

THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

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I watched as the little boy tried so desperately to make a basket. He threw the ball the right direction...he aimed well, he shot over and over again...he just never made a bucket. The situation was that he was only a young, small boy and the basket was ten-feet tall! No wonder. I have also watched as his father put this young son on his shoulders and allowed him to hold on to the ball with both hands, reach up, and “stuff” the basketball through the hoop. You can also picture a small boy still on daddy’s shoulders—arms uplifted, joyously shouting, “I made it, I made it!” Ten-foot goal—why he still made it...with his father’s help!



Sometimes we all face some daunting challenges! Life stands us up before a figurative, gigantic ten-foot goal and says, “Ok, kid now give it your best shot” knowing that the shots we take will never get close to the rim. Jobs are “downsized,” relationships are broken, trust is destroyed, health is lost, pain is constant, fear grows—we give it our best shot and never even hit the rim. Sometimes, there are even those harsh voices whose repeated shouts of “air-ball” just announce to the world our missed shots.

Such is life—without a Father to come to our aid. However, there is just such a Father—one who wants us to make the basket, one who wants us to experience success, one who is there to help. In 2 Corinthians 4, Paul spoke of the help that comes from just such a one. Do you think Paul experienced some of those same feelings that we have? Listen to Him. “*We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed.*” How can that be? Paul knew he had a Father, a heavenly one, who would be there to help—and He did.

You know what? That Father is there for you as well! As His child, that Father will hold you on His shoulder and allow you to overcome life’s greatest challenges as well. So...when facing your ten-foot goals of life...keep shooting, but rely on Him who is your only hope! Remember, *We Make It, too...With His Help!*

—Larry Keele

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Family Matters

“*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort.*” (2 Cor. 1:3) What an honor it is to be able to come before the Father of all Mercies and know that He extends those magnificent mercies to each of us! If you are visiting with us today, we invite you to participate with us in praising Him as well. We are blessed by your presence and hope you will come again soon.

We are blessed that *Pat Stolte* and her mother, *Juanita Berg* placed their membership with us

last Sunday. We are happy to have *Pat* back with us and look forward to getting to know her mother better in the days ahead.

Recognized...Congratulations to our *Megan Doherty* for receiving the History Department *Study Excellence Award* from Lone Star College.

This evening, *Truitt Adair* from *Sunset International Bible Institute* will be sharing with us some exciting news of their efforts to share the Good News of Jesus in America as well as abroad. Be here at 6!

We had a great day last Sunday as we concluded *Friend Day* with (At the Park!) It was great! Beautiful weather, great food, wonderful fellowship! What a day!

Thanks to *Wes Arnold* for all the work he did to put our annual “Men’s Day” together! Another day to remember!

Parting Thought: It’s impossible to keep your shoes shined, if you keep walking in the mud!

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

Henry

Worth the Reid:

I hope everyone enjoyed seeing Mr. Bible last week! He was telling me afterwards how much fun he had seeing everyone's smiling faces. He can't wait for VBS this summer!

I wanted to take a few moments to explain what some of our needs are and what sort of responsibilities go with those needs. Right now, we really need teachers and craft leaders. The way we have VBS set up this year is a slightly different than years past. For VBS this summer we have four rotations. Each of which are 25 minutes long.

So when you sign up to help teach or lead crafts, you are signing up to lead 4 rotations. Meaning, if you were to teach you would teach the same lesson twice on Monday and then another lesson

twice on Tuesday (for example). So the actual time you are teaching is less than an hour a day. Of course, some time will need to be spent on developing the lesson or craft but we already have outlines for the lessons and ideas for the crafts!

We also need some amazing decorators! As a 25 year old male and someone who still thinks movie posters and swords are acceptable wall decorations, this aspect of VBS is one where I need all the help I can get! We would love any creative minds or thinkers who would like to help us turn our fellowship building into a medieval castle!

If you are interested in any of these areas, please come find me wherever I am, call me, or e-mail me!



John's Jogs: THE FIRST EPISODE CHAPTER 4:1-31 in Chapters 4 & 5

Peter and John were speaking to the people after healing the lame man. Peter had driven home the point that they (the people) had crucified Jesus, and that He was **resurrected & exalted**. He was admonishing them that they better do something about their situation ---when the priests, captain of the temple guard and Sadducees came upon them. They were greatly disturbed because: 1) They taught the people 2) They preached **resurrection** through Christ. This had been a great day – it mattered little that they were in jail. After all, new additions had brought their number to about 5000.

In Jerusalem the next day they were brought before the rulers – virtually the same court that condemned Jesus. They asked: "**By what power or in what name**

have you done this?" The apostles had been arrested for their words but are questioned about the miracle. It was no crime to teach in the temple but a crime might be twisted out of working a miracle in the name of anyone but Jehovah. Peter replied: "**Rulers...elders... If we are called to account for an act of kindness shown to a lame man and are asked how he was healed' then know this you, and all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified -- whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands before you healed.**" **There it is WE DID IT - IN JESUS NAME!!!**

The theme of both chapters 4 & 5 is climaxed in verse 12 ---when Peter, I'm sure, with much emotion and power declared:

Nor is there SALVATION in any other, for there is no other name under Heaven given among men by which we must be saved - The name of Jesus. Salvation cannot be had in any other name. The apostles were willing to go to prison, be beaten, and even die for **the name**. They healed in the **name of Jesus**. Baptism is to be in the **name of Jesus**. The rulers were about to issue an official decree. They commanded them not to speak or teach in the **name of Jesus**. The question: **what would you do??** What did the apostles do: **They raised their voices together in prayer for boldness to continue preaching in Jesus' NAME as a result they were "Filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the Word of God BOLDLY!!!"**

Special Opportunity

Special Opportunity For Champions & Special Thanks!

It's not too late to help with the unexpected expenses for the building remodel. For additional information or questions, please contact one of Champions' elders. Any added donations will be appreciated.

Daily Bible Reading

WEEK of May 7—May 13:

May 8: Monday—Romans Chapters 1-3
 May 9: Tuesday—Romans, Chapters 4-6
 May 10: Wednesday—Romans, Chapters 7-9
 May 11: Thursday—Romans, Chapters 10-13
 May 12: Friday—Romans, Chapters 14-16

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EVENTS AND NEWS

Guest Speaker Tonight

Truitt Adair

from

Sunset International Bible Institute

(SIBI)

He will share with us their vision for evangelism of our nation and world. You will be greatly blessed and encouraged to hear his presentation!



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DOB 8-14

Juanita Berg

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DOB: 2-22
(Juanita is Pat Stolte's Mom!)

Friday Morning Fellowship

May 19th at 9:00 a.m.

For All Ages

Contact: Don Sammons

Ladies Help Needed

Little Champs MDO

Closing Program

Tuesday, May 16th

Four ladies are needed to assist with Refreshments for the closing program. Contact: Lisa Killough

Champions Basketball Schedule

Date	Time	Home Team	Away Team	Location
Mon 5/8/2017	7:00 PM	Champions	Woodland Oaks	Northland Christian School
Mon 5/8/2017	8:00 PM	Fifth Ward	Jersey Village	Northland Christian School

IMPACT MEAL TODAY

Join us following services to go and serve a meal at the Impact congregation!
Wes Smith

Missions Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 7th @ 4:30 p.m.

Cutten Parkway House
Contacts: Bryan Runions and Troy Thompson

Elders' Meeting

Today at 4:30 p.m.

Cutten Pkwy House

Homecoming Wedding Photo

Request

If you were married at Champions during the past 75 years I would like to borrow a wedding photo. I would like a photo of the bride and groom (preferably in the front of the auditorium). I will scan it and return your photo unharmed shortly after you entrust it to me. Please give me the wedding date and full names of the couple. Thanks, Susan Sammons

Young at Heart Trip

Texas Czech Heritage &

Cultural Center

Thursday, June 1st

The Harris County Bus will leave Champions at 8:00 a.m. for LaGrange. Join the fun as we visit the Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center. Cost: \$15.00 - This includes the Museum and Lunch. Contact: John Dickenson

Church Calendar

May

7: Missions Meeting
7: Elders' Meeting
7: Guest Speaker PM Service
16: Little Champs Closing Program
19: Friday Morning Fellowship
21: Homecoming Meeting
21: Youth Led PM Service
28: Senior Day

Youth Calendar

May

May 12-14: Camp His Way
May 21: Youth Led Service PM
May 21: Youth Devo
May 26: FNL
May 28: Senior Day!
May 31: Interns first day!

June

19-23: VBS

Sunday Morning Bible Hour

Ages 2 to Kindergarten

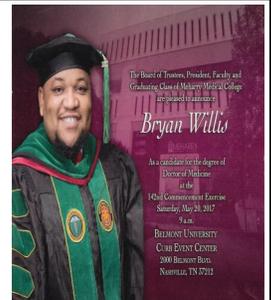
Parents and children are dismissed to check in following the Lord's Supper.
May 7: Aaron & Ashley Trent
May 14: Justin & Julia Sammons

Dear Friends and Family:

Please share in our joy as our son expects to graduate from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN on May 20, 2017.

He will be in Pediatric Residency at Children's Hospital of Michigan, in Detroit.

Leland and Shirley Willis



Senior Parents

Please send your "Senior Letter" and "Senior Picture" for your son/daughter, A.S.A.P to Jeanie Kuehl. You may send them via email: "Jeanie@championschurch.org".

Wednesday Night Meal— May 3rd

Menu: Philly Cheesesteak Sandwiches, Cheddar Fries, Dessert

Cost: Adults \$5.00, Children: \$3.00 (Ages 3-6th Grade), Children 2 and under Free
Meal served from 5:45 - 6:30 p.m.



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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
- Eltonio (Tony) Brown
- Darrell Fariss
- Jay Fraley
- Tommy Hill
- Joe Jackson
- Charles Joachim
- Brent Killough
- Blake Phillips
- Kent Phillips
- Bryan Runions
- Justin Sammons
- Hank Sheppard
- Joel Smith
- Wes Smith
- Paul Tews
- Troy Thompson
- Billy Tippit
- James Wyatt

Ministers:

- Larry Keele (Pulpit)
- Alan Reed (Associate)
- John Qualls (Associate)
- Reid Stafford (Youth)

PRAYERS & NOTES

Prayer Requests:

The Miller and Chappell families in the loss of Rhonda Miller’s father and Gregg Chappell’s brother, *Robert Chappell*. **Thomas Reed** and family in the loss of his uncle, *Lee Reed*.

Linda Breithaupt will have her pacemaker battery replaced on Monday, May 8th at Willowbrook Methodist Hospital. She is to arrive at 2:00 p.m.

Rosie Martinez is in St. Luke’s Hospital in The Woodlands, room 677, for tests at this writing.

Linda Rickman has been diagnosed with a torn rotator. She will have a MRI on May 16th.

Dave McConathy is home recovering from his recent surgery. Please continue to pray for his healing and good results from the pathology report.

Karen Watson is doing well following her recent Chemo treatment.

Donna Nance started Chemo on Monday and will continue treatments every two weeks at Willowbrook Methodist.

John Burns is completing his daily injections this week for his leukemia.

Arlene Hale is home recovering from a serious infection. No visitors please.

Gwen Crosby is home recovering from a recent biopsy. She is scheduled to see her doctor on

tomorrow, Monday, May 8th **Lynn Antwine** is home continuing to recover from his broken hip.

Erwina Moore, Ronda Morgan’s Mom, has moved to Tomball. Prayers are requested for a smooth transition and the quick sale of her house in Salado. Her new address is: 615 S Cherry St, Tomball, 77375.

Hanna Haavikko’s mother has heart problems. Please pray for her healing.

Janie, Ollie and Hanna Haavikko’s neighbor, has a cancerous tumor and will have surgery on May 11th.

Halle Spivey, Garland and Janis Bluhm’s granddaughter, as she continues her recovery from heart surgery.

Champions Members Ongoing

Concerns: Rose Delay, Sharon DeCarlo, Jeff Bolin, Lois Boyd, Richard Garza, Paulette Brown, Sue Trice, Fay Stephens, Glenn Dixon, Jan Kelly, Keith and Linda Underwood, B.B. & Dorothy Snell, Harold Lawrence

Hospice: Bernice Ponder, Juanita Cox

Families Who Have Lost

Loved Ones: Miller, Chappell, Reed, Papillon, Tippit, McClelland, McConathy, Enders, Guillore, Terry Blackwood, Bounds, Cerny

Family and Friends with Health and

Other Concerns: John and Susan Quinn family, Adam and Malyn Murphy, Harley Morgan, Nicholas Greenhaw

Cancer Concerns:

John Burns, Gregg Chappell, Sr., Caella Chappell, Karen Watson, Wayne Hemingway, Bea Augustin, Rocky Harrell, Lawrece Smith, Pat Morrison, Joyce Kidwell-Stearsman, Austin Keefer, Gus Drozario, Karen Hall, Hester Mills, Paul Elkins, Randy McKain, Gus Drozario

Missionaries:

Dale DuVerney, Peter Chin, Eddie Cloer, Roman Halamicek, Eric Tan, Roland Mohsen, Workers at Biblical Institute of Central America, Eastern European Mission, Jordan Arnold, Will Hanstein, Mario Saldana and Aaron Solis

Assisted Living/Rehab/ Nursing

Homes: John Qualls, Terri Bennett, Margurite Pennington, Juanita Cox, Julia Garcia, Nell McDonald, Marie McCall, Jean Simpson, Bernice Ponder, Mike Wright

Prayers for Military:

Landon White, Brent Tyler Bowles, Traveon Gaines, William E. Taylor IV, George Marcus Jones, Melanie Adams, Travis Long, Aaron Jean, Charles DuVerney, Ryan Bonham, Phillip Cuccerre, Jr., Eric McCall, Darion DuVerney

Employment Concerns: Ernest Harris, Jr., Marc Culpepper, Patricia Pennington, Bill Hicks, David Kuehl

Nursery Attendants

May 7: Andrea Oakley & Alaina Robinson

May 14: Jena Asher & Kelly Thompson

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
4/30/2017**

Sunday Services.....	354
Sunday Bible Class.....	215
Sunday Night	140
Wednesday Night.....	153
Contribution.....	22,200.00
Weekly Budget	20,057.69
YTD Contributions	405,660.44
YTD Budget	361,038.42
Over/(Under).....	44,622.02

Service Times:

SUNDAY:
8:15 a.m. First Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Bible Class
10:30 a.m. Second Worship Service

SUNDAY NIGHT:
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:
Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

Elder of the Month

May

David Arnold

Food Coordinator

Check with your Family Circle Leaders

Church Wi-Fi Password

churchguest

**Little Champs:
Mothers Day Out**

Contact: Lisa Killough
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Lisa Killough—Director