

The Shiloh Spirit



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The Pastor's Pen

On our annual HBCU Sunday, we welcome our guest preacher, the Reverend Matthew L. Watley, Executive Minister of the Reid Temple African American Episcopal Church. Reverend Watley is no stranger to Shiloh, and we look forward to the message that God has given him to bring to us today. Biographical material may be found on page 2 of the **Shiloh Spirit**.

In 2 Kings 2:1-12 we find the story of the aging Elijah preparing for the end of his earthly life and his ascension into Heaven. He is well aware that his life and his service to God have made an indelible mark on the nation of Israel. He has faced down the priests of Baal and their carnal worship of their god of fertility. He has challenged Ahab and Jezebel in their attempt to make Baal worship as acceptable as the worship of Yahweh. Although at times his knees had knocked and he had been terribly depressed, he had always remained faithful.

Now, however, the time has come to pass the mantle to his successor, the young man Elisha. Elisha knows that the time is at hand for his master's passing. Elijah encouraged the young man not to follow him as he traveled around Israel to say farewell to the companies of prophets at Gilgal, Bethel and Jericho. Elisha refused to leave his mentor. They traveled from place to place until they arrived at the Jordan River. At the Jordan, Elijah rolled up his mantle, struck the river and it rolled back, reminiscent of the events by which Joshua led Israel into the Promised Land. This time, however, they are not going into the Promised Land but back into the wilderness where Israel's life as a nation began.

In the wilderness, the chariots of fire descend, Elijah is carried up in a whirlwind and his mantle falls back to the earth where it is picked up and worn by Elisha.

On this HBCU Sunday, we commemorate the work of all our Historically Black Colleges and Universities that, like Elijah, paved the way for countless young Elishas. We celebrate their sacrifices, their labors and their witness. We, like Elisha, must pick up the mantle of educational excellence and we must further the work of the administrators, scholars and support staff whose shoulders this present generation stands upon.

Our congratulations and thanks to the hard working men and women of our HBCU Council.

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Sunday, February 22, 2009

Reading Through The Bible

February 22:

2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9

March 1:

Genesis 9:8-18; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

March 8:

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38

New Members Received by
Friendly Circle



Reverend Matthew L. Watley

Executive Minister Reid Temple African Methodist Episcopal Church Guest Speaker

Reverend Matthew L. Watley is the Executive Minister to more than 6,000 members of the Reid Temple African Methodist Episcopal Church in Glenn Dale, MD where the Reverend Dr. Lee P. Washington is the Senior Pastor. Reverend Watley has oversight of the church's 5 corporations, 50 person staff, \$6,500,000 annual budget, and the 56 ministries of the church. He recently led in the design and development of a \$29 million facility, which was completed in December 2005 housing a worship center, elementary school, credit union, bookstore, music and video studios, and banquet facility. Before his appointment as Executive Minister, Reverend Watley served as the Youth Minister at Reid Temple. In this capacity, he instituted SAT Prep classes, business training classes, an investment club, and led a delegation to perform missions in the Republic of South Africa. He also established the College Outreach Ministry, which transports hundreds of students from the University of Maryland, Bowie State University, and Howard University to Reid Temple for the evening worship service he preaches weekly.

Reverend Watley is an innovative thinker whose leadership has brought him beyond the four walls of the church into the halls of power and influence of our nation and the world. He was selected to serve on a special commission sponsored by the Ford Foundation to assess Non-Governmental Organizations in the Republic of South Africa. While serving as Graduate Assistant at the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel, Reverend Watley also served on the Board of Trustees of Howard University. He's also sat on the General Board of the AME Church, the Board of Directors of the Richard Allen Foundation, and on the Executive Committee of the World Methodist Council of Churches.

A gifted preacher and lecturer, Reverend Watley has traveled the nation and the world spreading his message of self-actualization through achieving spiritual, political, and economic empowerment. Some of the professional, educational, and cultural associations he has spoken for include: The National Association of Black Accountants, National Conference; The National Society of Black Engineers, National Conference National Public Radio, Washington DC; The World Methodist Council of Churches, London, England & Jerusalem, Israel; Congressional Black Caucus; Legislative Session, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY; New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark, NJ.

On September 10, 2001, Reverend Watley founded Power Lunch, a non-denominational noontime worship service. Today hundreds of workers from the public and private sector gather within the AMC Movie Theater at the historic Union Station in Washington DC to listen to his messages. Each week Reverend Watley teaches on leadership using biblical principles and other books to help individuals realize their full potential and dreams. These lessons are displayed both on the theater's screen and on the ministry website www.powerlunchonline.com. Power Lunch also sponsors regular seminars on Personal Finance Management, Home Buying Seminars, Small Business Seminars, and Health Seminars. Additionally, Power Lunch supports community based programs such as Dress for Success, the M. Joan Cousin HIV/ AIDS Clinic, and a Men's' Outreach program. Before entering into ministry, Matthew Lawrence Watley had already established himself as an accomplished writer. Before attending Howard University where he received a BA in Political Science and Masters of Divinity, he co-authored **Poems of a Son, Prayers of a Father**, now in its second printing. His poetry has also been included in Dr. James Washington's **Conversations with God, The Flow** edited by Kwame Alexander, and most recently **Beyond the Frontier** edited by E. Ethelbert Miller.

Throughout his career Reverend Watley has received numerous academic, civic, literary, and ecclesiastical awards. Concerning these and other accomplishments Reverend Watley submits that the challenge of servant-leadership is not to win acclaim or to amass honor, but to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God. (Micah 4:6)

This Week at Shiloh

Sunday, February 22, 2009 HBCU Observance

Morning Prayer Service (7:00 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
DCCF Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
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
<i>Excelsior Circle Meeting</i>	LL/FLC
<i>Fellowship Circle Meeting</i>	5406 Morton Place, Riverdale, MD
<i>Friendly Circle Meeting</i>	216/FLC
<i>Omega Circle Meeting</i>	208/FLC
<i>Progressive Circle Meeting</i>	Library/FLC
Guest Hospitality.....	TF/FLC
Membership Update Session.....	HHS/FLC

Monday, February 23, 2009

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
3:00 – Hospitality High School.....	Gym/FLC

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
1:00 -Time of Contemplation.....	Sanctuary
3:00 - Hospitality High School	Gym/FLC
5:00 - Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Senior Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
6:30 – FLC Board Meeting.....	208/FLC
7:00 – Boy Scout Council District Committee Meeting.....	LL/FLC
7:15 - Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
11:45 - Mid-Week Bible Study.....	LL/FLC
1:00 - Senior Citizens Club.....	HH/FLC
3:00 - Hospitality High School	Gym/FLC
5:00 - Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Gospel Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:00 - Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting	208/FLC

Thursday, February 26, 2009

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
10:00 - Needle Arts & Knitting Class.....	LL/FLC
1:00 - Time of Contemplation.....	Sanctuary
3:00 - Hospitality High School	Gym/FLC
5:00 - Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 - Prayer & Praise Service.....	Sanctuary
7:15 - Bible Institute.....	Sanctuary

Friday, February 27, 2009

10:00 - Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach.....	216/FLC
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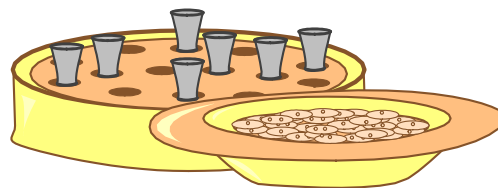
Saturday, February 28, 2009

9:30 - Health Ministry Meeting.....	208/FLC
10:00 - Board of Deacons Meeting.....	Deacons' Room
10:00 - Frontiers for Social Justice Ministry Meeting.....	208/FLC
10:00 - Boy Scout Meeting.....	216/FLC
11:00 - Step Team Rehearsal.....	RBC/FLC
11:00 - Gospel Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

Sunday, March 1, 2009

Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.

Holy Communion



Early Morning Prayer Service (8:00 a.m.).....	Deacons' Room
DCCF Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
Combined Adult Sunday School Classes (9:00 a.m.).....	Sanctuary
Nursery, Pre-K, Elementary & Upper Elementary Sunday School Classes (9:00 a.m.).....	LL/FLC
Jonathan Class (9:30 a.m.).....	Sanctuary/Balcony
Middle School Class & Senior High Sunday School Classes (9:00 a.m.).....	TF/FLC
Youth Church (10:00 a.m.).....	COH/FLC
Youth Council Meeting.....	COJ/FLC
<i>Youth & Elementary Sunshine Circle Meeting</i>	RBC/FLC
Guest Hospitality.....	HHS/FLC
Membership Update.....	HHS/FLC

Welcome!

The family of the late Edward Holmes would like to express our love, appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for all the prayers, phone calls, cards, kindness and comfort extended to us during our period of bereavement. May God continue to bless and keep each of you.

Melvin Holmes

New Member

Joanna Renee Mitchell – Willing Workers Circle

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of **Nellie Byrd** (Willing Workers Circle)

Thank You

Dear Shiloh Members - The Shiloh Youth Council and Shiloh Youth Inaugural Committee wish to thank the Shiloh Deacon Board, and the various Shiloh ministries, organizations, members and friends who contributed to and who supported and volunteered at the event to make the Shiloh Youth and Kiddie Ball held recently a success. Your presence, your style, your demeanor, your smiles and most of all your support made it a fantastic evening. More than 400 persons attended. The youth, families of Shiloh and of the community are very appreciative. Thank you again!

Youth Inaugural Event Co-Chairs
Alice Thomas & Michelle McLeod
Shiloh Youth Council Leaders

Rita Bibbs-Booth, Fern Clark, Archie Prioleau, Minister Thomas
Bowen

Dear Pastor Smith and Shiloh Family - The Adult Inaugural Ball committee would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to our Shiloh family for their support in attending the historic celebration of the inauguration of our president, Barack Obama. We would also like to personally thank our Shiloh youth - Sanford Booth, Andrew Haynesworth, Chris Kashangaki, Brian Smith, Jr., Alexandra Woodruff and Aaron Williams for their outstanding volunteer efforts in making our event a success. To God be the glory!

The Adult Inaugural Ball Committee

I would like to thank the Shiloh Baptist Church family for your many cards, prayers and offerings of condolences. These offerings made our journey to and from Columbus, Ohio for the homegoing of my Grandmother, Rosetta Howard, more bearable.

Arleen Russel & Family

Circles Receiving New Members

February 22.....Friendly Circle
March 1.....Gideon Circle

Circles Serving Breakfast

February 22.....Calvary Circle
March 1.....Dorcas Circle

Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service

(Thursday Evenings – 6:30 p.m.)

February 26.....Fellowship & Friendly Circles

Baby Dedication



Congratulations to the following babies who were dedicated to the Lord on Sunday, February 15, 2009: **Zuri N. Bryant** (Kalile Kurkendall-Bryant and Stanley Bryant – parents); **Devyn Phoenix Kuykendall-Walker** (Rasheki Kuykendall and DeVaun Walker – parents); **Hayile Polite** (Tara Bennett and Fliyah Polite – parents) and **Patrick Oliver Small, Jr.** (Portia Joyner and Patrick Small – parents).

Family Life Center Foundation

The Family Life Center Foundation recently received a grant from the Hands-On-Science Foundation to enhance the science achievement and interest of students at Seaton Elementary School. This exciting hands-on project is already underway and will end in December 2009. However, volunteers are still needed. The greatest need is for persons with a science background. Individuals who would like to be a part of this significant endeavour to make a difference in these young lives are urged to contact Reverend Crystal Kuykendall at 301/299-2057 or ckuykendal@aol.com.

Seeking Employment

Do you need a caregiver for an elderly family member or friend or a break from your routine as a caregiver? Contact Deacon Sonja Ray at 202/291-6009 for more information.

Membership Database Update

We thank our Shiloh members for working so well with us as we work to update our Shiloh membership database. Today we ask those Shiloh members whose last names begin with letters S through Z to meet the Communication Ministry members in Heritage Hall South from 9:30 am to 10:30 am and following the 10:55 am Worship service. Thank you.

HBCU Scholarship Fund

Honoring the Memory
of

Carolyn M. Harris

Past President – Shiloh Senior Choir
“A Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Mike & Sylvia Wiggins
\$100.00

Claim The Victory Campaign

In Memory
Of

Dedicated Senior Choir Members

**Madelyn Berryman
Ruth Larkins
Bertha Monroe
Lillian Thomas**

**Donald Carter
Jefferson Lewis
Joseph Thornton
Timothy Ward**

Euna L.J. Smith
\$200.00

In Memory
of

Deacon Hampton Hart, Sr.

November 2, 1913-February 21, 1994

*Your presence we miss
Your memory we treasure
Loving you always
Forgetting you never*

The Hart & Davis Family
Mabel, Wife
Gwen, Belynda V., Hampton, Jr.,
Karlton Coretz, Scarlette, Velma – Children
Grand and Great-grand Children
\$200.00

Gift

145th Church Anniversary

Omega Circle
\$145.00

**Shiloh Mutual Aid Society
Annual Meeting**

**Tuesday, March 17, 2009
6:00 pm**

Room 216 – Family Life Center

HBCU Corner

Voorhees College was recently selected to participate in the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge to be held March 20-26 in Orlando, FL. Voorhees College is one of 64 Historically Black Colleges & Universities that will compete in Orlando. The competition involves questions from numerous genres, such as literature, history, geography, religion, philosophy, social sciences, general knowledge, sports, African-American culture and pop culture. For more information visit www.hcasc.com. (Voorhees Alumni of Shiloh...Zelma Coleman and Earnestine Smart). HBCUs have graduated such illustrious leaders as Oprah Winfrey, Thurgood Marshall, Spike Lee, W.E.B. Dubois, Debbie Allen, Alain Locke, Samuel L. Jackson and Nikki Giovanni. The book, **I'll Find a Way or Make One** by the author of **Eyes on the Prize**, Juan Williams, and Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Funds President, Dwayne Ashley, is a first of its kind. *A ground breaking retrospective that explores the dramatic development and history of America's Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Stories abound about the abolition of slavery. However, lesser known are the efforts – both prior to and after the Civil War of African American and white abolitionists banding together to formally educate newly freed slaves. Through the tireless work of government organizations, Black churches, missionary groups and philanthropists, HBCUs were established. The tales of how these schools were created and of the individuals who are linked to the schools histories are extraordinarily rich and sometimes controversial. A salute to all 105 Historically Black Colleges & Universities...I'll Find a Way or Make One* (the aforementioned excerpt is taken from **I'll Find a Way or Make One**.)

You are invited to be a part of the HBCU Council e-mail list serve. Would you like to receive information about upcoming events of our HBCU Council (i.e., Morehouse Glee Club Concert, Sweet Jazzy White Night Affairs, Woodbury Commons shopping, job announcements, other HBCU alumni events, fraternity and sorority events and Shiloh Baptist events. If so, please e-mail sparker01@fs.fed.us. We would be glad to add you to our list serve and join us in worship or at an upcoming event.

Congratulations

The Howard University Alumni Club of Greater Washington, DC has chosen the Shiloh Baptist Church HBCU Council as one of three recipients of the Howard University Alumni Club of Greater Washington, DC 2009 Service to the Community Award for its exemplary leadership in promoting the value of education to our young people.

This award will be presented at the 6th Annual Post-Charter Day Jazz Brunch and Fashion Show on Sunday, March 29, 2009 at the Howard University Blackburn Center Ballroom at 1:30 p.m. Tickets for the brunch are \$65.00. Contact Muriel Lewis (202/232-4200) for additional information.

The Ushers' Corner February/March 2009

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

**Sunday, February 22 – Unit #1 Serves
HBCU Sunday – Reverend Matthew
Watley**

**Reid Temple AME Church – Glen Dale,
MD**

**NOTE: Usher Board Meeting rescheduled
to March 3, 2009 – see below**

Thursday, February 26

**6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service, Unit
#1 Serves**

**Sunday, March 1 – Unit #2 Serves
Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.**

Tuesday, March 3 – Usher Board Meetings

6:00 p.m. – Executive Board

7:00 p.m. - General Board

Thursday, March 5

**6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service Unit #2
Serves**

Bible Institute

**Sunday, March 8 – Unit #4 Serves
Women's Day**

Reverend Dr. Ann Lightner-Fuller

Thursday, March 12

**6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service, Unit
#4**

Bible Institute

Sunday, March 15 – Unit #5 Serves

Thursday, March 19

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

Bible Institute

Sunday, March 22 – Unit #6 Serves

Thursday, March 26

**6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service, Unit
#6 Serves**

Bible Institute

Sunday, March 29 – Unit #1 Serves