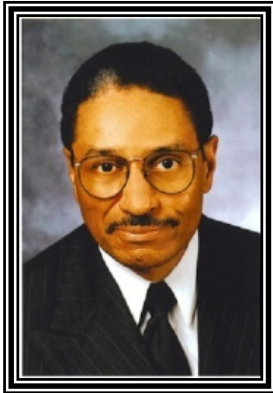


The Shiloh Spirit



Wallace Charles Smith, D.Min.
Senior Minister



The Pastor's Pen

Today is the first Sunday of the year. We welcome 2010, a New Year's baby filled with bright hopes and possibilities.

2009 was a year of challenges for many. The nation slowly but surely, like a groundhog in spring, is crawling its way ever so slowly out of the fiercest economic downturn since the Great Depression.

We rejoiced with unabashed pride as the nation swore in the first person of African descent to occupy the Oval Office, President Barack Obama.

Then we cringed and winced as the political process began to gnaw away at him like rats on garbage. We watched the tortured debate on health care reform and were forced to sit through the thinly veiled racism of the opposition's attacks. We even heard a sitting congressman refer to the President as a liar in a televised address. We felt the helplessness that our people have experienced for centuries at resurgent assaults on human decency. Through it all, as has been true in the past, the Lord brought us to another year.

This first Sunday of this year we celebrate *Epiphany*, the time when the church acknowledges the public ministry of our Lord. In this New Year, our hope is based on what we have seen through faith and know to be true. In spite of the continued racist and uncivil realities of this society, God remains in charge, and God's truth will march on.

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Sunday, January 3, 2010

Reading Through The Bible

January 3

Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

January 10

Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-22

January 17

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

New Members Received by
Hill Climbers Circle



This Week at Shiloh

Sunday, January 3, 2010

Deacons' Morning Prayer – 8:30 a.m./Deacons' Room

Unity Service

10:00 a.m.



Holy Communion

DCCF Credit Union	LL/FLC
Combined Adult Church School Classes (9:00 a.m.).....	Sanctuary
Combined Youth Sunday School Classes (9:00 a.m.)	TF/FLC
Combined Children's Sunday School Classes (9:00 a.m.).....	LL/FLC
Youth Church.....	CANCELLED
Guest Hospitality – <i>Hill Climbers Circle</i>	HH/FLC

Monday, January 4, 2010

No Activities Scheduled

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

10:00 – Ministers Meeting	Administrative Office
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	216/FLC
3:00 – Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
5:30 – Messiah Committee Meeting	Ushers' Room
6:30 – Senior Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 – Circle Leaders Council Meeting	HH/FLC
7:15 – WCS Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

Wednesday, January 6, 2010

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	216/FLC
11:45 – Mid Week Bible Study.....	LL/FLC
12:00 – DC Christian Federal Credit Union	LL/FLC
1:00 – Senior Citizens Club Meeting	HH/FLC
3:00 – Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Gospel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 – Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting	208/FLC

Thursday, December 7, 2010

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	216/FLC
10:00 – Needle Arts & Knitting	HH/FLC
3:00 – Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Prayer & Praise Service	HH/FLC
7:15 – Bible Institute.....	HH/FLC

Friday, December 8, 2010

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, December 9, 2010

8:00 – Deacon Board Prayer Vigil.....	Sanctuary
10:00 – Boy Scout Meeting	216/FLC
10:00 – Health Ministry Meeting.....	Library/FLC
12:00 – Hand Dance Class.....	RBC#1/FLC

Sunday, December 10, 2010

Deacons' Morning Prayer –7:30 a.m./Deacons' Room

DCCF Credit Union	LL/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
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
Guest Hospitality – Hope Circle	TF/FLC
Bethel Circle Meeting.....	TF/FLC
Faith Circle Meeting	HHC/FLC
Haggai Circle Meeting.....	215/FLC
Hill Climbers Circle Meeting.....	Gym/FLC
Phoebe Circle Meeting.....	Library/FLC
Miriam Missionary Group Meeting	HHN/FLC
Youth Council Meeting.....	COH/FLC

Discipleship News

Welcome New Members

Charnette Patrice Brown – Helping Hand Circle
Marie Chantal LaFontant – Grace Circle
Tyrone N. Waiten – Grace Circle

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended Charlotte Balton Hicks (Queen Esther Circle) in the loss of her father, George Balton and James C. Starks (Friendly Circle) in the loss of his sister, Shirley Parks.

Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service

(Thursday Evenings)

January 7.Golden Rule & Grace Circles
January 14.....Haggai & Helping Hand Circles

Circles Receiving New Members

January 3Hill Climbers Circle
January 10Hope Circle

Circles Serving Breakfast

January 3.....Faith Circle
January 10Fellowship Circle

Thank You Notes

Dear Reverend Smith – As 2009 comes to an end, we at ASALH are taking this opportunity to let you know just how much we appreciate you. You helped us to have one of the most well attended conventions in recent memory. You have been a major contributor to our survival during this very trying economic year. ASALH is proud and honored to have you as our partner in carrying out Dr. Woodson’s legacy. As a historical association we always have an eye to the past, but we know that we can count you among our friends and supporters ensuring a brighter tomorrow. Thank you.

John E. Fleming & Sylvia Y. Cyrus

My family and I would like to thank Reverend Smith and the Ministerial staff, Dr. Crystal Kuykendall and the Henry C. Gregory III Family Life Center Board of Directors, the Board of Deacons, the Deaconess Board, the Gospel Choir, the Christian Education Ministry and the Dorcas Circle for their prayers and the many expressions of sympathy in the sudden passing of my sister, Sylvia Williams Brown. We have peace knowing that God is our Comforter and He will not leave us nor forsake us. God bless you all.

Stanley K. Williams & Family

I Will Give Thanks

Shiloh family you will never know,
How much your kindness made me glow.
Your sincere actions sank deep in my heart,
I am sure that God played a great big part.

I must admit that music is my first love,
It will enrich the soul with messages from above.
The Shiloh Senior Choir and the Shiloh Gospel Choir,
Will draw you with Spiritual blessings from on High.

The director and all musicians strongly play a big role,
Spreading loudly the joy to help reach Heaven’s goal.
How can anyone keep from patting their feet,
And clapping their hands, then finally leap.

Then there are others who do not play or sing,
That brings great joy doing many other things.
Kind words, cards, calls and even prayer,
Sends joy bells ringing with you everywhere.

So Shiloh Family and Friends “Thank You” so much,
I will always remember to stay in touch.
To all of you who crowned me with your love,
I will always remember you as one sent from above.

“Thanks”

Love Always,
Euna (Smith)

Church School Lessons

At-A-Glance

January 10, 2010 (Matthew 4:1-11) **Strengthened in Temptation** – Jesus’ time of temptation followed the high moment of His baptism. During His temptation, He recited Scripture. The devil tried to test Jesus’ power and authority as God’s Son, but Jesus did not fail. All of us face temptation in life. How can we overcome it? Jesus’ experience of overcoming temptation set an example for us.

January 17, 2010 (Matthew 9:27-34; 11:2-6) **Demonstrated in Acts of Healing** – Two blind men showed persistence in getting Jesus’ attention. After asking them for a statement of belief in His ability to heal them, Jesus opened their eyes. The crowds were amazed and could not explain the healing of the man who was unable to hear. The fault-finding Pharisees believed that Jesus’ good act of healing was evil.



Church-Wide Prayer Vigil

Saturday, January 9, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

(Continental Breakfast from 8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.)

Behold, I make all things new – Revelation 21:5

The New Year will begin with the congregation and community joining together in prayer, Psalms and song for RENEWAL of our Faith, Hope, Unity and Spirit. The Prayer Vigil will be a time to *deepen our spirituality* by offering focused prayers for renewal. Attend and be blessed! Invite your family, friends and neighbors. The vigil, convened by the Shiloh Baptist Church Deacon Board, will be held in the Sanctuary. We’ll see you there!

Martin Luther King, Jr. Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 16, 2010

9:00 a.m.

Heritage Hall

Guest Speaker: *Reverend Jasmine Bowden*. She will compare today’s youth fun culture with Dr. King’s call for nonviolence. Proceeds will be used to help students in the Male Youth Advancement Program. Tickets (\$35.00) are on sale at the Event Center each Sunday. You may also see one of the following members of the Brotherhood of Shiloh Men: Doug Glasgow, Elias Kibler, Vernon Oakes, Ed Washington or Bob Bates.

Family Life Center Foundation Appreciation

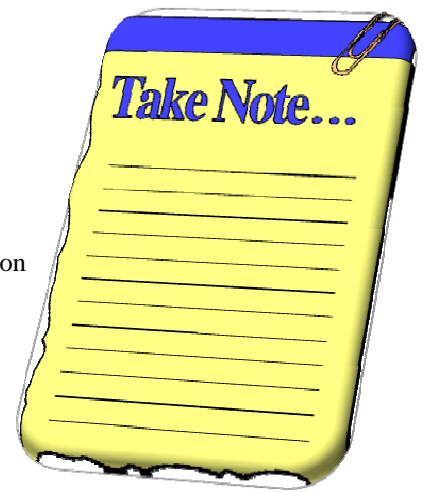
The Henry C. Gregory III Family Life Center Foundation is grateful for the tremendous generosity and support received from Shiloh members throughout 2009. The Family Life Center Foundation Board of Directors and staff were deeply saddened by the sudden passing this year of beloved board member, Bradley Grogan. Shaken also by the departure of the former Executive Director, Reverend Jackie Thompson, the Family Life Center Foundation ends the year, nonetheless, excited over the promise and potential of what will surely be a great New Year.

As this year comes to an end, the Family Life Center Foundation is seeking more volunteers for the Male Youth Program and the Debutante Cotillion Program. Our new Executive Director, Lorraine Holmes Settles, has been a blessing to the Foundation and this community. However, more funds are needed to keep requisite programs alive. Your 100% tax-deductible contributions are appreciated and welcome. Please make checks payable to the Family Life Center Foundation and leave it in an envelope at the Security Desk, attention Reverend Crystal Kuykendall. If you would like to bless your new year and many other lives as a volunteer, please contact Lorraine H. Settles (202 232-4288 ext. 21). The Family Life Center thanks you in advance for your support and generous contributions. To God be the glory!

About Our Members.....

Congratulations to Reverend Crystal Kuykendall, Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Henry C. Gregory III Family Life Center Foundation, educator, attorney, motivational speaker, business owner and now, talk show hostess. Reverend Kuykendall will host her own show, “Magnifying the Power of Merchants of Hope” on **Voice America Variety**, every Friday evening (7:00 – 8:00 pm) beginning January 8, 2010. Each show will re-air on Saturday mornings at 7:00 am. Visit www.voiceamerica.com and click on the show. With outstanding guests, who will address critical issues of our time, this show will provide a forum whereby success strategies are shared and problems related to youth violence, social justice and education are addressed in an upbeat and entertaining forum. You can also join the conversation on Facebook and Twitter @merchantradio.

Notices From The Administrative Office



The following TV and radio stations will have up-to-the-minute weather conditions and information on Shiloh Baptist Church closings and delays:

ABC Channel 7 WJLA-TV and online at www.wjla.com
News Channel 8 and online at www.news8.net
WTOP 103.5 FM and 820 AM and online at www.wtopnews.com
WHUR 96.3 FM

2010 Event Guidelines and Sunday Circle Meeting Menus

Please make all requests for space at least ten (10) business days prior to an event. You may fax (202/234-6235), e-mail (muriellewis@shilohbaptist.org) or leave written requests at the Family Life Center Security Desk (mail box "L"). All payments must be made prior to the event. Payment may be made by cash, check or money order payable to Shiloh Baptist Church or by Church transfer/voucher form. Menu selections (minimum of 10 guests) and room equipment/set-up arrangements must be finalized ten (10) business days prior to the event. Please **DO NOT** bring food in from outside sources. Baked good (cakes, pies or cookies are permitted).

Monthly Menus (All menus are \$7.00 per person):

January

Party Wings, Potato Salad, Green Beans

February

*Chicken Salad
Tossed Salad
Crackers*

March

*Baked Chicken
Yams
Green Beans*

April

*Baked or Fried Fish
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans*

May

*Chicken Salad w/lettuce & tomato
Crackers
Veggie Tray*

All meals come with rolls and your choice of punch, iced tea or lemonade

Questions???? – Contact Muriel Lewis, Event Coordinator – 202/232-4200

The Leadership Challenge

The Lectionary Link: The Power of Study

Join us as we *Deepen Our Spirituality* each Thursday at 7:15 p.m.
Leaders, members and visitors are welcome

December 2009

1 st Thursday	Ministers	Deacons		Trustees		Sr. Choir		Other	Total Present
	2	20	36%	5	50%	6	9%	31	62
2 nd Thursday		Deaconess		CLC Council		Ushers		Other	Total Present
		12	13%	15	17%	11	TBA	17	55
3 rd Thursday		Village Council		Ministry Leaders		Gospel Choir		Other	Total Present
		4	19%	3	TBA	6	1%	22	35
4 th Thursday	Christmas Eve								

Instructors: 1st Thursday – Reverend Smith; 2nd Thursday, Reverend Mensah; 3rd Thursday, Minister Bowen

Please note: *Leaders must check the appropriate column on the sign in sheet (on the specified week) to be counted in the Challenge totals.*

Contributions & Tributes

In Loving Memory

of

Edwin B. Washington, Sr.

(December 29, 1906-January 3, 1979)

Happy 103rd Birthday, Pap!

You left us 31 years ago with only the beautiful memories of the time you spent with us

From you loving wife, son, and daughter-in-law

Lola B. Washington
Edwin B. Washington, Jr.
Tommie E. Washington
\$400.00

Thanking God for 98 birthdays, 85 of which were celebrated as a Member of Shiloh. It was Shiloh's spiritual guidance from the four pastors under which I served my sainted parents and church associates that made the Christian life so meaningful for me.

I would like to wish my Pastor and all the membership and staff of the Shiloh Baptist Church a blessed New Year of health, happiness and God-given prosperity.

Claim The Victory - \$1,098.00
The Senior Choir - \$100.00

Alice Adams' poinsettia was donated through Meals on Wheels in Memory of Andrew C. Pollard

John H. Pinkard, Jr.

