

***THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT***

***A Tribute to Mothers***

*A mother* will often do things like:

- Goes into the valley of the shadow of death to give to her baby the light of life!
- Willingly sacrifices her own *needs* to take care of her children’s *wants*!
- Hears her child’s cry in the middle of a deep sleep while her husband rolls over!
- Doesn’t want any ice cream when the family members outnumber the cones!
- Stands in the kitchen to prepare a meal while her family sits down at the table to enjoy!
- Goes shopping for a dress and comes back with something for everyone else to wear!
- Loves her children unconditionally, even when others might think them “unlovable.”

***Mother: You are “Awesome!”***

*A Christian mother* will often do things like:

- is up getting clothes ready “for church” while her family is already sound asleep!
- listens to her children’s prayers although those prayers include everything in the room!
- asks her children about their Bible lesson like it is the first time she has ever heard it!
- begins training a wiggly boy or giggly girl so they can learn of the wonder of worship!
- “walks” her Christianity before her children rather than merely talks about it!
- models the role of Christian wife and mother when television glamorizes the opposite!
- prays that the children born to her will one day be “born again” in Christ Jesus!

***Christian Mother: You are “Totally Awesome!”***

—Larry Keele



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**Family Matters**

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Our prayer is that as we spend these moments together today, we may all be filled with joy and peace. For those qualities to be of a truly lasting nature, they have to be those which come from God Himself. Oh, what a God we come to worship!

Guests, please complete the visitor’s information in the notebook that will be passed to you this morning toward the close of ser-

vices. We are so thankful you have come and hope that you will be able to come again soon!

Thanks to *Barney Bowles* for his work around our facilities this week. We are thankful that he has agreed to tackle some of the maintenance issues we have had around our facilities.

*Senior Day* is coming up, May 28th. That will be an enjoyable day as our seniors are honored through the day and our two young men will be bringing the message of God’s Word in the afternoon. Plan now to be a part

of this day (and don’t forget that we will have a money bowl that our seniors will all share).

*Parting Thought:*  
*Hundreds of dewdrops to greet dawn...*  
*Hundreds of bees in the purple clover...*  
*Hundreds of butterflies on the lawn...*  
*But only one Mother, the wide world over!*

—*Rishika Jain.*

**HAVE A HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY AND A BLESSED WEEK!**

*Henry*

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**Worth the Reid: Camp Awesome!**


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# Camp Awesome!

**Dates: August 2 - 6**

**Ages: 3 - 6 grade**

**Price: \$150 per camper**

**Theme: Cling to What is Good**

**Location: Twin Oak Ranch, Buda, TX**

Applications will be at the back of the FC, or Reid can email you a copy.

All applications should be turned in to Reid by July 2nd, as stated on the application.

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**John's Jogs: ALL THE BELLIEVERS WERE ONE IN HEART AND SOUL (Acts 4:32-5:1)**

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**Historical events all the way back to this second event when the church is persecuted strengthened the church in three ways:** a) they tend to bring about unity of believers. b) Unity brings about care and welfare of each other. c) The church becomes more dedicated to spreading the gospel message.

**THERE WERE TWO GROUPS OR TYPES OF PEOPLE HERE: First, there were committed disciples.** They were believers – of one heart and soul – they were unified. They did not consider their possessions their own. None of them lacked – each had plenty. Those with property sold it and brought the proceeds to the apostles. The apostles distributed to all as each had need. Note that this was a free will

offering – not a direct command or requirement. That was love – that is care – that is concern. – **That is CHRISTIANITY.** We are introduced to a man named Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus. The apostles called him **Bar-nabas which means Son of Encouragement.** He sold a field which he owned and brought the money to the apostles.

**There Were Uncommitted – dishonest disciples (Ananias and Sapphira).** They sold a possession and kept back part of it but brought a certain part of it to the apostles – both were privy to the transaction. **What was the result of this action?** Why did you lie to the Holy Spirit? While it remained was it not your own? After you sold it – was it not in your control?

Why did you conceive this in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God!! They died immediately.

**Let's analyze the message in this story.** Obviously the thrust of the story is that **they lied to God.** What did they lie about? What constituted the lie? What made it a lie? – What was the lie? The possession was theirs. - They did not have to sell it. After selling it they had control of it. They did not have to give all of it. They brought part of it, perhaps a large part. **What constituted the lie?** Apparently they had **committed** themselves to give all. Thus, when they only gave part, **they lied.**

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## Special Opportunity

## Daily Bible Reading

### 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.

The elders would like to thank those who have graciously given contributions and/or donated purchased church bonds back to Champions to help offset unexpected remodeling expenses.

### WEEK of May 14—May 20:

**May 15: Monday—James, Chapter 1**  
**May 16: Tuesday—James, Chapter 2**  
**May 17: Wednesday—James, Chapter 3**  
**May 18: Thursday—James, Chapter 4**  
**May 19: Friday—James, Chapter 5**

# THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

## EVENTS AND NEWS

### Our 2017 Champions Family Graduates Senior Day Sunday, May 28th

Erin Doherty  
Noah Reed  
Zachary Rickman

*Please join us as we honor our Champions Seniors*

- Bible Class - 9:30 am
- Worship - 8:15 and 10:30 am
- Presentation of Bibles and Charge - Britt Jones and Elders
- Catered Lunch - immediately following worship—*You are asked to please bring desserts to share.*
- Videos - Will be shown in family center **during lunch**

### WORSHIP IN SONG TODAY AT 6 PM

*"Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God". Colossians 3:16*  
This evening, our worship in song, offers the privilege of singing praises to God and the opportunity to admonish and encourage one another. Your support of this opportunity is a strong indication of your love and thankfulness! This worship is not to practice singing, but an exalted privilege of sharing.

### Champions Basketball Schedule

Date	Time	Home Team	Away Team	Location
Mon 5/15/2017	7:00 PM	Woodland Oaks	Fifth Ward	Northland Christian School
Mon 5/15/2017	8:00 PM	Jersey Village	Champions	Northland Christian School
Mon 5/22/2017	7:00 PM	Champions	Fifth Ward	Northland Christian School
Mon 5/22/2017	8:00 PM	Jersey Village	Woodland Oaks	Northland Christian School

### Senior Parents

"Senior Letter" and "Senior Picture" are due by Tuesday, May 16th. You may send them via email to: "Jeanie@championschurch.org".

### 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



*Dear Brothers and Sisters:  
We sincerely thank you for your prayers for Pap and us.  
And thank you for the many*

*cards, visits, phone calls and plentiful food. This congregation really takes care of its members.*

*Love to all of you,  
Joyce Papillon and family*

### Wednesday Night Meal— May 17th

Menu: *Enchiladas, Rice and Beans and 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.

### Church Calendar

May

- 16: Little Champs Closing Program
- 19: Friday Morning Fellowship
- 21: Homecoming Meeting
- 21: Youth Led PM Service
- 28: Senior Day
- 29: Office Closed
- 31: Interns begin work

### Youth Calendar

May

- 12-14: Camp His Way
- 21: Youth Led Service PM
- 21: Youth Devo
- 26: FNL
- 28: Senior Day!
- 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 14: Justin & Julia Sammons  
May 21: Reid & Natalie Stafford  
May 28: Tiffany Thomas

### Young at Heart Trip Texas Czech Heritage & Cultural Center Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>

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

### Homecoming Committee Meeting

**Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

Immediately following evening service  
Contact: Larry Keele



**VBS—JUNE  
19-23!**

**Help in ALL  
areas are  
NEEDED!**

Please contact:  
Reid Stafford



*“A Place to Belong.”*

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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:**

**Wayne Hemingway** remains in St. Luke’s Vintage Hospital with an infection. He is not doing well. Please pray for his peace and strength for Beth and their family.

**Chris and Allison George and family** as they struggle with difficult family concerns.

**Linda Breithaupt** is doing well following her pacemaker procedure last week.

**Sally Enders** is home recovering from her recent fall. She is still not able to place full weight on her leg.

**Gwen Crosby** will have additional tests to determine if the cancer has spread to other areas.

**Linda Rickman** will have an MRI on her shoulder on Tuesday, May 16th.

**Dave McConathy** is continuing his recovery from surgery. The tumor was benign!

**Donna Nance**, as she continues chemo treatments every two weeks at Willowbrook Methodist. Please pray for her healing and comfort.

**Jean Taylor**, June Freeman’s sister, is recovering from surgery.

Kim Holt requests prayers for his good friend **Kim Dang’s** son, **Tommy**, who is in Ben

Taub Hospital ICU 4F recovering from gun shots he received as he was being robbed.

**Halle Spivey**, Garland and Janis Bluhm’s granddaughter, is doing great!

**Bill and Robin Rasco and family** as the court ruled their foster child is to be returned to her birth mother.

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

**Janie**, Ollie and Hanna Haavikko’s neighbor, is recovering from cancer surgery.

**Baby Gus Drozario**, Bryon Willis’ grandson, is back in Texas Children’s Hospital with complications. Please pray for all their family.

**Hospice:** Bernice Ponder, Juanita Cox

**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

**Families Who Have Lost**

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

**Family and Friends with Health**

**and Other Concerns:** John and Susan Quinn family, Adam and Malyn Murphy

**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

**Missionaries:**

Dale DuVerney, Peter Chin, Eddie Cloer, Roman Halamicsek, 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 14:** Jena Asher & Kelly Thompson

**May 21:** LaNell Allee & Kylie Dodd

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  
5/07/2017**

Sunday Services.....	344
Sunday Bible Class.....	234
Sunday Night .....	170
Wednesday Night.....	146
Contribution.....	20,840.00
Weekly Budget .....	20,057.69
YTD Contributions	426,500.46
YTD Budget .....	381,096.11
<b>Over/(Under).....</b>	<b>45,404.35</b>

**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  
littlechamps@att.net  
**281-893-2062**  
Lisa Killough—Director