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## THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

### Back to (Bible) School

It’s hard to believe, but the summer of 2017 is over. Now, I know that those of us of the “Old School” still wonder how it is possible for summer to already be over when Labor Day is still over a week away! Obviously, I can’t speak for everyone on this matter, but someone changed the length of “summer”, and that change doesn’t sound like “progress” to me!

At any rate, since no one consulted me and, regardless of what I think, schools *are* back in session—I say again, summer is over.

Now I do find one positive out of that fact. Instead of heading out to “parts unknown” for another week or two, families will be settling back into their “regular routine” which includes their spiritual activities.

As we think about getting into our own routines once more, let me suggest that we make sure regular Bible class attendance is part of it. Now, I am not suggesting by this that Bible class attendance become a mere habit...or only a ritual...or done just to check the right box off our to-do list. That is not it at all. Along with the Psalmist, we recognize there are reasons that we *want* regular Bible study to be part of our routine:

- 1) **The Word of God contains amazing truths.** *“Open my eyes, that I may behold wonderful things from Your law.”* Psa. 119:18
- 2) **The Bible contains that power which can bring about real spiritual renewal.** *“My soul cleaves to the dust; revive me according to Your word.”* Psa. 119:25
- 3) **The Scripture is to be studied as God’s Word, not as something that can be changed by mere men.** *Forever, O Lord, Your Word is settled in heaven.* Psa. 119:89
- 4) **The Word of God is such a blessing to us that we want to enjoy it!** *How sweet are Your words to my taste! Yes, sweeter than honey to my mouth.”* Psa. 119:103
- 5) **The Word of God is our guide, therefore we should study our map that directs us to to our God.** *Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.* Psa. 119:105

Conveniently, next Sunday we begin the Fall Quarter of our Bible Classes. We all can start together in life-changing studies of God’s wonderful Word. Our teachers are prepared. We have a great opportunity before us. Let’s choose to make it part of the good routine of our lives and make the commitment: *Back to (Bible) Class.*

—Larry Keele

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### Family Matters

*“Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You.”* (Psalm 119:11)

May we take that treasured Word today and allow it to penetrate our hearts to help us walk closer with its Author. If you are our guest today, we feel honored that you’ve chosen to worship that great God with us! Please come again!

We are blessed that five of our brothers: *Barney Bowles, Gordon Casey, Mike McCall, Ryan Nelson, and David Morgan* have agreed to serve as deacons if so

desired by the congregation. We thank them for their willingness to serve. Their completed questionnaires are available in the office.

Our building dedication and homecoming is only three weekends away! Keep this in mind and call, text, email, or in some other way contact former members and other friends to join us on that historic day!

The *Homecoming Committee* will have a meeting at 5 pm this afternoon in the Teen Room of

the Cutten Parkway house. Please plan to attend.

#### Homecoming and Building Dedication, Sept. 16-17.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *The new deadline to submit information for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin is Wednesday.*

*Parting Thought:* He who forgives ends the quarrel.

**HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!**

*Amy*

**NEW FALL CLASSES**

**ADULT CLASSES**  
**Fall Quarter**  
**(Beginning September 3rd)**

The following schedule is based on supposition that we will be meeting in the new building by September 3.  
 Key: FC - Family Center MB - Main Building

**SUNDAY MORNINGS:**

**EXODUS:** The great deliverance. The great miracle of the Old Testament. God's great power. Helps us in 21st century see God.  
 Teachers: Glenn Asher & Mike McCall  
 Location: FC. Room 117

**JESUS TEACHES US IN PARABLES:** The value of Jesus' practical teaching for today's world  
 Teachers: Danny Mize & Don Sammons  
 Location: FC room: 118

**THE FIRST CENTURY FAMILY:** (Family class) Living in 21st century as a family  
 Teachers: Wes Smith & Justin Sammons  
 Location: MB Room 212-214 (Upstairs)

**COLLEGE CLASS:**  
 Teacher: Chris Ball:  
 Location: FC Room 120

**PROFESSIONAL CLASS:**  
 Teacher: Bryan Runions:  
 Location: FC Room 119

**YOUTH CLASS:**  
 Location: MB Rooms 208-210 (Upstairs)

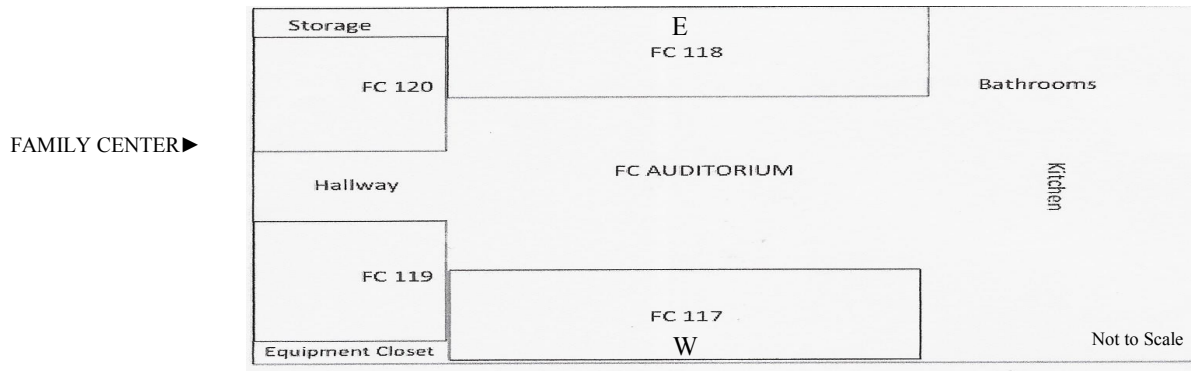
**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS:** (Beginning September 6th)

**SINGING CLASS:**  
 This class provides a special opportunity in many ways, especially in our worship services. We encourage class participation for personal and congregational benefit.  
 Teacher: David Morgan  
 Location: FC 118

**1, 2 & 3 JOHN:** The greatness of salvation made possible by Jesus; the matchless love, assurance In Him, combating false teaching. Uplifting lessons from the "apostle of love" inspiring and encouraging for our midweek.  
 Teacher: Larry Wilson  
 Location: MB Auditorium

**FC Auditorium Additional Events:**

- Ladies Class  
 Beginning August 30 @ 9:45 A.M.
- Wednesday Night Meals
- Family Circle Luncheons (Sunday's)
- Friday Morning Fellowship
- Congregational & Community Activities



**Do You Like to Sing?**  
**Do you like to learn new songs?**  
**Do you want to learn to sing a different part?**  
**(Soprano, alto, tenor, or bass)**

Singing class with David Morgan meets on Wednesday evenings, in the Fall Quarter. One of the best ways to improve your singing is to sit next to someone who sings the same part you do. We will sing a variety of songs, new old songs, and old new songs, and just plain new songs. Remember every song was new once.

**JOIN THE SINGING CLASS NEXT QUARTER.**

# THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

## EVENTS AND NEWS

### Champions 75th Homecoming & Building Dedication Celebration September 16 & 17th

Schedule  
Saturday:  
4-5 P.M. Singing  
5-6 P.M. Memories  
Sunday:  
Bible Class 9 A.M.  
Worship 10 A.M.  
Building Dedication 11 A.M.  
Lunch (Catered) 11:30 A.M.  
Closing Worship 1 P.M.



#### Attention Men Meeting Today 5:30 P.M.

Main Building Foyer  
Wes Arnold would like to meet with all men who serve or will be serving communion.  
Contact: Wes Arnold

#### Homecoming Committee Meeting Today at 5:00 P.M.

Cutten Parkway— Teen Rm.  
Contact: Larry Keele

#### Mr. & Mrs. Corey Poydock

Congratulations to **Bayley Toldan** and **Corey Poydock** who were married on August 12, 2017. Bayley is the daughter of Brian and Betty Toldan.

#### Friday Morning Fellowship September 29th

At 9:00 A.M.  
Family Center  
Contact: Don Sammons

#### Homecoming Photo Request

Please send photos to  
[spsammons@sbcglobal.net](mailto:spsammons@sbcglobal.net)

#### Wednesday Night Meal August 30th

Menu: Beef Tips, Rice & Gravy,  
Veggie, 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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
Thanks for your love and caring to me when I lost my last brother, Bennie Paul Kendrick.  
But the greatest love was from a bus load of our precious youth that came over one morning last week to see me. They are truly the Church of tomorrow. They sang, prayed and read God's Word and showed happiness and love. "Thank You" my kids for coming to see me and truly you made me happy.

But most of all—our God, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit was most happy.

My love,  
Sister Reba Navarro

#### Sunny Glen Children's Home Truck

#### Coming Monday, September 12th

#### NEEDS: Toothpaste & Pasta

Please place items in FC on shelves in back hallway  
(facing Cutten Pkwy. House)

#### Ladies Class Resumes Wednesday, August 30th

@ 9:45am

We will be studying  
AHA by Kyle Idleman  
There will be a pot-luck lunch following class!

#### Church Calendar

##### August

27: Homecoming Committee Meeting  
27: All Men Meeting  
30: Ladies Class Resumes  
30: Final Summer Series David Yasko

##### September

3: Deacon Objections Due  
10: New Deacons Installed  
16: Homecoming Singing  
17: Homecoming  
29: Friday Morning Fellowship

#### Sunday Morning Bible Hour Ages 2 to Kindergarten

Parents and children are dismissed to check in following the Lord's Supper.  
August 27: Reid & Natalie Stafford

#### New Deacon Nominations

*David Morgan, Mike McCall, Gordon Casey, Barney Bowles and Ryan Nelson* have been nominated by members as candidates to serve as deacons of this congregation. Copies of their questionnaires are available in the church office for your review.  
Should there be any scriptural reason why you believe any of the candidates should not serve, you are to first personally contact the person(s) who you feel is not qualified to serve. Then, if the issue is not resolved, you are to submit a signed statement to the elders stating the basis for your objection. The deadline for any objection is September 3. The men who are qualified to serve will be installed during the Sunday morning worship service on September 10.

Champions Church Family,  
Thank you so much for the many prayers, calls, cards, visits and food during my recent surgery and recovery. I started physical therapy last week and continue to get better each day.

I appreciate so much everyone's encouragement and support as I continue my recovery.

Love,  
Carole Blankenship



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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
- James Wyatt

**Ministers:**

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

**PRAYERS & NOTES**

**Prayer Requests:**

**Families Who Have Lost Loved Ones:** Killough

**Pam Shaw** is recovering from the removal of a mass on her leg.

**Jess Long** is doing well following his recent heart procedure.

**McKinley Phillips** is recovering from an injured leg.

**Ronnie and Judy Throneberry** in their continued recoveries.

**Willie Birdow** is home recovering from hip surgery.

**Randy Clark**, Terri Bennett's brother, has been diagnosed with ALS.

**Jackie Johnson**, visitor from Bammel, is recovering from hip surgery.

**The Champions Family Members with Cancer:**  
John Burns, Caella Chap-

pell, Donna Nance and Karen Watson

**Champions Members Ongoing Concerns:** Carson Hill, Julia Shaw, Sally Enders, Sharon DeCarlo, Richard Garza, Fay Stephens, Keith and Linda Underwood, B.B. & Dorothy Snell, Pam and Jenifer Woodley, John Hixon, Marcia Chitwood, Carol Blankenship

**Expectant Parents:** Lance & Sarah Kinsey 12-2017

**Hospice Care:** Jan Kelley, Bernice Ponder, Barbara Brown

**Employment Concerns:** Ernest Harris, Jr, David Kuehl, Ishmael Zarate

**Family and Friends with Cancer Concerns:** Jean Taylor, Bea Augustin, Rocky Harrell, Pat Morrison, Joyce Kidwell-Stearsman, Randy McKain, Lynley Martin

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

Tommy Dang, Erwina Moore, Adam & Malyn Murphy, Winona Bullard, Ruth Kyle, Larry & Judy Lee, Sally & Jim Griffin, Ryan Wendt, Ella and Abby Faniel, Bonnie Love, Keith and Pattie Martin

**Missionaries:**

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

**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., Darien DuVerney

**Nursery Attendants**

**August 27:** Jena Asher & Janet Keele

**September 3:** Alaina Robinson & Suzanne Phillips

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  
8/20/2017**

|                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Sunday Services.....     | 362              |
| Sunday Bible Class.....  | 221              |
| Sunday Night .....       | 192              |
| Wednesday Night.....     | 146              |
| Contribution.....        | 21,036.50        |
| Weekly Budget .....      | 20,057.69        |
| YTD Contributions.       | 726,248.41       |
| YTD Budget .....         | 681,961.46       |
| <b>Over/(Under).....</b> | <b>44,286.95</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**

**August**

Bill Johnson

**September**

Danny Mize

**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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