

THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

A HAPPY FATHER!



This Sunday, the third Sunday of June, has been set aside by our nation as a day to honor our fathers. This is a good thing. We do remember that there is the scriptural injunction to “honor those to whom honor is due” (Romans 13:7) and certainly godly fathers ought to be worthy of great honor!

We always say, *Happy Father’s Day*-- yet, have we really stopped to think, what would make Dad happy—really happy? I’m not talking from the perspective of physical gifts...a new tie, house shoes, a new watch—you know, those traditional Father’s Day-type gifts. Certainly, gifts can make a father happy when they are true expressions or tokens of love and remembrance. Of course, it is never *about* the gift.

Beyond the gifts that can be bought at the store, let me suggest a few things you can give that are sure to make your godly father happy. (These gifts won’t cost you money, but do cost in other ways!) So, give...

1. *Love*, true love is the best and absolutely essential factor in every gift that follows. After all, without love, “*it profits nothing*” (1 Cor. 13:1-3).
2. *Commitment* to walk in the way of *The Father*. This is certain to bring a smile, not only to a Christian father’s face but into his heart as well. John wrote, “*I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth*” (3 Jn. 4).
3. *Respect* given not only to him, but to your mother as well. The spiritual father knows that this gift to “*Honor your father and mother*” is one that blesses the child as well (Eph. 6:2).
4. *Effort* to reach your potential. Although may never reach that potential, that you give your effort toward that end is a gift your father will cherish for the Scripture says, “*Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might*” (Eccl. 9:10).
5. *Resiliency*. This gift will enable your father to know that when (*not if*) you make a mistake, it will not be a defining one. The resilient child will not let that mistake be fatal but will learn and grow from it.

Give these gifts and you will have—both on earth and in heaven—*A Happy Father*.

HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!

P.S. *By the way, these are great gifts to be given even if, like me, your godly father has passed from this life and gone on to meet His Father. Giving the gifts listed above is still one of the best gifts as we so honor our father’s cherished memory!*

—Larry Keele

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Family Matters

We want to welcome our guests today! Thank you for choosing to come to study and worship with us. May we all be lifted closer in our relationship to our Lord. Please complete the visitor’s information form that will be passed to you near the end of services today. Please, come again!

We welcome *Talyn Hughes* to the family of God as she was baptized at camp! Also, we welcome *Banti Gil*, *Thomas Hanks*, and *Phyllis Roussell* to the family at Camp Kichica as they made known

their desire to be a part of the family here last Sunday. Welcome!

IMPORTANT—The elders have requested your input on the direction to be taken in the next phase of the building plan today. After prayerfully considering the options, please return your form to them. May the Lord bless us with faith and the wisdom from above as this decision is made.

Camp Kichica is this week. This is for our 3-5 graders and will be held Tuesday through Friday.

Please pray for all those involved—campers, counselors and staff—that all will have a safe and spiritually enriching week.

Wish *Cassandra Gaunt* well as she and *Paul* complete their transition to their new home. *Cassandra* is closing on their home soon.

Parting thought: Have truth decay? Brush up on the Bible!

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

Larry

Reed All About It: Wisdom

As we are looking at the book of Proverbs this week, I have been thinking a lot about wisdom. The dictionary defines wisdom as containing the key components of knowledge, insight and discernment. Most people will tell you they would like to have more wisdom. Solomon had enough insight to ask for wisdom when he could have asked for anything else on earth. Why do humans want more wisdom?

Due to the fall of humankind, we live a troubled life. There are plenty of people offering solutions to our problems. We see these “solutions” in self-help books and social media advice. People are struggling to live a trouble free life. In a sense our society is seeking heaven on earth. The reality is we struggle for something that is unobtainable without help from God.

If we diligently seek wisdom, our journey should end up searching for wisdom from God. This is highlighted for us in Proverbs 2:3-5 NASB

³ *For if you cry for discernment,*

Lift your voice for understanding;

⁴ *If you seek her as silver
And search for her as
for hidden treasures;*

⁵ *Then you will discern the fear
of the Lord
And discover the knowledge of
God.*

Is there wisdom to be obtained from humankind? Sure, there are pearls of wisdom we all obtain through experience and education. In order to completely fulfill our desire for wisdom we must turn from the earth to things above. This means seeking wisdom

from God. The Bible is our main source of divine wisdom. Within the Bible, Proverbs is a great collection of wisdom literature that has withstood the test of time.

Where do you seek your wisdom? Is it from the physically present but constantly disappointing world? If you want true wisdom, your search will take you beyond the material realm to the divine world of God. God is the source of true wisdom and fortunately for us, He has provided access to this wisdom through the scriptures and has augmented our understanding with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Tap into Godly wisdom today!

Blessings,
Alan

John's Jogs: Bible Basics 3

After the “Tower of Babel” the remainder of Genesis chapter 11 gives a genealogy from Shem to Terah. Terah had three sons: Abraham, Nahor and Haran. Haran died in Ur of the Chaldeans. Thus Terah took Abram and set out for Canaan but settled in Haran.

“The Lord said to Abram, ‘Leave your country, your people and your father’s household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and curse whoever curses you; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.’”
(Genesis 12:1-3)

God makes two promises to Abram here, 1) I’ll make you into a great nation 2) Through you all the earth will be blessed (Meaning Jesus the Messiah, the Christ).

Without hesitation Abram took his wife Sarai and left. At an advanced age and barren Sarah suggested to Abraham to take her maidservant Hagar so ***“Perhaps I can build a family through her.”*** She conceived and bore a son (Ishmael). But he was not the child of promise. At age 99 the Lord appeared to Abraham again and told him Sarah would bear him a son and call him Isaac. Abraham was 100 years old when Isaac was born. On the day Isaac was weaned, Ishmael made fun of him. This irritated Sarah and she told Abraham to get rid of that woman and her son. With God’s assurance Abraham sent them away. Ishmael became the father of many Arabian nations.

Abraham sent a servant to Haran to his relatives for a wife for Isaac, He brought back Rebecca, granddaughter of Abraham’s brother, Nahor. Isaac was 40 years old when he married Rebecca. Rebecca gave birth to twin sons. When they jostled in the womb,

she inquired of the Lord. He said to her, ***“Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger.”*** Esau was born with Jacob grasping his heel. Isaac was 60 years old when the twins were born.

Esau was an outdoorsman and was favored by Isaac. Jacob was a quite man and stayed around the tents. Jacob made a stew and Esau sold him his birthright for a bowl of it. Then he and his mother tricked Isaac in his old age and poor eyesight into believing he was Esau and therefore Isaac gave him the elder son blessing. Esau became so angered that he threatened to kill his brother Jacob. Fearing for her son’s life Rebecca persuaded Isaac to send Jacob to her family in Haran. As far as we know she never saw Jacob again.

Next week – Jacob’s family

THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

EVENTS AND NEWS

Champions VBS Invite Friends, Family and Neighbors!



**It's Not Too Late to contact Josh Vires
if you can help with any aspect of VBS!**

Church Calendar June

19 NO Family Circle Meal Today
26 Family Circle #2 Meal
22 SS Scott Thibodeaux (Kingwood)
23 Men's Night Out
25 Empty Nesters Baseball Trip
30 Young at Heart Museum Trip

Youth Calendar June 2016

June 19: SNL @ Jersey Village
June 21-24: Camp Kichaca
Remember—Sign up to take Avery to dinner!

Sunday Morning Bible Hour Ages 2 to Kindergarten

Teachers: College & Young Professionals



Thomas Hanks

1405 North Loop
Houston, TX 77022
832-725-2921

Family Circle 4
DOB: 5-12

Banti Gil

17311 Bent Cypress Dr
Spring, TX 77388
713-775-1490

Family Circle 1
DOB: 07-12

Phyllis Roussel

7700 Willowchase Blvd.
#712
Houston, TX 77070

832-878-1151
DOB: 2-10

Directory Change:

Harry & Robbie Denton
8215 Cypresswood #5101
Spring, TX 77379
832-717-0511

Jeff & Rebekah Johnson

5335 Dana Leigh Dr
Houston, TX 77066

Men's Night Out

**Thursday, June
23rd @ 6:30 p.m.**

The Brisket House
3301 Cypress Creek Pkwy.
Houston, TX 77068
Sign-up list on Bulletin
Board. Contact: Wes Ar-
nold

**Young at Heart Trip
Thursday, June 30th
Depart on Precinct 4 Bus
at 9 a.m.**

Museum of Natural
Science

Cost: \$13.00, plus lunch.
Sign-up list on Bulletin
Board. Contact: John
Dickenson

**Empty Nesters
Baseball Game
June 25th**

Please sign the list posted on
the bulletin board in the foyer.
Contact: Carla Mahle



Tallyn Hughes

Tallyn was baptized at
Camp Bandina. She is
the daughter of Steven
and Kathy Hughes.

No FAMILY CIRCLE Meal Today

**Family Circle
Group #2 Meal
June 26th
Leaders: Kevin &
Patricia Barnett**



Thank you for
the generous con-
tribution you all
make to me and
the other graduates. The
money will go toward the
things I will need for
school. Words cannot
express how much grati-
tude I feel for this congre-
gation. Thank you all for
helping to shape me into
the God fearing woman I
am today. I could have
asked for a better place to
have grown up. I will
keep you all in my prayers
while I am away in
school.

Sincerely,
Kaitlyn Jones



The Church of Christ in Champions,
Thank you so much for the very gener-
ous donation made to me through the
Senior Bowl contributions, and for hosting the
BBQ luncheon. The senior luncheon was such
a special day that made me honored and
blessed to be a part of this congregation. I
appreciate all of your support as I go off to
college.

Love, Nick Eley



Dear Church of Christ in Champions,
Thank you so much for your generous
graduation gifts and lunch. I will use
the money to pay for important sup-
plies such as textbooks, or a laptop.
Thank you so much.

Tyler Eley



Dear Church Family,
We appreciate all the cards and pray-
ers after the loss of my stepfather.
Thank you for your support.

With Christian love,
Debbie and Leslie Bills



My dearest Champions Church Family,
Thank you for all the prayers, cards,
flowers and face book messages. I love
each and every one of you. God is good and
your prayers were answered. I got a good re-
port on all my tests. Only two more specialists'
appointments to take care of. I'm anticipating
good results from them too.
Hugs to each of your for your love and con-
cern.

Sherry Johnson

Collection for Homeless

The items needed are: Ink
pens, Back Packs, Soap,
Bibles, Notepads, Deodorant,
Socks, Toothbrushes, Water,
Gatorade, Gift Cards, Fruit
Snacks, Granola Bars, Pea-
nuts, Hats, Vienna Sausages
and Crackers. Please place
the items in the box in the
foyer. Contacts: Emmett
Gaines



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Elders:

- David Arnold
- Glenn Asher
- Jim Chitwood
- Bill Johnson
- Britt Jones
- Danny Mize
- Don Sammons
- Marvin Trice

Deacons:

- Phelan (Al) Allee
- Chris Ball
- Kevin Barnett
- Bill Bonham
- Charles Boyd
- Eltonio (Tony) Brown
- Darrell Fariss
- Jay Fraley
- Tommy Hill
- Joe Jackson
- Charles Joachim
- Brent Killough
- David Morgan
- Blake Phillips
- Kent Phillips
- Bryan Runions
- Justin Sammons
- Hank Sheppard
- Joel Smith
- Wes Smith
- Troy Thompson
- Billy Tippet
- James Wyatt

Ministers:

- Larry Keele (Pulpit)
- Alan Reed (Associate)
- John Qualls (Associate)
- Josh Vires (Youth)

PRAYERS & NOTES

Prayer Requests:

Johnny Breithaupt is in North Cypress Hospital with multiple health concerns.

Hank Sheppard is in Villa Toscana, 15015 Cypress Woods Medical Drive, Houston, TX 77014, room #602 receiving IV antibiotic for an infection.

Harry Denton is home recovering from his recent stroke. Please pray for his healing and for Robbie as she cares for him.

Nell McDonald is recovering from a fall in which she fractured her hip/femur bone.

Hayden Bishop, Barney and Linda Bowles grandson, fell and broke his wrist.

Ronda Morgan is recovering from surgery.

Keith Underwood as he struggles with intense pain.

Bunia Collins will have neck surgery at the end of July to remove a herniated Discs in her neck. Bunia requests your prayers for the success of her upcoming surgery.

Arlene Hale will have shoulder surgery in July.

Colter Taylor, Don and June Freeman's great nephew, for continued success with his Stem Cell Transplant.

Isaac Avina, friend of Nick Lazerko, for prayers as he deals with personal issues.

Champions Members On-going Concerns:

John Qualls, Shawn Waye, Sharon DeCarlo, Glenn Dixon, John Hixon, Tasha DiRaffaele, Jan Kelly, Donna Nance, Keith and Linda Underwood, Beth Haden, B.B. & Dorothy Snell

Family and Friends of

Champions: Linda Boatright, Conner Barnett, Larry Eckert, Mark Gardiner, Mary Chappell, Buddy Damron, Shelia Morrison

Employment Concerns:

Rudy Morris

Expectant Parents:

Jeff and Rebekah Johnson
Jordan and Natalie Arnold

Families Who Have Lost

Loved Ones Recently:
Bonham, Bills, Chappell

Hospice Care: Letha Earlene)Antwine's sister), Heidi Morrisey

Cancer Concerns:

Don Freeman, Whitney White, Jackie Stearsman, Ramoncito Jatico, Mary McCall Adamek, Laura Carroll, Colter Taylor, Larry Young, Steven Cerny, Bea Augustin, Jack Snyder, Rocky Harrell, Lawrece Smith, Sandra Underwood, Gary Brown, Nancy Miller, Pat Morrison, Sheila Durham, Michelle Davis

Missionaries:

Dale DuVerney, Peter Chin, Eddie Cloer, Roman Halamiccek, Eric Tan, Roland Moshen, Workers at Biblical Institute of Central America, Eastern European Mission, Jordan Arnold, Will Hanstein, Madison Avalos

Assisted Living/Rehab/

Nursing Homes: Terri Bennett, Margurite Pennington, Juanita Cox, Julia Garcia, Nell McDonald, Gladys McHenry, Marie McCall, Jean Simpson

Prayers for Military:

Landon White, William E. Taylor IV, George Marcus Jones, Melanie Adams, Travis Long, Aaron Jean, James Chin, Casey Bolin, Charles DuVerney, Ryan Bonham, Phillip Cuccerre, Jr., Eric McCall, Darion DuVerney, Meghan Gil-

Nursery Attendants

June 19: Holly Freeland & Rhonda Bonwell

June 26: Rosie Martinez & Karen Watson

If you cannot serve, please find a replacement by checking names posted on the wall outside the nursery classroom. Contact: Karen Casey

**FOR THE RECORD
6/12/16**

Sunday AM	362
Sunday Bible Class	228
Sunday P.M.	160
Wednesday Night	185
Contribution	18,771.22
Weekly Budget	20,048.00
YTD Contributions	481,752.43
YTD Budget	481,152.00
Over/(Under)	600.43

Service Times:

SUNDAY MORNING
9:00 a.m. Bible Classes
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
Sunday Morning Bible Hour

SUNDAY NIGHT:
6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

Elder of the Month

Don Sammons—June

Food Coordinator

Check with your Family Circle Leaders

Little Champs:

Mothers Day Out

Contact: Lisa Killough
littlechamps@att.net,
281-893-2062
Lisa Killough—Director