

The Shiloh Spirit



*The Reverend Dr. Wallace Charles Smith
Senior Minister*

The Pastor's Pen

Let me thank all of you for the prayers, thoughts and best wishes you have given to Elaine and me at the birth of our first grandson, who is doing very well.

As one watches the stages of birth and witnesses a new life growing, developing and emerging, one cannot help but be awed at the majesty of God. Our daughter Christen and our son in law Clayton are doing fine. Every day he learns a few more words in English. Every day I become more and more aware how daunting it is to learn a new language (I still struggle with English). All of us are having a wonderful time with our new family as we rejoice in God's rich blessings. Please continue to keep us in prayer.

Each week the Baptist World Alliance shares the names of the countries we are praying for as churches in these places often struggle against enormous opposition. One of the countries on this week's list, Malaysia, is where the annual General Council meetings will be held in July. Please keep these nations and the work of their churches in prayer throughout this coming week.

"All Baptists are invited to join us in these prayers. This week's focus countries are:

CHINA, HONG KONG, MACAU, BRUNEI, MALAYSIA, and SINGAPORE

BWA Member Organizations in these countries:

Macau Baptist Convention with 6 churches and 750 baptized believers
Baptist Convention of Hong Kong with 158 churches and 2,334 baptized believers
Malaysia Baptist Convention with 163 churches and 22,143 baptized believers
Singapore Baptist Convention with 36 churches and approximately 10,000 baptized believers."

Joint Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 26, 2011 – 6:30 p.m.

Church Meeting – Saturday, April 30, 2011 – 10:00 a.m.

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Sunday, April 3, 2011

Reading Through The Bible

4th Sunday in Lent – April 3 (Violet)
1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23;
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

5th Sunday in Lent – April 10 (Violet)
Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130;
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

Passion/Palm Sunday – April 17 (Red)
Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9;
Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66

New Members Received by Ever Ready Circle





Sunday, April 3, 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>Ever Ready Circle</i>)	TF/FLC
HBCU Council Meeting	Library/FLC
Nurses Unit Meeting	LL/FLC
YACS Meeting	HHN/FLC

Monday, April 4, 2011

Administrative Office & Family Life Center Facilities Close at 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 5, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
11:00 – Mattie Hayes Funeral Service – Viewing: 10:00 a.m.	Sanctuary
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
6:00 – Taekwondo Class	RBC/FLC
6:00 - Chess Class	TF/FLC
6:30 – Circle Leaders Council Meeting	HH/FLC
6:30 – Senior Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:15 –Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

Wednesday, April 6, 2011

10:00 – Deaf &Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
11:45 – Mid Week Bible Study	Deacons’ Room
1:00 – Senior Citizens Club Meeting	HH/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Gospel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 – Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting	COH/FLC
7:00 - <i>Lenten Worship Service – Allen Chapel A.M.E.</i>	2429 Alabama Avenue, SE

Thursday, March 31, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
10:00 – Needle Arts & Knitting	HH/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
6:30 – Prayer & Praise Service	Sanctuary
7:00 – Bible Institute – <i>More Than The Mardi Gras</i> –Reverend Lewis Anthony, Instructor	Sanctuary

Friday, April 8, 2011

Administrative Office & Family Life Center Facilities Close at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 9, 2011

9:00 – Taekwondo Class	RBC/FLC
10:00 – Usher Board Bulletin Preparation	Ushers' Room
10:00 – Village Council Meeting	HHS/FLC
10:00 – Gideon Circle Meeting	TF/FLC
11:00 – Deaconess Board Meeting	LL/FLC
1:00 - Child Development Center Fashion Show.....	Gym/FLC
1:00 - FLCF Missions Meeting	COH/FLC
2:00 - New Generation of Praise Dance Rehearsal	LL/FLC

Sunday, April 10, 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
Guest Hospitality (<i>Excelsior Circle</i>).....	TF/FLC
Children/Youth Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Room
Berean Circle Meeting	Library/FLC
Bethel Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Faith Circle Meeting	Private Residence; please contact the Circle Leader
Hill Climbers Circle Meeting.....	LL/FLC
Mount Sinai Circle Meeting.....	COH/FLC
Naomi Circle Meeting.....	208/FLC
Phoebe Circle Meeting.....	Gym/FLC
Social Reapers Circle Meeting.....	RBC/FLC

Discipleship News

Welcome New Members

Zakariah Bryant –Sunshine Elementary Circle
Raycurt Lemuel K Johnson –Dorcas Circle
Cassandra Zaneta Bryan Reynolds – Eula Mae Harrison Circle
William Benjamin Reynolds – Eula Mae Harrison Circle
Yahri Kuykendall Shango- Sunshine Elementary Circle
Carol F. Walls –Eula Mae Harrison Circle

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Tina Winestock (Omega Circle) in the loss of her mother, Mattie R. Hayes (Omega Circle)

Thank You Notes

The outpouring of love expressed by the Shiloh Family at the death of my mother, Marion Fisher Tyler, was truly humbling. Thank you Reverend Smith, Reverend Mensah, Deacon Hall, Rita Bibbs Booth, the Torch Bearers Circle, the Ever Ready Bible Class, the Gospel Choir, the Ministry of Deacons, and the Shiloh Village for the many prayers, calls, cards and flowers. My family and I are greatly touched.

Nancy Tyler and Family

We would like to "Thank" the ladies of the Women's Day Committee for purchasing our tickets for the fabulous Tea held at the Four Seasons Hotel. This was an overwhelming act of kindness and caring. You must know this touched our hearts. You all are so very special. We truly enjoyed the experience. We ask that God continues to shine his light on you always.

Alexandra, Celena, Henrietta, Julia, Rachael and Sydney

Circles Receiving New Members

April 3..... Ever Ready Circle

April 10 Excelsior Circle

Circles Serving Breakfast

April 3 Sunshine Youth Circle

April 10 Torch Bearers Circle

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Any persons having possession of a Shiloh "Greeter" badge is asked to please return it to Deacon Joan Allen or the Security Desk.

Ushers' Corner March/April

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

Sunday, April 3 – Unit #6 Serves
10:00a.m. –Unity Service

Thursday, April 7- Unit #6 Serves
7:15p.m. – Bible Institute – Reverend Lewis Anthony

Sunday, April 10 – Units #1/3 Serve

Thursday, April 14 – Units #1/3 Serve
7:15p.m. –Bible Institute – Reverend Lewis Anthony

Sunday, April 17 – Unit #2 Serves (Palm Sunday)
4:00 p.m. Gospel Choir Anniversary – ALL USHERS
(Begin White Uniforms)

April 18-21 – Stations of the Cross
12:00 Noon each day – ALL USHERS

Thursday, April 21- ALL USHERS
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
Shiloh at Metropolitan Baptist Church

Friday, April 22 – ALL USHERS
12:00 Noon – 3:00 p.m. – Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 24 –Unit #4 Serves
Easter Sunday
6:00 a.m. – Sunrise Service (Baptism)
10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship

Tuesday, April 26-General Usher Board Meeting
6:00 p.m. – Executive Board
7:00 p.m. – General Board

Employment Opportunities

Please email any hiring opportunities to
employopp@shilohbaptist.org.

Employment opportunities will be posted throughout Shiloh's communications.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find, knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Matthew 7:7, 8



Preparing for the Daniel Fast

"Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole, spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Thessalonians 5:23

The Daniel Fast is an experience of *Spiritual Discipline, Renewal and Physical Cleansing; a consecration of Mind, Body and Soul*. The power of Fasting has less to do with food than with setting yourself apart for a specific period of time to focus more on the Lord, prayer and worship.

Our Fast as Daniel's will be a statement of faith in God. Prior to the Fast you will want to begin decreasing your food intake and prepare your heart and mind for this very special time.

- Decide on a purpose for your Fast.
- Your Fast is 21 days.
- Consecrate a time and place for your daily quiet time with the Lord.
- Plan 3 or 4 days of meals. Schedule a shopping time.
- Review your calendar to see if you need to make any alterations.
- Gather your quiet time, prayer and study tools.
- Begin praying whenever you think about the Fast, asking the Holy Spirit to lead and direct you as you enter into this spiritual experience.

*Pray, Plan, Prepare, Participate,
Praise!!*

FLEA MARKET

The Circle Leaders Council will host its 3rd Annual Flea Market on Saturday, April 30, 2011, from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Members are asked to donate items including: household goods, kitchenware, books, games, toys, jewelry, hand bags, pictures, picture frames, small electronic equipment, small appliances, sports equipment, small ornaments, and trinkets. NO CLOTHING will be accepted. Items should be clean and in good, working condition. Donated items may be delivered to the Family Life Center at the Event Center from April 4-27, 2011. For more information contact Keith Anderson at 202-257-7682

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

The members of Adah Circle will host its annual Christmas In April celebration on April 10, 2011, from 1pm – 3pm at the lovely McLoone's Pier House, located at 141 National Plaza Building, the National Harbor Place. Adah Circle invites members of the congregation, your family and friends to join with us in what promises to be a wonderful event with much good food, good fellowship and the opportunity, if you have not already, to experience this very nice addition to the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area, provided by the National Harbor Place that overlooks the Potomac River. Please see an Adah Circle member for tickets and/or stop by the event center after worship service today.

D.C. Hall of Fame

The Washington, D.C. Hall of Fame Society is pleased to announce its 11th Annual Washington DC Hall of Fame Awards program to be held on Sunday April 10, 2011, at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza, Southwest, Washington, D.C. This year, our fifth Pastor, the late Reverend Henry C. Gregory, III will be posthumously inducted in the D.C. Hall of Fame in the area of religion. The program begins at 4:30 p. m. For ticket information, please contact Dr. Janette Hoston Harris at 202-726-6300 or at her e-mail address: Jhharrisassoc@aol.com.



Applications for the **2011-2012 Shiloh Debutante Program** are now available. Please see a member of the Debutante Program Committee at the Events Center to request an application (deadline – June 15th).

Dr. Sharon Parker, Program Director
Suzanne L. Bell
Maxine Blanks
Patricia Brantley
Joanna E. Brickus
Mattilyn N. Green
Beverly B. Hardy
Rosa M. Jeter
Marjorie A. Kinard
Sheryl E. Lucas
Isabelle G. Mack
Michelle Lesane McLeod

NOTE: If you have any questions and would like to request a pdf fillable, application, please contact Dr. Parker at sharonparker509@gmail.com.

Assistance Needed

Trustee Corner

In March, the church received an anonymous donation of \$30,000 to replace the carpeting in the sanctuary.

On behalf of the Trustees of Shiloh Baptist Church, we want to acknowledge and thank its anonymous donor for their generous \$30,000 contribution. The contribution is restricted to carpeting in the sanctuary. Such gifts enable Shiloh to continue to maintain its facilities in such a way that moves the church towards becoming a Five Star Church. Such gifts also underscore the strength of Shiloh through its contributors.

To God be the glory for the great things he has done!

Sincerely,
Gilbert Smith, Trustee Chair

Seeking individual who has expertise and resources to assist a Senior member of our congregation in obtaining affordable Senior Housing (official list of residences in the District of Columbia, help with completing applications, and general guidance, etc.) If you are willing to assist, please contact Deacon Diana Roach immediately (202/635-3132 or droach3325@aol.com)

Join the Community Outreach Ministry for a group tour of the National Geographic Museum's exhibit

**America I Am: The African
America Imprint**
Saturday, April 23, 2011 - 10:00 am

Purchase your tickets TODAY at the Events Center following both worship services.

The Communication Ministry

The Village Communication Ministry provides the means by which the Gospel of Jesus Christ and information about Shiloh Baptist Church (Washington) programs are shared with the Shiloh family and friends of the world through print, technology, and visual media sources. Shine out among them like beacon lights, hold out to them the world of life.

(Philippians 2:15-16, Living Bible)

During the month of April, the contributions of the Communication Ministry to The Shiloh Baptist Church are recognized. In keeping with its mandate, the Communications Ministry has accomplished a number of church-wide initiatives including designing and implementing the eGiving Campaign, providing all the technical support in moving computers and servers from the Administration Building to the Family Life Center, and designing and implementing OneBody – the new communication tool for our church. These special projects were done in addition to the regular work of the Ministry as exemplified by the following subcommittees:

- **The Audio Subcommittee**, co-chaired by Ronald Felton and James Janifer, provides amplification for Shiloh worship services and special programs.
- **The Copy Shop** is co-chaired by Barbara Williams Whitener and Edwin Washington. It provides high quality duplication services for Shiloh members at a cost less than available at commercial shops.
- Maryetta Lancaster and Joy Patterson co-chair **The Marketing Subcommittee**. This group provides graphic services for church-wide events and provides guidance on use of the Shiloh brand.
- **The Publications Subcommittee**, chaired by Marlena Patterson and Stephanie McGencey, develops flyers, posters, booklets, and other documents as requested by Shiloh organizations.
- Marlene Johnson and Janice Smith are co-chairs of **The Public Relations Subcommittee**. Upon request, the PR Subcommittee assists church organizations by using its expertise to write news releases and media advisories that inform the general public, through news organizations, about Shiloh's events.
- Our newest subcommittee is **The Social Media Subcommittee** chaired by Minister Thomas Bowen. The purpose of this group is to monitor the various social media outlets with the Shiloh Baptist Church name such as Facebook, LinkedIn, and MySpace.
- **The Tape and CD Subcommittee** is co-chaired by Karlton Hart and Cornell Williams. This Subcommittee duplicates and sells the CDs and cassette tapes of our worship services and special programs.
- **The Technology Subcommittee**, co-chaired by Joy Patterson and Leslie Petersen, is responsible for developing and maintaining the Shiloh website, hosting the monthly Wi-Fi Walk-In.
- **The Visual Media Team** is chaired by Christine Barker-Odom and Warren Pyles and provides projection services for Shiloh worship services and special programs.

On April 10th, you are invited to Heritage Hall immediately after the 10:55 am service to see these groups in action and experience our services. The Technology Subcommittee will be able to assist you with your gadgets (cell phones, PDAs, cameras, etc.) and laptop computers, in addition to answering your hardware and software questions. We will have persons available to sign you up for OneBody or give you information about eGiving. We can talk to you about your publication needs or your public relations requirements and the Publications subcommittee will create flyers "on the spot" on a first come first served basis (All information must be available at the time of service). We also will show you samples of work from our Copy Shop and have CDs available for sale from our Tape/CD Subcommittee

Please come and spend a little time with us so that we can have the opportunity to help you achieve your own program goals. There will be someone available to answer your general questions and to guide you to someone who can answer questions in specific areas.

Barbara Williams Whitener and Stephanie McGencey,
Leaders



CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?

Some years ago, Pastor Smith and many Shiloh members went to a concert at the Kennedy Center.

Alonzo and I also attended and as usual, arrived early. Since we had time to spare, we meandered over to a vendor and ordered two glasses of champagne. Wouldn't you know it, as we stood in the massive hall, sipping our drinks, who should come into view but the Pastor and Mrs. Smith. I was slightly embarrassed to have the Pastor observe our actions to the point that I attempted to hide my glass. No so, my irascible husband. As Pastor Smith neared to greet us, Alonzo reached out and pointed his finger at the glass and announced that it contained Communion wine. I was mortified, but Pastor Smith smiled as if to say, "That's Alonzo."

Mary Diehl Grigsby

Reflections

Last Sunday we shared a few '*firsts*' at Shiloh Baptist Church under Pastor Smith. Since this is his 20th year, we thought we should start at the beginning (1991) as you recall your '*firsts*.'

- Pastor Smith was one of the four final candidates, for senior minister, presented to the congregation on April 21.
- The Shiloh congregation held a special meeting on May 6 to select a senior minister.
- Pastor Smith was selected on May 6.
- Pastor Smith, G. Elaine, and Christen Anne moved to Washington, DC, from Nashville, TN, on June 18.
- Pastor Smith was invited to be guest chaplain for the House of Representatives and offered the prayer that opened the session on October 1.
- Pastor Smith was installed as the sixth Senior Minister on December 15.

Six-Word Memoir

GOD'S FAITHFUL, HUMBLE SERVANT DURING CRISIS!

Deaconess Iris F. Saunders

A Black-Tie Affair

Men of Shiloh – we heard you loud and clear. “Oh no. A black-tie affair.” “My tux is too small.” “I can’t go.” “I am not going to buy or rent a tux for one night.” Well, lucky for you that the times have changed.

Traditionally, a black-tie affair meant only one thing – a tuxedo. You either rented a tuxedo which was more cost-effective, if you were attending just one affair. Otherwise, you invested in a tuxedo if you believed that you would be attending black-tie affairs for several years.

At some point the dress code changed. We are not certain when it occurred – perhaps with the younger generation. A black-tie affair no longer means you have to wear a tuxedo. A dark suit will do. You can pull off a black-tie affair with a simple dark suit with your favorite shirt and tie. You can style and profile with the best.

And to the men of Shiloh, wear your Sunday best. You will be the best dressed in the house and as handsome as ever. So stop fussing, join us. Fill the dance cards of Shiloh women who may need dance partners and escorts. Now put on your dancing shoes and let’s go.

Looking for a few good... Stories, Reflections, and Memoirs

Story - Share your fondest experience about Pastor Smith in no more than two paragraphs.

Reflection - What are some of the “*firsts*” that you recall under Pastor Smith?

Memoir – Describe Pastor Smith’s 20-year journey at Shiloh as a six-word memoir. *Punctuation marks and special characters do not count.*

Leave your documents marked **PAC** in the mailbox labeled “P” at the Security Desk (lobby of the Family Life Center) email to pac20@shilohbaptist.org.

Next Committee Meeting

Monday, April 11, 2011

6:30 p.m.

Howard University, School of Dentistry
600 W Street, NW

