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Monthly Newsletter for Solomon's Temple Church

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JULY 2023

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

The Father of the Fourth of July? By Diana Aydin

This week I was researching Fourth of July prayers, and I came across George Washington's first inaugural address from 1789. I was surprised that one of his first orders of business as president was to give props to God!

"There's no place like the United States." I've been hearing those words since I was a kid, especially on holidays like the Fourth of July.

You see, my parents are basically the most patriotic people in the tri-state area! They moved to the U.S. more than 40 years ago from Turkey, where they were a Christian minority. So, they've always been especially appreciative of the freedoms our country has to offer.

I suppose it's no wonder they're a little obsessed with American history. On weekends, you can find them absorbed in Revolutionary War documentaries on TV. They chat about politics at the kitchen table like they're White House correspondents. And my mom never misses a chance to share a Benjamin Franklin yarn from her archive of Founding Father stories.

I inherited my parents' love of Founding Fathers (don't get me started talking about James Madison!) and even studied U.S. history in college and graduate school. I've long been fascinated by the many factors that had to come together for America to come into existence. It's astounding when you think about it. Miraculous really.

Well, as it turns out, I'm not alone in my wonder. This week I was researching Fourth of July prayers, and I came across George Washington's first inaugural address from 1789. I was surprised that one of his first orders of business as president was to give props to God, who he refers to as "the Great Author":

"No People can be bound to acknowledge and adore the invisible hand, which conducts the Affairs of men more than the People of the United States. Every step, by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation, seems to have been distinguished by some token of providential agency."

My parents were right! There really is no place like the United States. And for good reason, as Washington points out. God has been working behind the scenes in the affairs of our country since the very beginning. Watching over our great nation, every step of the way.

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That's something to remember on July 4th and always.







Make Pastor Shivers' birthday and his and Co-Pastor's anniversary a special one they will always remember by thinking of creative ways to celebrate the ministry gift God has placed here at Solomon's Temple. Pastor and Co-Pastor Shivers sacrifice and give unconditionally and celebrating them is the perfect opportunity to give back to them what they freely give to others.





"He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the LORD." (Proverbs 18:22)

JULY KINGDOM SCHEDULE

WORSHIP LEADERS SCHEDULE

- 7/2 Elder Sarah Hatton
- 7/9 Bro. James Green, Sr.
- 7/16 Min. Sylvia Gundy
- 7/23 Elder Karen Lee
- 7/30 Co-Pastor Edith Shivers

LEVITES COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Lead Communion Elder Sarah Hatton Anointing Elder Karen Lee & Min. Sylvia Gundy Trays Elder Margaret Shivers-Thomas & Elder Wayne Hatton

DOOR OPENER

Min. Kinston Shivers



SERVANT LEADERS SCHEDULE

- 7/2 Sis. Wendy Green
- 7/9 Bro. James Green, Sr.
- 7/16 Sis. Kathy Greene
- 7/23 Sis. Wendy Johnson
- 7/30 Sis. Shirley Haskins

SERVANT LEADERS COMMUNION AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Sis. Wendy Green, Sis. Turekia White

Sis. Phyllis Duck



JULY 2023 CID AND BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE GOD'S WORD TR ANSFORMS There will be NO CID session or Bible Study for the month of July. July 2nd Peace to the Nations Zechariah 9:9-13, 16-17 July 9th The Kingdom Has Come Upon You Matthew 12:22-32 July 16th The Sower and the Seed Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 July 23rd Weeds Among the Wheat Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 July 30th Matthew 13:44-52 Finding and Gathering



"A CHRISTIAN LEADER IS ONE WHO KNOWS THE WAY, SHOWS THE WAY, AND GOES THE WAY."

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**.

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 Sis. Phyllis Duck or Elder Karen Lee.**

JULY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
7/2/23	After service	Outreach Ministry Opens Bids for Silent Auction
7/4/23	All Day	Happy Fourth of July
7/4/23		No CID session or Bible Study
7/5/23	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
7/6/23	6:00pm	Sons of Solomon rehearsal
7/9/23	After service	Outreach Ministry last day to make Bids for Silent Auction
7/9/23	11:00am	Co-Pastor Shivers preaches at New Jones Grove Baptist Church, Windsor, VA
7/11/23		No CID session or Bible Study
7/12/23	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
7/13/23	6:30pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
7/16/23	After service	Silent Auction winners revealed
7/16/23	11:00am	Pastor Shivers preaches at New Jones Grove Baptist Church, Windsor, VA
7/18/23		No CID session or Bible Study
7/19/23	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
7/20/23	6:30pm	Praise Team rehearsal
7/22/23	10:00am	Bikers for Christ and Fish Fry (registration starts at 9:00 a.m.)
7/23/23	10:00am	Family and Friends Day at The Planter's Club, Suffolk, VA
7/23/23	10:15am	Min. Sylvia Gundy preaches at New Bethany UCC for Women's Day
7/23/23	3:00pm	Min. Kinston Shivers preaches at Calvary Community Baptist Church, Newport News
		for Youth Day
7/25/23		No CID session or Bible Study
7/26/23	6:00am	Intercessory Prayer
7/27/23	6:30pm	Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal







Bids can be made on Sunday, July 2nd and Sunday, July 9th. Silent Auction winners will be revealed on Sunday, July 16th after morning service.

TRUSTEE MINISTRY SUNDAY SCHEDULE – JULY 2023

July 2nd July 9th July 16th July 23rd July 30th



Bro. James Britt Sis. Linda Wiggins Bro. Marcus Smith Bro. Barry Nichols Sis. Cynthia Jordan



Women's Praise Dance Ministry is looking for new members. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for anyone who is interested. Thank you. Arieana Parker, Contact Person.

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25. No CID or Bible Study	18. No CID or Bible Study Mercedi Brown	11. No CID or Bible Study	4. No CID or Bible Study Happy 4 th of July	TUESDAY	JUL
26. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Prayer	19. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Latisha Shivers	12. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Marcus Smith	5. 6:00am Intercessory Prayer Nasheena Roberts Happy Anniversary Joe & Lonnie Batten	WEDNESDAY	Y 202
27. 6:30pm Young Adult Praise Team rehearsal Vernessa Black	20. 6:30pm Praise Team rehearsal	13. 6:30pm Youth Choir rehearsal	6. 6:00pm Sons of Solomon rehearsal Brent Wrenn	THURSDAY	23
28. Linda Wiggins	21. Deloris Shivers	14. Pastor K. D. Shivers Wanda Clarke Happy Anniversary Pastor & Co-Pastor Shivers	7.	FRIDAY	
29.	22. 10:00am Bikers for Christ and Fish Fry	15. Samiyah Shivers	œ	SATURDAY	

VERSE OF THE MONTH

"Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day." (2 Corinthians 4:16)



PRAYER LIST

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



Prayer is the most important conversation of the day!!



Joe & Lonnie Batten July 5th



Kinston & Samiyah Shivers July 31st

JULY BIRTHDAYS - HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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"Happy is the man who finds a true friend, and far happier is he who finds that true friend in his wife." *Franz Schubert*

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 and Sis. Darnelle Jefferson

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 Min. 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



Meet our Newest Disciple James Jenkins successfully completed New Disciples class and received his certificate of completion on Sunday, June 25, 2023. Congratulations James and welcome to Solomon's Temple.











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One Day Shopping Trip

Sponsored by Solomon's Temple Ushers Ministry When: Saturday, October 7, 2023 Where: Cow Town, New Jersey, and Dover Mall Leaving from: Smithfield Commuter Parking Lot Depart: 5:00 a.m. (Bus loading at 4:30 a.m.) Cost: \$70.00 per person



Transportation Provided By: Banks Bus Service



HENRY AND LINDA WIGGINS were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at Solomon's Temple Church.

Christian Humor (something to make you laugh or at least smile)

"One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex was staring up at the large plaque that hung in the foyer of the church. The plaque was covered with names, and small American flags were mounted on either side of it. The seven-year-old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside him, and said quietly, "Good morning, Alex." "Good morning, Pastor," replied the young man, still focused on the plaque. "Pastor McGhee, what is this?" Alex asked. "Well, son, it's a memorial to all the men and women who have died in the service." Soberly, they stood together, staring at the large plaque. Little Alex's voice was barely audible when he finally managed to ask, "Which one, the 9:00 or 10:30 service?" *http://jokes.christiansunite.com/Sermons/Rest_in_Peace.shtml*

"One Sunday morning, the minister told the congregation that he was going to say a series of words, and he wanted them to sing the song that came to mind, when he said each word. The first word he said was "rock" They immediately started singing "Rock of Ages." The second word he said was "Blood" and they sang "Power in the Blood." The third word was "Cross" and they began singing "The Old Rugged Cross." The fourth word he said was "Sex", everyone gasped and then it got very quiet, then way in the back of the church an 87-year-old lady stood up and started singing "Memories." <u>http://jokes.christiansunite.com/Sermons/Long_Forgotten.shtml</u>

Who was the best female finance lady in the Bible? Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet. <u>https://wordingvibes.com/christian-jokes/</u>







WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CLASS OF '25 COMMIT

JAYLA GRAY SMITHFILED HIGH SCHOOL POWER FORWARD

Congratulations

Jayla Gray ended her sophomore year at Paul Smith's College on the Chancellors list with a G.P.A of 4.0. She has successfully transferred to EMU for the duration of her studies.

Quotes by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"The art of acceptance is the art of making someone who has just done you a small favor wish that he might have done you a greater one."

"When you are right you cannot be too radical; when you are wrong, you cannot be too conservative."



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pscwomensbasketball This years Defensive Player Of The Year is... Jayla Gray (@jaylorade)

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Jayla led the team with 284 rebounds this year 140 of those offensive. She averaged a double double this year while finishing with 43 steals and 33 blocks.

AUGUST 2023

Aug. 8th – 9th

Aug. 22nd

Aug. 27th

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pastor Shivers preaches at Shiloh Baptist Church Pastor Shivers preaches at Macedonia Baptist Church Pastor Shivers preaches at New Jones Grove Baptist Church

Thought to Ponder

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"Though the mountains be shaken, and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you." Isaiah 54:10

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sept. 4th Sept. 10th Sept. 10th Sept. 12th Labor Day Grandparents Day Leading Lady Day Bible Study resumes



Oct. 1st

Oct.	8 th		
Oct.	15 th		
Oct.	22 nd		

NOVEMBER 2023

Nov. 19th – 21st Nov. 23rd Fall Harvest Revival Thanksgiving Day



Pastor Shivers preaches at Sandy Mt. Baptist Church Clergy Appreciation Day Pastor and Church Anniversary Co-Pastor Shivers preaches at Cypress Baptist Church

DECEMBER 2023

Dec. 3 rd	First Sunday of Advent
	방법 집 회원은 사람이 영광 것이라고 있다. 것이 가지 않는다.
Dec. 3 rd	2024 Accept / Decline
	forms are due
Dec. 24 th	Christmas Eve
Dec. 25 th	Christmas Day
Dec. 31 st	New Year's Eve