

7 Bible Prayers for Our Nation—and the World by Bob Hostetler

When it comes to the 4th of July, we can celebrate our freedom as well as remember others in different circumstances.

1) Psalm 113:4, KJV - Lord God, Your Word says that You are "high above all nations, and [Your] glory above the heavens." We live in a nation of many different creeds and convictions, ethnicities and backgrounds, but we know that You love and reign over us all. Please let the ways we exercise our freedoms reflect Your holiness and Your compassion, "that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations" (Psalm 67:2, NIV).

2) Psalm 67:1-5, NIV - God, "be gracious to us and bless us and make [Your] face shine on us" as a nation. Make us strong but peaceful. Make us just and also merciful. Make us prosperous and generous. Make us a beacon of freedom and righteousness in a needy world.

3) **Psalm 122:6-8, NIV** - Heavenly Father, like the psalmist's plea, we pray for Jerusalem while praying also for our nation and region and all those who face threats to their safety and security: "May those who love you be secure. May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels." For the sake of those souls You love and the world for which Jesus died, I will say, "Peace be within them all."

4) **Psalm 133:1-3, NIV-** As Your Word says, Lord, "How good and pleasant it is" when people live together in unity—how refreshing and how cleansing. And how much sadness and suffering results when a nation and a people are divided. Please pour on us a spirit of unity and cooperation like "precious oil," like "the dew of Hermon," washing away bitterness and guiding us into mutual respect and shared hope.

5) Psalm 146:6-8, NIV - Lord God, Maker of heaven and earth, the sea and everything in them—You remain faithful forever. On this day when we celebrate our freedoms, we remember those in different circumstances. We ask You, as Your Word says, to uphold the cause of the oppressed and give food to the hungry. Set prisoners free, give sight to the blind, lift up those who are bowed down, wherever they are, whatever language they speak, whatever nationality they claim, that they too may soon possess the kinds of benefits we enjoy today.

6) John 8:3, NIV - Jesus, while You walked this earth, You proclaimed, "If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." Thank You for all of our freedoms, including those we often overlook or take for granted, foremost among them freedom from condemnation and punishment. Please let the freedom found in Christ be known not only to us but to those who haven't yet experienced Your great love whether they live in our community, state, nation or in other nations from one end of the earth to the other.

7) **Revelation 5:9, NIV -** Lamb of God, saints and angels in heaven are right in singing, "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation." Let Your kingdom come to every tribe and language and people and nation. Deliver us from the bigotry and hatred that divide us. Help us to rejoice instead in the great diversity of Your Creation, to find and focus on the humanity we share and the freedoms we treasure.

Thursday, July 14, 2022



Pastor K. D. Shivers

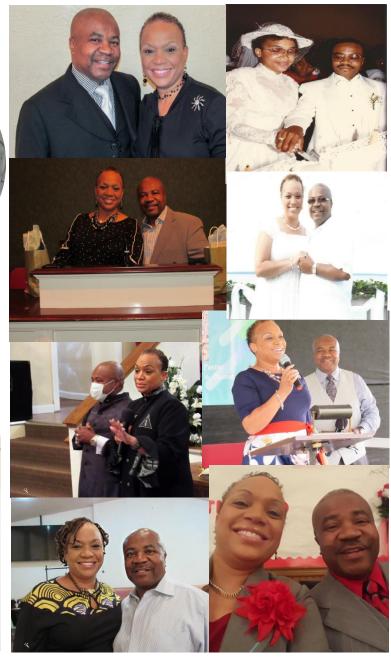
Happy Birthday to our pastor, mentor and spiritual father. We appreciate your faithfulness and dedication and wish you the very best of birthdays. May you have many more to celebrate as you continue to serve the Lord in the ministry He has given you. We Love you. Solomon's Temple Church Family





Pastor K. D. & Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things (1 Corinthians 13:7, ESV).





Solomon's Temple Church Family Zoom Meeting Tuesday, June 7, 2022

There was a consensus among the church family to have the following actions documented and implemented as rules for Solomon's Temple Church. The rules will go into effect July 1, 2022.

I. Active Disciples – Individuals that are disciples in good standing.

- a. Attend worship services regularly (may not be every Sunday/every month).
- b. Contribute financially on a regular basis (giving something).
- c. Attend CID/Bible Study (at least six times a year).

II. Active Disciples use of the facility (the Church) for Funerals and Weddings

- a. Funerals and weddings for active disciples there is no charge. The church contributes all paper products (forks, napkins, plates, and cups), chicken for 75 people (if they have a repast). If no repast, the church will give a flower or \$75.00 donation. Church provides church resolution.
- b. Active disciples that use the fellowship hall only for weddings is \$50.00 (\$50.00 for the hospitality).
- c. Funerals for active disciples that have an immediate family member to pass (mother, father, sister, brother, child or spouse) the service is free for the facility use. However, payment must be made for the minister, musician, media ministry, and custodian a total of \$310.00 (\$150.00 for the minister; \$75.00 for the musician; \$35.00 for media ministry; \$50.00 for the custodian).
- d. Active disciples that have immediate family to use the sanctuary only is \$200.00 (\$85.00 for the media and custodian; \$115.00 for the church).

III. Inactive Disciples – Individuals that are former disciples of the ministry.

- a. Have not attended worship service in two (2) years.
- b. Have not contributed financially in two (2) years.
- c. Have not attended CID/Bible Study in two (2) years.
- d. Have no say so in the movement of the church and do not have a voting right.
- e. Can't hold an office in the church.
- f. Once they become inactive for a period of time, (not limited to) they become non-disciples. **Exemptions: students away in college, sick, homebound, and elderly who are homebound.**

IV. Inactive and non-disciples use of the facility (the Church) for Funerals and Weddings

- a. Inactive and non-disciples who want to use the fellowship hall, the cost is \$200.00 for a 2 hour use.
- b. Inactive and non-disciples who want to use the sanctuary only, the cost is \$300.00 for a 3 hour limit (1 hour before and 1 hour after for clean-up).
- c. Inactive and non-disciples who want to use the sanctuary, fellowship hall, and have the service at the church \$810.00 (\$310.00 \$150.00 for the minister; \$75.00 for the musician; \$35.00 for media ministry; \$50.00 for the custodian) plus \$300.00 (sanctuary) plus \$200.00 (fellowship hall).
- d. Non-refundable \$150.00 deposit is due to reserve the date.

V. Update the list of disciples every two (2) years.

How to Move Forward as People of Faith by Pablo Diaz

For those times when we're feeling overwhelmed and powerless, even despairing, we can remember these words from award-winning author, feminist and social justice activist, L.R. Knost:

Do not be dismayed by the brokenness of the world. All things break. And all things can be mended. Not with time, as they say, but with intention. So go. Love intentionally, extravagantly, unconditionally. The broken world waits in darkness for the light that is you.

As people of faith, the light of God will lead us to righteousness. Now is the time to walk and act in that light.

July Kingdom Schedule

Worship Leaders Schedule

- 7/3 Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas
- 7/10 Sis. Wendy Green
- 7/17 Elder Wayne Hatton
- 7/24 MIT Sylvia Gundy

Door Opener

MIT Kinston Shivers

7/31 Min. Bertram Blackwell

Worship & Praise

Fly! By Linette

Open heart and open mind, on a journey of a lifetime. Love and respect all, get back up when you fall. Beat your drum like only you can; you're already part of the band! Shoulders back, head held high, Smile on. Ready...set...fly!

Source: https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/fly-4

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Communion Bro. James Green, Sr.

Bible Study and CID sessions for the month of July 2022

There will be **NO CID session OR Bible Study** for the month of July. However, if you would like to read the lessons, they are listed below.

The Word Becomes Flesh The Word Heals The Word Saves The Word Resurrects John 1:1-14 John 4:46-54 John 12:44-50 John 11:17-27, 38-44 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15



"A Christian leader is one who knows the way, shows the way, and goes the way."

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 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.

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**.

July Schedule of Events

| Date | Time | Event |
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| 7/4/22 | All Day | Independence Day/Happy 4 th of July |
| 7/5/22 | | No CID session or Bible Study |
| 7/6/22 | 6:00am | Intercessory Prayer |
| 7/7/22 | 6:30pm | Sons of Solomon rehearsal |
| 7/10/22 | During service | Baby Dedication for Nevaeh Vaughan daughter of Khadedra Vaughan and Trevon Webster |
| 7/10/22 | After service | Greeters Ministry will meet in the fellowship hall |
| 7/10/22 | After service | Intercessory Prayer Ministry Luncheon |
| 7/12/22 | | No CID session or Bible Study |
| 7/13/22 | 6:00am | Intercessory Prayer |
| 7/14/22 | 6:30pm | Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal |
| 7/19/22 | | No CID session or Bible Study |
| 7/20/22 | 6:00am | Intercessory Prayer |
| 7/21/22 | 6:30pm | Praise Team rehearsal |
| 7/22/22 | 6:30pm | Seasoned Saints Zoom meeting |
| 7/23/22 | 10:00am | Bikers For Christ – Registration at 9:00 a.m./kickstands up at 10:00 a.m. |
| 7/23/22 | 4:00pm | Ushers Ministry Fellowship Cookout at the home of Sis. Ella Ford |
| 7/26/22 | | No CID session or Bible Study |
| 7/27/22 | 6:00am | Intercessory Prayer |
| 7/28/22 | 6:30pm | Youth Choir rehearsal |
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How to Get Into Heaven

http://www.jokesclean.com/ChristianJokes/



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A man dies and meets St. Peter at the Pearly Gates. Peter says to the man, "Here's how it works. You need to have one hundred points to get into heaven. You tell me about all the good things you've done. They are all worth a certain number of points. If your total is one hundred or more, you can come in." "Well," says the man. "I was happily married to the same woman for 52 years. I never looked at another woman. I was attentive and loved her dearly." "That's great," says St. Peter. "That'll be two points." "Hmmm," says the man. "This is going to be harder than I thought. Well, I attended church regularly, volunteered my time and tithed faithfully." "Wonderful," says St. Peter, "That's worth another point." "One point!" says the man. "Okay, okay. I was involved with a prison ministry for twenty-five years. I went into the prison, at least monthly, and shared Jesus with them." "Wow!" says St. Peter. "That's another two points!" "Only two points!" says the man. "At this rate, it'll be only by the grace of God that I'll ever get into this place." "Bingo!" says St. Peter. "That's one hundred points! Come on in."

$\mathbf{4}^{th}$ of July Facts by Kelly Kuehn

July 4th (also known as Independence Day) is an American holiday celebrated annually. The holiday falls on a Monday this year, giving many Americans a three-day holiday weekend. This day is incredibly significant in American history, as it marks the day the United States officially became its own nation. The Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4th, 1776—and thus, America was born. American citizens celebrate America's birthday with festivals, parades, fireworks, barbecues, sparklers, and other festive activities.

2022 Theme: Living Intentionally in Triumph for JESUS (LIIT) Colossians 1:9-14

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Verse of the Month

"The LORD works out everything to its proper end — even the wicked for a day of disaster." (Proverbs 16:4).

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Prayer List

Pastor K. D. Shivers Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers Sis. Lonnie Batten Bro. Joe Batten Sis. Vernell Brown Sis. Mary Diggs Sis. Connie Payne Sis. Ruby Clarke Bro. Charles Turner Bro. Junious Little Sis. Florence Turner Bro. Willie Turner Sr. Sis. Angela Batten Sis. Phyllis Wiggins Bro. Stanley Robinson Sis. Dorothy Robinson **Bereaved Families**



Prayer is the most important conversation of the day!!

July Anniversaries – Happy Anniversary



Joe & Lonnie Batten July 5th

Pastor K. D. & Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers July 14th

Brandon & LaQueshia Newsome July 30th

Kinston & Samiyah Shivers July 31st R

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



Congratulations Seniah Cypress for making straight "A's" as your 2021-2022 school year average. We are so proud of you. Keep up the good work!!!

July Birthdays – Happy Birthday

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| Sheila Gatewood Nasheena Roberts Brent Wrenn Mattie Turner Kinston Shivers Marcus Smith Pastor K. D. Shivers Wanda Clarke Samiyah Shivers LaQueshia Newsome Tanisha White Kathy Greene Kristiana Smith Mercedi Brown Latisha Shivers Deloris Shivers Kyrah Taylor Vernessa Black Linda Jordan Jha'Siah Brown | July 3 rd July 5 th July 6 th July 10 th July 10 th July 12 th July 14 th July 14 th July 15 th July 16 th July 17 th July 17 th July 17 th July 17 th July 21 st July 21 st July 22 th July 28 th |
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| Cornell Bailey | , July 29 th |





Teachers: Charity Shaw Nina Whiteford



Transition Date: June 22, 2022

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| August 2022 | |
| August 14 th | Pastor Shivers preach at New Branch Church |
| August 16 th – 18 th | Pastor Shivers preach at |
| August 10 10 | Emmanuel Baptist Church |
| August 28 th | Bridge Ministry Event |
| September 2022 | |
| September 5 th | Labor Day |
| September 6 th | School Reopens |
| September 11 th | Leading Lady Day |
| September 11 th | Grandparents Day |
| October 2022 | |
| October 16 th | Pastor & Church Anniversary |
| November 2022 | |
| November $20^{\text{th}} - 23^{\text{rd}}$ | Fall Harvest Revival |
| November 24 th November 27 th | Thanksgiving Day |
| | First Sunday of Advent |
| December 2022 December 4 th | 2023 Accept/Decline forms due |
| December 5 th /12 th | Solomon's Council meet |
| December 24 th | Christmas Eve |
| December 25 th | Christmas Day |
| December 31 st | New Year's Eve/New Year's |
| | Eve service |

Servant Leaders Invitation to Discipleship 2022 Monthly Schedule

| July | Sis. W. Green, Bro. M. Green, Bro. D. Watkins |
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| August | Sis. S. Haskins, Sis. T. White, Sis. P. Duck |
| September | Sis. W. Johnson, Sis. K. Greene, Sis. L. Watkins |
| October | Sis. W. Green, Bro. M. Green, Bro. D. Watkins |
| November | Sis. S. Haskins, Sis. T. White, Sis. P. Duck |
| December | Sis. W. Johnson, Sis. K. Greene, Sis. L. Watkins |

Psalm 119:30-32 "I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on your laws. I hold fast to your statutes, O LORD; do not let me be put to shame. I run in the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free." (NIV)

Psalm 118:5-6 "Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free. The Lord is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?" (ESV)

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.



July Spiritual Support Team

Min. Bertram Blackwell and MIT Sylvia Gundy



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 <u>"Care Teams"</u> 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.



July Care Team

Sis. Lenore Williams, Bro. Kevin Shepherd, Jr. and Sis. Darnelle Jefferson

