

***THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT***

***Make Me One Too!***

Sometimes we sing “*The Servant Song*.” Here are the words of the one stanza song (at least according to our songbook):

*“Lord, make me a servant, Lord, make me like You;  
For You are a servant, make me one, too.  
Lord, make me a servant, do what You must do  
To make me a servant, make me like You.”*

Such a song is most appropriate for that which we will be undertaking today—beginning the process of selecting additional deacons to serve the Lord and His family here at Champions.

If you are wondering how the “servant song” and the selecting deacons coincide, the picture becomes clear when it is realized that the English word for “deacon” is transliterated from the Greek word “diakonos” which could also easily be translated as “a table waiter, a servant.”

Serving—that is really what being a deacon is all about. Being chosen as a deacon is an “honor” to be sure...but it is not merely “honorary!” By that I mean that it is a privilege to be chosen to serve as a deacon, but it not a mere “title” to be worn nor “office” to be held. Instead, to be selected as a deacon means that one is willing to step up and lead in service in special ways. Such work helps the church (all of us) to function as we should. The deacon doesn’t do all of the work...they can be sure that the work is completed. Such service helps the elders to be freed from various matters in order to give more time and devote themselves more to the condition of the souls of those under their care and oversight.

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Servants of all kinds are needed in the church today! We need those who will serve as deacons—special servants of the Lord and His people! Let us pray for the success of this selection process.

In all of this, however, remember that all of us—not just deacons—are to be servants of the Lord. Therefore, let us *all* consider our talents and abilities, then humbly pray as we sing, “Lord, You were a servant, *Make Me One Too!*” —Larry Keele

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**Family Matters**

If you are visiting today, we hope you know that you are always welcome! Our prayer is that our time together might enable us all to have a closer walk with our God and each other. Please complete the visitor’s information in the notebook that will be passed to you at the end of our services. Thanks for coming our way! Please come again at your earliest opportunity.

I want to thank *Barney Bowles* for going “above and beyond” not only in fixing the lights in the teenage classroom but also for helping to try to help preserve things in my office while we are without power in the old building. We are saddened to learn that *Julia Garcia*, a former member of Champions, passed away last week in Humble.

Homecoming and Building Dedication, Sept. 16-17. Spread the word!

The office will be closed Tuesday, July 4th.

*Parting Thought: Almost saved is still totally lost.*

**HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!**



**Camp Awesome—Applications Due TODAY!**

# Camp Awesome Deadline!

## Final Deadline to turn in Applications is Today!

### John's Jogs: PHILLIP AND THE ETHIOPIAN EUNUCH

**Phillip taught us a lesson on teaching the non-Christian (Acts 8:26-39). HE STARTED WHERE THE PROSPECT WAS!** An angel of the Lord spoke to Phillip saying, *“Go south to the desert road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza, so he started out. Note:* The term desert here implies a scarcely populated area. Note his immediate and total obedience - no argument. Why would God call him from a highly productive work in a heavy populated area to go to an isolated - deserted road? **WHY?** Because there was an individual soul out there earnestly seeking to know the truth. **THAT’S WHY!** God is interested in each soul. A eunuch - the treasurer of Candace Queen of Ethiopia was traveling this road. The spirit said to Phillip, “Go to that chariot & stay near.” Phillip ran to him reading from the prophet Isaiah. Thus Phillip entered into a Bible study right in the middle of the desert with the eunuch. Phillip exclaimed, “Do you understand what you are reading?” How can I unless someone explains this to me,” said the eunuch? He invited Phillip to come up and sit with him. The eunuch was

reading this passage of scripture: “He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before the shearer is silent. So he did not open his mouth. In his humiliation he was deprived of justice. Who can speak of his descendants? For his life was taken from the earth.” The eunuch asked Phillip, “Tell me please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?” Then Phillip beginning at this scripture- he began where he was. He preached Jesus to him-explaining the meaning to him. Now we have all heard Peter, John and Stephen preach enough to know Jesus was sent from God; He was crucified, buried, resurrected and exalted. As they traveled along the road they came to some water, and the Eunuch said, “Here is water, why shouldn’t I be baptized?” He gave orders to stop the chariot. They went down into the water, and he baptized him. When they came up out of water the spirit caught Phillip away and the eunuch went on his way rejoicing. Phillip preached Jesus, and the eunuch wanted to be baptized. Perhaps at no other time in the history of the churches of Christ in this country has it been so crit-

ical that we be gripped with an evangelistic spirit that will produce converts and congregations for the glory of God. Because of the distress the word evangelism evokes, there is great deal of silence about it in today’s church. In our society, we have an age of cliché, Don’t discuss politics and religion—how tragic! These are the two very most important things to talk about. Nothing else matters! Politics, to a large extent, determines our destiny on earth and religion determines our destiny after we leave the earth. Often we are concerned about the effect our evangelizing will have on our friendships. If done in love and good taste it will rarely have a negative effect on our relationships. Even if it does, how can we consider ourselves friends if we allow them to go to hell without ever mentioning Jesus to them. Remember Jesus said, “I am the way, the truth and the light and no one goes to the Father but by me!” Evangelism that imitates what Jesus did will invite people to partake of the blessing. Evangelism that uses the examples of the apostles is exciting, as we see in this study of Acts.

### SUNDAY MORNING & WED. Night ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

#### Sunday Morning:

David Arnold & Larry Wilson	(FC Auditorium)
Bill Johnson & Don Sammons	(FC CR 2)
Britt Jones & Alan Reed	Families (FC CR 5)
Bryan Runions	Young Professionals (CPH1)
Chris Ball	College Age (CPH2)

#### Wednesday Night Summer Series:

Date:	Book	Speaker
7-5	Titus	Thomas Reed
7-12	1&2 Peter & Jude	Wes Smith
7-19	Hebrews	David Duncan

Wednesday Night College Class:  
Cutten Parkway House

# THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

## EVENTS AND NEWS

### Men's Prayer Breakfast Saturday, July 22nd 8:00 a.m. Family Center

Contact: Wes Arnold



We extend our love and sympathy to *Reba Navarra* and the family of *Julia Garcia* in the loss of their loved ones last

week.

Reba's brother, *Bennie Paul Kendrick*, passed away last week. His services are scheduled for today at 2:00 p.m. at the Groveton church of Christ.

*Julia Garcia*, former member at Champions passed away last week. Her services are scheduled for Monday, July 3, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Earthman Resthaven Funeral Home, 13102 North Freeway. Visitation will be today from 2-5 p.m. at Earthman Resthaven Funeral Home.

#### Friday Morning Fellowship

July 14th @ 9:00 a.m.

All ages are invited!

Snack and Coffee Provided!

Contact: Don Sammons

#### Sunday Night Bowling

Fellowship

August 6th @ 7:30 P.M.

Cost: \$14.00 per person

@ AMF Willow Lanes

19102 State Hwy 249 N

Contact: Troy Thompson

#### Opportunity to Help!

We are taking donations to offset the cost of the meal for our Champions Homecoming and Building Dedication Celebration in September. If you would like to help, please give your donations to Cindy or Jeanie.

#### SURVEY

To better understand the needs of our members, needs of the community, and to grow the church, Champions is conducting a survey to review all that we do. Please complete the survey at the following link - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9J6CRVR> - to submit your family's opinion of Champions. This survey is 100% anonymous (other than age and family status) and 1 survey should be submitted per family unit. If each person in your family would like to submit a survey, have only 1 member complete the demographics section. For questions on this survey, please contact Justin Sammons.

#### Homecoming Wedding

##### Photo Request

If you were married at Champions during the past 75 years, I would like a photo of the bride and groom (preferably in the front of the auditorium). Please send the pictures and the wedding date and full names of the couple to

[spsammons@sbcglobal.net](mailto:spsammons@sbcglobal.net).

Thanks, Susan Sammons

#### Directory Change:

Jennifer Woodley

Cell: 281-964-7922

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Earlene Antwine

Cell: 832-229-6880

#### Missing!

Laura Mize is missing a Veggie Tales Teacher Notebook

#### Church Calendar

July

4: Office Closed

5: Summer Series—Thomas Reed

12: Summer Series—Wes Smith

9-12: Impact VBS

14: Friday Morning Fellowship

16: Missions Meeting

22: Men's Prayer Breakfast

#### Youth Calendar

July

9-12: Impact VBS

14: Friday Morning Fellowship

16: Youth Led Sunday night

22: Men's Prayer Breakfast

23-30: Teen Mission Trip to Arms of Hope

#### College Class

will meet on Wednesday nights in the church office this summer.

#### ADDRESSES NEEDED

for the

#### 75th Homecoming and Building Dedication and Celebration!

Please send any addresses or email addresses for Champions former members to "[office@championschurch.org](mailto:office@championschurch.org)".

#### Sunday Morning Bible Hour

Ages 2 to Kindergarten

Parents and children are dismissed to check in following the Lord's Supper.

July 2: Tiffiany Thomas

July 9: Wes & Christy Smith

July 16: Reid & Natalie Stafford

July 23: Justin & Julie Sammons

July 30: Brent & Lisa Killough

#### Daily Bible Reading

WEEK of July 2—July 8:

July 2: Monday—Titus, Chapter 1

July 3: Tuesday—Titus, Chapter 2

July 4: Wednesday—Titus, Chapter 3

#### Wednesday Night Meal

July 5th

Menu: Taco Bar! 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)
- John Qualls (Associate)
- Reid Stafford (Youth)

**PRAYERS & NOTES**

**Prayer Requests:**

**Reba Navarro** in the loss of her brother, Bennie Paul Kendrick.

**The Garcia family** in the loss of their loved one, Julia Garcia, a former member.

**Gwen Crosby** will have surgery for cancer on July 5th at St. Luke’s Hospital in the Medical Center.

**Roger Aduddell** is home recovering from the removal of a melanoma removed from his leg. He will have a skin graft once he has healed.

**Carson Hill** suffered a broken knee cap during baseball.

**Kenneth Smith** is home from the hospital, but will have additional doctor consultations soon.

**Michelle Smith** is home recovering from surgery.

**Caella Chappell** had an excellent report from her tests on Friday. Medicine is working better than expected. Prayers being answered!

**Karen Watson** will start her next round of chemo treatments on July 6<sup>th</sup>, weekly for 12 weeks.

**Donna Nance** will have a procedure next week to reinflate her lung. Please no visitors, but your prayers are appreciated.

**Jess Long** is in A-Fib.

**Linda Breithaupt** as she

continues to recovery from surgery.

**Thresa Dickenson** is home recovering from knee replacement surgery.

**Baby Halle Spivey**, Garland and Janis Bluhm’s granddaughter, as she continues her recovery.

**Jean Taylor**, June Freeman’s sister, as she takes chemo treatments for the next six months.

**The Champions Family Members with Cancer:** John Burns, Caella Chappell, Gregg Chappell, Gwen Crosby, Donna Nance and Karen Watson

**Hospice:** Barbara Brown, Bernice Ponder

**Champions Members Ongoing Concerns:** Julia Shaw, Noah Reed, Sally Enders, Rose Delay, Sharon DeCarlo, Lois Boyd, Richard Garza, Fay Stephens, Jan Kelly, Keith and Linda Underwood, B.B. & Dorothy Snell, Pam and Jenifer Woodley

**Families Who Have Lost**

**Loved Ones:**

Mark Freeman, Cox, Farmer

**Employment Concerns:**

Ernest Harris, Jr., Patricia Pennington, David Kuehl, Caroline Herrera

**Expectant Parents:**

Lance & Sarah Kinsey-12-2017

**Friends and Family Members with Ongoing Concerns:**

Tommy Dang, Erwina Moore, John, Stacy and Autumn Quinn, Adam & Malyn Murphy, Winona Bullard, Bettie Moran, Julia Lopez, Elizabeth McIlvaney, Ruth Kyle

**Family and Friends with Cancer**

**Concerns:** Jean Taylor, Bea Augustin, Rocky Harrell, Lawrece Smith, Pat Morrison, Joyce Kidwell-Stearsman, Austin Keefer, Gus Drozario, Karen Hall, Hester Mills, Paul Elkins, Randy McKain, Greg Myer

**Missionaries:**

Dale DuVerney, Peter Chin, Eddie Cloer, Roman Halamiccek, 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:** Terri Bennett, Margurite Pennington, 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., Darion DuVerney

**Nursery Attendants**

**July 2: Betty Toldan & Allison Culpepper**

**July 9: Andrea Oakley & Sarah Kinsey**

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  
6/25/2017**

Sunday Services.....	328
Sunday Bible Class.....	201
Sunday Night .....	145
Wednesday Night.....	162
Contribution.....	19,935.65
Weekly Budget .....	20,057.69
YTD Contributions.....	562,072.56
YTD Budget .....	521,499.94
<b>Over/(Under).....</b>	<b>40,572.62</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**

**July**

Britt Jones

**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