



The City Temple Times



EDUCATION CORNER

*Students, Parents & Teachers:
Partners in Education*

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For Students: How to have a successful school year

Summer is over and school is about to begin. There are some things you can do to make this a great school year. Remember, you are just as responsible for your education as your teacher. So here are a few tips for a successful school year.

- Attend school each day on time. When you are absent or late you miss valuable instruction.

- Go to bed at a reasonable time and get enough rest. When you are tired, it is hard to focus. Elementary and middle school students need 10-12 hours of sleep. High school students need at least 8 hours of sleep.

- Complete all home assignments. This helps to reinforce what you learned in school that day.

- Study each night. You will not do well if you cram before a test. Study and learn information as you go along.

- Bring the required materials to school each and every day. Pack your book bag the night before so that you do not forget materials you need. Not bringing supplies to school is like a doctor forgetting his medical equipment. He cannot work without them.

- Show respect to the teacher and your peers. Disrespect does not help you reach your goals. Be a student that teachers want to help. Use the manners your parents have spent years teaching you.

- Obey all school rules. It is difficult to do well if you are constantly being sent home for refusing to follow school rules.

- Be a part of the solution and not the problem. When students act up in class, continue to do your work.

- Set goals. Decide what grades you want to achieve and work hard to be successful. Begin to decide your career goals and begin to attend college information fairs. It is never too early to start preparing for college.

- Attend coach class. If you do not understand the work and have put forth effort, ask your teacher for help.

Have a great school year. Remember, you have everything already inside of you to achieve.

Parents As Partners in Education

A new school year is upon us. What can parents do to ensure a productive school year for their children?

- Make sure your child attends school each day on time. Pay attention to absences and lateness on

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PONDER THIS...

mediocrity

is unacceptable



Stacey R. Johnson

With a new school year fast approaching, it is important for all of our youth to ensure that they have a renewed focus to ensure success. It is extremely important for our youth to understand the importance of education and to treat each year within their educational journey with extreme importance. In my humble opinion, one of the most unfortunate things that I see is the acceptance of mediocrity amongst our youth and their parents. There are a few ideas that I would like our youth to consider as they prepare for this upcoming school year and strive for excellence. So please take a moment and have a discussion with your children,

grandchildren, nieces and nephews about these thoughts and ideas.

1. The Idea of Excellence - President Obama has stated that "We need to internalize this idea of excellence. Not many folks spend a lot of time trying to be excellent." We should not have students who strive to get C's or D's. They should not be happy with "passing". We must encourage our youth to be excellent; and when they bring home a grade, we need to work with them to fix their mistakes so that they can improve the next time that material is covered.

2. The Idea of Leadership - Our youth must have a mind of their own and use it. We must teach them to be leaders in a positive way so that when their peers are involved with activities that are wrong or inappropriate, they feel confident to stand alone. Often a person who strives to do the right thing must stand alone in order to ensure that they are on

the right path. This also means that our youth at all ages must endeavor to be excellent in all areas--not just academically but in life. "Leadership is the challenge to be something more than average." - Jim Rohn

3. The Idea of Goal Setting - Proverbs 29:18 states that where there is no vision, the people perish. We must teach our children to set goals and take steps toward attaining them. It doesn't matter how large or small the goal is, it is just important that they set positive goals and achieve them so that they can experience some measure of success. Whenever our children have the opportunity to set goals and attain them, it gives them the confidence to work hard and attain new goals in school and in life.

4. The Idea of Working Hard - "The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but

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joy is in the knowing

submitted by Maxine Bigby Cunningham

In the morning,

I sit on my throne -
Fully clothed in my nakedness,
Slumped over; elbow on my lap,
I rest my head in my hand.

Alone and uncovered in the
Room in which I have oft cowered,
I experience a trickle of water.
I wonder if I will find joy before mid
night.

At midnight

The day is over -

The test, struggle, confusion
The despair and desperation
Of the day is it at an end?

Another day is coming -
Maybe some relief, release, recovery
Patience, perseverance, persistence
I sense that day break is near.

At daybreak,

I remember -

I feel that I am not alone.

I believe that heaven's promises are
fulfilled.

I testify to miracles from on High.

God is always with me - omnipresent
God is always faithful - omniscient
God is always making a way out of no
way - omnipotent
I know that God Is.

At all times, joy is in the knowing.

ministries in motion

upcoming events

FAMILY & FRIENDS SUNDAY

Springfield Baptist Church will be visiting us from Greenville, South Carolina on Sept. 5. They showed us the utmost southern hospitality when City Temple visited them in July, so let's do the same! Please help us make them feel at home during the morning worship service, as well as for dinner at the Masonic Temple after service. Keep your ears open for upcoming activities for this weekend to welcome and engage our guests.

EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Courtesy Guild is hosting Everybody's Birthday Party on Sept. 18! Please complete the tear off in the Sunday Bulletin so that you won't miss out on this celebration. We're doing birthdays City Temple style, and you know what that means...great food, great fellowship, and lots of fun. So, don't miss out!

BLOOD DRIVE

Sis. Phyllis Hall of Women's Ministry is spearheading a blood drive through the American Red Cross on Oct. 29 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., and they need your donations. Here are a few significant facts about blood donations that may encourage your donation...

- Your 1 pint donation can save 3 lives.
- Every 2 seconds someone needs blood in the U.S. More than 38,000 blood donations are needed each day.
- Typically only 8 out of 38% of eligible donors actually give blood.
- Type O blood is greatest in demand and in shortest supply. 51% of

African Americans are Type O.

So, as you can see, your donation will impact many lives, and you never know...the life you save could be someone you know and love or even your own! Please do not donate blood 56 days before Oct. 2 if you choose to donate. See Sis. Phyllis to sign up for your donation!

FADE 2 BLAC PRODUCTIONS

Fade2Blac Productions, Inc. is sponsoring world renowned mezzo-soprano, Denyce Graves in concert on Oct. 3. Also featured will be our very own, Dr. Kenneth Dean on "The Miracle Organ" and the Victorians. This is sure to be a blessed event in true City Temple music fashion. Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased through the Music Ministry office. General Admission is \$60 with limited V.I.P. seating available for \$75. Please call the Music Ministry office at 410-462-4801 for tickets or additional information.

OCTOBER CONCERT

The Music Ministry presents "Cherishing the Past, Serving in the Present, Preparing for the Future!" The 40th Anniversary Concert will take place at 6:00 in the evening on the 31st. Now I know that you know how we do it, so I don't need to say another thing...except that we need your patrons, memorials and ads. So, please see members of the Patrons Committee to help support this event, and then show up and be blessed!

MINISTER'S SYMPOSIUM

On Saturday, Rev. Yeargin will be hosting a Minister's Symposium conducted by Rev. Dr. John W. Kinney, Dean of the

Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University. Ministers from all around will convene here at City Temple for the symposium, but it is open to the entire congregation as well. So, come on out and see if you learn anything that might help you in your personal walk and spiritual growth. After blessing us with his presentation on Saturday, Rev. Dr. Kinney will return on Sunday as guest preacher for the morning worship service.

CHURCH AWARDS BANQUET

The 40th Anniversary Awards Banquet will be held on Nov. 21 at 1 p.m. at the Martins Valley Mansion in Hunt Valley, MD. The cost of tickets is \$75 for all adults and \$40 for youth aged 16 and under. A member from each ministry will be honored as well as our charter members. Tickets are now available and may be purchased from Steering Committee members or ministry group leaders. As with all City Temple events, you can expect nothing less than a fabulous time, and it just wouldn't be the same without your presence, so I know I'll see you there!

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

Keep your eyes and ears open for location and time of our Thanksgiving Day service. Volunteers will be needed to help serve dinner to the needy as well as food donations. So, pull your aprons and your wallets out and get ready...its coming!

NEW SHILOH'S VISIT

On Nov. 28, Dr. Harold Carter and the congregation of New Shiloh Baptist Church will be visiting for an afternoon service at 4 p.m. Please come out!

ponder this

continued from P2 rather a lack of will.”
-Vince Lombardi. I often tell students who are unsure about whether or not they can be successful in college that college is a test of diligence and endurance, not of intelligence. Now this is not to say that I don’t believe that you don’t have to have some measure of intelligence to be successful in the college setting. I believe that it is more important to be diligent and hard working. There are many intelligent people who have no college degrees. So we must instill a strong work ethic within our children for success in school as well as in life.

As African Americans we must remember that we didn’t always have the opportunity to receive a formal education; so let’s ensure that our youth take advantage of every opportunity that they can. We must hold them accountable; we must not blame the errors of our children on their teachers or administrators. If we fail to hold them accountable then it will do a disservice to them as they transition into adulthood. So ponder this....how will you ensure that our youth strive for excellence in school this year?

CITY TEMPLE YOUTH CHOIR’S

*Simone
Edwards*
in

ANNIE: The Musical

creating caring congregations

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:12

In the sanctuary, we pray for “the lost, the lame and the least of these.” Persons living with serious mental illness may be considered part of this group.

Mental illnesses are medical illnesses. One in four families in America is directly affected by mental illness. One in 17 adults lives with serious, chronic disorders. On average, people living with serious mental illness live 25 years less than the rest of the population. One reason is that less than one-third of adults and less than one-half of children with a diagnosed illness receive treatment. Stigma is a major barrier to treatment.

Mental Illness Awareness Week takes place Oct. 3-9 and is an opportunity to learn more about serious mental illnesses such as major depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and post traumatic stress disorder. The 2010 theme, “Changing Attitudes, Changing Lives,” is a “call” to com-

munities of faith.

The faith community has a vital role in decreasing stigma associated with mental illness, connecting persons in need to mental health services and providing support to individuals and their families who have a mental illness. Optimal mental health is dependent on spiritual as well as physical and psychological well being. The Lord’s desire is that we be whole and holy – body, mind and soul (1 Thessalonians 5:23).

Negative attitudes towards mental illness, like HIV/AIDS, are often the result of ignorance, confusion and fear. Education, understanding and love are the antidotes which change lives of the giver and recipient of Love. Here are a few suggestions on how we can provide care and support to persons with mental illness.

Don’t:

- Tell persons with mental illness to just pray harder. That would not be appropriate advice for someone with cancer or a heart condition, and it is not

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The Arena Players Youtheater Summer Session presented a combination of excerpts from three musicals: “Gypsy,” “The Wiz,” and “Annie.” Our own Simone created the character of Annie and sang several numbers from that musical such as “It’s A Hard Knock Life,” “Maybe,” and “Tomorrow.”

The audiences on both Friday and Sunday included many City Temple members who gave rousing cheers and applause for Simone’s ren-

ditions. The Director of Drama was our own Robert Russell and Jan Campbell was the Director of Music.

We are so blessed to have young people on our youth choir who are great singers.

The first play of the 58th season of the Arena Players shows is “The Bird” – a fantasy based on the Blue Bird-of-Paradise.

The shows opens Sept. 24 and runs through Oct. 10. For more information, contact Robert Russell or Randy Tilghman.



Actress/Singer Simone Edwards

kid's fun page

games, puzzles & trivia

Old Testament Books Word Search Game

This Bible word search game has 27 answers.

G U P Y P S A L M S E G D U J
 D E U T E R O N O M Y O G O O
 E H N J E R E M I A H M B A S
 Z A E E X O D U S O M I P T H
 E B H M S I S A I A H C S P U
 K A E W L I S W A R A A W M A
 I K M S M I S K A P I H I S S
 E K I S T H N H Z S S X A U B
 L U A K A H C U E Q O A G C R
 L K H N E Z E L X U M M G I E
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 U J O E L C A E S O H R H I O
 M A N O E D A N I E L A Z V R
 A C H R O N I C L E S N F E P
 S R E B M U N K I N G S E L O

Genesis
 Exodus
 Leviticus
 Numbers
 Deuteronomy
 Joshua
 Judges
 Samuel
 Kings
 Chronicles

Ezra
 Nehemiah
 Esther
 Job
 Psalms
 Proverbs
 Isaiah
 Jeremiah
 Ezekiel
 Daniel

Hosea
 Joel
 Amos
 Jonah
 Micah
 Habakkuk
 Haggai



Ten Commandments Bible Quiz

- 1) "Thou shalt have no other gods before Me" is which commandment?
 - A. second
 - B. first
 - C. tenth
 - D. fifth
- 2) "Thou shalt not commit adultery" is which commandment?
 - A. seventh
 - B. fifth
 - C. forth
 - D. ninth
- 3) Which commandment tells us that we should not steal?
 - A. first
 - B. seventh
 - C. eighth
 - D. second
- 4) In which commandment are we told not to make any graven images?
 - A. third
 - B. forth
 - C. tenth
 - D. second
- 5) We are told not to covet anything that our neighbour's have in which commandment?
 - A. fourth
 - B. tenth
 - C. ninth
 - D. seventh
- 6) "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour" is which commandment?
 - A. ninth
 - B. third
 - C. second
 - D. sixth
- 7) If a person were to say to you "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain" they would be referring to the _____ commandment?
 - A. first
 - B. second
 - C. third
 - D. fifth
- 8) "Honour thy father and thy mother" is which commandment?
 - A. fourth
 - B. fifth
 - C. seventh
 - D. eighth
- 9) "Thou shalt not kill" is the _____ commandment.
 - A. first
 - B. fourth
 - C. second
 - D. sixth
- 10) "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy" is the _____ commandment.
 - A. fourth
 - B. fifth
 - C. third
 - D. second
- 11) What day is the Sabbath day?
 - A. Saturday
 - B. Sunday
 - C. Jesus Christ has become our Sabbath
 - D. From Friday night at sun down to sun rise Sunday morning
- 12) In what book of the Bible will you find the Ten Commandments?
 - A. Genesis
 - B. Exodus
 - C. Leviticus
 - D. Mark
- 13) The commandment that states "Thou shalt not kill" is _____.
 - A. a bad translation, the word should be murder and not kill
 - B. the proper translation
 - C. a bad translation, the word should be smite and not kill
 - D. the seventh commandment
- 14) Your neighbour's have everything in life that you ever wanted. What do you do?
 - A. steal it from them when they are asleep
 - B. be angry because you don't have everything you want
 - C. be happy with what you do have
 - D. be envious of them
- 15) Your a supervisor at a company and your boss is looking for some one to promote from your department. He has the choices down to two people whose only difference at work is the quality of their work. One is your best friend who does good work and the other is a person that you don't like who does great work. What do you tell your boss about them?
 - A. that your friend is the better worker
 - B. that the person you don't like is the better worker
 - C. the person you don't like does great work but drinks on the job
 - D. that your friend has never missed a day of work while the other has
- 16) A graven image is _____?
 - A. something God told us not to make
 - B. a carving in wood or stone that some people worship
 - C. a idol
 - D. all of the above
- 17) Cheating on your spouse is _____?
 - A. hurting the ones that love you
 - B. setting a bad example for your family
 - C. adultery
 - D. all of the above

creating caring congregations

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appropriate for someone with a mental illness.

- Tell persons with mental illness that the illness is the result of sin.
- Look down on persons with mental illness for using medications to control their symptoms. Someone with depression using medications is no different than someone with diabetes using insulin.

Do:

- Encourage the person who is ill and their family to continue as a part of congregational life.
- Offer prayers, help and support for the entire family, including those members who infrequently come to services. Listen without being judgmental.
- Challenge false and stigmatizing statements about mental illness and become an advocate for people with mental illness who may not be in a position to speak for themselves.

education corner

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the progress report and report card.

- Make early contact with your child's teachers. Share information that is critical about student health or behavior.
- Work with the PTA/PTO or volunteer to help at your child's school.
- Contact teachers by phone or e-mail and request progress updates before progress reports and report cards. Teachers are happy to communicate with parents. This allows parents to know about teacher concerns before they become big issues.
- Attend all back to school nights and parent conferences. If you are unable to attend, send a note or e-mail the teacher requesting an update.
- If you have concerns, contact the teacher. Don't accept everything your child says about incidents. Talk to teachers in a polite and respectful

manner. Remember, if your child sees or hears you talk disrespectfully to and about their teachers, they will try the same thing. Work together to solve problems.

- Make sure your child has necessary materials and supplies each day. Children cannot do well if they come to school without notebooks, paper, and writing utensils.
 - Check to make sure your children complete all home assignments and study. This reinforces learning.
 - Access the Baltimore City website at www.bcpcss.org. You can access information about schools, get e-mail addresses for teachers and other system information. High schools will be piloting an on-line grade book (Power Teacher), which will allow parents to view their children's grades.
- Remember, together, we can make a difference!

just we few ministry

Receiving Recognition for Outstanding Service and Ministry Dedication

Delores Mann is a long-time member of Just We Few Ministry. She joined this Ministry in July 1983, and has been the coordinator for the Ministry, off and on, for over twenty-some years.

She has coordinated fundraisers for the group, i.e., mystery trips, Odyssey boat rides, trips to Harper's Ferry, Virginia, Suicide Bridge and many others. Also, she coordinates different places to have our Christmas luncheons every year.

Delores is a tremendous asset to this Ministry. Her positive attitude is a gift from God. Our thanks go out to her for the hard work she has done.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of Just We Few Ministry, please contact any member: Dale Knight, Cookie Murdock, Mary Bloom, Hazel Johnson, Carolyn E. Bailey, Rosa Barnes, Deloris Mann, Vanessa Moore, Rev. Geneva Jackson, Augusta Talbott, Irma Riddick, Dora Hardee, and Shirley Lindsay.

Submitted by Dale Knight – Group Leader

Advertise your business in the City Temple Times!

Several members of the congregation are looking for services you may provide! Submit your business information to The Times staff so we can let the congregation know the services offered right in the Temple! Who knows? Your next customer may be sitting right beside you during morning worship!

You can also e-mail your information to times@thecitytemple.org!



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City Temple

BIRTHDAYS

Answers to the Ten Commandments Bible Quiz

1. b first Exodus 20:2-3
2. a seventh Exodus 20:14
3. c eight Exodus 20:15
4. d second Exodus 20:4-6
5. b tenth Exodus 20:17
6. a ninth Exodus 20:16
7. c third Exodus 20:7
8. b fifth Exodus 20:12
9. d sixth Exodus 20:13
10. a forth Exodus 20:8-11
11. c Jesus Christ has become our Sabbath. See our Sabbath study.
12. b Exodus 20:1-17
13. a bad translation, the word should be murder and not kill. See our Ten Commandments study.
14. c be happy with what you do have. Exodus 20:17
15. b that the person you don't like is the better worker. Exodus 20:16
16. d all of the above. Exodus 20:4-6
17. d all of the above. Exodus 20:14

September

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