

**“A Church built on the Rock...”
Matthew 16:18**

**A Celebration of Praise and
Thanksgiving to God!**

**Dedicatory Services
New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
Reverend Dr. Clinton L. Johnson, Sr., Pastor**



**Sunday, November 6, 2011
10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.**

**Dedicatory Message:
Reverend James Miller, Jr., Pastor
First Baptist Church of Warrington
Pensacola, Florida**

**Brother Jerome King, Dedicatory Services Program Chairperson
Deacon Michael J. James, Celebration Planning Committee
Chairperson**



**Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.
and
First Lady Barbara G. Johnson**

Today is witness and testimony to the favor and faithfulness of God, and the manifestation of His promise to me as His servant leader.

It was 1987 while still serving as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Citronelle, AL that the Lord appeared to me in a vision and allowed me to peep into His future plans for me in His service. God showed me a building with much growth and made known to me that I would leave Bethlehem for the place envisioned.

On September 14, 1988, I assumed the pastorage of the Shiloh Baptist Church equipped and challenged with the vision God had given me for the church. Now, here we are 23 years later living and having become an eyewitness to the marvelous work of God in the work of His church. We are filled with spiritual joy and thanksgiving that the Lord chose to bless us in this manner. The vision has been a long time coming, but its reality has never been doubted as our faith has remained steadfast, though greatly tested.

We have weathered many storms that showed up as opposition to the vision, and exerted much effort to kill the dream. However, through divine encouragement and spiritual tenacity, we have it to the back side of the storm. We are now able to enjoy the peace and serenity that comes with God's presence.

It is with profound gratitude that I express my sentiments of thanks to all the members of the New Shiloh Church family who joined with me in the vision and believed God for the realization. Now, let us celebrate our God with praise and thanksgiving for what He has done for us, to us with us and through us! *What a mighty God we serve!*

We welcome and thank all of you for having come to celebrate this milestone with us and in joining with us in lifting our voices and hearts in praises to our God.

Sister Johnson and I love you all and challenge you to accept this milestone as simply the beginning of what God is going to do for us and not the end. Enjoy this day of celebration as prepare for more to come.

Agape,

Clinton L. Johnson



Deacon Michael J. James
Chairperson, Celebration Planning Committee

Greetings! It has been a blessing to have served as chairperson of the New Church Celebration Planning Committee. It has been a year of work, but one where we have seen the blessings of God bestowed upon us. I thank the Pastor, Ministries and Committees for their willing spirits. The Ministry and Committee Chairpersons have taken on each challenge with a calm resolve to accomplish our goals. Now, we look forward to using this new edifice to the Glory of God.

We have a greater opportunity to fulfill the Great Commission which, in part, states --“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Jesus calls all of His followers (disciples) to share the Good News of salvation throughout the world. We now have an expanded presence to draw more souls to Christ, and to expand ministries and services to the community.

Reflect back on our 142-year history and think about how our Founders were forced to relocate because of prevailing mindsets. Then, think and rejoice how God has brought and blessed us here on this corner. To God be the Glory.

To our guests, who have come from near and far, we thank you for joining us in this time of celebration. We are truly grateful for your presence here with us today.

Deacon Michael J. James



Brother Jerome King
Chairperson, Dedicatory Services Program

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have reached another incredible milestone. God has kept us and we are growing closer to Him. Just imagine a Bible-believing congregation lifting up the Master’s Name for more than 142 years in one community, with 51 years in our former worship center. It was only possible because of our abiding love and commitment to Him and our fellow man.

Together, we are striving to become the kind of church described in the Bible, where there is relevant teaching, heart-felt worship, honest friendships, constant prayer, and compassionate care for those in need. Let each of us continue to strive to always be like Jesus. In short, we want to possess a contagious Christianity that can influence and encourage the entire community -- one life at a time.

May we always know God’s great blessings. To our guests, thank you for sharing this momentous occasion with us. To my church family, thanks to all of you for your hard work and faithful service that has made this historical day one that we will celebrate for generations to come. We have come this far by faith! Join us in praise! Heartfelt thanks!

Brother Jerome King

Dedicatory Services

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Order of Service
Sunday, November 6, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

The people will gather in the old worship space for Remembrance and Thanksgiving before the Dedication.

Organ Prelude

Brother Derrick Carstarphen
Minister of Music

Scripture: Psalms 24

Minister Wilfred Bolds, Jr.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Prayer

Reverend Anthony Shute
Pastor, First Baptist Church-Carver Homes

History of this Congregation

Sister Helen Hill

Memorial

Sister Naomi Pringle

The Pastor leads the Church in the following litany.

Litany of Thanksgiving:

PASTOR: Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Lord God has blessed us with this house of prayer for 51 years. At its dedication, God promised His holy presence for our worship, His attentive ear for our prayers, and His watchful eye for our lives. Here we have heard His holy word for our lives. Here we have communed with our Risen Lord. Here we have all been blessed.

Before we go to dedicate our new house of prayer, let us give thanks to Almighty God for all that this place has been for us.

Almighty God, Yours is the glory and the power. You are the Great Builder of the worlds and the Great Architect of our lives and our salvation. We are thankful for calling us to be the Church of Jesus Christ in this place;

CONGREGATION: We give you thanks, O Lord.

PASTOR: For giving us this house of prayer and worship for these 51 years;

CONGREGATION: We give you thanks, O Lord.

PASTOR: For providing a holy place in which to bring our prayers, confess our sins, and find Your presence;

CONGREGATION: We give you thanks, O Lord.

PASTOR: For providing a sacred place to worship Your name, to baptize our believers, to marry our children, and to bury our loved ones,

CONGREGATION: We give you thanks, O Lord.

PASTOR: For providing an empowering place to hear Your Word, grow in faith, and be challenged in mission,

CONGREGATION: We give you thanks, O Lord.

PASTOR: As we go forth to dedicate our new house of prayer, we ask Your presence with us now.

CONGREGATION: Be present with us, O God.

PASTOR: Make us thankful people always for the grace and favor You show us.

CONGREGATION: Be present with us, O God.

PASTOR: Form us into a holy people, a royal body of believers, ever mindful of Your presence and Your steadfast love for us.

CONGREGATION: Be present with us, O God.

ALL: Holy God, Mighty Lord, our hearts are full of gratitude to You for bringing us to this blessed day. For all that You have been to us here in this place, we thank You. For all that You have promised to be in our lives, we thank You. Bless us now as we go forth from this place to a future built upon the foundation of Your Son. You have called us to this day. Guide us now with Your Holy Spirit, through Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PASTOR: **Let us go forth in peace.**

ALL: In the Name of our Lord, Amen.

**PROCESSIONAL ORDER TO THE NEW EDIFICE
(LED BY THE BOY SCOUTS TROOP 221 WITH PULPIT BIBLE)**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN
"We Have Come This Far By Faith"**

CUTTING OF THE RIBBON TO THE NEW EDIFICE

Pastor Johnson prays at the entrance of the new edifice.

**The Deacon Board Chairperson Thomas Williams leads
the Pastor to the Pulpit of the new edifice.**

Congregation then proceeds into the building and remains standing.

Pastor lays hands on the Pulpit and prays.

Praise & Worship	NSMBC Praise Team
Greetings	Sister Sheria Mitchell
Selection	NSMBC Youth Choir
Statement of Belief	Congregation
Selection	NSMBC Youth Choir
Prayer of Tithes and Offerings	Congregation

Offering

Selections (A&B)	NSMBC Mass Choir
Sacred Performance	NSMBC Praise Dancers

Hymnal of Preparation

Dedicatory Sermon	Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.
Invitation to Discipleship	Reverend Anthony Shute
Selection	NSMBC Mass Choir

Communion

Benediction

Immediately following this Service...

- Lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall.
- Family pictures will be taken by Holt Photography for those families who require a photo for ads to be purchased in the Celebration Souvenir Book.

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Dr. Yvonne Kennedy, Presiding

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“We Have Come This Far By Faith”

The Pulpit Bible is carried by the Boy Scouts who lead the processional.

The Deacon Board Chairperson Thomas Williams leads the Pastor, First Lady and congregation to the place outside the main doors of the new edifice.

When all are assembled before the main doors of the new edifice, the Pastor speaks:

PASTOR: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with You all.

CONGREGATION: And be with you

PASTOR: Brothers and sisters: We have come together to dedicate this church for the worship of almighty God and for the building up of the body of Christ. From this day forward, let it be a place for the gathering of the people of God, a place for proclaiming the Gospel through Word and Sacrament, a place for bringing life and hope to us and to this community. Let us pray.

PASTOR: Let the doors be opened!

The Pastor receives the keys to the building from the builder. The Pastor hands the keys to Trustee Chairperson Zelmon Crenshaw who unlocks and opens the door. Standing in the threshold of the opened doors, the Pastor marks the threshold floor with the sign of the cross, saying:

PASTOR: Peace be to this house, and to all who enter here, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

CONGREGATION: Amen.

String Quartet plays as the Pastor, First Lady and Deacon Thomas Williams move to front of the pulpit and faces the congregation. The congregation then proceeds into the church. The Pulpit Bible is carried and placed on the Podium by the Boy Scouts.

Pastor Johnson, Reverend Miller, Reverend McFarland, Reverend Clark, and Reverend Shute will pass to the Pulpit. The First Lady and Chairman of the Deacon Board proceed to their seats. The congregation remains standing.

Prayer of Dedication
Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.

Prayer for the Pastor
Reverend Melvin Clark
Pastor, First Baptist Church of Baltimore Street
Mobile, Alabama

Prayer for the Congregation
Reverend Anthony Shute
Pastor, First Baptist Church of Carver Homes
Mobile, Alabama

Congregation remains standing.

Military Color Guard presents Colors.
(Military Color Guard post Colors and Christian flags and permanently place in receptacles.)

SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM
Led by NSMBC Mass Choir

Scripture	Minister Charlie Davis-Waller
Prayer	Minister Patrick Watson
Introduction of Mistress of Order	Sister Hattie Clark Holmes Street Baptist Church Prichard, Alabama
Mistress of Order	Dr. Yvonne Kennedy Stewart Memorial C.M.E. Church Mobile, Alabama
Greetings	Sister Delcine T. King
Selection	NSMBC Mass Choir
Project Highlights	Brother John Manuel NSMBC Project Manager & Building Committee Chairperson
	Brother Lewis Webb Webb Builders, Inc. Montgomery, Alabama
	Brother Edward O'Gwynn Area Executive, BB&T Bank Mobile, Alabama
Selection	UMS-Wright Preparatory School Choir Mobile, Alabama

The Significance of this Service & Recognition of Honored Guests
Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.

Guest Remarks

Reverend Cleveland McFarland, Jr.
Pastor, Saint Peter Missionary Baptist Church
Moderator, Mobile Sunlight Baptist District
Mobile, Alabama

The Honorable Samuel Jones
Mayor, City of Mobile, Alabama

The Honorable Merceria Ludgood
County Commissioner, Mobile County Commision - District 1

The Honorable James E. Buskey
State Representative, Alabama House of Representatives - District 99

The Honorable Vivian D. Figures
State Senator, Alabama State Senate - District 33

Selection UMS-Wright Preparatory School Choir

Offering

Introduction of Guest Minister Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.

Selections (A&B) First Baptist Church of Warrington Choir
Pensacola, Florida

Hymnal of Preparation Congregation

Dedicatory Message Reverend James Miller, Jr.
Pastor, First Baptist Church of Warrington
Pensacola, Florida

Invitation to Discipleship Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.

Selection First Baptist Church of Warrington Choir
Pensacola, Florida

Acknowledgement of Thanks

Brother Jerome King, Dedicatory Services Program Chairperson
Deacon Michael J. James, Celebration Planning Committee
Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr.

Closing Remarks & Benediction Reverend James Miller, Jr.

- Refreshments will be served in Fellowship Hall following this Service.

Thank you to our Program Participants

Guest Speaker

Pastor James Miller, Jr. and Choir First Baptist Church of Warrington Pensacola, Florida

Guest Ministers

Pastor Melvin Clark, Pastor, First Baptist Church of Baltimore Street
Pastor Cleveland McFarland, Jr., Pastor, Saint Peter Missionary Baptist Church
Pastor Anthony Shute, First Baptist Church of Carver Homes

Our City, County and State Officials

Financier Edward O'Gwynn Dan Garland, BB&T Bank

Builder Lewis Webb, Webb Builders, Inc.

Mistress of Order Dr. Yvonne Kennedy

Boy Scouts, Troop 221 of NSMBC

Brother Beauford Perkins, Scout Master Sister Eliscia Edwards, Charter Rep./Commissioner, BSA

Military Color Guard

W. P. Davidson (High School) NJROTC Color Guard
Master Chief Clint Nguyen, Commanding
Ensign Alexander Walley Ensign Bishop Chavers Ensign Neal Hector

Bellecanto Choir String Ensemble

Violinists: Patricia Dunmore Chenel Glass Charmaine Spann
Pianist: Teresa Fleming Cellist: Susan Howe

The Azalea Trail Maids of Mobile

On behalf of...

The Celebration Planning Committees

Deacon Michael J. James, Chairperson
Brother Jerome King, Dedicatory Services Program Chairperson
Sister Betti Clausell Chaney Sister Willie L. Lilly
Sister Barbara Johnson, Assistant Director Pastor Clinton L. Johnson, Sr., Director

Souvenir Book/Ads & Patrons

Sister Vanessa Washington
Sister Selena Moore
Sister Belinda Harris

Protocol/Courtesies

Sister Rose Naves
Sister Georgia Sanders

Souvenirs/Mementos

Sister Callie Crumpton
Sister Helen Hill

Printing & Photography

Sister Sheria Mitchell

Hospitality

Sister Sandra Crenshaw
Sister Brenda Richards
Sister Shirley Wilson

Logistics

Brother Robert Pringle
Deacon Clifton Richardson
Brother Charles Saulter
Deacon Thomas Williams

Publicity

Sister Eunice Manuel
Sister Patsy Phillips
Sister Margaret Wilson

Decorations

Sister Naomi Pringle
Sister Helen Richardson
Sister Tianja Montgomery

Archives/History

Sister Marilyn Milligan
Sister Cassie Perkins

Building Committee

Brother John Manuel, Chairperson Sister Cassie Perkins, Co-Chairperson
Sister Mattie Bettis Brother Zelmon Crenshaw Brother Charles Dobbins Brother Curtis Johnson
Brother Jerome King Minister Charlie-Davis Waller Deacon Joseph Young

Interior Committee

Sister Dolores Archie Sister Mattie Bettis, Chairperson Sister Belinda Harris
Sister Phyllis Howard Sister Barbara Johnson Sister Chinester Johnson Sister Annie Lett
Sister Eunice Manuel Sister Naomi Pringle Sister Brenda Richards Brother Clifton Richardson
Sister Georgia Sanders Brother Kenneth Sanders Sister Barbara Showers

Ministerial Staff

Minister Carl Adams Minister Katrina Adams Minister Wilfred A. Bolds, Jr.
Minister Beverly Butler Evangelist Ana Marie Evans Evangelist Patricia Harrison
Minister Frederick King Minister Danny Pledger Minister Charlie Davis-Waller
Minister Patrick Watson Evangelist Maxine Williams

Deacons

Thomas Williams, Chairperson Joseph Young, Co-Chairperson
Louis Barge Michael J. James Clifton Richardson Roosevelt Turner Kenneth Wiley Waycross Wiley

Trustees

Zelmon Crenshaw, Chairperson William Johnson, Co-Chairperson
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Finance Committee

Betti Clausell Chaney, Chairperson & Church Treasurer Marlene Wiley, Co-Chairperson
Dolores Archie Zelmon Crenshaw William Johnson Sheria Mitchell

Office Administration

Sister Patsy Phillips, Executive Secretary
Sister Dolores Archie, Financial Secretary/Bookkeeper

Church Ministries & Chairpersons

Boy Scouts Troop 221	Eliscia Edwards/Beauford Perkins
Christian Education	Barbara Johnson
Church Care	Clifton Richardson/Thomas Williams
Deaconess & Ministers' Wives	Helen Hill
Fifty-Five Plus	Callie Crumpton
Fine Arts	Robert Pringle
Greeters	Marlene Wiley
Hospitality	Brenda Richards
In-Take	Minister Beverly Butler
Lunch With the Lord	Sandra Crenshaw
Men's	Jerome King
Mentors	Deacon Joseph Young
Music	Derrick Carstarphen, Minister of Music
	Brenda Richards, Youth Choir
	Minister Frederick King, Pastoral Asst.
	Minister Charlie Davis-Waller
New Members	Minister Katrina Adams
Pastoral Support	Georgia Sanders
Praise Dancers	Vanessa Washington
Publicity	Clifton Richardson
Transportation	Sheria Mitchell
Ushers	Zelmon Crenshaw
We Care	Minister Charlie Davis-Waller
Women's	Minister Wilfred A. Bolds, Jr.
Youth	

...and entire New Shiloh Church Family!

We thank you, Lord. Amen.