

The Shiloh Spirit



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The Pastor's Pen

July 4, 1776 was the date the American colonies declared their independence from Great Britain. Most of us know the basics of the story, taxation without representation, oppressive practices on the part of the English monarchy, unlawful searches and seizures, to name a few. A number of injustices piled up to form what the colonists considered intolerable circumstances. The result was a withdrawal from British rule and a Revolutionary War. Now, more than 230 years later, we commemorate the call for independence with parades, concerts, and fireworks.

However, for African Americans, the celebration has always contained a sour note. While the colonies called for liberty, a substantial number still practiced slavery. In fact, the US Constitution which codified the Nation's calls for freedom had hypocrisy built into its very structure. To mollify the slave owning colonies, a compromise was struck that factored slaves as only 2/5 of a person. That egregious conciliation has haunted this Nation from its inception.

Today, the virulent racism that plagues our land, and is still evidenced by the vitriolic attacks against President Obama, is the result of the hypocrisy of America's treatment of its former slave population. When the Nation was born, each person who was a slave was considered only a fraction of a human being. Today, we still have only a fraction of the wealth, a fraction of the political influence, a fraction of educational attainment and achievement, etc.

As we gather for Independence Day observances, let us never forget that our true liberty did not come on July 4th, but on the day our Savior rose from the grave and set us free. Barbecues, parades, and fireworks are OK, but let's be sure to keep our celebrations in perspective.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Church Meeting
Saturday, July 10, 2010
10:00 A.M.

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Sunday, July 4, 2010

Reading Through The Bible

July 4

2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30;
Galatians 6:1-16; Luke 10:1-11,
16-20 – Green

July 11

Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians
1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37 – Green

July 18

Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians
1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42 – Green

New Members Received by
Ever Ready Circle



This Week at Shiloh

Sunday, July 4, 2010

Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.



Holy Communion

DCCF Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
Combined Adult Church School Classes.....	Sanctuary
Combined Middle School/Senior High Church School Classes.....	TF/FLC
Combined Children’s Sunday School Classes.....	LL/FLC
Guest Hospitality - <i>Ever Ready Circle</i>	TF/FLC
Youth Council Meeting.....	COH/FLC

Monday, July 5, 2010

Administrative Office & Family Life Center Facilities Closed – Monday, July 5, 2010 in observance of Independence Day

Tuesday, July 6, 2010

7:30 – DC is Building Green Bridges.....	COH/FLC
8:00 – Job Readiness Program.....	208/FLC
9:00 – Child Development Center.....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program.....	216/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Senior Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
6:30 – Pastor’s Anniversary Committee Meeting.....	HH/FLC
7:15 – WCS Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

Wednesday, July 7, 2010

8:00 – Job Readiness Program.....	LL/FLC
9:00 – Child Development Center.....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program.....	216/FLC
12:00 – DC Christian Federal Credit Union.....	LL/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
7:00 – Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting	208/FLC

Thursday, July 8, 2010

8:00 – Job Readiness Program.....	LL/FLC
9:00 – Child Development Center	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	216/FLC
5:00 – Male Youth Advancement Program	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Prayer & Praise Service	HH/FLC

Friday, July 9, 2010

Family Life Center Closes at 1:00 p.m.

8:00 – Job Readiness Program.....	LL/FLC
9:00 – Child Development Center	LL/FLC

Saturday, July 10, 2010

8:00 – Tennis at Shiloh	Banneker Tennis Courts
10:00 – Church Meeting	HH/FLC
10:00 – Boy Scouts Meeting.....	216/FLC
10:00 – Usher Board Bulleting Preparation.....	Ushers' Room

Sunday, July 11, 2010

Jonathan Sunday School Class.....	Sanctuary/Balcony
Middle School Class	Gym/FLC
Nursery & Pre-K Classes	LL A&B/FLC
Senior High Class	TF/FLC
Alpha Sunday School Class	Gym/FLC
Caleb Sunday School Class	Sanctuary/P Street Side-Rear
E.L. Harrison Sunday School Class	COH/FLC
Ever Ready Sunday School Class	Library/FLC
Excelsior Sunday School Class	Sanctuary/Center
Genesis Sunday School Class	Gym/FLC
John A. Miles Sunday School Class	208/FLC
Littlejohn Sunday School Class	Gym/FLC
Silent Mission Sunday School Class	Gym/FLC
Waldron/Gill Sunday School Class	Gym/FLC
Walker Memorial Sunday School Class	216/FLC
Young Adult Sunday School Class.....	Gym/FLC
Guest Hospitality – <i>Eula Mae Harrison Circle</i>	TF/FLC

Discipleship News

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy is extended Deaconess Minnie McCall (Ruth Circle) in the loss of her sister, Anner Lee McRae – aunt of Veronica McCall Matthews (Ruth Circle) and Tommie Washington (Eula Mae Harrison Circle) in the loss of her brother, George Willie England.

Thank You Notes

My family and I wish expresses our sincere thanks to Reverend Smith, the Shiloh family – especially Unity Circle and the Usher Board – for your prayers, well wishes and telephone calls extended to my husband Bill during his time of surgery and recuperation. God truly answers prayers. May God continue to bless you all.

Barbara Talbert

The Men's Day Committee would like to express its thanks and appreciation to all those who contributed to the success of the Men's Day program and activities. It is our prayer that those who attended any of the events were inspired and received a blessing.

Felix Cummings and R.J. Benn, Co-Chairs

Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service

(Thursday Evenings)

July 8 *Phoebe & Pilgrim Circles*
July 15 *Progressive & Queen Esther Circles*
July 22 *Ruth & Sacrifice Circles*

Circles Receiving New Members

July 4 *Ever Ready Circle**
July 11 *Eula Mae Harrison Circle**
July 18 *Excelsior Circle*
July 25 *Faith Circle*

Circles Serving Breakfast

July 4 *Torch Bearers Circle*
July 11 *Unity Circle*
July 18 *Victory Circle*
July 25 *Willing Workers Circle*

**Please note schedule change*

Welcome New Members

The following persons completed the Spring 2010 New Members Workshop and received the Right Hand of Fellowship on Sunday, June 27, 2010

James Banks

Maxine Blanks – Progressive Circle

Daryl Branson – Shiloh Circle

Charnette Brown – Helping Hand Circle

Felicia P. Brown – Gideon Circle

John E. Cunningham, Jr. – Gideon Circle

Constance Carter-Johnson, Adah Circle

Shirley A. Cotton – Torch Bearers Circle

Michelle Lampkins – Ruth Circle

Victor Marsh – Torch Bearers Circle

John A. Mathews II – Victory Circle

Dorothy McCollum – Ruth Circle

Antonio McLaren – Pilgrim Circle

Florence Nicholas – Gideon Circle

Danielle Osler – Torch Bearers Circle

Doris Patterson – Shiloh Circle

Novella Percy – Torch Bearers Circle

Kim Powell – Haggai Circle

Sydney Revelle – Ruth Circle

Michael Robbins – Alpha Circle

Donald J. Tillery – Shiloh Circle

Chauncey Winbush

Kahini Adam Austin – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Asa L. Espinosa – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Noa Espinosa – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Andrew R. Gorbonos, Jr. – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Nya G. Person – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Jessica Singletary – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Elijah Thaddeus Singletary – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Asha Rosaline Yates – Sunshine Elementary Circle

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please DO NOT PARK in the Seaton Elementary School parking lot (Monday-Friday) before 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Anniversary Luncheon Tickets

*"A Pastor's Story ...
Summoned, Surrendered, Sustained"*
Romans 8: 28-31(KJV)

The Pastor's Anniversary Committee will be selling tickets today to celebrate Pastor Smith's 19th Anniversary. The luncheon will be held at the Washington Navy Yard on Saturday, July 17, 2010 at 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$45.00 and may be purchased in Heritage Hall. For additional information please contact the committee at

sbc19thpac@gmail.com or (301) 559-5030.

A Time To Mourn

The Pastoral Bereavement Support Group led by Dr. Eileen Crawford (Sacrifice Circle) will begin its next six-week session Saturday, July 10, 2010. If you are mourning the death of a loved one, then dwelling on the prospect of pain and suffering is never an easy task. You do not have to do this alone. You are likely to find new hope in the experiences of others like yourself who are able to rebuild their lives with the support of this group. Please join others who mourn their losses for our weekly ninety minute support group.

The Pastoral Bereavement Support Group meets at 3636 16th Street, NW – Washington, DC – Suite AG-17. To register for this group or to make inquires please call (202) 667-7363 (office) or (202) 265-9829 (home).

Volunteers Needed

The Communications Visual Media Team is looking for volunteers to project for the 7:45 a.m. and 10:55 a.m. Worship Services. Please leave your contact information at the Security Desk in the Family Life Center for Christine Barker or Warren Pyles.

July 11 – **Glory to Christ** (2 Thessalonians 1:3-12) – Paul instructed the Thessalonians that those who have faith in Jesus Christ must exhibit perseverance in faith in times of affliction, knowing that God's justice will be final. In this text, he set an example of intercessory prayer and encouraged the Thessalonians to live faithfully. In addition, Paul taught that God wants our Christian commitment to air always at giving God the glory.

July 18 – **Chosen and Called** (2 Thessalonians 2:13-17) – Paul urged the church to remain firm in what they had been taught about salvation, through Jesus Christ, and not to be deceived by false teaching. He encouraged the Thessalonians to be thankful for being chosen and called of God for salvation. Finally, he reminded them that the Holy Spirit sanctifies and empowers Christians for service and that eternal comfort and good hope is available in Christ.

July 25 – **God's Own Faithfulness** (2 Thessalonians 3:1-15) – The apostle Paul set an important example of working for his livelihood. He warned the church against idleness as they wait for the coming of Christ. Further, he encouraged the church to keep in mind God's faithfulness despite the opposition they face.

Youth News

This summer, the Educational Excellence LLC will offer several exciting academic opportunities for students. In addition to individualized enrichment summer tutoring for all subjects and grade levels, two small group classes will be provided to prepare students for the SAT and Catholic High School Entrance Exams/High School Placement Test (HSPT) as well as Mathematics Enrichment Camps for students entering grades 5-9 at Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD. To reserve a space, please contact us at 240-381-9514 or email educationalexcellence@yahoo.com for registration information. You can also visit the following website - www.educationalexcel.com - to register for summer programs and/or to find out additional information.

