

# The Shiloh Spirit



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## The Pastor's Pen

Tuesday is the mid-term election and if you are like I am, this campaign season could not end quickly enough. I have never seen such blatant, unapologetic vitriol as has been spewed this year. Civil discussion has gone the way of the Tyrannosaurus Rex and saber toothed tiger. There is no speech out of bounds and much of it is directed at President Obama.

It does not matter that during President Clinton's administration our nation had a budget surplus, or that two wars without definable purpose in Iraq and Afghanistan have led to astronomical spending. It does not matter that diminished government regulatory oversight led to the massive Wall Street collapse or that ill advised tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans generated too little revenue for all the spending. The Tea Party people and the conservative right have managed to cast the nation's enormous problems as the fault of President Obama. Health care reform has become a curse word, a meditation recited over and over again by some to produce a reactionary mantra of hatred.

Nancy Pelosi's image is sprayed across campaign ads as though she were Mata Hari, and on and on. The sad thing is that people can't seem to see through these lies. In a recent poll only 32% of Democrats are likely to vote, leaving the reactionaries to return the ball downfield with little or no serious defenders to tackle them. Many of those who turned the President into a rock star are now out of sorts with him for not being able to overturn eight years of damage in two years. Should the angry right wingers who are screaming for blood regain control of the House and Senate, our nation will be in its most serious setback since Reconstruction.

This is no time for positive, progressive people to drop out. We must encourage our friends, co-workers and families to get out on Tuesday and vote. The famous statement rings as true as ever. "All it takes for evil to succeed is for good people to do nothing."

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Sunday, October 31, 2010

### Reading Through The Bible

November 7

Haggai 1:15b-2:9; Psalm 98 or 15:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38

November 14

Isaiah 65:17-25; Isaiah 12; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

November 21

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

### New Members Received by Olivet Circle



# *This Week at Shiloh*

## **Sunday, October 31, 2010**

DCCF Credit Union .....	LL/FLC
ASALH African American Awareness Program (9:30 a.m.).....	Sanctuary
Youth Church.....	COH/FLC
Guest Hospitality ( <i>Olivet Circle</i> ).....	TF/FLC
Book Club Meeting.....	LL/FLC

## **Monday, November 1, 2010**

### **FLC Facilities Closes at 2:00 p.m.**

9:00 – Funeral Services – Willie Mae Wynne .....	Sanctuary
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## **Tuesday, November 2, 2010**

8:00 – DC Election Supply Delivery & Set-Up .....	HH/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	LL/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:00 – Tornado Taekwondo Class .....	RBC/FLC
6:30 – Senior Choir Rehearsal .....	Sanctuary
6:30 – FLC Sign Language Class .....	Library/FLC
6:30 – Financial Peace University Seminary .....	LL/FLC
7:15 – WCS Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

## **Wednesday, November 3, 2010**

6:00 – Mayoral Election.....	HH/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	LL/FLC
11:45 – Mid-Week Bible Study .....	COH/FLC
12:00 – DC Christian Federal Credit Union .....	LL/FLC
1:00 – Senior Citizens Club Meeting .....	HH/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project .....	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Gospel Choir Rehearsal .....	Choir Room
6:30 – Women’s Day Committee Meeting .....	Library/FLC
7:00 – <b>AL-ANON Family Matters Meeting</b> .....	COH/FLC

## **Thursday, November 4, 2010**

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Needle Arts & Knitting .....	HH/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project .....	Gym/FLC
6:15 – Bible Institute.....	Sanctuary
7:00 – Prayer & Praise Service .....	Sanctuary
7:00 – <b>Grace Covenant Church Worship Team</b> .....	LL/FLC

## Friday, November 5, 2010

10:00 – EFEC Basketball ..... Gym/FLC  
 6:00 – Youth Bible Study ..... COH/FLC

## Saturday, November 6, 2010

9:00 – 100 Black Men (SLA)..... Mezzanine Conference Room/FLC  
 10:00 – Ministry of Deacons Meeting ..... Deacons’ Room  
 10:00 – Investment Club #2 Meeting..... COH/FLC  
 10:00 – WiFi Techno Café..... TF/FLC  
 11:00 – **Women’s Business Network**..... HH/FLC  
 10:00 – Girl Scouts – Brownies ..... LLA&B/FLC  
 10:00 – Girl Scouts – Cadetts ..... RBC/FLC  
 10:00 – Usher Board Bulletin Preparation ..... LL/FLC  
 10:00 – Boy Scouts ..... Library/FLC  
 10:00 – Senior Choir Messiah Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary/Choir Room  
 12:00 – Boy Scouts Committee Meeting ..... Library/FLC  
 2:00 – New Generation Praise Dancers ..... LL/FLC

## Sunday, November 7, 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 Church School Classes ..... LL/FLC  
 Youth Church (10:00 a.m.) ..... COH/FLC  
 Guest Hospitality (*Omega Circle*) ..... TF/FLC  
 Calvary Circle Meeting ..... HHN/FLC  
 Nurses Unit Meeting ..... Library/FLC  
 HBCU Meeting ..... Library/FLC

# Discipleship News

## Veterans Recognition Sunday

### Welcome New Member

*Omenda Donetta Bynum – Naomi Circle*

### Condolences

*Our deepest sympathy is extended to James Wynne (Willing Workers Circle) in the loss of his mother, Willie Mae Wynne (Willing Workers Circle) and the family of Donna Grogan (Olivet Circle) – Reverend Desire' Grogan, sister-in-law; William Grogan, Jr. (Shiloh Circle), brother-in-law; and Amy Yvonne Grogan (Fellowship Circle), sister-in-law and Edith Harvey (Excelsior Circle) in the loss of her mother, Darlene Wilson Thomas.*

### Thank You Notes

My family and I would like to express our deepest gratitude to Reverend Smith, Antioch Circle and my Shiloh family for your prayers, cards, and phone calls during our bereavement for the loss of my father, Deacon Harry Coleman. We would like to convey a special thank you to Mrs. Bulluck, Deacon Elias Kibler, and Mr. Washington for attending the local service. Our hearts were touched by your thoughtful acts of kindness. May God continue to bless each of you.

*Victoria Roscoe and family*

The eighth annual Veterans Recognition Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, November 14, 2010. As a part of that event's activities, the Veterans Recognition Sunday Committee will host a clothing drive to support active military, veterans, and their families on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, (9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.) and Sunday November 14<sup>th</sup>, (9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.) (Veterans Recognition Sunday). The need to support our service personnel and their families has never been greater and we look forward to receiving your donations of gently-used, clean clothing of any kind. Please bring your donations to the Family Life Center. Donated items will be picked up by AMVETS (American Veterans) and delivered to veterans' homeless shelters, hospitals and thrift stores that directly benefit our wounded and transitioning warriors. In times like these, it is more important than ever to extend to others just a small portion of God's blessings to us. We thank you in advance for your generous support. God bless you all for helping us make this program a success and for supporting this noble effort.

### It is not too late!

#### Join the Shiloh Gospel Choir in Nassau Bahamas July 21-25, 2011

Church members and friends are invited to join the Shiloh Gospel Choir when they travel to Nassau Bahamas on July 21-25, 2010. Relax and enjoy a lovely vacation on the island of Nassau and then join the choir in Sunday worship services at Grant's Town Wesley Methodist Church. The trip package cost starts at \$975 (based on double occupancy) including roundtrip airfare, hotel accommodations, meal plan, transfers, tour option, and more. Accommodations will be at the beautiful Wyndham Resort on Cable Beach. Children package rates are also available. Group airline arrangements are from Washington National Airport. A deposit of \$150 is required immediately to hold a reservation. Contact Otis Harris, Muriel Lewis, Aldith Coleman or Geormine Stanyard-Crawford for more information and payment. Payments may also be mailed and made out to "DeGeor Services," PO Box 26462 WDC 20001. Passports are required for travel.

#### **Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service (Thursday Evenings)**

November 4 .....Hill Climbers & Hope Circles  
November 11 .....VETERANS' DAY  
November 18 .....King's Messengers & Mt. Sinai Circles

#### **Circles Receiving New Members**

October 31 .....Olivet Circle  
November 7 .....Omega Circle  
November 14 .....Phoebe Circle  
November 21 .....Pilgrim Circle

#### **Circles Serving Breakfast**

October 31 .....Gideon Circle  
November 7 .....Golden Deed Circle  
November 14 .....Golden Rule Circle  
November 21 .....Grace Circle

### HBCU Corner

Save the Date!!! November 20, 2010...Annual Shopping Trip, sponsored by the HBCU Council. Headed to Woodbury Commons outlet mall in New York (the largest outlet mall on the east coast). If you need to shop for birthday gifts, anniversaries, house warmings, personals, Christmas gifts, etc., you are bound to find it at Woodbury Commons!!! If you would like a listing of stores, please visit [www.premiumoutlets.com](http://www.premiumoutlets.com) Cost of the trip is \$50.00 per person. Please see any HBCU Council member to R.S.V.P. Don't miss out!!!

## Church School Lessons At-A-Glance

**November 7 – God is Awesome** (Psalm 66:1-12). The psalmist offers a hymn of praise to God and notes God's great deed of turning the sea into dry land as a reminder that God is dependable to help us when we are in need.

**November 14 – God is Forever** (Psalm 90:1-12). The psalmist acknowledges God's greatness and human frailty, recognizing the need for wisdom in light of life's brevity and God's wrath.

**November 21 – God Delivers and Protects** (Psalm 91:1-6, 9-16). God is a shelter and a refuge in the midst of our fears. We are to love and trust Him and place our faith in His ability to protect us.

**November 28 – God is All-Knowing** (Psalm 139:1-6, 1-16, 23-24). The psalmist, David, praises the all-knowing, all-seeing, ever-present God, who knows everything about him and us, including the number of hairs on our heads (Matthew 10:30). David recognizes and appreciates that even though God knows everything about us – including our failures – He still accepts and loves us. He is our Creator, who is worthy to be praised.

### We Need Your Help!

The Family Life Center Foundation, in concert with the Toys for Tots program, is collecting toys for children age 2 to 5 years old. A receptacle box will be placed in the Family Life Center. Boxes will be located in the lobby of the Family Life Center and the Child Development Center from November 1, 2010 to December 10, 2010 to collect the toys.

The Human Services Center is requesting donations of gently used coats for the homeless. We are in need of large-sized coats for men and women.

## Don't Forget!!!! Leadership Retreat

**Saturday, November 13, 2010  
9:00 a.m.**

*All Deacons, Deaconesses, Trustees, Circle Leaders, Ministry Leaders, etc. are requested to attend. Register today at the Event Center*

## THE USHERS' CORNER OCTOBER/NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2010

**Sunday, Oct. 31 – Unit #4 Serves**  
**Thursday, Nov. 4 – Unit #4 Serves**  
6:30 p.m. Bible Institute

**Sunday, Nov. 7 – Unit #5 Serves**  
10 a.m. Unity Service  
**Thursday, Nov. 11 – Unit #5 Serves**  
6:30 p.m. Bible Institute

**Sunday, Nov. 14 – Unit #6 Serves**  
**Thursday, Nov. 18 – Unit #6 Serves**  
6:30 p.m. Bible Institute

**Sunday, Nov. 21 – Units #1/3 Serve**  
**Tuesday, Nov. 23 – USHER BOARD MEETING**  
6 p.m. Executive Board  
7 p.m. General Board

**Sunday, Nov. 28 – Unit #2 Serves**  
**Thursday, Dec. 2 – Unit #2 Serves**  
6:30 p.m. Bible Institute

**Sunday, Dec. 5 – Unit #4 Serves**  
10 a.m. Unity Service  
**Thursday, Dec. 9 – Unit #4 Serves**  
6:30 p.m. Bible Institute

**Sunday, Dec. 12 – Unit #5 Serves**  
**5 p.m. Messiah Concert – ALL USHERS**

**Thursday, Dec. 16 – Unit #5 Serves**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

**Sunday, Dec. 19 – Unit #6 Serves**

**For Training, call Charlotte Bolton-Hicks at (301) 499-0628**

