

Why Random Acts of Kindness Are More Powerful Than We Realize By: Holly Lebowitz Rossi

Here's motivation to help you to get up and do a good turn today.

Holding the door open for the person behind you. Bringing a plate of cookies to a neighbor "just because." Asking a service person, "How are you?" before diving into your question. These are all examples of random acts of kindness, the seemingly simple actions that don't take much of our time but leave us feeling good about what we can do in a complex world.

Psychologists have long noted the benefits of acting with kindness. But those on the receiving end feel even better than we realized, according to recent research from the University of Texas at Austin.

In one study, participants gave hot chocolate to strangers in a park—and underestimated the mood boost the recipients would have when they learned the treat was an anonymous gift. In another, participants who were given cupcakes and then invited to give away their cupcakes to strangers failed to recognize that those who got cupcakes from strangers reported greater happiness than those who had knowingly received cupcakes as part of the study. And a third study showed that people who received cash through a random act of kindness were more generous in giving some of the money away when they were offered the opportunity to do so (or not).

Amit Kumar, a lead researcher on the studies, says people understand the benefits of kindness for the giver far more than for the receiver. "They get that being kind to people makes them feel good," he said, "What we don't get is how good it really makes others feel."

So next time you have some cookies to spare or time on your calendar to give a friend a ride to an appointment or a free moment to stand a neighbor's tipped-over garbage bin back up, remember that your seemingly simple act of kindness will do more than give just yourself a warm fuzzy feeling inside.

The more we stop underestimating the powerful difference kindness makes in the lives of those who benefitted from our kindnesses, the more reasons we have to keep investing our time and energy in bringing goodness into the world, act by act, day by day.

Have you done a random act of kindness today?

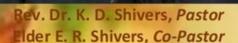
# Solomon's Temple

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# Fall Harvest Revival 2022

Sunday, November 20th - Tuesday, November 22nd

Theme: "Living Intentionally in Triumph for Jesus" Colossians 1:9-14





1:30 p.m.
Bishop Eldridge Lucas III
Emmanuel Baptist Church
Smithfield, VA 23430

Monday, November 21st and Tuesday, November 22nd 7:00 p.m. Nightly Pastor Cedric Rouson Shekinah Kingdom Church Chesapeake, VA 23324



**Inspirational Revival Quotes and Scriptures** 

https://kidadl.com/quotes/inspiring-revival-quotes-from-throughout-christianity

"Revival is the visitation of God which brings to life Christians who have been sleeping and restores a deep sense of God's near presence and holiness." - J.I. Packer.

"Revival is an infusion of new spiritual life imparted by the Holy Spirit to existing parts of Christ's body." - Richard Lovelace.

"Revival is a renewed conviction of sin and repentance, followed by an intense desire to live in obedience to God. It is giving up one's will to God in deep humility." - Charles Finney.

"A true revival means nothing less than a revolution, casting out the spirit of worldliness and selfishness, and making God and His love triumph in the heart and life." - Andrew Murray.

"Revival is not just a feeling of excitement of the Lord. We get excited about many things, but excitement is not a revival if God is not the thing that gets us excited." - Jerry Falwell.

"When Holy God draws near in true revival, people come under terrible conviction of sin. The outstanding feature of spiritual awakening has been the profound consciousness of the Presence and holiness of God." - Henry Blackaby.

"Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?" - Psalm 85:6 NIV.

"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." - James 4:8 KJV.



I Said a Prayer For You 3
Today By Author Unknown

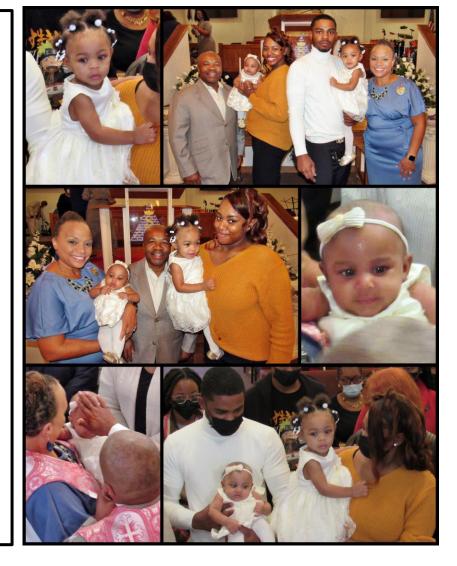


Prayer......
The world's greatest wireless connection.

I said a prayer for you today and know God must have heard. I felt the answer in my heart although He spoke no word. I didn't ask for wealth or fame, I knew you wouldn't mind. I asked Him to send treasurers of a far more lasting kind. I asked that He'd be near you at the start of each new day. To grant you health and blessings and friends to share your way. I asked for happiness for you in all things great and small. But it was for His loving care I prayed the most of all.

#### God Bless You, Little One Ilona M. Blake

A baby is a gift, a blessing that makes our lives worthwhile, As they complete us, give us purpose and always manage to make us smile. Their cuddles, snuggles, and soft kisses can brighten up any day. And it's amazing that even just watching them sleep can make all our problems simply fade away. When they gently clasp your finger or you gaze down at their cute little feet, We are reminded every day just how precious they are, so perfect and oh so sweet. As we watch her grow and learn, I hope she always learns right from wrong. May she be a little warrior, brave and fearless, but at the same time, kind, gentle yet strong. May she never stop following her dreams and reach for the highest stars in the sky. Help her believe and achieve and let her spirits always fly high. We hope that she will be respectful, humble, honest and true. A life filled with pure happiness is what we all wish for you. May she always be surrounded by laughter and her heart always filled with love. And from this moment, we pray that she will be forever faithful to the Lord above. God bless you, little angel; may you never stop wearing a golden halo; And my wish for you is that your life will always be like a rainbow. Perfect in every single way and just so beautiful to see; A life that will be intriguing and as colorful as can be. God bless you, little one.



# **November Kingdom Schedule**

#### Worship Leaders Schedule

11/6 Elder Wayne Hatton

11/13 Bro. Donald Watkins

11/20 Min. Cynthia Edwards

11/27 Min. Ernest Ruffin

#### **Door Opener**

**MIT Kinston Shivers** 



#### **Servant Leaders Schedule**

11/6 Sis. Kathy Greene

11/13 Bro. Donald Watkins

11/20 Sis. Wendy Green

11/27 Bro. James Green Sr.

#### Communion

Sis. Lucy Watkins



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

#### Bible Study and CID sessions for the month of November 2022

Teachers for the month: Elder Sarah Hatton, Min. Ernest Ruffin, Sis. Wendy Green, Sis. Phyllis Duck

- 11/1 Min. Ernest Ruffin | David Anointed as King | 1 Samuel 16:1-13 Elder Sarah Hatton | God Picked You! | Ephesians 1:1-14
- 11/8 BIBLE STUDY | Pastor Shivers | Intentional Discipleship
- 11/15 Sis. Phyllis Duck | Christ Is Wisdom | Ephesians 1:15-23 Sis. Wendy Green | We are God's Handiwork | Ephesians 2:1-10
- 11/22 NO CID Session or BIBLE STUDY | Fall Harvest Revival
- 11/29 BIBLE STUDY | Pastor Shivers | Intentional Discipleship

Youth Teachers: Benjamin Tribe

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

"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.

"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name" Hebrews 13:15, NIV.

# **November Schedule of Events**

Date	Time	Event
11/1/22	6:30pm	CID session
11/2/22	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
11/3/22	6:30pm	Mass Choir rehearsal
11/6/22		Daylight Saving Time Ends
11/8/22	6:30pm	Bible Study
11/9/22	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
11/10/22	6:30pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
11/11/22	All Day	Veterans Day
11/13/22	1:00pm	Pastor Shivers will preach at Union Baptist Church; choir and ushers to serve
11/14/22	6:00pm/7:00pm	Levite meeting/Assembly of Servants meeting
11/15/22	6:30pm	CID session
11/16/22	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
11/17/22	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
11/20/22	1:30pm	Fall Harvest Revival; Bishop Eldridge Lucas III – Guest Messenger; lunch will be served at 1:00pm
11/21-22/22	7:00pm nightly	Fall Harvest Revival; Pastor Cedric Rouson – Guest Messenger
11/23/22	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
11/24/22	All Day	Happy Thanksgiving Day
11/27/22	All Day	First Sunday of Advent
11/29/22	6:30pm	Bible Study
11/30/22	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### **November Spiritual Support Team**

Bro. Donald Watkins & Sis. Kathy Greene

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.

#### **November Care Team**

Sis. Lisa Johnson, MIT Kinston Shivers, and Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas

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<b>29.</b> 6:30pm Bible Study James Britt	7:00pm Fall harvest Revival Wendy Johnson Tierra Rawls Shagan Gatewood	<b>15.</b> 6:30pm CID session	<b>8.</b> 6:30pm Bible Study	1. 6:30pm CID session	Tuesday	3
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	<b>24.</b> No rehearsals Happy Thanksgiving	17. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal	10. 6:30pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal	3. 6:30pm Mass Choir rehearsal	Thursday	T N
	25.	<b>18.</b> JayVion Pierce	11. Happy Anniversary Carl & Phyllis Duck Veterans Day	4.	Friday	022
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### Verse of the Month

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (Jeremiah 29:11).

# Prayer List

Pastor K. D. & Co-Pastor E. R. Shivers Bro. Joe & Sis. Lonnie Batten

Sis. Vernell Brown
Sis. Mary Diggs
Sis. Connie Payne

Sis. Ruby Clarke Bro. Charles Turner

Bro. Junious Little

Bro. Willie & Sis. Florence Turner

Sis. Angela Batten Sis. Phyllis Wiggins

Bro. Stanley & Sis. Dorothy Robinson
Bereaved Families

Prayer is the most important conversation of the day!!

### **November Anniversary - Happy Anniversary**



Carl & Phyllis Duck November 11<sup>th</sup>

James & Jennifer Britt November 21<sup>st</sup>



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

## **Upcoming Church Events**

#### December 2022

December 4<sup>th</sup> 2023 Accept/Decline forms

due

December 5<sup>th</sup> Solomon's Council meet
December 12<sup>th</sup> Solomon's Council meet

December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve
December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day
December 31<sup>st</sup> New Year's Eve

December 31<sup>st</sup> New Year's Eve service

A Family Thanksgiving By: Karl Fuchs

Mom and Dad and all the folks
Who sit around the table,
All give thanks to the Lord above
For the fact that we are able
To have the food and shelter
We all need to survive,
And have the love of family
That makes it good to be alive.



### November Birthdays – Happy Birthday 7

November 16<sup>th</sup> Khadedra Vaughan Jay'Vion Pierce November 18<sup>th</sup> Willie "Cat" Turner November 19th November 20<sup>th</sup> Faye Thompson Wendy Johnson November 22<sup>nd</sup> Tierra Rawls November 22<sup>nd</sup> Shagan Gatewood November 22<sup>nd</sup> November 23<sup>rd</sup> Antonio Dixon Davaren White November 26<sup>th</sup> November 28<sup>th</sup> Jowanda Smith-Hawkins November 28<sup>th</sup> Cedric Parker November 29<sup>th</sup> James Britt

# Servant Leaders Invitation to Discipleship 2022 Monthly Schedule

#### November

Sis. S. Haskins, Sis. T. White, Sis. P. Duck

#### **December**

Sis. W. Johnson, Sis. K. Greene, Sis. L. Watkins

Thanksgiving Day – November 24, 2022

A Thanksgiving Blessing By Rick W. Cotton It's cold outside, but it's warm in my heart. And the gray fall sky is His work of art.

Laden and low, quiet and still,

November is welcome, and my eyes drink their fill Of brown-gray grass and red-orange leaves, Of pavement winding through the strong, stately trees.

Down the hill, past the barn, past the gate, up the lane,

The house with bright candles in each window pane.

Now I step inside; oh, it's warm! Oh, that smell! Hot turkey roasting, potatoes done well!

Sweet, spicy cider, and warm winter wine Cranberry sauce - Oh! - the flavors - divine!

The smiles and hugs are so warm and sweet.

In this cold gray November, a Thanksgiving treat.

I do love it all and am so thankful; yes,

For this lovely season...I am truly blessed.



# **Sunday, November 27**<sup>th</sup> First Sunday of Advent

Prepare for the coming of Christ!! (Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love)













I Am By Mychal Wynn

I am strong I am gentle I am proud I am humble

I am intelligent

I am a child of God





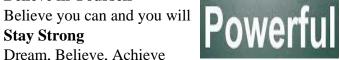
We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future. Franklin D. Roosevelt

I am becoming all that I can be

#### 8 Powerful Words for the Day

1. Believe in Yourself

2. Stay Strong Dream, Believe, Achieve



3. Never Give Up

A little progress each day adds up to big results

4. Be Grateful

A grateful heart is a magnet for miracles

5. Work Hard

Good things come to those who hustle

6. Stay Humble

Work hard in silence, let success make the noise

7. Be Kind

Kindness makes you the most beautiful

8. Keep Smiling

Because of your smile, you make life more beautiful

Tuesday, November 8th – Election Day **Vote Your Values - Fight for Your Rights** 



#### Motivational and Inspirational Quotes

Some of the best lessons are learned from past mistakes. The error of the past is the wisdom of the future. – Dale Turner

The only difference between a good day and a bad day is your attitude. – Dennis S. Brown

The hardest prison to escape is in your mind. – Unknown

You must find your passion in life to truly live to your potential. – *Unknown* 

Behind every person is a story, behind every story is a person. So think before you judge, because judging someone doesn't label who they are, it labels who you are.

### **Veterans Day – November 11th**

A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

