

The Shiloh Spirit



The Reverend Dr. Wallace Charles Smith
Senior Minister



The Pastor's Pen

For this week's Pen, we are sharing an article from our colleagues at Sojourners.

Dear Wallace,

There is no more room or time for excuses. The war in Afghanistan, now the longest war in American history, needs to end. On moral, financial, and strategic grounds, the continuing of the war in Afghanistan cannot be justified.

President Obama has promised to start troop withdrawal in July, but he's being pressured to reduce the effort to a "symbolic withdrawal" and to continue on a path to many more years of war.

We cannot wait any longer to end this war; its costs are simply too great.

- *Financial: The U.S. is spending more than \$100 billion per year in Afghanistan*
- *Human: 1,570 Americans killed, more than 10,000 wounded*
- *More than 10,000 civilian Afghan deaths, 3,000 in 2010 alone*

Congress has a big role to play in what happens next. Representatives Jim McGovern and Walter Jones have introduced important legislation that, if passed, would require the Obama administration to present an exit strategy for U.S. forces from Afghanistan.

This bill will show President Obama how much support he has in the Congress for a real withdrawal plan beginning this summer -- but only if it has robust support by legislators. We can help build support for this bill by asking our senators and representatives to sign on.

Email your members of Congress and tell them to support the "Afghanistan Exit and Accountability Act."

Thank you for your partnership. We know that our scriptures and history teach us that war is not the way to achieve the peace and security we are striving to build in this world. Sometimes things seem bleak -- but together, as part of a community seeking a new future, we can make a difference.

Blessings,
Elizabeth, Duane, Tim, and the Team

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Sunday, May 15, 2011
Reading Through The Bible

*4th Sunday of Easter – May 15 (White)
Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25;
John 10:1-10*
*5th Sunday of Easter – May 22 (White)
Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 32:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter
2:2-10; John 14:1-14*
*6th Sunday of Easter – May 29 (White)
Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter
3:13-22; John 14:15-21*

***New Members Received by
Golden Deed Circle***



Sunday, May 15, 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
Guest Hospitality (<i>Golden Deed Circle</i>)	TF/FLC
Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Antioch Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Eula Mae Harrison Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Ever Ready Circle Meeting	COH/FLC
Faith Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Grace Circle Meeting	RBC/FLC
Helping Hand Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
King's Messengers Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Mount Sinai Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Olivet Circle Meeting	LL/FLC
Pilgrim Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Progressive Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Shiloh Circle Meeting	Library/FLC
Daughters of Isis Worship Service (3:00 p.m – Daughters of Isis Fest – 4:00 p.m. – HH/FLC.)	Sanctuary

Monday, May 16, 2011

1:00 - Options Academy	Gym/FLC
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Tuesday, May 17, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
1:00 – Options Academy	Gym/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
5:30 – Senior Choir Executive Board Meeting	TF/FLC
6:00 – Taekwondo Class	RBC/FLC
6:00 – Chess Class	TF/FLC
6:30 – Circle Leaders Council Subcommittee Meeting	Deacons' Room
6:30 – Family Life Center Board Meeting	Turner Conference Room
6:30 – Shiloh ITC Meeting – Council 8	COH/FLC
6:30 – Senior Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:15 – Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal	Choir Room

Wednesday, May 18, 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
6:30 –Debutante Program	HHS/FLC
6:30 – Family Life Center Board of Directors Meeting	Turner Conference Room
6:30 –Gospel Choir Rehearsal	HHS/FLC
6:30 – Financial Peace University Seminar	LL/FLC
7:00 - Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting	COH/FLC

Thursday, May 19, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
10:00 – Needle Arts & Knitting	HH/FLC
1:00 - Options Academy	Gym/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
6:15 – Prayer & Praise Service – Bible Institute 7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary

Friday, May 20, 2011

1:00 - Options Academy	Gym/FLC
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Saturday, May 21, 2011

9:00 – 100 Black Men (SLA)	Gym/FLC
9:00 –Taekwondo Class	RBC/FLC
10:00 – Evangelism Ministry Meeting	LL/FLC
12:00 – Missions Ministry Fellowship Meal	LL/FLC
10:00 – Girl Scouts –Brownies	LL-A/FLC
10:00 – Girl Scouts – Cadettes.....	COH/FLC
10:00 – Christian Education Meeting	TF/FLC
10:00 – Boy Scouts Meeting	Library/FLC
10:00 – Usher Board Bulletin Preparation	Ushers' Room
10:00 – Trustee Board Meeting	216/FLC
2:00 – New Generation of Praise Dance Rehearsal	LL/FLC
5:00 – Girl Scouts Dancing with Fathers	HH/FLC

Sunday, May 22, 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
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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>Golden Rule Circle</i>)	TF/FLC
New Members Workshop/Adults	216/FLC
New Members Workshop/Youth	208/FLC
Alpha Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Friendly Circle Meeting	RBC/FLC
Naomi Circle Meeting	LL/FLC
Omega Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Torch Bearers Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Willing Workers Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC
Young Adult Ministry Jazz Brunch	HH/FLC

Discipleship News

Welcome New Members

Chelo Dominic Connor- Gideon Circle
Terence Patrick Nicholson –Antioch Circle
Chanta Monice Smith – Gideon Circle
Tierra Chanaye Smith –Sunshine Elementary Circle
Tyree Smith –Sunshine Youth Circle
Delonte Maurice Vaughn, Jr. – Sunshine Elementary Circle

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Samuel Metters (Olivet Circle) in the loss of his mother, Lillie B. Metters; Donald Parks (Faith Circle, in the loss of his son Charles E. Parks and Dolores Sawyer (Fellowship Circle) in the loss of her uncle, James Ellis.

Thank You Notes

Dear Pastor Smith and my Shiloh family – Thank you for your cards, calls and acts of kindness during the loss of my mother, Mattie Hayes. I am grateful to have such a loving and caring church family. I thank God for this body of believers and I know that God will continue to keep me and my Shiloh family. A special thanks to Reverend Felton, the Evangelism Ministry, Silent Mission, Omega Circle and Usher Board for your prayers and support. Thanks for all of your calls, prayers and support which continue to help me and my family through this very difficult time.

Tina Winestock & Family

Pastor Smith, Deacon Leadership Team, Ministry of Deacons, Shiloh Family and Friends - Words are inadequate to express our appreciation for the prayers, and thoughtfulness of everyone during these hours so difficult to accept. We thank you for your cards, electronic and verbal messages, flowers, and all acts of kindness extended when most needed. May God bless each of you individually and collectively for all that you have done. I will always be reminded of your kindness whenever I think of my sister. To God be the Glory.

Deacon Rick & Kathryn Coleman & Family

To Pastor Smith, Deacon Robert Copeland, Linda Winfrey, Grace Circle, Dr. Hattie Davis and the Shiloh family – thanks for the prayers, visits, calls, cards and e-mails which I received during my illness. It has been encouraging to know that so many cared. May God continue to bless you all.

Thomas F. Lester, Sr.

Ushers' Corner May

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

Sunday, May 15 –Units #1/3 Serve

Thursday, May 19 –Units #1/Serve
6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service – Bible Institute

Sunday, May 22 –Unit #2 Serves

Tuesday, May 24 – Usher Board Meeting
6:00 p.m. – Executive Board; 7:00 p.m. – General Board

Thursday, May 26 – Unit #2 Serves
6:30 p.m. – Prayer & Praise Service - Bible Institute

Sunday, May 29 – Unit #4 Serves

Circles Receiving New Members

May 15Golden Deed Circle
May 22 Golden Rule Circle
May 29Grace Circle

Circles Serving Breakfast

May 15Alpha Circle
May 22Antioch Circle
May 29Berean Circle

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

2011 Pastoral Anniversary Celebration



Building a Village: Creating A Community of Missions

This is the overarching theme for the 20th anniversary celebration. Appropriate since Shiloh has been in the business of community service and outreach for nearly 148 years. Timely since the three words, *building a village*, are incorporated in Shiloh's theme, in some variation, for the last several years. Critical since the church is at a critical juncture in its history. The only action required is to read, *From Strength to Strength*, 1863 through 1988, the history of the Church and its legendary community service and outreach efforts.

The church is at a crossroad in the Shaw community. The complex, diverse make-up of the current community has different expectations and needs and dictates a different model to satisfy the residents. While the church has been anchored at the corner of 9th and P under exemplary leadership, and executed many successful, results-oriented initiatives, programs, and outreach efforts, external factors are impacting and influencing our existence. The revitalization of the Shaw community requires Shiloh to develop innovative sustaining outreach initiatives, collaborative relationships and partnerships with the Shaw residents, and a culture of excellence that is focused on teamwork and delivering results.

On Monday, May 2, 2011, our friend and DC Council member, Marion Barry, met with Shiloh's Community Voices. He validated the evolving neighborhoods in each ward, provided startling statistics on the reading levels in the District schools, made recommendations on Shiloh's staying power, and shared his personal and professional experiences. Council member Barry strongly recommended that Shiloh's outreach initiatives must include programs for Shaw youth and seniors as well as consistent joint ventures with the residents.

Members informed Council member Barry that inclusiveness is the framework for the Pastor's 20th Anniversary celebration. Celebratory planning to include Shaw residents was intentional. Three events, youth activity, senior luncheon, and community day launch outreach activities to rebuild community relationships.

To the Shiloh Family, the celebration is a priceless opportunity to re-engage the community, obtain stakeholder (resident) support, rebuild Shiloh's statute in the community, and build a *village that will sustain Shiloh and the Shaw community cohesively.*

Six-Word Memoir

Humble, Meek, "Man Child Man".

Deacon Elias E. Kibler

Opening Celebration Event

On **June 2, 2011, at 6:30 p.m.**, our church will usher in the 20th Pastoral Anniversary Celebration of Reverend Dr. Wallace Charles Smith with the Thursday Night Worship Service. Mark your calendars!

The service will give substance to the vision and objectives of our Pastor. It is a service of thanksgiving and praise to God for the under shepherd of Shiloh Baptist Church and an expression of gratitude to Pastor Smith for his ministry and service of twenty years. The Reverend Dr. Jesse Wendell Mapson, Jr., Pastor of Monumental Baptist Philadelphia, PA, is our guest preacher.

Join us for a spirit-filled service that will reflect the diversity of our congregation as we show love and appreciation for our Pastor. The subcommittee has taken seriously its charge to plan the service. Now we need the Shiloh Family to begin intercessory prayers for the Holy Spirit to mightily bless this occasion.

THURSDAY NIGHT 20TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY WORSHIP SERVICE

6:30 PM Prayer and Praise

7:00 PM Worship Service

Request for Calligraphy Services

Shiloh Family: If you are a calligrapher or if you have a family member or friend who is a calligrapher, the Pastor's Anniversary Committee would love to talk to you. Beginning the first week in June, on an as-needed basis, we need calligraphy services. Kindly send an expression of interest to: pac20@shilohbaptist.org.

Senior Luncheon with the Pastor Friday, June 17, 2011, 11:30 a.m.



EVENT CENTER OPENED FOR BUSINESS

The Senior Luncheon recognizes the Seniors of our church. We are inviting Seniors from Emmaus and the community. The luncheon is an opportunity to show our appreciation to and love for our “living treasures”. Our Shiloh Seniors are celebrated for their extensive contributions in the church. Our Seniors created the village and have enriched and strengthened the communities in which we live. They are a source of inspiration and serve as role models.

Shiloh Seniors – do not forget to register for the Luncheon with your Director, Elois Lawson, or with Deacon John Bailey and Juanita Coye Bailey. If you have not registered, see the points of contact as soon as possible. On Sunday, May 15, 2011, we will begin distributing personalized invitations to the Luncheon.

Photography by Charles Stoutamire

If you want to include your photograph of your Circle or organization in the souvenir journal, Charles Stoutamire, will provide this service on Sundays after the second service. Contact Charles at (202) 582-1758 or via email at: charles_stoutamire@yahoo.com.

Calling All...

- Entrepreneurials and members of external associations and organizations to purchase an ad in the souvenir journal to advertise your services to Shiloh members.
- Shiloh Deltas if you would like to participate in a greeting for the souvenir journal, contact Soror Carolyn Hayneworth-Murrell at (202) 445-7100 or by email caro92@aol.com.
- Shiloh Alphas, you know the Alpha among Alpha in Shiloh. If you would like to purchase a greeting for the souvenir, stop by the Event Center.
- Past Pastoral Anniversary Chairs for a greeting to include in the souvenir journal. If you were an Anniversary Chair under Pastor Smith, please stop by the Event Center today after the service

Don't forget to stop by the Event Center after one of the Services today. At the Center, you will discover the friendly faces of 20th Pastoral Anniversary Committee (PAC) members who can assist you. PAC members are providing a one-stop shopping opportunity. You can take care of three things at one time.

Gala tickets – Shiloh Family members and friends are making deposits for a ticket or a table; some Circles are requesting tables. If you want a table, make the arrangements with a PAC member at the Event Center as soon as you can.

Patrons – if you want name listed in the souvenir journal, you will only need \$2, \$20, or \$200. So come on around and sign up today. You can't beat the price.

Greetings and ads – stop by the Center and pick up information to provide your greeting or ad. **Shiloh members will receive a discount if ads and greetings are purchased by May 25.** Feel free to partner with other members, Circles, and groups for a greeting.

Your ad or greeting can be in color and should *be camera-ready*. If you *hand-write your greeting* or ad, someone will provide you a draft to review. Your logos must be in .esp, jpeg, or tiff format.

Provide your greeting or ad, with your check, to a PAC member or leave it in an envelope marked **PAC** in the mailbox labeled “P” at the Security Desk (lobby of the Family Life Center). You can also email to pac20@shilohbaptist.org and give your check to a PAC member at the Event Center

20thPAC May Meetings

Date: May 23, June 13 & 27, 2011
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Venue: Howard University, School of Dentistry
600 W Street, NW



A SUMMARY OF CHAPTER 10

The Five Star Church: Serving God and His People with Excellence

NOTE: Select quotes and passages from the book are presented. Those highlighted represent main points or areas of special interest particularly important for Shiloh leaders to understand or consider.

Chapter Ten – Quality in the Physical Area

The quality-improvement idea has more to do with obvious things such as how facilities look and the professionalism of the music. Excellence is a different commodity than expense. You can waste money by saving money when quality is compromised. People are not attracted by mediocre surroundings.

In the parable of the talents that it's not how much we have, but what we do with what we have that counts. "You can be classy without being huge."

Saving a dime here and a buck there is perceived, by some, to be good stewardship. But when the result of saving money is a shoddy brochure or equipment breakdowns, you end up getting less over the long haul. "A lot of churches waste money because they spend it on poor-quality items instead of investing it in excellence."

The external facilities - our goal is to create a list of everything we see from the outside—signs, paint and landscaping. "How we look says a lot about how we feel about those who come to our church"

Little details begin with landscaping. Are the plants alive, trimmed and fertilized? Is the grass green and mowed? Do we need to hire a landscape architect to enhance our curbside appearance? Does the building need painting? Are the windows clean? Is there adequate signage directing people? Are the signs old-fashioned or up-to-date? Essentially, we want to be a quality neighbor, regardless of what neighborhood we find ourselves in.

A secret shopper or someone new could give us ideas on beautifying our facility.

"Our inside list should include things such as signs pointing visitors to the nursery and Sunday School, even the worship center."

"I think our goal is to create environments that evoke natural born people," said Beth. "We want our guests to say, 'Wow, I feel good about this place.' We do that through getting the right lighting, color schemes, comfortable seating and décor enhancements.

The stewardship question is not, What is this going to cost us, but, What is this going to cost us if we don't improve?

Our publications say a lot about who we are as a congregation. We want our people to feel proud of where they worship as well as communicate excellence in all that we do. "Never underestimate a well-constructed worship folder, newsletter, brochure, letterhead business card or mailer."

If we can't do it well, we shouldn't do it at all. "Every mediocre piece of publicity reflects who we are and communicates a lack of quality". Quality improvement must become a part of every aspect of our ministry, which includes how we present ourselves through printed communication. Audiotape and videotape productions fall in this category as well.

If it is touchable or can be seen, we need to check it for quality. Obviously, paint, carpet, furniture, classroom equipment, water fountains and rest rooms are parts of the physical arena. Even the food presented is important. Does the food look appetizing? Does it look fresh?"

The physical can be applied to the way the staff presents itself. "How do our hospitality greeters dress and look? Is our nursery staff dressed in professional-looking smocks, or are they dressed in T-shirts with disheveled hair? Looking to the business community, dress codes vary. We need to think through how we are appearing to the people we serve, which can mean we are concerned with our appearance."

The goal is not to dress up, but rather to dress like the people to whom you are ministering. That is a basic being mission-minded. But whether it's blue-jean casual or suit and tie, looking nice and appearing professional is a matter of quality. "When chefs wear white smocks and tall white hats that makes a difference in how they feel about themselves and how people perceive them, even though only a few customers ever see chefs work in the kitchen." "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men" (Col. 3:23)." God deserves our best.

Provided by Gilbert Smith, Chair – Trustee Board

Debutante Program

Shiloh Debutante Program Update: The Shiloh Debutante Committee will host an informational meeting for sponsors, mothers and applicants on **Wednesday, May 18, 2011**, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in Heritage Hall South of the Family Life Center. Refreshments will be provided. The purpose of the meeting is to provide a personal touch to the process as the application is being completed and to address questions that you may have regarding the application process. Program updates will be shared with you on the proposed sessions, the dressing attire for the ball, and fundraising. Please RSVP by **Monday, May 16, 2011** to sharonparker509@gmail.com or at 703-340-7864.

Family Life Center Foundation Presents The Dick Morgan Jazz Concert



The Henry C. Gregory III Family Life Center Foundation is pleased to announce the return of Jazz Pianist Dick Morgan, by popular demand. For the third year in a row, on Saturday, June 4, 2011, at 5:00 p.m., in Heritage Hall, Dick Morgan will delight jazz aficionados of all ages. If you are familiar with this legendary jazz great, you don't want to miss what promises to be a foot-tapping, head-nodding good time. If you are not familiar with one of the most legendary jazz artists of our time, you must come to experience real Black history. Starting Sunday, May 15 and each Sunday until Sunday, May 29, after the 7:45 a.m. and 10:55 a.m. worship services, tickets will be available at the Event Center. The Family Life Center Foundation is a 501(c) (3) corporation so the purchase of your ticket for this fundraiser is tax deductible. Tickets are \$35 per person. For more information, please contact Reverend Crystal Kuykendall (301/ 299-2057) or Clay Gregory (202/ 497-2730).

150th Anniversary Tour of Turkey, the Holy Land and Egypt

We are currently evaluating the interest of the congregation to participate in the trip during our anniversary. We will begin to take the names of all interested persons in June and July. Once we have an indication of the interest, plans will continue and further details will be distributed. No payments are requested at this time.

You're invited to The Girl Scouts' Annual "Dancing With Dads"

Girls & Girl Scouts (5-18 Years Old Are Invited)

Saturday, May 21, 2011

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

A VIP affair to remember featuring important men in the lives of girls and young women. So bring your dad, uncle, grandfather, brother, godfather or special friend. The night will feature: professional photographs as memorabilia, the best in good music, good food, formal dance instruction, games and prizes.

Contact Michelle McLeod 202-441-8789, mlesane244@aol.com or Keisha Jackson, 240-461-9761.

Sponsored by Girl Scout Troops 6600 & 4704 of Peoples Congregational Church in conjunction with the Girl Scout Troops of Shiloh Baptist Church.

About Our Members

Congratulations to Dionna M. Lewis, Esq., (daughter of Lillie Lewis Garrett), who recently received her Juris Doctor degree from Drake University Law School, Des Moines, Iowa. Please keep her in your prayers as she returns home only to begin taking a prep-course within a week at Catholic University for the Maryland Bar exam. To God be the Glory!

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*The years may wipe out many things
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The memory of those happy days
Which we have spent together*

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Contact Tina Smith (smithsrbtandboys@aol.com) or Carole Hughes (deutria@hotmail.com)

