

# Temple News



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**Monthly Newsletter**  
**Solomon's Temple Church**

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**June 2021**

## **How to Pray Like Jesus** *by: Rick Hamlin*

The Bible is full of examples of how important prayer was to Jesus. Here are a few. The Bible offers many models for prayer. The Psalms, for example, offer language to cover almost any circumstance in life. But again and again, I turn to the Gospels for reminders of just how important prayer was to Jesus and how He prayed. Here are a few verses:

***"In the morning, while it was still very dark, He got up and went out to a deserted place, and there He prayed. (Mark 1:35)***

Jesus could have talked to God anywhere, but He found it important to go off by Himself early in the morning, seeking a deserted place. Can we do any less?

I live in a teeming city with millions of people, but I can find that quiet place sitting on the sofa in the morning with my eyes closed.

***"Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for My sake will find it." (Matthew 10:39)***

Our minds are filled with distractions. Prayer is an opportunity to pay attention to them...and let them go. Catch and release. When your mind wanders in prayer, don't fight it. Take note of the thought. And let it go. Losing our lives for God's sake...to find them.

***"...but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail." (Luke 22:32)***

Jesus prayed for others. His disciples, those who came to Him in need. Prayer is a time to offer intercessions for all of our loved ones and those we don't even know. I like praying through the alphabet. There's always someone or a group that comes to mind for every letter.

***"And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper to be with you forever." (John 14:16)***

We're not alone. As Jesus promised to His disciples, the Holy Spirit is our helper at hand whenever we need it. Let the Spirit give you the words—or no words—when all words fail.

***"When you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your sins." (Mark 11:25)***

Prayer is an opportunity to become renewed. Forgiveness is a sure way to start. For me it's never a one-time thing but something I need to do over and over again. When I forgive others, I can begin the work of forgiving myself.

***"My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, Your will be done." (Matthew 26:42)***

Sometimes prayer is a one-way tug-of-war. Think of Jesus in the Garden, asking God to be relieved of His suffering. The only conclusion is relinquishment. Not His will, but God's will. It might seem scary but there is always goodness ahead. For Jesus, yes there was the Crucifixion and then the Resurrection.

***"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name..." (Matthew 6:9)***

Most of us know these holy words, the prayer Jesus taught His disciples. I'm always grateful to be reminded it's in the first-person plural, not singular. Even when we're alone, we're praying with others and for others. The answers come to us all from *Our Father*.

June 20, 2021

**HAPPY**  
**FATHER'S**  
♥ DAY ♥  
**Pastor Shivers**



**Your Heavenly Father** by: *Elizabeth Peale Allen* 2

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?

**4 Blessings for Fathers** by: *Bob Hostetler*

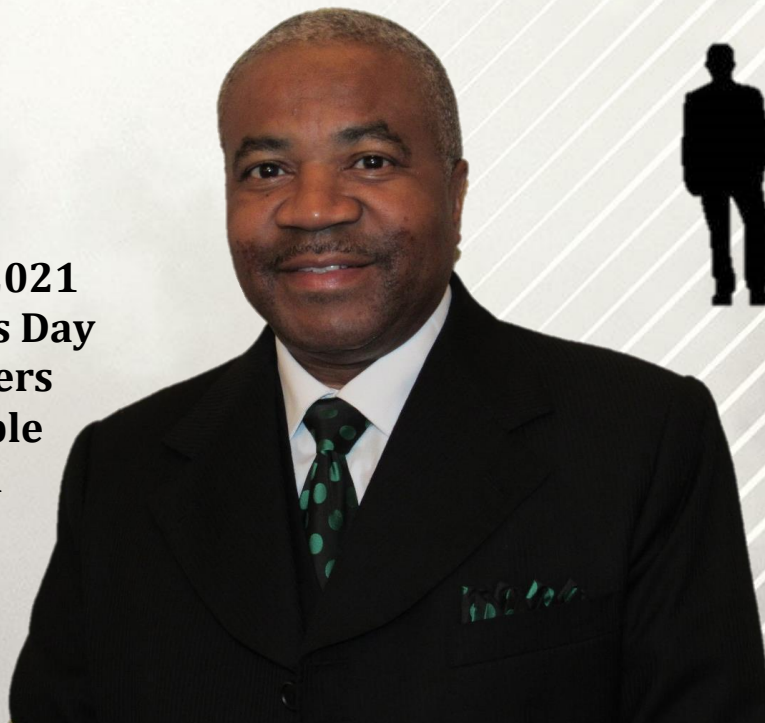
Whether you write them in a card or pray them from a distance, these prayers will bless any father (or father figure). Father's Day has long occupied an important place in American life. Celebrated on the third Sunday in June, it offers a chance to honor those fathers—or father figures—who have made a difference in your life. What better way is there to honor someone than with a prayer of blessing? Though the best way to pray a blessing over someone is to do so aloud, in their presence, and preferably with a meaningful touch such as a hand on the shoulder or head. But the following blessings can also be handwritten in a card, sent via text or email, and prayed from a distance:

- 1) The Aaronic Blessing:** The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26, NIV).
  - 2) An Old Irish Blessing:** May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand. (a traditional Irish blessing)
  - 3) A Blessing from the Apostle Paul:** May God, out of his glorious riches, strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, that Christ may dwell in your heart through faith. May you, being rooted and established in love, have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and may you know this love that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. May God, who is utterly able, do immeasurably more for you and in you than all you can ever ask or imagine. (based on Ephesians 3:16-19, NIV)
  - 4) A Sevenfold Blessing from Scripture:** May God be gracious to you. May God bless you. May God make his face shine upon you. May you be strengthened with all power according to God's glorious might. May you be filled with joy. May God give you the desire of your heart, and make all your plans succeed. (Drawn from Psalm 67:1, Colossians 1:11, Psalm 20:4)
- You may want to combine one or more of these blessings, or add to them specific prayers of your heart for your father (or grandfather, or other father figure). And you don't have to pray these blessings only on Father's Day, of course. They work all year round.

# Solomon's Temple Men's Month 2021



2021 Theme:  
2021 "The Reboot" "To Refresh Every Believer's Operational Objectives and Techniques"



Messenger  
Sunday, June 20, 2021  
Men's Day/Father's Day  
Pastor K. D. Shivers  
Solomon's Temple  
Smithfield, VA



Guest Messenger  
Sunday, June 6, 2021  
Pastor Damion T. Batts  
Mt. Nebo Baptist Church  
Blackstone, VA

Services start at 9:00am  
Solomon's Temple  
15088 Mt. Holly Creek Lane  
Smithfield, VA 23430  
757-357-9500

Rev. Dr. K. D. Shivers, *Pastor*  
Elder E. R. Shivers, *Co-Pastor*

Due to COVID19 seating is limited.  
The services will be LIVE STREAMED  
on Solomon's Temple Facebook Page.



Guest Messenger  
Sunday, June 27, 2021  
Rev. Mark Peterson  
Good Shepherd Baptist Church  
Petersburg, VA

# June Kingdom Schedule

## June Scriptures

6/6 Psalm 96:1-4  
 6/13 Proverbs 1:8-9  
 6/20 1 John 2:7-10  
 6/27 Psalm 37:3-6

## Welcome Schedule

6/6 Bro. Donald Watkins  
 6/13 Javion Pierce  
 6/20 Bro. Melvin Turner Sr.  
 6/27 Bro. Kevin Shepherd Jr.

## Door Opener

MIT Kinston Shivers

## Worship Leaders Schedule

6/6 Min. Ernest Ruffin  
 6/13 Youth Day  
 6/20 MIT Kinston Shivers  
 6/27 Elder Wayne Hatton

## Servant Leaders Schedule

6/6 Sis. Lucy Watkins  
 6/13 Sis. Phyllis Duck  
 6/20 Bro. Donald Watkins  
 6/27 Sis. Wendy Johnson

## Communion Bowls

Bro. Donald Watkins  
 Sis. Wendy Johnson



## 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 with 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 New Disciple Orientation sessions 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 2021 CID Session and Bible Study Schedule

6/1 Bible Study | Pastor Shivers  
 6/8 Bible Study | Pastor Shivers  
 6/15 Elder Karen Lee | Healed by Faith | Matthew 9:18-26  
 6/22 No CID | Rescued from Doubt | Matthew 14:22-33  
 6/29 No CID | Attitude of Gratitude | Leviticus 13:45-46 & Luke 17:11-19



***"The destiny of every human being depends on his relationship to Jesus Christ. It is not on his relationship to life, or to his service or his usefulness, but simply and solely on his relationship to Jesus Christ."***  
*Oswald Chambers*

## Newsletter Submissions

Do you know someone who is doing great things in the community, school, or church? Nominate him or her 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), promotions or special occasions. We also want to know about students 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 the church administrator at [stsecretary1@gmail.com](mailto:stsecretary1@gmail.com).

# June Schedule of Events

Date	Time	Event
6/1/21	6:30pm	Bible Study
6/2/21	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/4/21		Clean-up at the Church
6/5/21		Clean-up at the Church
6/6/21	9:00am	Men's service – Messenger: Pastor Damion T. Batts
6/8/21	6:30pm	Bible Study
6/9/21	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/13/21	9:00am	Youth Day – Speaker: Ms. Gabrielle Parker
6/15/21	6:30pm	CID session
6/15/21	Following CID	Graduates Speak-Out
6/16/21	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/18/21	6:30pm	Seasoned Saints Zoom meeting
6/19/21	1:00pm	Men's Ministry Game & Feast Day (cookout area across from the YMCA)
6/20/21	All Day	Father's Day
6/20/21	9:00am	Men's Day – Messenger: Pastor K. D. Shivers
6/22/21		No CID session or Bible Study
6/23/21	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
6/27/21	9:00am	Men's service – Messenger: Rev. Mark Peterson
6/29/21		No CID session or Bible Study
6/30/21	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer

## Solomon's Temple 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" available to assist you.

### June Spiritual Support Care Team

Sis. Lucy Watkins and Co-Pastor Edith Shivers

He gives 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

# June 2021

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

“The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him” Proverbs 20:7, NKJV



## Prayer List

Pastor K. D. Shivers  
 Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers  
 Sis. Angela Batten  
 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. Stanley Robinson  
 Sis. Dorothy Robinson  
 Bro. Charles Turner  
 Sis. Shirley Haskins  
 Sis. Frances Wells-Robertson  
 Bereaved Families



*Prayer is the most important conversation of the day!!*

## June Birthdays - Happy Birthday

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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>
Zhanyiah 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>
Crystal Wrenn-Combs	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>
Desiree Brown	June 30 <sup>th</sup>
Justan Purvis	June 30 <sup>th</sup>
Tranisha Hamlin	June 30 <sup>th</sup>



## 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.

## Attention Solomon's Temple Disciples

Just a reminder that you can give financially in support of the ministry in the following ways:

- Our Church website  
[www.solomonstemplechurch.net](http://www.solomonstemplechurch.net) accepts **Checks** and **Credit Cards**
- Cash App **\$STCHURCH00**
- Bring your offering to the chapel: 12749 Courthouse Hwy. Smithfield, VA 23430

If you would like to be a blessing to Pastor & Co-Pastor Shivers, their cash apps:

Pastor Shivers - **\$FUNERALS1**  
 Co-Pastor Shivers - **\$ESFIRSTLADY**



“A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way” *Author Unknown*

**2021 Theme:** 2021 “The Reboot” “To Refresh Every Believer’s Operational Objectives and Techniques” (“But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds, declares the Lord” Jeremiah 30:17a)

It is time to **“Reboot – To Refresh Every Believer’s Operational Objectives and Techniques.”** We may not be able to hug and breathe in the same space right now as usual but rest assured that there is still work to be done that each of us can do right where we are. So get in action with us as we continue to minister to a wounded world as God ministers to us.

## Upcoming Events

(Some dates/events are subject to change)

### July 2021

July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Independence Day
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Shivers' Birthday
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor & Co-Pastor Shivers' Anniversary
July 25 <sup>th</sup>	Family & Friends Day

### September 2021

Sept. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Labor Day
Sept. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School
Sept. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Grandparents Day
Sept. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Leading Lady Day
Sept. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Co-Pastor Shivers' Birthday
Sept. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Shivers preach at New Bethany Church – Fall Revival

### October 2021

Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Clergy Appreciation Day
Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor & Church Anniversary

### November 2021

Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Election Day
Nov. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Daylight Saving Time Ends
Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Veterans Day
Nov. 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Harvest Revival
Nov. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup>	First Sunday of Advent

### December 2021

Dec. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Celebration
Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Eve
Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Day
Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Eve/Celebration

## Thoughts to Ponder for Men's Month

Black men, you were once great; you shall be great again. Lose not courage or faith, go forward. *Marcus Garvey*

The strong man is the man who can stand up for his rights and not hit back. *Martin Luther King Jr.*

A man who stands for nothing will fall for anything. *Malcolm X*

I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear. *Nelson Mandela*

God is not looking for men of great faith, He is looking for common men to trust His great faithfulness. *James Hudson Taylor*

Don't gain the world and lose your soul, wisdom is better than silver or gold. *Bob Marley*

## Health Care Ministry Awareness 8

### June is: National Men's Health Month – June 2021

June is National Men's Health Month! This month is all about encouraging the men in your life (including you, men out there!) to take care of their bodies by eating right, exercising, and working to prevent disease. The official symbol for the month is a blue ribbon and the purpose of Men's Health Month is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of diseases including cancer, heart disease, and depression.

#### How to Observe National Men's Health Month

- Tweak your diet** - Men's Health Month is a great opportunity to change the way you eat. Cut back on alcohol this month or up your intake of healthy fermented foods like sauerkraut and kefir. You can do anything for a month, and if you do it for a month, you can do it for life!
- Set some goals** - Use this month to take stock of your health now and think about where you want it to be. Do you want to lose weight? Gain muscle? Simply eat more vegetables? Set small and achievable goals and work with your doctor to make them a reality.
- Get educated** - Take this opportunity to read about the common health issues that are specific to men and how you can prevent yourself from getting hurt! Check out the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov) for information on health issues that men face.

#### Why National Men's Health Month Is Important

- That checks out** - If you're stressing about a symptom—a busted knee, a persistent headache—it can be easy to get in a cycle of worrying about it. But going to the doctor can do two incredible things: one, it can figure out what's wrong, but two, it can keep you from worrying! Men's Health Month encourages you to get yourself checked out so you can feel better—and stop worrying.
- A conversation starter** - Men's Health Month gets people talking about health, which gets people acting about health. Gyms get joined, appointments get made, and resolutions get promised. It's a beautiful thing. Join in!
- An excuse for pampering** - Lots of things that are good for your body are also good for your soul! Play some golf, get a massage, take an extra long nap. It's all healthy, and if anyone asks the occasion, you've got an answer at the ready: Men's Health Month!



### Graduates Speak-Out

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

following CID session on Zoom

“Congratulations on your graduation and best wishes for your next adventure!” Also recognition of youth being promoted from one school to another (pre-K to Elementary, Elementary to Middle, and Middle to High)



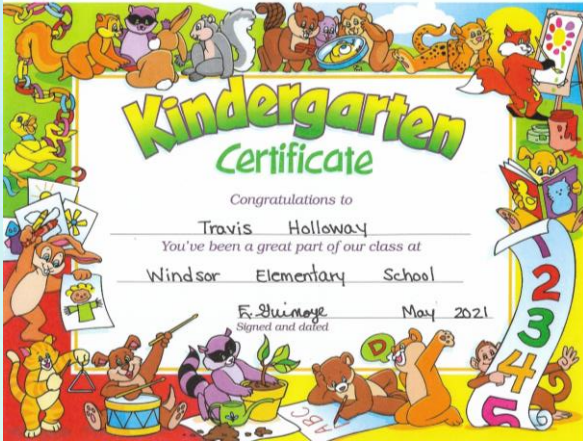
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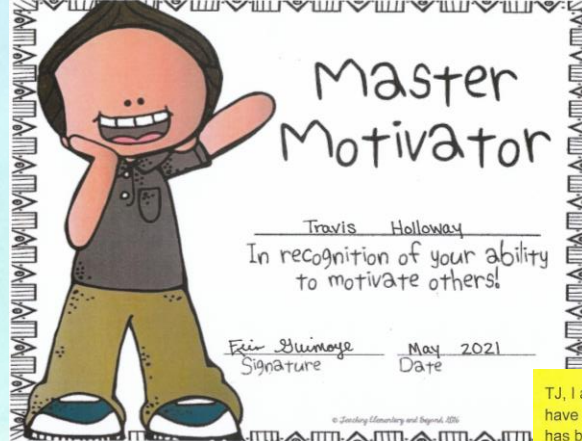
## Youth in Action

*Acknowledging the following Solomon's Temple Youth*  
 Congratulations on your accomplishments and best wishes for a bright future.



**Jayla Gray**

Jayla will graduate from Smithfield High School on Saturday, June 12, 2021. Jayla plans to attend Paul Smith's College.



**Jala Johnson**

Jala will graduate from Smithfield High School on Saturday, June 12, 2021. Jala plans to attend Virginia State University.



**Travis "TJ" Holloway Jr.**

TJ, I am so proud of all of your hard work this year. You have grown and learned so much in Kindergarten and it has been so wonderful to be your teacher! Your funny comments make me laugh and your huge smile warms my heart. You are an amazing kid and I know you will continue to touch lives! You were always encouraging of your friends and definitely deserve the Master Motivator award! Keep up the awesome job and have fun in first grade! I can't wait to come visit you! :) Happy Summer! Love, Mrs. Guimoye



Congratulations  
**CLASS OF 2021**



**Shermiah Wells**  
 Shermiyah will graduate from Hertford County High School and further her education at ECSU.



**Jay'Vion Pierce**

Jay'Vion has maintained all A's for the school year. He has been promoted to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade and will be attending Spratley Gifted Center in Hampton. He also tested as was given his yellow belt in Karate.



**Jordan Elliott**

Jordan will be going to Middle School-6th grade leaving Oakland Elementary to Kings Fork Middle School.



**Kristiana Smith**

Kristiana will be leaving Carrollton Elementary going to Westside Elementary - 4<sup>th</sup> grade.



### Verse of the Month

"Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love"  
 (1 Corinthians 16:13-14, NIV)

## Solomon's Temple Youth Day

**Sunday, June 13, 2021**

**9:00am** *Grow* *GLow*

**Theme: "The Recharge: Grow'n and Glow'n"**

**Guest Speaker:**  
**Ms. Gabrielle Parker**  
**Rising Star Baptist Church**  
**Smithfield, VA**

**Everyone is asked to wear neon colors.**