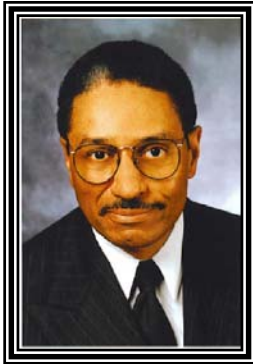


The Shiloh Spirit



Wallace Charles Smith, D.Min.
Senior Minister



The Pastor's Pen

On this annual Men's Day we salute our wonderful Shiloh men and thank them for their fine Christian service. We also thank and congratulate our Men's Day Committee for their outstanding leadership.

On this national observance of Father's Day, we salute all fathers of this congregation and beyond. Whether or not they are biological fathers we thank God for the men who mentor, nurture and care for children in this difficult and complicated world.

The shooting of security guard Stephen Tyrone Johns last week at the Holocaust Museum at the hands of James W. Von Braun, an 88-year-old racial supremacist and denier of the Holocaust, indicates that the forces of bigotry and prejudice remain alive and well in our society.

At the Constitution Center in Philadelphia in 2008, President Obama delivered groundbreaking speech on race and ethnicity entitled "A More Perfect Union." In this speech he called for understanding and cooperation among people of all races, cultures and religious backgrounds.

The recent shooting, and the death of security guard Johns, is particularly troubling because of where it took place. The Holocaust Museum is a memorial to the sorrow of Jewish people as a result of the murders of six million Jewish men, women and children at the hands of the Nazis. This museum is devoted to raising the awareness of the need for peace and cooperation among all people, and the tragic results which ensue when understanding is not accomplished. It is a living reminder of the horrors which violence, perpetrated against the powerless, can produce. It is a memorial that we must never forget.

Leaders of nearly every faith tradition gathered in Washington, DC last week in an impressive show of solidarity with those who are working to end prejudice and hatred. It is our sincere belief that people of good will must rise up and denounce the monstrous crimes we witnessed last week at the Holocaust Museum and devote our lives to making sure that such violence will never again find a home in our world.

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Sunday, June 21, 2009

Reading Through The Bible

June 28

2 Samuel 1:1,17-28; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

July 5

2 Samuel 5:1-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

New Members Received by
Queen Esther Circle





Reverend Dr. Harry L. Seawright,
Pastor

Union Bethel AME Church
Guest Speaker

Reverend Dr. Harry L. Seawright is a native of Swansea, South Carolina and Pastor of Union Bethel African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church in Brandywine, Maryland, where he has served for the past twenty years. Reverend Seawright was called to preach in 1977; ordained as an Itinerant Deacon in the AME Church in 1979; and as an Itinerant Elder in the AME Church in 1981. Under Reverend Seawright's leadership and with God's anointing, Union Bethel has over 45 different ministries inclusive of a community thrift store, greenhouse and Senior Outreach Center. Blessed to have a satellite church in Temple Hills, Maryland - Sunday worship services, Church School, Intercessory Prayer and Bible Study are held weekly.

Reverend Seawright has spent the past 29 years in ministry, specializing in community leadership and development. He is a Trustee Emeritus on the Board of Trustees for Prince George's Community College and President and CEO of HLS Consulting, Inc., a company that specializes in church construction, administration, management and finance. He is also the CEO of the Union Bethel F.O.C.U.S. Intergenerational Center, Inc (IGC). This facility is a fully operational Day Care/Before and After Care Center that features a Banquet Hall for conferences, weddings, receptions and special events. Plans for an Adult Day Care Program are currently being evaluated. The Center's mission is to "Foster Intergenerational Relationships and Strengthen Communities."

Reverend Seawright is the author of **More Than Bricks and Mortar: Building a Church Without Losing Your Mind** (1996). He is a contributing author in **The African American Devotional Bible, Meditation on Quality Leadership** (1997). He is treasurer for the Washington Conference and Second Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church and a member of the Collective Banking Group. Reverend Seawright is a member and past president of the A.M.E. Ministerial Alliance of Washington, D.C. He is the past President of Bethel House, Inc., a nonprofit outreach ministry organization.

He earned his Bachelor degree in Business Administration from Benedict College, Columbia, S.C. He earned the Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees from Howard University School of Divinity. As a member of the graduating class of 1995, he was awarded the Doctor of Ministry "Student of the Year." In 1996, he received the Concerned Black Christian Men of Prince George's County Religious Award, in 1998 he was listed in **Who's Who in the Northeast**. Reverend Seawright has recently been listed in the 2005-2006 edition of the **National Register of Who's Who** as a leading executives and professional. He attended St. Antony's College, in the University of Oxford, Oxford England in August 2004, where his presentation on *Dynamics of the Church, Politics and Education* was well received by the Oxford Round Table of distinguished leaders from around the world.

He resides in Fort Washington, Maryland with his wife, the Reverend Sherita Moon Seawright and their two children, Shari Nicole and Harry Matthew and grandson, Cameron Isaiah

This Week at Shiloh

Sunday, June 21, 2009

All Church School Classes at held at 9:30 a.m.

Early Morning Prayer Service (7:00 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
New Members Workshop (9:30 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
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
Antioch Circle Meeting.....	216/FLC
Eula Mae Harrison Circle Meeting	COH/FLC
Hope Circle Meeting.....	Library/FLC
Grace Circle Meeting.....	LL/FLC
Victory Circle Meeting	208/FLC
DCCF Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
Guest Hospitality	TF/FLC

Monday, June 22, 2009

8:00 - Child Development Center Day Care.....	LL/FLC
10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
5:30 - Vacation Bible School	Various Locations

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

8:00 - Child Development Center Day Care.....	LL/FLC
10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
1:00 - Time of Contemplation.....	Sanctuary
5:30- Vacation Bible School.....	Various Locations
6:30 - Senior Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:15 - Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal	Choir Room

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

8:00 - Child Development Day Care.....	LL/FLC
10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
11:45 - Mid-Week Bible Study.....	LL/FLC
5:30 - Vacation Bible School	Various Locations
6:30 - Gospel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Thursday, June 25, 2009

8:00 - Child Development Day Care.....	LL/FLC
10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
10:00 - Needle Arts & Knitting.....	HH/FLC
1:00 - Time of Contemplation.....	Sanctuary
5:30 - Vacation Bible School.....	Various Locations

Friday, June 26, 2009

8:00- Child Development Day Care.....	LL/FLC
10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
5:30 - Vacation Bible School.....	Various Locations

Saturday, June 27, 2009

10:00 - Social Ministry Meeting.....	208/FLC
10:00 - Boy Scouts Meeting.....	216/FLC
11:00 - Step Team Rehearsal.....	RBC/FLC
10:00 - Usher Order of Service Preparation.....	Ushers' Room
11:00 - Church Anniversary Committee Meeting.....	LL/FLC

Sunday, June 28, 2009

Early Morning Prayer Service (7:00 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
New Members Workshop Fellowship (9:30 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
Youth Church (11:00 a.m.).....	COH/FLC
Alpha Class.....	HHS/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
DCCF Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
Guest Hospitality.....	TF/FLC
Dorcas Circle Meeting.....	511 Whittier Street, NW
Friendly Circle Meeting.....	208/FLC
Omega Circle Meeting.....	LL/FLC
Sarah Whetts/Tabitha Missionary Group Meeting.....	216/FLC
Music Appreciation Concert (4:00 p.m.).....	Sanctuary

Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service
(Thursday Evenings)

June 25Bethel & Calvary Circles

Circles Receiving New Members

June 21.....Queen Esther Circle
June 28..... Ruth Circle

Circles Serving Breakfast

June 21.....Mt. Sinai Circle
June 28.....Naomi Circle

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Donna Grogan (Olivet Circle) in the loss of her husband Bradley Grogan (Olivet Circle) – son of Earlene Grogan; brother of Reverend Desire P. Grogan (Victory Circle), Amyyonne Grogan (Fellowship Circle) and William Grogan, Jr. (Shiloh Circle); Deaconess Mozelle Milton (Progressive Circle) in the loss of her sister, Lillie Mae Brown and the family of Vera E. Burgin (Willing Workers Circle).



I would like to give a special thank you to my Shiloh family who prayed for me during my recovery of my appendectomy. There were so many acts of kindness. It really touched my heart. Thank you Minister Bowen, Unit #6, Sunshine Youth Circle, Deacon & Mrs. Pitts and friends for the many calls, cards and flowers. It is truly a blessing to have a church family like Shiloh. Once again a big thank you to all that prayed for me during my time in the hospital. It made all the difference to my speedy recovery.

Alexandra Woodruff

The Ushers' Corner
June/July 2009

*For training call Charlotte Bolton-Hicks
(301/499-0628)*

Sunday, June 21 – Unit #4 Serves
Father's Day

Thursday, June 25
6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service, Unit #5 Serves

Sunday, June 28 – Unit #5 Serves
Music Appreciation Sunday
Evelyn Simpson Curenton & Family in Concert
4:00 p.m. – **ALL USHERS**

Tuesday, June 30
Usher Board Meeting/Training
6:30 p.m. – Sanctuary

Thursday, July 2
6:30 p.m. –Praise &Praise Service, Unit #5 Serves

Sunday, July 5 – Unit #6 Serves
10:00 a.m. – Unity Service

Thursday, July 9
6:30 p.m. –Prayer & Praise Service, Unit #6 Serves

♪ **Music Appreciation Sunday** ♪

Mark your calendar! *Evelyn Simpson-Curenton & Family* will be the featured artists on **Music Appreciation Sunday, June 28, 2009, 4:00 p.m.**

They will present a musical banquet of inspirational, classical, gospel, jazz and Broadway favorites. Come and enjoy an afternoon of musical art performed by none other than this musically-gifted family! Music Appreciation Sunday is an annual observance here at Shiloh.



Pastor's Anniversary Celebration

Please join us for brunch on Sunday, July 19 at 2:00 p.m. at D.C. Coast Restaurant to celebrate Pastor Smith's 18th anniversary as our Pastor. Tickets will be sold every Sunday, beginning today, June 21 in the Event Center. \$45 includes brunch and a gift for Reverend and Mrs. Smith. Free shuttle bus service will be provided for Seniors.

Yoga Classes

The Family Life Center Foundation is making plans to offer a series of Yoga classes on Wednesday evenings this summer (7-8:00 p.m.). Each Yoga series will last for 6 weeks and classes will be taught by a licensed and certified Yoga instructor. The first series of classes will start on Wednesday, July 16th and run through August 19th. If you are interested in strengthening your mind and body through the benefits of Yoga contact Reverend Crystal Kuykendall (202/529-2042) or ckuykendal@aol.com for more information.

ASALH Tour

The Carter G. Woodson Branch of ASALH invites you to join us on our 6th annual bus trip to Philadelphia, PA on Saturday, August 15, 2009. We will visit Mt. Bethel AME Church, the African American Museum and a walking tour through the Convention Center. For more information call Robert Gunn (301/322-5855), Elnora Lewis (202/529-9507), Constance Tate (202/882-0386) or Edwin Washington (301/839-1624).

Claim The Victory Campaign Contribution

*In Memory
Of
My Father*

Reverend Berry W. Wortham

*Euna L. W. J. Smith
\$500.00*

Father's Day 2009

Fathers we are counting on you
To lead us on our daily trail
For God has made you head of household
Let Him lead you will not fail.

Wives obey and children follow
As our fathers follow Christ
God will never, never leave you
When you heed His sound advice

The Bible is provided for you
Read it diligently everyday
It provides all the instructions
That you need along the way

You will find yourself rejoicing
As you lead your family through
By letting God direct your pathway
In all the things you say and do

Then this will be a better world
Our families will be safe
Led by our faithful fathers
Through God's amazing grace

Happy Father's Day to our fathers
May the grace of God abound
So the future of our families
Will be spiritually sound.

By Carrie T. Dublin



Youth Ministry Month



History of the Sunshine Elementary and Youth Circles

The Youth Circle was created in 1931 known as the “Red Circle Girls”. This group was comprised of the young females in the church. The circle concept was a vision of Reverend Dr. Earl L Harrison. Dr. Harrison included the youth component; so they came together regularly to discuss church news and fellowship.

In the late 1960s, the circle was renamed the Sunshine Circle and divided into three levels: elementary, junior high and senior high. This new group included the males of the church. The leaders were Berlene Newhouse, Leader; Laprell Mabel, Vice-Leader; Vara Patterson, Vice-Leader and Barbara Friend, Vice-Leader. During this time, the groups participated in many church activities including the Spring and Fall Festival Parades, Tom Thumb Wedding and Lott Carey Convention.

The Sunshine Circle today is divided into two groups: Elementary and Youth. The Youth Sunshine Circle is led by Denice Woodruff, Circle Leader; Zenobia Bingham and Fern Clark Vice Leaders; Edna Cash, Leader Emerita; Deacon Cornelius Pitts and Minister Thomas Bowen, Youth Minister. The Elementary Sunshine Circle is led by Tina Bradshaw Smith, Circle Leader; Towanna A. Friend, Vice Leader and Deacon William Thomas.

The youth and children vote for the officers; are responsible for conducting their meeting with a welcome, prayer and praise; participate in community service activities and work on all church sponsored committees. The Circles often have guest speakers to speak on topics related to stewardship, discipleship, educational goals, college preparation, and goal setting. The children and youth fellowship and establish friendships when participating in special projects such as feeding the homeless, skiing, retreats, serving breakfast, walking for the homeless, and breast cancer prevention.

The Sunshine Circles meet on the first Sunday of the month from September to June after Youth Church worship service. All Shiloh children and youth between the ages of 5 to 18 are invited to attend. The Circles’ goals are to assist Shiloh’s children and youth to become fully engaged in all church activities. Children and Youth are encouraged to come out and fellowship with each other and become informed about Shiloh Baptist Church.

Spring Explosion - June 2010

The Telephone

- If you could talk with God, what would you say? -

Please visit Shiloh’s website and see the Cub Scout’s newsletter and learn about Youth Council activities.

