

# The Shiloh Spirit



## The Pastor's Pen

Tuesday's 5.8 earthquake surely got all of our attention in the eastern portions of the United States and Canada. Several of us experienced it during Omega Circle's 99<sup>th</sup> birthday party for Mrs. Elva Vaughn at her home in Bethesda. Our reaction there was probably similar to what many experienced around the region. First there was wonderment, what was going on? Secondly the realization that whatever it was, it was neither a low-flying airplane nor a truck, set in. Finally it became clear that this must be an earthquake. Even those of us who make frequent trips to the West Coast had not felt anything like the shaking and rattling of an entire house. Fortunately there was no damage. Thank God for well-constructed houses.

Many have been conjecturing if this were the sign of the end times. I remind us of what Jesus said, "No one knows the day or the hour". However, the Lord has certainly been giving us ample reason to see that we all need to get our houses in order.

On September 17, our daughter and son-in-law will hold a US service to celebrate their marriage. Obviously most could not attend the service last year in Brazil. This will be an opportunity for our friends in Washington and around the country to attend the marriage celebration. The entire congregation is invited to rejoice with our family at this service. Also on September 18 at 10:55 a.m. we will dedicate our grandson, Olukayo, back to God. We thank God for the way Olukayo is growing so nicely and we pray for mother, dad and baby's continued health and happiness. Following the worship service there will be a reception on the roof of the Family Life Center, again all are invited.

In the midst of all of life's challenges such as earthquakes, we continue to see the hand of God all around. For that we give thanks.

*The Reverend Dr. Wallace Charles Smith  
Senior Minister*

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Sunday, August 28, 2011

**Lectionary: Reading Through  
The Bible**

*22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year – August 28  
(Green)  
Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26,  
45c; Romans 12:9-12; Matthew 16:21-28*

*23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year – September 4  
(Green)  
Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 149;  
Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 18:15-20*

*New Members Received by  
Queen Esther Circle*



# This Week at Shiloh

## Sunday, August 28, 2011

DCCF Credit Union .....	LL/FLC
Jonathan Sunday School Class.....	Sanctuary/Balcony
Middle School Class.....	RBC/Gym
Elementary Class.....	LL-A/FLC
Upper Elementary Class .....	LL-Front/FLC
Nursery & Pre-K Classes.....	LL-A&B/FLC
Senior High Class.....	LL-Rear/FLC
Alpha Church School Class .....	Gym/FLC
Caleb Church School Class .....	Sanctuary/P Street Side-Rear
E.L. Harrison Church School Class .....	COH/FLC
Ever Ready Church School Class .....	Gym/FLC
Excelsior Church School Class .....	Sanctuary/Center
Genesis Church School Class .....	Library - Gym/FLC
John A. Miles Church School Class .....	Library - Gym/FLC
Littlejohn Church School Class .....	Gym/FLC
Silent Mission Church School Class .....	Gym/FLC
Waldron/Gill Church School Class .....	Gym/FLC
Walker Memorial Church School Class .....	Gym/FLC
Young Adult Church School Class .....	TF/FLC
New Members Workshop – Adults (9:30 a.m.).....	216/FLC
New Members Workshop –Youth (9:30 a.m.).....	208/FLC
Youth Church.....	COH/FLC
Guest Hospitality ( <i>Queen Esther Circle</i> ).....	TF/FLC

## Monday, August 29, 2011

**Administrative Offices & Family Life Center closes at 2:00 p.m.**

## Tuesday, August 30, 2011

9:00 – CDC Summer Program .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	Library/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
6:00 – Taekwondo Class.....	RBC/FLC

## Wednesday, August 31, 2011

9:00 – CDC Summer Program .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	Library/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project.....	Gym/FLC
5:00 – Bereavement Counseling .....	VIP Lounge
7:00 – <b>Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting</b> .....	COH/FLC

## Thursday, September 1, 2011

9:00 – CDC Summer Program .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	Library/FLC
10:00 – Needle Arts & Knitting .....	HHS/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project .....	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Mid-Week Worship (Prayer & Praise) .....	Sanctuary

## Friday, September 2, 2011

**Administrative Office & Family Life Center Closes at 2:00 p.m.**

9:00 – CDC Summer Program .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....	Library/FLC

## Saturday, September 3, 2011

9:00 – Taekwondo Class .....	RBC/FLC
9:30 – WiFi Café .....	TF/FLC
9:30 – Communication Ministry Meeting .....	HHS/FLC
10:00 – Boy Scout Meeting .....	RBC/FLC
10:00 – Usher Board Bulletin Preparation .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Evangelism Ministry Service .....	COH/FLC

## Sunday, September 4, 2011

### Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.

*Holy Communion*



DCCF Credit Union .....	LL/FLC
Combined Adult Church School Classes .....	Sanctuary
Combined Middle School and Senior High School Classes .....	TF/FLC
Combined Children's Sunday School Classes .....	LL/FLC
Youth Church (10:00 a.m.) .....	COH/FLC
Guest Hospitality ( <i>Ruth Circle</i> ) .....	TF/FLC
HBCU Council Meeting .....	Library/FLC
Nurses Unit Meeting .....	LL/FLC

**September 6 (6:30 p.m.) – Joint Board Meeting**  
**September 10 (9:00 a.m.) – Deacon Ministry Meeting**  
**September 10 (10:00 a.m.) – Church Meeting**

# Discipleship News

## Welcome New Members

Christine Mapp Carson – Pilgrim Circle  
Mark Anthony Roscoe, II – Sunshine Elementary Circle  
Birdette L. Thomas – Pilgrim Circle

## Condolences

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of Deaconess Virginia Johnson (Social Reapers Circle); Wista Gooden (Ever Ready Circle) and Deaconess Eleanor Samuda (Helping Hand Circle).

## Thank You Notes

To My Dear Shiloh Family-Once again, I am humbled and overwhelmed with tremendous gratitude for the many, many prayers and scores of emails, Facebook posts, cards and phone messages I received after my recent hospitalization for blood clots on both lungs. Less than 48 hours after my release from Suburban Hospital, my beloved aunt, “The Royal Lady of Gospel”, Delois Barrett Campbell, lead singer of the Barrett Sisters, died of a pulmonary embolism – the same thing that killed my mother, my brother in June and 7 other relatives. I am so glad that the last concert The Barrett Sisters had in DC was here at Shiloh 5 years ago. My aunt says it was her best trip to DC even though they had performed at the Kennedy Center and numerous other churches in the area in the past. Thanks to Thomas Tyler for giving them (and me) such special memories. While I am still deeply saddened by these recent deaths and I am still recovering from my own pulmonary emboli and physical setback, I am overjoyed by God’s Grace, His healing power and His mercy. My doctors have called me a “walking miracle”. It is not possible to send written expressions of thanks to everyone who prayed for me or sent written and verbal messages. However, I am especially grateful to Pastor Smith for his prayers and the hospital visit that really lifted me. There are some other individuals whose kindness during these storms in my life far exceeded anything I could have ever imagined or expected: Dr. Sheryl Lucas (to whom I owe so much, including my life), Wil Holcomb, Kent Amos, Deacon Constance Tate, Reverend Robert Felton, Dr. Sharon Parker, Beverly Perry, Linwood Moore, Dr. Cecil and Delores Harris, Lorella Willis, Keith Ellis, David & Jackie Hayes, Shirley Coleman, Dorcas Circle and Stanley & Judy Williams. I hope all of you will continue to keep me in your prayers. We serve such an AWESOME God – to Him be the Glory!

Reverend Crystal Kuykendall

Dear Reverend Smith and my Shiloh family – your cards, phone calls, pats on the back, words of comfort and other acts of kindness were greatly appreciated. I know the prayers you offered for my family and me were a blessing. My being the older of three sisters and the only brother, I had to be strong for them. God gave me strength to do that. Thank God for a Christian family like you – my Shiloh family.

Deacon Memory Griffin

Dear Pastor Smith and the entire Shiloh Family - thank you for all the cards, calls and prayers during the passing of my beloved husband, James Thigpen. Words really can't express my gratitude for the support that I received and continue to receive during this difficult time. I especially want to thank Minister Bowen, the Ministry of Deacons, the Usher Board and Excelsior Circle for being there for me and my family. Please continue to keep me in your prayers during this very difficult time. I lift up my eyes to the hills where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord. Praise God for His comfort and for my Shiloh family.

Johnnie M. Thigpen

Reverend Smith and Deacon Grigsby, I thank you sincerely for your visit and prayers during my recent hospitalizations. My thanks also go out to my Shiloh family, the Deacons, Deaconesses, Hill Climbers Circle, Ushers, Choirs, Circle Leaders Council and members of the Communication and Technology Committee for all of the beautiful cards, monetary gifts and tapes lifted my spirit daily. It was indeed gratifying to have members provide transportation to medical appointments. I truly felt inspired and loved, for now I know that “9<sup>th</sup> & P is truly the place to be”. Last but not least, Deacon Allen, my sister in Christ, thank you. May God’s richest blessings rain down in abundance upon Shiloh.

Betty Jean Jones

### Circles Receiving New Members

September 4.....Ruth Circle  
September 11.....Sacrifice Circle  
September 18.....Shiloh Circle  
September 25.....Social Reapers Circle  
October 2.....Torch Bearers Circle

### Circles Serving Breakfast

September 4.....Haggai Circle  
September 11.....Helping Hand Circle  
September 18.....Hill Climbers Circle  
September 25.....Hope Circle  
October 2.....King’s Messengers Circle

### Circles Leading Mid-Week Worship

(Prayer & Praise – Thursday Evening – 6:30 p.m.)

September 1.....Naomi & Olivet Circles  
September 8.....Omega & Phoebe Circles  
September 15.....Pilgrim & Progressive Circles  
September 22.....Queen Esther & Ruth Circles  
September 29.....Sacrifice & Shiloh Circles



## 148<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Activities

### Service of Remembrance

September, 18 – 4:00 p.m.

### Thursday Night Revival

September 22

### 148<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday

September 25

7:45 and 10:55 a.m. Worship

### Land Cruise Luncheon

September 25

(Immediately following the 10:55 a.m. Worship Service)

## 148<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary

It was one hundred forty-eight (148) years ago that the Shiloh Baptist Church was born from humble beginnings and since that day, the church has exhibited growth in Spirit, number, and reputation. Please join us in our sanctuary on Sunday (September 25, 2011) for our Church Anniversary service.

To mark this milestone on our spiritual journey a celebratory souvenir journal will be published in full color. This journal will include acknowledgements and advertisements from members and organizations within our church family, businesses within our community, and from individuals, churches and organizations across the country. We invite you to join in this joyful time of celebration by making a submission to our journal. Please note that your ad or greeting must be received **NO LATER THAN September 6, 2011.**

<b>Full Page</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>Half Page</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>
<b>Quarter Page</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>

**\*Patrons will be listed in our Journal\***

Your check or money order must be payable to Shiloh Baptist Church (*Church Anniversary* -on memo line) and mailed with your ad to the address on the application. You also may email your camera-ready submission to [washingtoneb@verizon.net](mailto:washingtoneb@verizon.net). For additional information, please contact: Vernell Lewis, 703/608-6072 or Harold Harris 202/215-5697.

## HBCU Corner

### Saving Morris Brown College

Cascade United Methodist Church in Atlanta presented a check for \$22,000, on August 14<sup>th</sup> to the President of Morris Brown College, providing enough money to help the 131 year old school settle a \$10 million dollar debt with the U.S. Department of Education. In March, a settlement was proposed that would cancel the debt if the college could pay \$500,000 by August 24<sup>th</sup>. The check from Cascade put the school over the top; however, Morris Brown's President Stanley Pritchett said the school still owes other creditors \$18 million - \$20 million.

## Highlights from the Progressive National Baptist Convention

August 7-12, 2011

Washington, DC

### Securing Our Future: Humility – A People of Fellowship

*Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come – 2 Corinthians 5:17*

The experience of attending my first PNBC was very spiritually rewarding. The convention was marked by much captivating gospel preaching and melodious religious music. The sweet spirit of Christian fellowship pervaded the entire session. I was most pleased to learn more about the history of the PNBC and as well as more about PNBC's involvement in the early years of the civil rights movement. It is a proud feeling being a Deacon at Shiloh Baptist Church and continuing its legacy of affiliation with the PNBC. I was especially happy to meet Deacons from around the country. In addition, I met Deacons from my home state, South Carolina including one who was a former college classmate of mine.

#### **PNBC Course 640 Searching for Adam**

This course was taught by Reverend Willie R. Davis of Houston, Texas. Pastor Davis developed this course from previous research by Jawanza Kunjufu and Mychal Wyn. This course delves into the conspicuously absent man (Adam) particularly in houses of faith today,, especially the African-American Church. Pastor Davis formulated an ADAM ministry, which stands for:

#### **Ambassadors Dedicated to the Advancement of Men**

The ADAM ministry has as its primary goal to form a Scripture-based brotherhood to reach men (and women) where they are through Growth, Enrichment, Sponsorship, and Extra activity. The ADAM ministry exemplifies John 12:32: *And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me.*

Reverend Davis emphasized the lesson of winning souls by obeying God's Word. This admonition is given to us in Mark 4:35 – 41. Christ commanded his disciples to leave their comfort zone of the shore and the crowd and enter the windstorm of beating waves. We must follow Christ's lead

even if we are fearful of the consequences. Just as the man Christ encountered on the other side of the sea was possessed by demons, the Adam man is encumbered with demons --- alcohol and drug dependency, incarceration for crime, unemployment, spiritual impotency, lack of parenting, childhood abuse, lack of education, and a severe dearth of role models to emulate. Examples of the man in the tomb who called himself *Legion* can be found throughout our community even if we are fearful of the consequences. Just as the man Christ encountered on the other side of the sea was possessed by demons, the Adam man is encumbered with demons --- alcohol and drug dependency, incarceration for crime, unemployment, spiritual impotency, lack of parenting, childhood abuse, lack of education, and a severe dearth of role models to emulate. Examples of the man in the tomb who called himself *Legion* can be found throughout our community today. Adam is alive and pleading for us (the church) for help. Adam still pleads today for our help, but not always so 'softly and tenderly' as the hymn suggests. We must meet Adam wherever he may be in the world. We can help Adam drive out those demons that infest him, so that Adam can come to know himself and recognize he is God's special creation

*Deacon William "Bill" Thomas*

#### **Administering the Christian Education Ministry**

Arnetta Addison (Houston, Texas) – Instructor

This class was designed to help the leadership of the Church's Educational Ministry administer the Church's educational program. The class participants explored the principles and procedures for organizing, planning, staffing, directing and evaluating resources.

The course content included but was not limited to the following: (1) What Does it Mean to Administer Christian Education, (2) Why Do We Need a Ministry of Teaching in the Church, (3) Scriptural Instructions and Challenges, (4) Organizing the Christian Education Ministry, (5) Planning the Christian Education Ministry, (6) Staffing the Christian Education Ministry, (7) Directing the Christian Education Ministry, (8) Evaluating the Worker and Christian Education Ministry.

The following numbers correspond to the numbers listed above:

1. It is to organize, plan, staff, direct and evaluate Ministry to make it work-taking into account the following factors: (a) curriculum, (b) facilities, (c) developing policies, (d) coordinating a master calendar, (e) scheduling, (f) programming; 2. (a) The needs and problems of people continue to multiply. A Christian Education Program for teaching and learning should be tailored to serve the needs of the persons in the congregation, (b) It is the Churches which must carry the primary obligation of training persons in moral values and in developing the spiritual dimension of their personalities, (c) Education within the Church exists to serve Christ and in so doing seeks, through administrative and other methods, to train leadership, to provide instructional facilities, to supply teachers, and to create the type of atmosphere which is most conducive to effective learning, (d) The need for new knowledge--a powerful instrument for building and strengthening the "household of faith." There is a need for special training in missionary education, stewardship education, social education and action, parent education, alcohol education and group procedures. Church officers and leaders of these groups need special help to understand and meet their responsibilities; 3. (a) Romans 8:14, (b) Timothy 3:16, (c) Hebrews 10:24-25, (d) Timothy 2:15, (e) Matthew 28:19-20, (f) Acts 1:8, (g) 2 Corinthians 5:20, (h) Colossians 3:16; 4. (a) Organization is the vehicle which carries the program toward its goal, (b) Things and people are constantly changing. Standards, ethics, and beliefs don't change. In order to stay abreast of it all, Christian Education must be presented on the level and in terms that people can relate and understand; 5. (a) Planning studies the past and present, gathers data, interprets these, and then makes plans for the future with the ultimate end in mind of achieving the Church's established goals, (b) The specific function of planning is that of establishing goals and indicating the means for their achievement. There are long-range plans, short range plans and an activities calendar; 6. (a) The responsibility for the identification, recommendation, preparation, and evaluation of candidates for leadership positions should be that of the pastor or educational director, (b) The source of leadership to obtain qualified leaders to fill positions in the educational program are: new members, Church officers, leadership training course enrollees, Sunday School class officers, students in Christian school; 7. (a) directing differs from planning in that planning divides and organizes the work; directing is the means of seeing that the work actually does flow smoothly and systematically through the organization consistent with plans; (b) The Church with an evangelist spirit will be a Church where sinful hearts, unethical practices and despairing lives will be changed by the power of God; 8. (a) were goals met? (b) what can be done to improve? (c) were facilities , equipment effective? (d) is the job description current? (e) have training opportunities been provided throughout the year? (f) have regular follow up meetings been provided for the worker and the leader?

A quote from Marion E. Brown, "Christian Education in the Year 2000 states that "in order to successfully meet the challenge of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, we need to fulfill God's direction, meet the needs of God's people, and commit ourselves to God and our work.

Christian Education must change directions if it is to keep in step with the Spirit of God. There must be a new commitment and a new calling in order to provide a new challenge to educate and empower God's people in this new century. We must do what works."

I recommend that the current leaders in Christian Education evaluate the Christian Education Ministry. In addition, books that Christian Education Leaders and future attendees, taking this course, should read are: **Administering Christian Education** by Robert K. Bower and **Church Administration Handbook** by Bruce P. Powers.

*Deacon Donald W. Jones*

## Human Service Center

The Human Services Center is collecting back packs filled with pens, pencils, composition books and water bottles. The back packs will be distributed at the September 17 Missions Ministry Fellowship Meal. You may drop off your donation at the Human Service Center Office.

The Human Service Center is also sponsoring the Annual Health Walk on September 17. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the walk will commence at 9:00 a.m. Registration Fee: \$25.00/Adults - \$15.00/Children/Youth. For further information contact Reverend Robert Felton (202/232-4288) or Myra Sampson Reeves (202/232-4202).

## National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

Dorothy I. Height

Black Family Reunion Celebration

Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast

September 10, 2011 – 8:00 a.m.

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jamal-Harrison Bryant

Tickets - \$40.00

([mhill@ncnw.org](mailto:mhill@ncnw.org); 202/383-9164 or [www.ncnw.org](http://www.ncnw.org))

# Church School Lessons

## At-A-Glance

**August 28 – Respecting Community Standards** (Ruth 4:1-10) –Boaz sought to redeem the land of Naomi’s husband and son and to secure the hand of Ruth in marriage. Naomi’s family line continued through her grandson Obed to King David (Ruth 4:22).

### Teaching and Learning

**September 4 – Righteousness and Wisdom** (Proverbs 3:1-12) - When we chose to live in obedience to God, He grants us wisdom. Proverbs 3 describes wisdom as a value that protects and brings well-being. Trusting in God’s wisdom and guidance helps develop strong faith, as well as offers purpose and meaning in life.

**September 11- From Generation to Generation** (Proverbs 4:10-15, 20-27) – Using the model of parental teaching that has been handed down from one generation to the next, the author encourages people to walk the path of righteousness and wisdom.

**September 18 – Teaching Values** (Proverbs 15:21-33) – The author offers advice that contains wise and godly principles for living, which helps strengthen one’s trust in God. Heeding and practicing the advice offered in Proverbs lead to positive outcomes.

**September 25-Wisdom and Discernment** (Proverbs 25:1-10) – In this lesson, the proverbs of Solomon were collected by King Hezekiah. While they originally meant to help those who dealt with a king, these verses have positive applications for a wide variety of relationships. They offer wisdom on values such as humility, honesty, discretion and respect.



## THE USHERS’ CORNER

### AUGUST/SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011

**Sunday, Aug. 28 – Units #1/3 serve**

**Thursday, Sept. 1 – Units #1/3 serve**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Sept. 4 – Unit #2 serves**  
10 a.m. Unity Service

**Thursday, Sept. 8 – Unit #2 serves**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Sept. 11 – Unit #4 serves**

**Thursday, Sept. 15 – Unit #4 serves**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Sept. 18 – Unit #5 serves**  
4:00 p.m. Service of Remembrance

**Thursday, Sept. 22 – Unit #5 serves**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Sept. 25 – ALL USHERS (Unit #6 in charge)**  
7:45 a.m. & 10:55 a.m. 148<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary

**Thursday, Sept. 27 – Usher Board Meetings**  
6:00 p.m. Executive Committee  
7:00 p.m. General Board

**Thursday, Sept. 29 – Unit #6 serves**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Oct. 2 – Units #1/3 serve**  
10:00 a.m. Unity Service/Worldwide Communion Sunday

**Thursday, Oct. 6 – Units #1/3 serve**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Oct. 9 – Unit #2 serves**

**Thursday, Oct. 13 – Unit #2 serves**  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise, Bible Study

**Sunday, Oct. 16 – Unit #3 serves**

For Training, call Charlotte Balton-Hicks  
(301) 499-0628

## Employment

### Position Available

- **Field Technician** (16 positions) - NASA Glenn Flight Research Center Cleveland, OH
- **Field Technician** (18 positions) - NASA Stennis Space Center, MS
- **Receptionist** (1 position) - Mclean, VA
- **Hardware Engineer** –(1 position) - Whidbey Island, WA
- **Information Security Engineer** - (2 positions) - McLean, VA
- **Application Tester** (1 position) - Annapolis, MD

**Please note:** Some of these positions may require relocation, drug screening, lifestyle polygraph and security clearance. For detailed job descriptions, please see the website at [www.mettters.com](http://www.mettters.com). If you are interested in a position listed above, send an email to [Marc.Villegoureiz-Ritaud@metters.com](mailto:Marc.Villegoureiz-Ritaud@metters.com) with an up-to-date resume in MS Word format and apply for the position online via the Metters website.

**General Assistant** - Shiloh Baptist Church seeks a spiritual-led, organized, and business oriented assistant to provide support to the Church Administrator in executing the business operations of the Church. The ideal candidate will demonstrate the ability to independently manage a full range of administrative functions, possess good written and oral communication skills, and the ability to work cooperatively with the Church's administrative managers. A minimum of five years proven experience in the area of administrative executive support. This is a temporary, part time position working no more than 25 hours a week. Interested candidates must send their resumes to Reverend George Mensah, Church Administrator, 1510 9th Street, NW; Washington, DC 20001 or by email to [GeorgeMensah@shilohbaptist.org](mailto:GeorgeMensah@shilohbaptist.org), no later than August 31, 2011.

### Seeking Employment

**Helper** – A Shiloh member is seeking a position as a house sitter for an elderly person, preferably in the NE, NW area of DC. Has nursing experience and excellent references. Will accept light housekeeping duties. Call 202/269-3545.

**Need Help with Laundry?** Shiloh member will wash/fold and iron laundry. Pickup and delivery service available. Call 202/277-3000.

## Tribute to Pastor Smith

### I Am With You Always

At Shiloh Baptist Church, there's an extraordinary soul,  
His calling brought to this place, his presence is not droll.

Upon his wings were the winds of change, he transformed a  
special place,  
To each and every one of us, he gave his special grace.

Each and every Sunday, he stands before his flock,  
He is our earthly Shepherd; on our doors we've hear his knock.

He speaks in quiet tones, about the Word of God,  
And tells us very firmly, of the path which we must trod.

But lest you think he has just one side, there's more than meets  
the eye,

His humor is quite legend, like a homemade apple pie.

He's unafraid, with ample courage; God is at his side,  
At Shiloh now there are women blessed, who help and lead,  
and guide.

For twenty years he's done so much, but one thing was not  
regal,  
With opened minds, we forgive his sin, he's a Philadelphia  
Eagle.

He is a complete but simple man, whose message is oh, so  
clear,  
In faith and fellowship, God is close, we need not ever fear.

In his sojourn here at Shiloh, 'twas a time that was too dire,  
Our blessed church was damaged by the smoke and awful fire.

We could have lost our way, and drifted in the dark,  
He would not allow despair, he surely was our spark.

With his inspiration, and an ear to hear God's voice,  
Reverend Smith became our beacon light, to let us see the  
choice.

In all this time, he's labored long to see that no one strays,  
His message touches every heart, and for all his sheep he prays.

*Gladys R. Myatt*

