Praise Dance practice

JULY

- July 1st Youth Praise Dance practice
- July 6th Youth Praise Dance practice
- July 8th Youth Praise Dance practice
- July 13th Youth Praise Dance practice
- July 15th Youth Praise Dance practice
- July 26th Family & Friends Day