

The Shiloh Spirit



Wallace Charles Smith, D.Min.
Senior Minister



The Pastor's Pen

I have always known that Shiloh Baptist Church is unique in its love, care and compassion. I didn't need proof, but I received it anyway. Your outpouring of love during the time of my hospitalization and recuperation has been truly amazing. Your prayers, flowers, gifts, cards, calls, e-mails and best wishes have been a constant source of strength and encouragement. I continue to feel better every day, and I know that with God's grace and mercy, and your continued prayers, I will soon be completely recovered.

Elaine joins me in expressing our deepest thanks and appreciation to our pastoral leadership team, deacons and trustees for carrying on in such a marvelous way, and to all of our members for being such loving and caring people.

Today begins the 2009 /2010 church year. Our theme for the year is **Deepening our Spirituality**. Last year we focused on claiming the victory. Our three-pronged approach was **accountability, responsibility, and spirituality**. Each of these areas had certain measurable goals and specific objectives.

This year we will deepen our spirituality by focusing on stewardship, education, outreach, fellowship, and worship. For Stewardship, our overall goal will be to increase our number of tithers by 10%; through Outreach to develop five community-based ministries to support our emerging victory village; through Education to increase the attendance at our Bible Institute, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, and other educational events by 10%; through Worship to develop a clear youth and young adult emphasis on third Sundays, to promote intentional, intergenerational worship on all Sundays, to increase attendance at all worship services by 10%; through Fellowship to intentionally ensure that all fellowship events have a biblical, theological agenda.

We look forward to this being one of the finest years in our church's 146 year history. We solicit your prayers and support as we move into this exciting venture of a new church year.

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Sunday, October 4, 2009

Reading Through The Bible

October 11:

Job 23:1-17; Psalm 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 18:

Job 38:1-41; Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

October 25:

Job 42:1-17; Psalm 34:1-22; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

New Members Received by
Dorcas Circle



This Week at Shiloh

Sunday, October 4, 2009



Holy Communion

Deacon Board Morning Prayer Service – 8:30 a.m. /Deacons’ Room

All Adult Church School Classes are held at 9:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

All Youth Classes are held in the gym at 9:00 a.m.

DCCF Credit Union	LL/FLC
Youth Church (10:00 a.m.)	COH/FLC
Guest Hospitality	TF/FLC
Village Council Open House	HH/FLC
Computer Laboratory Dedication	LL/FLC
YACS Meeting	216/FLC
Youth & Elementary Sunshine Circles Meeting	RBC/FLC
Nurses Unit Meeting	Library/FLC

Monday, October 5, 2009

No Activities Scheduled

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

4:00 - Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Senior Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 - Circle Leaders Council Meeting	HH/FLC
6:30 - Children’s Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 - Tornado Taekwondo Class	RBC/FLC
7:15 - WCS Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal	Choir Room

Wednesday, October 7, 2009

12:00 - DC Christian Federal Credit Union	LL/FLC
1:00 - Senior Citizens Club Meeting	HHN/FLC
4:00 - Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
6:00 - SAT Prep Class	216/FLC
6:30 - Gospel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 - ALNON Family Meeting	208/FLC
7:00 - Yoga Class	LL/FLC

Thursday, October 8, 2009

10:00 - Needle Arts & Knitting Class	HH/FLC
4:00 - Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Prayer & Praise Service	COH/FLC

Friday, October 9, 2009

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, October 10, 2009

8:30 - Leadership Orientation	HH/FLC
11:00 - Messiah Rehearsal (Women).....	Sanctuary
12:00 - Shiloh Step Team Practice.....	Choir Room
2:00 - Deaconess Board Meeting	LL/FLC
2:00 - New Generation Praise Dancers	LL/FLC

Sunday, October 11, 2009

Deacon Board Morning Prayer Service – 7:30 a.m. /Deacons' Room
All Adult Church School Classes are held at 9:30 a.m. (Locations Listed Below)
Installation of Officers – 10:55 a.m. Worship Service

DCCF Credit Union	LL/FLC
Guest Hospitality	TF/FLC
Alpha Class	Gym/FLC
Caleb Class	Sanctuary/P Street Side-Rear
E.L. Harrison Class	COH/FLC
Ever Ready Class	Library/FLC
Excelsior Class	Sanctuary/Center
Genesis Class	RBC/FLC
John A. Miles Class	208/FLC
Littlejohn Class	Gym/FLC
Silent Mission Class	Gym/FLC
Waldron/Gill Class	Gym/FLC
Walker Memorial Class	216/FLC
Young Adult Class	Gym/FLC
Nursery & Pre-K Classes	LLA&B/FLC
Elementary & Upper Elementary Classes	LL/FLC
Jonathan Class.....	Sanctuary/Balcony
Middle School Class	RBC/FLC
Senior High Class	TF/FLC
New Members Workshop (9:30 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
Guest Hospitality	TF/FLC
Adah Circle Meeting.....	LL/FLC
Bethel Circle Meeting.....	208/FLC
Berean Circle Meeting	216/FLC
Calvary Circle Meeting.....	Gym/FLC
Hill Climbers Circle Meeting.....	Gym/FLC
Ruth Circle Meeting.....	COH/FLC

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to George W. Henderson, Jr. (Grace Circle) in the loss of his aunt, Parthenia Morton.

Thank You Notes

Pastor Smith, Minister Bowen, Friendly Circle, Hope Circle, Circle Leaders Council and Shiloh members – many thanks for your prayers and words of encouragement during the bereavement of our sister Barbara Headspeth. She visited Shiloh a few times and always felt Shiloh's warmth and caring family of God. Thank you and may God continue to bless you.

Deborah and Yvonne Powell

To Pastor Wallace Charles Smith, ministerial staff, my Shiloh family and friends – I wish to thank each of you for the love, kindness, prayers and concern shown to me and my family during the passing of my daughter, Claudia Huntley. My Omega Circle family ushers, and YACS you were by my side. I love each of you in a special way. Death is a difficult task to bear but with people like you praying for me I will make it.

Betty Johnson & Family

It is with great appreciation that this note of thanks is written to my Shiloh family. Your expressions of concern, in any and all forms, during the recent and continuous period of bereavement related to the passing of my son, Keith Darnel Campbell, are acknowledged with gratitude. May God continue to bless you for your loving Christian spirit.

Deaconess Doris M. Campbell

For the past two years, our committee has been privileged to serve this church for its anniversaries. So many people did so much to bring our activities to fruition. On behalf of the 146th Anniversary Committee, we extend our thanks to Pastor Smith, Reverend Mensah and the ministerial staff of this church for your continued support, participation and encouragement. Special thanks also are extended to Joy Patterson, Warren Pyles, Christine Barker and the Communications Ministry for invaluable dedication, especially for the Service of Remembrance. Thomas Dixon Tyler, Rita Andrews and the choirs and musicians of Shiloh provided us with majestic music and the ushers, as usual, were always on duty for every service. Many thanks to Deacon Ronald Felton, Cornell Williams and the sound team for going the extra mile. To the Family Life Center staff, the church office staff and all the program participants please know that your services were all invaluable. I thank the congregation for allowing us this opportunity and for your support. And on a personal note, I ask you all to join me in thanking the members of this great committee – the most talented, dedicated and hard-working individuals with whom I have ever worked. To God be the glory for the things he has done. May God continue to bless Shiloh and its ministries.

Mack A. Paschal, Chair
146th Anniversary Committee

Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service

(Thursday Evenings)

October 8 ,,,,,,,Social Reapers & Sunshine Elementary Circles
October 15 Sunshine Youth & Torch Bearers Circles
October 22 Unity & Victory Circles
October 29 Willing Workers & Adah Circles

Circles Receiving New Members

October 4Dorcas Circle
October 11Eula Mae Harrison Circle
October 18Ever Ready Circle
October 25Excelsior Circle

Circles Serving Breakfast

October 4Unity Circle
October 11Victory Circle
October 18Willing Workers Circle
October 25Adah Circle

Church School Lessons At-A-Glance

An Open Invitation to Covenant Living

October 11 – Recognizing Jesus (Mark 5:1-13, 18-20) Jesus encountered a man possessed by demons. He delivered the man and cast the demons into a herd of pigs. Afterward, He commissioned the man to go out and share his story. At times, our problems are so overwhelming and can cause such alienation that we do not know where to turn. What help is available? Mark's account of the Gerasene demoniac demonstrates that Jesus is able to break the chains that bind and isolate us and bring us back into community.

October 18 – Begging to Get In (Mark 7:24-30) Jesus encountered a Gentile who believed that He could heal her daughter who was possessed by an unclean spirit. Though Jesus challenged her, the woman persisted in her faith. We are sometimes astonished by the faith and tenacity that people exhibit. What motivates people to maintain such an attitude? The woman of Syrophenicia believed that Jesus could heal her daughter, so she persisted despite Jesus' challenging questions.

2010 Pastor's Anniversary Committee

The Pastor's Anniversary Committee is seeking members for next year's celebration. We will celebrate the Pastor's 19th Anniversary during the 3rd week in July, 12 - 18, 2010. Please contact: Alice, Warren & Yvonne at 301-559-5030 or sbc19thpac@gmail.com.

VETERANS RECOGNITION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2009

Shiloh military veterans, both living and deceased, will be honored at our seventh observance of Veterans Recognition Sunday on Sunday, November 8, for their many contributions and sacrifices to our Nation. The theme for this year's observance is *Honoring Those Who Served*.

Shiloh has invited Captain James D. Key, U.S. Army Chaplain Corps, as our guest preacher at worship services at 7:45 a.m. and 10:55 a.m. Captain Key serves as chaplain at Arlington National Cemetery, Pastor of Woodlawn Chapel Gospel Services, Fort Belvoir, VA and is a columnist for **USA Today**.

The Veterans Recognition Sunday Committee will host a clothing drive to support active military, veterans and their families on Sunday, November 1st, (8:00 a.m. – Noon) and on Veterans Recognition Sunday, November 8th (7:00 a.m. – Noon) at the Event Center. Please do not drop off clothing at times other than those already indicated. The need to support our service personnel and their families has never been greater and we hope that you will donate your gently-used clean clothing of any kind to our drive. Donations received will be picked up by AMVETS (American Veterans) and delivered to veterans' homeless shelters, hospitals, thrift stores that directly benefit our wounded and transitioning warriors. In times like these, it is more important than ever that we extend to others just a small portion of what God has blessed us with. We thank you in advance for your generous support.

The Veterans Recognition Sunday Committee also wants to acknowledge in particular the brave service of our nation's heroes who have served in harm's way in Iraq or Afghanistan. If you have a family member or friend who is currently serving in either theater of battle, has separated from military service but served in either theater of battle, or is deceased, please provide their names, ranks and area they served in to Ed Washington by October 15 at washingtoneb@verizon.net or call 301/839-1624. God bless you all for helping us make this program a success.

HBCU Corner

It is time for the HBCU Annual Shopping Trip – however, there is a new twist. We are going to Williamsburg Outlet in Williamsburg, VA and offering a cultural package also. The outlet mall offers many outlet stores such as Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, Brooks Brothers and many more. The African American tour is a one hour tour about the lives of our ancestry from over 200 years ago. The cost is \$50.00 for the shopping trip or \$65.00 for the shopping trip and tour.

To RSVP, please see a member of the HBCU Council at the Event Center or e-mail J. Otis Harris, Jr. at harrisotis@hotmail.com More information will be forthcoming.

Reprint from the Afro American Newspaper

Results from the 2009 SAT show scores by Black test-takers, “trail every other major ethnic group in the United States”, according to a report in the Journal of Blacks in Higher Education. The chart presented by the JBHE with data from the College Board, shows African Americans average 855 combined math and verbal scores, 47 points below the next highest ethnic group. According to the data reported, Asian Americans have the highest average with 1103, with whites next at 1064, African Americans fall 248 and 209 points respectively behind these groups.

FAMILY LIFE CENTER FOUNDATION

The date of the Launch of the Inner City Eco Habitat has changed. The new date is Friday, October 9th from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. The event will take place in the rear of Seaton Elementary School. All Shiloh members are welcome to attend. For more information please contact Reverend Crystal Kuykendall (202/529-2042).

The Family Life Center Foundation has enjoyed a long history with the well known Male Youth Enhancement Program. The Family Life Center Foundation has changed the name of the program to Male Youth Advancement Program. It is the desire of the Family Life Center Foundation and its coordinators to expose the participants to as many exemplary role models/mentors as possible. The Foundation is seeking the services of men who are willing to volunteer two hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. to work with the males in the program. You may sign up for two hours, one day (or more) a week. Contact Gerard Bingham (gobingham@verizon.net) or Reverend Crystal Kuykendall (ckuykendal@aol.com/ 202/529-2042) for more information.



Gifts

146th Church Anniversary

Golden Deed Circle - \$146.00

Haggai Circle - \$146.00

In Memory of Our Deceased Members

Friendly Circle - \$146.00

Ministry OPEN HOUSE TODAY!

We WANT *YOU*



The Stewardship Ministry nurtures the spiritual growth of the church family and larger community, seeking to equip the church, as a whole, with practical methods for effectively and efficiently managing our resources, including our spirituality, physical bodies, relationships, finances, talents, time, and environment.

The Worship/Music Ministry facilitates a spiritual environment that empowers and equips individuals to do the ministry of God by promoting the continued enhancement of a relevant and culturally responsive worship experience that celebrates Jesus Christ at the heart of its focus, and sharing the good news by praising God through singing, praying, reading scripture, preaching, and giving thanks.

The Education Ministry promotes, develops, implements and evaluates educational offerings that will provide Bible education, discipleship training, life skills classes, and other such educational programs that train persons to become more effective Christian disciples in the local village and global community.

The Congregational Care Ministry facilitates programs that focus on the mental, social, physical, and spiritual well-being of all -- men, women, singles, couples, young adults, senior citizens -- within the Shiloh congregation.

The Community Outreach Ministry is committed to uplifting the human spirit, providing assistance, support, counseling and other services to the community through missionary endeavors, social justice, the programs of the Family Life Center Foundation, and other Christian efforts which will improve the physical, spiritual, and emotional well-being of our neighbors as we build a village through caring.

The Youth Ministry provides an opportunity for our youth, through experiential learning, to develop the spiritual, life and personal skills needed to conquer and surpass the challenges that await them on their journey to becoming contributing adults and active disciples for our Savior, Jesus Christ.

The Finance and Economic Development Ministry provides information on a range of financial topics aimed at assisting members, individually, and the Church and community as a whole, to become more economically empowered.

The Communications Ministry shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ and information about Shiloh Baptist Church programs with the Shiloh family and friends of the world through print, electronic, and visual media.

THREE SHORT STORIES

Written by
Joy Patterson on behalf of the Communications Ministry

Story One—Don't Look in the Basement!

To get the “basement” ready, the Publications Committee closed Photoshop; the Public Relations Committee stopped blogging; the Audio/Visual Committee took off headsets; the Tape Committee paused; while the Technology Committee unplugged. We did all of this so you can “look in the basement” (or Lower Level if you prefer.)

Through a generous donation of computer equipment from Archie Prioleau, and materials and labor from an anonymous Information Technology Group, the Computer Lab is ready. With that said, we will see you today after the 10:00 a.m. Unity Communion service, in the basement, in the back, in the dark for the ceremonies and a reception. Just in case you are thinking about not attending, there will be refreshments.

Story Two—Girl, Who Did Your Hair?

I went to the hair salon at lunch hour for what should have been, at most, a two-hour visit, but somehow it turned into a day trip. I found myself still sitting in the chair eight hours later. I was a little upset when I had to call back to work to say, “I won't be back, but will be in tomorrow.” When I mentioned my concerns to the stylist, I was asked, “Do you want people to say, “Oh, you went to get your hair done?” or “Girl, who did your hair”!!!

Well, we want Shiloh and anyone who sees our printed material to say, “Shiloh, who is creating your publications!” Therefore, with the assistance of the Administrative Office, we have been diligently working to give a face-lift to all of our documents, booklets, pamphlets, and brochures. You may have already seen some of our work—but you will definitely see more in the future. So look for the “Shiloh” label.

Story Three—To Be Or Not To Be—A Year in Review?

I cannot believe it has been a year since our last talk. Sorry not to keep in touch, but we [The Communications Ministry] have been busy this year. The projects that were “to be” are done. We completed gathering your membership information to update the church records; increased participation in the Wi-Fi sessions by 100%; assisted individuals and groups with visual presentations at church events; introduced technologies to the Administrative Office, Church, and Family Life Center to keep Shiloh moving forward. The projects that were “not to be” are a victim of today's economic times. They are not off our list, just postponed.

As mentioned last year, we are still listening to the good, the bad, and the ugly—so keep talking. Your comments, suggestions, and yes, even criticisms are our next projects. We thank you Shiloh for your continued support.

Leadership Orientation Session

All leaders of of Shiloh are required to attend the Leadership Orientation session on Saturday, October 10 in order that we may collectively understand our focus for the coming year, and commit individually and collectively to the work that is ahead of us. When you leave the meeting, each Leader will:

- understand my charge to the Leadership;
- understand procedural requirements for getting the job done;
- have tools for effective leadership in the church;
- be committed to holding ourselves and each other accountable;
- be fully committed to making Shiloh Baptist Church of Washington, at 9th & P, the Place to be!

Your registration fee of \$10.00 per participant, payable in advance by October 7, 2009, will be used to defray the cost of the continental breakfast and materials that you will receive at the meeting. You may pay the registration to your group leader (i.e., Deacon Board Chairman, Trustee Board Chairman, Deaconess Board Chair, Circle Leaders Council President, etc.) or at the Event Center following morning service today. Checks should be made payable to Shiloh Baptist Church.

Congratulations

Reverend. Justus Y. Reeves

Pastor

United Christian Church Worldwide, Inc.

The Shiloh family is invited to join Pastor Smith at the installation of Reverend Reeves and the dedication of his church on Sunday, October 11, 2009. The church is located at 2400 Banning Place, Hyattsville, Maryland and the service will begin at 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be served from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

THE USHERS' CORNER OCTOBER 2009

Thursday, October 1 – Unit #2 Serves

6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

Friday, October 2 – ALL USHERS

7 p.m. Florida Avenue Baptist Church Revival
623 Florida Ave., NW, Washington, DC
Pastor Smith, preaching

Sunday, October 4 – Unit #4 Serves

10 a.m. Unity Service

Thursday, October 8

6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

Sunday, October 11 – Unit #5 Serves

3:30 p.m. Rev. Justus Reeves Installation – **ALL USHERS**
United Christian Church Worldwide
2400 Banning Place, Hyattsville, MD
Pastor Smith, preaching

Thursday, October 15

6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

Sunday, October 18 – Unit #6 Serves

3:30 p.m. Greater First Baptist Church – **ALL USHERS**
2701 13th Street, NW, Washington, DC
Pastor Smith, preaching

Thursday, October 22

6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise – Usher Board Leading

Saturday, October 24

9 a.m. Ushers' Annual Prayer Breakfast – Heritage Hall

Sunday, October 25 – OFFICERS/ALL UNITS

Ushers' Anniversary

Thursday, October 29

6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

**For Training, call Charlotte Bolton-Hicks
(301) 499-0628**

