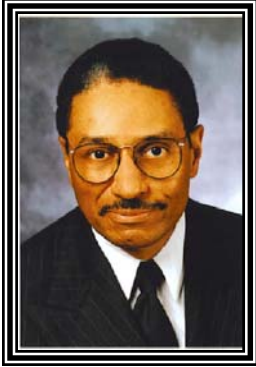


# The Shiloh Spirit



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Senior Minister



## The Pastor's Pen

How do we maintain a close walk with God? The word "maintain" is key. Our spiritual lives need constant, intentional attention for us to be all that God intends us to be. When it comes to the soul, as with a car or building, deferred maintenance is never a good idea.

A mistake we make in this area of our relationship with God may be deeply rooted in a principle of the Protestant Reformation and involves the idea of salvation once for all. Protestants, reacting to Catholic dogma, have stressed that one cannot lose one's salvation. Once you have accepted Jesus Christ, your place with God throughout eternity is secure. Although this is true, theologically, practically speaking a close relationship with God requires constant work and attention. An analogy might be that we were all born with bodies. Other than murder, no one can take our bodies from us. However, those bodies we inhabit until death can either be well cared for through proper diet, exercise, and minimal stress, which will yield longer and healthier lives. Or, we can neglect our health, fail to exercise, live stressed-out existences and shorten our days on earth, as well as make our latter years constant physical challenges.

The soul is like the body, to maintain a strong and vital relationship with God, the soul must be tended to regularly. Simply because we accepted Christ and were baptized years ago, that is not enough to ensure the spiritual fitness needed to make us ready to face life's constant struggles and challenges.

How do we develop a closer walk with God? The first principle is prayer.

Spiritual people don't just pray at prescribed times. The Bible says we ought to pray without ceasing. Prayer becomes a constant way of life. We pray when we are driving, pray at meals, pray when we talk to people; whether what they are saying is good or bad, every conversation needs to be surrounded by prayer. These prayers don't need to be spoken, long or formulaic, they can be silent and as simple as *Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy on this person, this situation, or that concern.* The main thing is prayer must be sincere, from the heart, and must focus on God and God's goodness.

In the next few weeks we will continue to delve into the areas of maintaining a closer walk with God.

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Sunday, June 7, 2009

## Reading Through The Bible

### June 14

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20;  
2 Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34

New Members Received by  
Pilgrim Circle

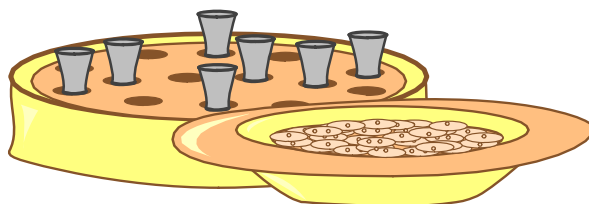


# *This Week at Shiloh*

**Sunday, June 7, 2009**

**Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.**

*Holy Communion*



Early Morning Prayer Service (9:00 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
DCCF Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
Youth Church (10:00 a.m.).....	COH/FLC
YACS Meeting.....	HHN/FLC
Youth Council Meeting.....	COH/FLC
Elementary & Youth Circle Meeting.....	RBC/FLC
Silent Mission Circle Meeting.....	HHS/FLC
Guest Hospitality.....	TF/FLC

**Monday, June 8, 2009**

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
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**Tuesday, June 9, 2009**

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
1:00 - Time of Contemplation.....	Sanctuary
5:00 - Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Senior Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
6:30 - HBCU Council Meeting.....	216/FLC
7:00 - <b>Tornado Taekwondo Class</b> .....	RBC/FLC
7:15 - Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

**Wednesday, June 10, 2009**

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
11:45 - Mid-Week Bible Study.....	LL/FLC
1:00 - Senior Citizens Club Meeting.....	HH/FLC
5:00 - Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Gospel Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
6:30 - <b>Al-Anon Family Meeting</b> .....	208/FLC

## Thursday, June 11, 2009

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
10:00 - Needle Arts & Knitting.....	HH/FLC
1:00 - Time of Contemplation.....	Sanctuary
5:00 - Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Prayer & Praise Service – Jocelyn Watkins Initial Sermon.....	Sanctuary
7:30 - Bible Institute .....	Sanctuary

## Friday, June 12, 2009

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
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## Saturday, June 13, 2009

9:00 - Deaconess Board Parenting Workshop .....	LL/FLC
10:00 - Village Council Meeting .....	TF/FLC
10:00 - Usher Board Order of Service Preparation .....	Ushers' Room
10:00 - Boy Scout Meeting .....	216/FLC
11:00 - Step Team Practice .....	RBC/FLC
2:00 - New Generation Praise Dancers .....	RBC/FLC

## Sunday, June 14, 2009

### Baptism – 10:55 A.M. Worship Service

Early Morning Prayer Service (7:00 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
New Members Workshop (9:30 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
Alpha Class (9:30 a.m.) .....	Gym/FLC
Caleb Class (9:30 a.m.).....	Sanctuary/P Street Side-Rear
E.L. Harrison Class (9:30 a.m.) .....	COH/FLC
Ever Ready Class (9:30 a.m.).....	Library/FLC
Excelsior Class (9:30 a.m.) .....	Sanctuary/Center
Genesis Class (9:30 a.m.).....	RBC/FLC
John A. Miles Class (9:30 a.m.).....	208/FLC
Littlejohn Class (9:30 a.m.) .....	Gym/FLC
Silent Mission Class (9:30 a.m.) .....	Gym/FLC
Waldron/Gill Class (9:30 a.m.).....	Gym/FLC
Walker Memorial Class (9:30 a.m.).....	216/FLC
Young Adult Class (9:30 a.m.) .....	Gym/FLC
Nursery & Pre-K Classes (9:30 a.m.) .....	LLA&B/FLC
Elementary & Upper Elementary Classes (9:30 a.m.) .....	LL/FLC
Jonathan Class (9:30 a.m.).....	Sanctuary/Balcony
Middle School Class (9:30 a.m.).....	RBC/FLC
Senior High Class (9:30 a.m.).....	TF/FLC
DCCF Credit Union .....	LL/FLC
Guest Hospitality .....	TF/FLC

✠✠ Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School – See Reverend George Mensah or Tina Smith for more information ✠✠

## *Thank You*

To Pastor Smith, officers and members, Bethel Circle Family, John A. Miles Bible Class – Thanks for your wonderful Ministry of Comfort and Service at the time of my sister’s death. God bless you all!

Pearl L. Bailey

Pastor Smith, Deacons, Members & Friends – The family of the late Joe Davis & Verie H. Delestion would like to express our love, appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for all the prayers, phone calls, cards, monetary gifts and each act of kindness and comfort extended to us during the time of illness and bereavement. May God continue to bless and keep each of you.

Melvin Holmes

Pastor Smith, Reverend Felton, Ministerial Staff, Deacon Board, Deaconess Board, Faith Circle, General Usher Board, Unit 1 Ushers, Circle Leaders Council, Ever Ready Bible Class and Shiloh members – I wish to express my sincere thanks and gratitude for your prayers, cards, telephone calls and visits during my recovery from retinal eye surgery. A profound thank you to Deacon Sonja Ray and my second Mom, Elois Lawson for your special expressions of love. My heart and spirit have been touched by my entire Shiloh family. Praise the Lord for his magnificent acts according to his excellent greatness. May God continue to bless and keep you in his gracious care. With love and many thanks.

Deacon Cornelius Pitts, Jr.

You can never know the depth of my gratitude for your prayers, visits and love you showed me during my illness and confinement, September 2008-April 2009. My love for you because you were so compassionate continues. May the abundance of God’s grace, mercy and love be yours forever.

Loretta W. Williams

### **Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service**

(Thursday Evenings)

June 11 .....Adah & Alpha Circles  
 June 18 ..... Antioch & Berean Circles  
 June 15 .....Bethel & Calvary Circles

### **Circles Receiving New Members**

June 14 .....Progressive Circle  
 June 21.....Queen Esther Circle  
 June 28..... Ruth Circle

### **Circles Serving Breakfast**

June 14 .....King’s Messengers Circle  
 June 21.....Mt. Sinai Circle  
 June 28.....Naomi Circle

## **The Ushers’ Corner**

**June/July 2009**

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

Sunday, June 7 – Units #1/3 Serves  
 10:00 a.m. – Unity Service

Thursday, June 11  
 6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service, Unit 1/3 Serves

Sunday, June 14 – Unit #2 Serves

Thursday, June 18  
 6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Serve, Unit #2 Serves

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  
 Senior Choir 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

## **Initial Sermon**

**Mrs. Jocelyn Watkins will deliver her initial sermon  
 on Thursday, June 11, 2009**

## Legal Professionals Needed

Shiloh attorneys, law students, paralegals, legal secretaries and other legal professionals – the Young Adult Ministry is looking for professionals in the legal field who are interested in using their skills to assist church members and the Shaw community. Together these members of Shiloh Baptist Church will support the congregation by presenting periodic panel discussions and other events that will serve to educate and inform the community. Please contact Carlean Ponder (301/328-0121 or [cponder@ponderlawgroup.com](mailto:cponder@ponderlawgroup.com))

## Attention All Graduates

The reception for graduates will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2009, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall. Please sign up to attend by submitting a registration form at the Family Life Center Security Desk, ATTN: Scholarship Committee. The deadline for submitting forms TODAY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address (include City, State & Zip Code)

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I will graduate from:

- Elementary    Junior/Middle    High School  
 College/University

## 9<sup>th</sup> & P News

Children, youth and parents, plans are underway for the Children/Youth Day Celebration on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The theme is *Stir Up The Gifts*. We need all children and youth to sing in the choirs. Rehearsal will be held on Saturdays at 1:00 p.m. the New Generation of Praise will rehearse from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and the Angels of Glory will rehearse from 12:20 to 1:30 p.m. There will be drama and talent during the service.

## Shiloh Men's Health Tune Up 2009



## FOR WOMEN ONLY

Why do women attend a Men's Health Tune Up? Because too many men believe we cannot get sick, or we believe there is nothing a doctor can do for that aching back or that pain in the big toe. Women of Shiloh, this is a plea for you to escort the men in your life to the Shiloh Men's Health Tune Up on Saturday June 20. Smart women know healthy eating and regular exercise mean longevity for their husbands, fathers, sons, brothers, uncles and significant others.

When you show up on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> you and the man in your life can:

- Enjoy a free healthy buffet lunch
- Get free health screenings for heart and kidney ailments and HIV-AIDS
- Learn to control cholesterol and high blood pressure
- Sample delicious tastes, custom prepared to control diabetes
- Discover how acupuncture improves health
- Realize what relief can come from foot friendly tips
- Ask questions of a noted physician about healthy lifestyles for men



Contact Bob Bates for more information at 301/980-6577 or [rebates525@aol.com](mailto:rebates525@aol.com).

# Youth Ministry Month

Greetings from the Youth Council,

June is Youth Ministry Month at Shiloh. During the month of June, the Youth Ministry will be featured in the Shiloh Spirit. Please read your **Shiloh Spirit** carefully so that you learn about the wonderful activities of Shiloh's Youth Ministry. Leaders of the Youth Ministry are listed below.

## Youth Ministry Team

Minister Thomas Bowen, Ministerial Liaison  
Thomas Tyler, Advisor for Worship  
Archie Prioleau, Fern Clark, Rita Bibbs-Booth, Youth Advisors  
Erin Clark, Creative Director of Children and Youth Ministries  
Angels of Glory Dance Ministry, Tina Smith  
Boy Scouts, Jamil Smart  
Cub Scouts, Donna Sothern  
Girl Scouts, Keisha Jackson  
New Generation of Praise Dance Ministry, Tiffany Sampson  
Step Team, Quentin Stubbs  
Sunshine Children's Circle, Towanna Friend, Tina Smith  
Sunshine Youth Circle, Zenobia Bingham, Fern Clark, Denise Woodruff  
Ventures, Gloria Bell  
Children's Choir, Para Palmore  
Youth Choir, Joseph Southern, Jean Prioleau, Jamil Smart  
Youth Church, Minister Thomas Bowen  
Youth Council, Archie Prioleau

Shiloh's Youth Ministry's mission is to provide an opportunity for youth to grow and become active disciples for our Savior Jesus Christ. Through experiential learning and an ever broadening knowledge of our God, we offer youth the opportunity 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. Building on the proverb, *it takes a village to raise a child*; Shiloh's Youth Ministry encourages every adult in the village to become active participants and role models in our search to locate the key that unlocks the potentials of our youth.

## Spring Explosion - June 2010

### *The Telephone*

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

Shiloh's Youth Council will create a new experience and shout for the love that we have been given by Jesus Christ. If you want to help plan one of Shiloh's largest and most complex undertakings by the Youth Council; please attend the kick-off planning meeting on Saturday, June 13, 2009, at 675 15<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (15<sup>th</sup> & G Streets) at 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Archie Prioleau (301) 499-0681. Please join us and share your expertise in the areas of writing, lights, dance, music, fundraising, and public relations.

On Sunday, June 14, 2009, the organizations which comprise the Youth Council will sit together during the 10:55 a.m. service. June 14<sup>th</sup> is Children's Day at Shiloh!

Shiloh's youth will host a NAACP membership drive during the month of June, after worship services.

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

## Save The Date

### ***Sweet White Jazzy Night Affair***

**July 25, 2009**

**6:00 p.m.**

*Music by Carl Harris Trio*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Concert**

### ***105 Voices of Historically Black Colleges and Universities National Concert Choir***

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts  
Sunday, August 30, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.  
Tickets may be purchased at the Kennedy Center  
Box Office or [www.kennedy-center.org](http://www.kennedy-center.org).

## Golf Classic

On Monday, June 22, the Family Life Center Foundation will host its first Annual Golf Classic at the Enterprise Golf Course (2802 Enterprise Road, Mitchellville, MD). All proceeds will benefit the service and outreach programs of the Family Life Center Foundation.

Golfers are invited to come out for a full day of golfing, fun, lunch, dinner, other refreshments, and skill prizes. Sponsor levels range from \$100 to \$2,000. Entry fees are \$130. All payments and applications must be received before Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

To register see any member of the Family Life Center Foundation Board of Directors on today and June 14<sup>th</sup> following each worship service in the Event Center. For more information you may contact Barry Lumsden (202/387-1160; [lumsdeb@nationwide.com](mailto:lumsdeb@nationwide.com)).

*Quentin Stubbs* has been accepted into the Doctoral Program for Geography at the University of Maryland

*Kiara Hughes* has been selected as a member of the National Beta Club. This is a club for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade National Honor Society students. Kiara was one of two students selected from her school from a group of eight nominations. She was inducted into the club on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

*Jordan Pitts* (Grade 3) is one of Montgomery County Public Schools' outstanding students. He and others were honored at the African American Festival of Academic Excellence that was held on Saturday, May 23, 2009 in the Comcast Center in College Park, Maryland.

*Mrs. Parthenia Shelton Pruden* and *Deacon John J. Williams* were honored by the African American Heritage Preservation Group. Mrs. Pruden and Deacon Williams were among ten unique Prince Georgians honored at the Prince George's Publick Playhouse on Tuesday, May 26, 2009. Among her many contributions to Prince George's County, Mrs. Pruden was the first African American female appointed Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Prince George's County. Deacon Williams is a member of the Prince George's County NAACP, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and retired educator in Prince George's County.

*Congratulations to each of the above listed persons from your Shiloh family on your academic accomplishments and contributions to the community.*

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## Scholarship Fund

### *Memorial to Herbert Tate*

**Birthdate – May 30**

**Constance Tate  
\$200.00**

