

# Temple News

Monthly Newsletter for Solomon's Temple Church

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## June 2020



### What 'Our Father' Really Means When You Pray by Bob Hostetler

The first words of The Lord's Prayer pack a powerful, inclusive punch.



Christians around the world—and down through the centuries—have prayed by saying the words Jesus taught His first followers: “Our Father...”

They're the first words of the prayer commonly called “The Lord's Prayer.” They are so full and rich in meaning that it's hard to overestimate their importance. Too often, however, when we say those words, we gloss right over them, barely thinking. But do you know what you're saying when you pray, “Our Father”?

You say, in an age when disconnectedness and loneliness are epidemic that you never pray alone. Jesus said to pray *Our* Father. Not, *My* Father. It is a small word—just three letters long in English, but there is a whole world in *our*.

It means you pray with Jesus. He is your partner and advocate. It means you pray with the Holy Spirit, even when “we do not know what to pray for as we ought... the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words” (Romans 8:26-27, ESV).

It means you pray with the whole church—throughout history and around the world. You pray with people of all colors, shapes, ages, tribes, tongues, customs and personalities. It means that you pray with all Creation, which “has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time,” looking forward “to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay” (Romans 8:22, 21, NLT).

When you pray, “Our Father,” you are also appealing to an intimate relationship. My daughter, Aubrey, is a beautiful, intelligent and accomplished woman. She is married and mother to three children. She refers to me as her father, of course. But there are times—precious times—when she, grown woman that she is, still calls me Daddy (and not always when she wants a favor). It never fails to warm my heart and, yes, make me even more willing than ever to make her dreams come true.

It's like that when you say, “Our Father.” You're agreeing with the words of Paul, who wrote, “Because we are His children, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, ‘Abba, Father’” (Galatians 4:6, NLT).

There are many ways to pray, of course, and many of them are good ways to pray. But when you pray, “Our Father,” you say so much, and all of it is good.



## Happy Father's Day Pastor K. D. Shivers

*A Father by Beautiful Chaos*

A father never wants to see his child go astray  
 Every day he tries his best to help you on your way  
 Knows at times you'll have to fail learn things on your own  
 No matter how it hurts to see his baby bird has flown  
 Protector of a youthful heart consoler of all pains  
 A hero in the eyes of love the blood within your veins  
 Child love your father now give him all your praise  
 Our time in life is limited wisely use these days  
 Give back all he's given you this love is something rare  
 Its flow is unconditional strength beyond compare



AS A FATHER  
 HAS COMPASSION  
 ON HIS CHILDREN,  
 SO THE LORD  
 HAS COMPASSION  
 ON THOSE WHO  
 FEAR HIM.

PSALM 103:13

### My Father's Voice in Prayer By May Hastings Nottage

In the silence that falls on my spirit  
 When the clamor of life loudest seems,  
 Comes a voice that floats in tremulous notes  
 Far over my sea of dreams.  
 I remember the dim old vestry,  
 And my father kneeling there;  
 And the old hymns thrill with the memory still  
 Of my father's voice in prayer.  
 I can see the glance of approval  
 As my part in the hymn I took;  
 I remember the grace of my mother's face  
 And the tenderness of her look;  
 And I knew that a gracious memory  
 Cast its light on that face so fair,  
 As her cheek flushed faint—O mother, my saint!—  
 At my father's voice in prayer.  
 'Neath the stress of that marvelous pleading  
 All childish dissensions died;  
 Each rebellious will sank conquered and still  
 In a passion of love and pride.  
 Ah, the years have held dear voices,  
 And melodies tender and rare;  
 But tenderest seems the voice of my dreams—  
 My father's voice in prayer.

There is truth in the old adage, "Actions speak louder than words." It's important for fathers to lead their children on the right path through positive examples. Leading a "blameless life" helps show kids how they, too, can walk in God's light. If dads want their kids to be strong in their faith, they must show them the proper path forward. "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it" (Proverbs 22:6, NIV).

### You've Shared My Joys and Soothed My Cries

Life's adventures, some lessons sorely learned,  
 Have ups and downs - both lows and highs.  
 With every goal for which I've yearned,  
 You've shared my joys and soothed my cries.  
 You've lived as my shining example to follow.  
 You're often my source of solutions to heed.  
 You've given advice as a tough pill to swallow,  
 But always are present in times of great need.  
 There's no greater gift than the pride of the father,  
 There's no greater love than they have for their child.  
 You count on your father when others won't bother  
 And moments together are so oft beguiled.

Happy Fathers' Day!



### What Makes a Dad...Author Anonymous

God took the strength of a mountain,  
 The majesty of a tree,  
 The warmth of a summer sun,  
 The calm of a quiet sea,  
 The generous soul of nature,  
 The comforting arm of night,  
 The wisdom of the ages,  
 The power of the eagle's flight,  
 The joy of a morning in spring,  
 The faith of a mustard seed,  
 The patience of eternity,  
 The depth of a family need,  
 Then God combined these qualities,  
 When there was nothing more to add,  
 He knew His masterpiece was complete,  
 And so, He called it.... Dad



# June Kingdom Schedule <sup>3</sup>

## June Scriptures

6/7 Psalm 96:1-4  
6/14 Psalm 119:9-11  
6/21 1 John 2:7-10  
6/28 Psalm 37:3-6

## Welcome Schedule

6/7 Bro. Donald Watkins  
6/14 Javion Pierce  
6/21 Bro. Melvin Turner Sr.  
6/28 Bro. Kevin Shepherd Jr.

## Door Opener

Bro. Kinston Shivers



## Worship Leaders Schedule

6/7 Min. Ernest Ruffin  
6/14 Bro. Donald Watkins  
6/21 Elder Wayne Hatton  
6/28 Min. Bertram Blackwell

## Servant Leaders Schedule

6/7 Sis. Wendy Green  
6/14 Bro. Donald Watkins  
6/21 Sis. Phyllis Duck  
6/28 Bro. James Green Sr.

## Communion Bowls

Sis. Phyllis Duck  
Bro. James Green Sr.



# 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.**

## June 2020 CID Lessons/Teaching Schedule

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

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Min. Ernest Ruffin | Listen to God's Wisdom | Proverbs 1:1-4, 7, 8, 10, 20-22, 32, 33  
June 9<sup>th</sup> Elder Sarah Hatton | Value Wisdom | Proverbs 2:1-11  
June 16<sup>th</sup> Sis. Wendy Green | Receive Wisdom's Gifts | Proverbs 8:8-14, 17-21  
June 23<sup>rd</sup> No CID | Feast with Wisdom | Proverbs 9:1-6, 8-10, 13-18  
June 30<sup>th</sup> No CID | Vindicating Wisdom | Matthew 11:7-19



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.



# June Schedule of Events

Date	Time	Event
6/2/20	7:00pm	CID session
6/3/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/9/20	7:00pm	CID session
6/10/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/16/20	7:00pm	CID session/Graduates Speak-Out
6/17/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/21/20	9:00am	Father's Day/Youth Day Celebration
6/23/20		No CID session/Bible Study
6/24/20	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/30/20		No CID session/Bible Study

## POINTS TO PONDER

"Do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be stronger men." John F. Kennedy

"A good man's prayers will from the deepest dungeon climb heaven's height, and bring a blessing down."

Joanna Baillie

"Be strong enough to stand up again, even after haters make you drop to your knees." T. D. Jakes

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"Courage is contagious. When a brave man takes a stand, the spines of others are often stiffened." – Billy Graham

"A successful man is one who can lay a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him." David Brinkley

"Knowledge makes a man unfit to be a slave." Frederick Douglass

## **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.



**Youth Day Speaker  
Bro. Kinston Shivers**



**Father's Day Messenger  
Pastor K. D. Shivers**

Sunday, June 21, 2020 - Park 'N Praise Service  
Father's Day and Youth Day Celebration  
Come Out and Receive Your Blessing!

## Verse of the Month

A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. (John 13:34)

# June 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1.</b>	<b>2.</b> 7:00pm CID session	<b>3.</b> 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Mor'Relle Johnson Happy Anniversary Ernest & Jackie Ruffin Sterling & Margaret Thomas	<b>4.</b> Joyce Greene	<b>5.</b>	<b>6.</b>
<b>7.</b> Lucy Watkins	<b>8.</b> Carl Henderson	<b>9.</b> 7:00pm CID session	<b>10.</b> 6:00am Intercessory Prayer	<b>11.</b>	<b>12.</b>	<b>13.</b> Zhaniyah Goodwin
<b>14.</b> Ella Ford Micheal Wiggins	<b>15.</b> Charlotte Wellons	<b>16.</b> 7:00pm CID session/ Graduates Speak-Out Raven Parker Isalah Haskins	<b>17.</b> 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Happy Anniversary Jimmy & Frances Robertson Crystal Wrenn	<b>18.</b> Lisa Thompson Tracy Murphy Brandon Drew	<b>19.</b> Happy Anniversary Ray & Lena Holmes Thaddeus & Kathy Greene	<b>20.</b>
<b>21.</b> Father's Day/Youth Day celebration Jay'la Nichols	<b>22.</b>	<b>23.</b> No CID/Bible Study Donna Fenner	<b>24.</b> 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Shermiah Wells	<b>25.</b> Happy Anniversary Donald & Lucy Watkins Rodney & Tracy Murphy Cynthia Watson	<b>26.</b> Turekia White Beretta Smith	<b>27.</b>
<b>28.</b>	<b>29.</b>	<b>30.</b> No CID/Bible Study Desiree Brown Tranisha Hamlin Justan Purvis				

“What gives me the most hope every day is God’s grace; knowing that his grace is going to give me the strength for whatever I face, knowing that nothing is a surprise to God.” - Rick Warren

## June Birthdays - Happy Birthday

Mor'Relle Johnson	June 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Joyce Greene	June 4 <sup>th</sup>
Lucy Watkins	June 7 <sup>th</sup>
Carl Henderson	June 8 <sup>th</sup>
Zhanayah Goodwin	June 13 <sup>th</sup>
Ella Ford	June 14 <sup>th</sup>
Micheal Wiggins	June 14 <sup>th</sup>
Charlotte Wellons	June 15 <sup>th</sup>
Raven Parker	June 16 <sup>th</sup>
Isaiah Haskins	June 16 <sup>th</sup>
Crystal Wrenn	June 17 <sup>th</sup>
Lisa Thompson	June 18 <sup>th</sup>
Tracy Murphy	June 18 <sup>th</sup>
Brandon Drew	June 18 <sup>th</sup>
Jayla Nichols	June 21 <sup>st</sup>
Donna Fenner	June 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Shermiyah Wells	June 24 <sup>th</sup>
Cynthia Watson	June 25 <sup>th</sup>
Turekia White	June 26 <sup>th</sup>
Beretta Smith	June 26 <sup>th</sup>
Justan Purvis	June 30 <sup>th</sup>
Desiree Brown	June 30 <sup>th</sup>
Tranisha Hamlin	June 30 <sup>th</sup>



## Prayer List

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Pastor K. D. Shivers  
Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers  
Sis. Vernell Brown  
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  
Sis. Phyllis Duck  
Bro. Stanley Robinson  
Sis. Dorothy Robinson  
Bro. Charles Turner  
Bro. Isaiah Haskins  
Sis. Shirley Haskins  
Sis. Tami Drew  
Bereaved Families



### Prayer Quotes

Prayers don't have to be long and eloquent. They need only come from a sincere and humble Heart!

Prayer is Man's greatest power.



## June Anniversary - Happy Anniversary



### June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ernest & Jackie Ruffin  
Sterling & Margaret Thomas

### June 17<sup>th</sup>

Jimmy & Frances Robertson

### June 19<sup>th</sup>

Ray & Lena Holmes  
Thaddeus & Kathy Greene

### June 25<sup>th</sup>

Donald & Lucy Watkins  
Rodney & Tracy Murphy



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

### 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.

### June Bereavement Team

Sis. Lucy Watkins & Co-Pastor Edith Shivers

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**

### 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.

#### June Care Team

Sis. Wendy Green, Sis. Sheila Brown and Bro. Terry Rawls

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



# Congratulations!



Solomon's Temple - High School and College Graduates



**Nikia Robertson** graduated from Smithfield High School on Thursday, May 28, 2020. Nik plans to attend the Air Force. Congrats Nik!

**Bryce Williams** graduated from Smithfield High School on Friday, May 29, 2020 and will be graduating from the Firefighter School in June. Congrats Bryce!

**Mor'Netra Johnson** will graduate from Riverside Health Careers RN Program on June 17<sup>th</sup> with Honors. She has already accepted an RN position with Riverside Regional Medical Center as a CVT (Cardiovascular) nurse. Congrats Mor'Netra!

Congratulations to our **GRADUATES** on your graduation and best wishes for your next adventure!"

## Congratulations to the following youth on their achievements:

**Seniah Cypress** promoted from Carrollton Elementary to Westside Elementary.

**Davion Archer** graduating from Victory Elementary and going to Smithfield Middle School.

**Jha'Siah Brown** graduating from Carrsville Elementary on June 10, 2020 and going to Georgia D. Tyler Middle School.

**Jay'Vion Pierce** for making straight A's all 3 semesters.

## Park and Praise service - "I Love to Praise Him"



## Youth in Action

**Olivia Bond**, daughter of Shakina Bond, making an influence in the community to help local family impacted by COVID-19.



## Be The Best Of Whatever You Are

By Douglas Malloch

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill, Be a scrub in the valley — but be. The best little scrub by the side of the rill; Be a bush if you can't be a tree.

If you can't be a bush be a bit of the grass, And some highway happier make; If you can't be a muskie then just be a bass — But the liveliest bass in the lake!

We can't all be captains, we've got to be crew, There's something for all of us here, There's big work to do, and there's lesser to do, And the task you must do is the near.

If you can't be a highway then just be a trail, If you can't be the sun be a star; It isn't by size that you win or you fail — Be the best of whatever you are!

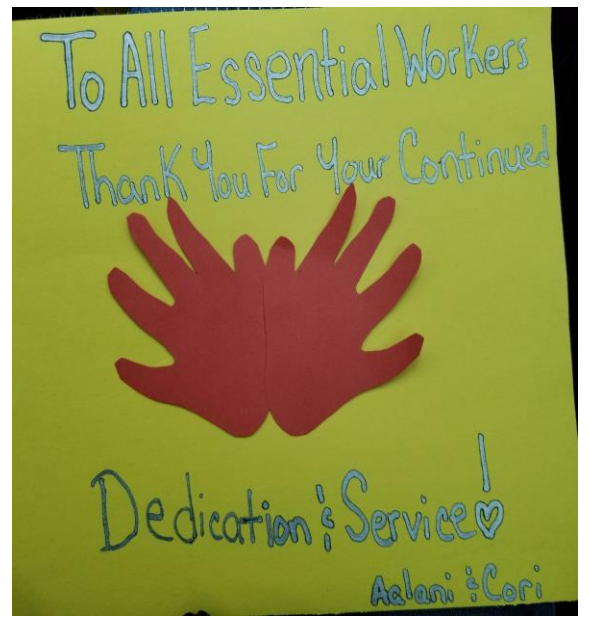
## Let No One Steal Your Dreams

by: Paul Cookson

Let no one steal your dreams  
 Let no one tear apart  
 The burning of ambition  
 That fires the drive inside your heart.  
 Let no one steal your dreams  
 Let no one tell you that you can't  
 Let no one hold you back  
 Let no one tell you that you won't.  
 Set your sights and keep them fixed  
 Set your sights on high  
 Let no one steal your dreams  
 Your only limit is the sky.  
 Let no one steal your dreams  
 Follow your heart  
 Follow your soul  
 For only when you follow them  
 Will you feel truly whole.  
 Set your sights and keep them fixed  
 Set your sights on high  
 Let no one steal your dreams  
 Your only limit is the sky.







### THANK YOU, ESSENTIAL WORKERS

**Doctors...**  
Thank you for helping the sick

**Nurses...**  
Thank you for taking care of Patients

**The Plant workers...**  
Thank you making pork

**Funeral Home staff...**  
Thank you for having drive-in funeral

**Fast Food Workers...**  
Thank you for feeding us

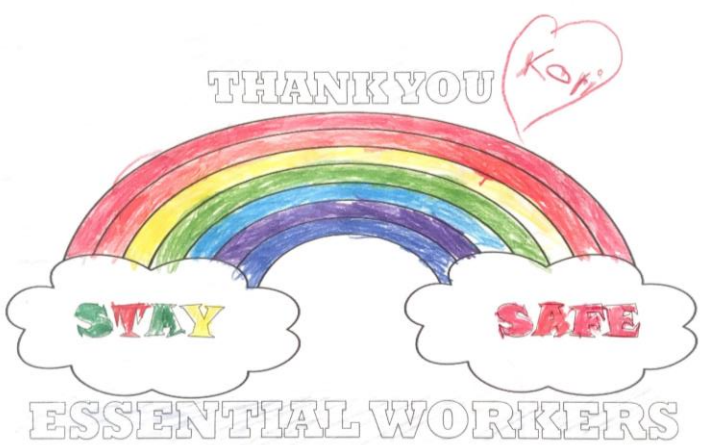
**Homeschool teachers...** Thank you for teaching your child

**Williamsburg Plantation.**  
Thank you for letting people stay

**Hair salon, Barber shop, Nail Tech...**  
Thank you for making us Look beautiful

God Bless you, Love, Seniah

## Dedication to Essential Workers

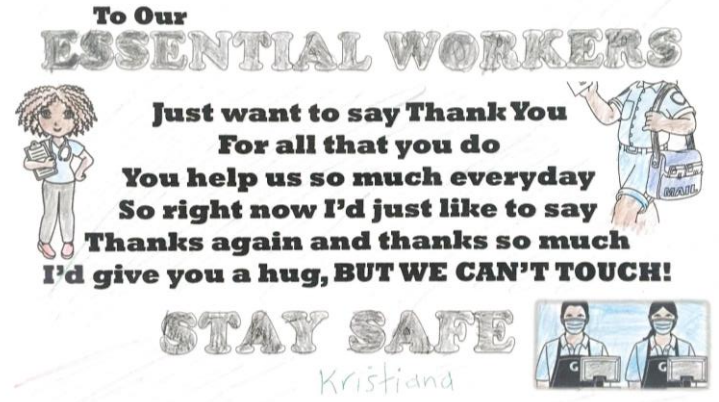


**Gratitude Song**  
 Thank You All Frontline Workers – Youtube youtube.com

Two little words, Two little words, Two little words,  
 Our two little words,  
 To our Teachers, Nurses, Doctors, Essential Workers and All.....  
 Thank you, Thank you, Thank you everyone,  
 Thank you for all you've done.  
 Thank you, Thank you, Thank you everyone,  
 Thank you for all you've done.

You helped us all the time, Learn respect and pride,  
 You helped us day and night, Whenever we were scared,  
 You've helped by joining the fight,  
 Whenever we weren't there,  
 You've helped by keeping us safe, And I don't remember how,  
 That will be a secret kept.  
 We just want to say..... forever now.

Two little words, Two little words, Two little words,  
 Our two little words,  
 To our Teachers, Nurses, Doctors, Essential Workers and All.....  
 Thank you, Thank you, Thank you everyone,  
 Thank you for all you've done.  
 Thank you, Thank you, Thank you everyone,  
 Thank you for all you've done.







*Pastor K. D. & Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers  
and the Solomon's Temple Church Family*

*2020 Theme: The 20/20 GLAIR  
God's Loving, Anointed & Influential  
Revelations (Matthew 5:13-16)*

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 Co-Pastor, Elder Edith R. Shivers'* 20<sup>th</sup> year  
pastor and church anniversary. We are soliciting your help to  
purchase an ad for our 20<sup>th</sup> 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.**

## Solomon's Temple Anniversary Banquet

Sunday, October 18, 2020 is Solomon's Temple Pastor and  
Church Anniversary. In observance of the anniversary, an  
Anniversary Banquet will be held on October 18, 2020 at  
3:00pm at the Williams Mission Center (Main Street Baptist  
Church) 517 Main Street, Smithfield, VA 23430. The cost is  
\$40.00 per person, the attire is formal and the colors are purple  
and gold. Let's get ready to celebrate the goodness of the Lord.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JULY

**July 12<sup>th</sup>**

Co-Pastor Shivers preach at East End  
Baptist Church, Suffolk, VA

**July 19<sup>th</sup>**

Co-Pastor Shivers' consecration service

### AUGUST

**August 13<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor Shivers preach at Emmanuel Baptist  
Church for Revival service

**August 20<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor Shivers preach at Healing Chapel Baptist  
Church for Revival service

**August 30<sup>th</sup>**

Family & Friends Fitness Sunday

### SEPTEMBER

**September 13<sup>th</sup>**

Leading Lady Day

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Pastor Shivers preach at Higher Calling  
Ministry for Revival service

**September 29<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor Shivers preach at New Bethany Christian  
Church for Revival service

### OCTOBER

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Usher Ministry trip to Cowtown & Dover

**October 18<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor & Church Anniversary

**October 18<sup>th</sup>**

Anniversary Banquet

### **Your Heavenly Father** by Elizabeth Peale Allen

Our loving Father in Heaven has a purpose for us beyond our limited human comprehension.

Exactly who is God? He is a God of knowledge, as the Old Testament book of I Samuel tells us (2:3), but the Bible does not call him "Knowledge." He is a God of power (Psalm 145:11), but he is never called "Power." He *is* called "Father" in the Old Testament; Psalms 68:5 and 89:26, Isaiah 9:06 and 64:8, and Malachi 2:10 are examples of this. And of course this is his name throughout the New Testament. Jesus taught his disciples to begin their prayers with, "Our Father in heaven..." (Matthew 6:9).

To realize what that name "father" means, look at what Jesus said in Matthew 7:9-11. If your child was hungry and asked you for a piece of bread, would you hand him a stone to chew on? Of course not! Imperfect as you are (and I am, too), our Lord says even *we* know how to give good things to our children. Then how much more our Heavenly Father will give only the best to His children—you and me. No wonder that John, in his letter to believers, tells us, "God is *love*" (I John 4:8).

Just as a child may not understand what his parent is doing, so we may not always be able to make sense of what's happening in our own lives. Our loving Father in Heaven may have a purpose beyond our limited human comprehension when He permits family tragedies, health crises, or financial setbacks to attack us.

In the Old Testament book of Numbers, God authorized the high priest Aaron to give his people this blessing: "The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you" (6:25). How a parent's face shines when he holds a small son or daughter in his lap, despite the wrong things that child may have done! And our Heavenly Father's face shines on us today simply because *we are His children*, despite our sins and failures.

Why not spend some time with your Father today?