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## THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

### Let the Beauty of Jesus be Seen

I was recently thinking of the words to the song entitled above and how very appropriate it is for the day and age in which we are living. Ours is a world in which hatred, anger and ugly behavior have become prevalent.

Not only is such rancor present, it seems to be growing daily.

*Let the Beauty of Jesus be Seen* has such a timely message. Look at the words again. Sing them to yourself through this week and then think of those words when you find yourself confronted by those who are unkind, mean-spirited and cruel in word or action.

Remember...it is most important to add a couple of words as we remember the title of this song! Let the Beauty of Jesus be Seen... in Me!

—Larry Keele

### Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen 722

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Arrayed in holy majesty... the dew of your youth. — Psalm 110:3

1. Let the beau-ty of Je-sus be seen in me, All His won-der-  
2. When some-bod-y has been so un-kind to you, Some words spo-ken  
3. From the dawn of the morn-ing to close of day, In ex-am-ple

ful pas-sion and pur-i-ty; May His spir-it di-vine all my  
that pierc-es you thru, and thru; Think how He was be-guiled, spat up-  
in deeds and in all you say; Lay your gifts at His feet, ev-er

be-ing re-fine, Let the beau-ty of Je-sus be seen in me.  
on and re-viled, Let the beau-ty of Je-sus be seen in you.  
strive to keep sweet, Let the beau-ty of Je-sus be seen in you.

WORDS: Albert W. T. Orsborn (w. 1916), st. 3 - George L. Johnson (w. 1934)  
MUSIC: Tom M. Jones (w. 1927)

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## Family Matters

"Delight yourself in the Lord; and He will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He will do it." Psa. 37:4-5. The Psalmist isn't giving us a key to make God our personal butler to do everything in our will. Rather, the key is in *delighting* in the Lord. When we do that, we will pray for His will to be done, as did Jesus in the most difficult period of His life (Matt. 26:36ff). We gather as those who delight in the Lord. That delight is expressed in our singing, our prayers, our worship together. What a blessing!

While *Friend Day* (at the Park) was well attended and we had many guests...I must note that we didn't reach our Bible School goal—nor even come close. While that is very disappointing, we do thank all of those who did take on this challenge and who called, sent cards, and invited others to come with them. Remember—while Goal Day is in the past, we can all still invite others to come with us!

Parting thought: *Kindness is difficult to give away—it just keeps coming back!*

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

*Kerry*

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP—SUNDAY, September 16, 2018—AM SERVICE**


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**WORSHIP ORDER**

Song: #467 We Have an Anchor

Welcome/Scripture: Psalms 36:7-10 ESV

Song: #123 The Steadfast Love of the Lord

Song: #58 A Charge to Keep I Have

Song: #823 Lead Me Gently Home

**Prayer**

Song: #365 How Beautiful

**Communion/Offering:**  
(Dismiss Children to Bible Hour)

Song: #718 We Shall Assemble

Song: #709 How Sweet, How Heavenly

Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 12:12-20 ESV

**Sermon:**

Song: #934 Softly and Tenderly

**Announcements/Prayer**

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**John's Jogs: Remembering 9/11 in 2018**


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Last week we observed the seventeenth anniversary of that fateful day. Many people ask what were you doing and others just remember what they were doing. However, a more meaningful question is, **"what does it mean to you"** in remembrance? Is it important for you to remember or would it be better for you to just let it go and ignore it? Does it have any **real significance** for our present life and going forward? What can we learn from it?

Just ten short months prior we had gone through the closest presidential election in my lifetime and then went through a month of rancorous recounts and lawsuits with the Supreme Court finally closing down the turmoil but not the animosity. The rancorous accusations and recriminations continued on through the next 9 months until suddenly on 9/11/01 four

planes struck. Then a miracle happened – all of a sudden we all became Americans. The bickering and animosity ceased – Everyone hung their flag and came together in harmony with one another. Democrats and Republicans together solidly united against the enemy.

However, it was not long – I don't remember just how long – probably the next election cycle – the rancorous cycle began all over again. For the next six years it got worse and worse until we had another close election with wide differences in philosophies of government and the rancorous attitudes have multiplied. Because of the great turmoil our nation is in at this memorial of 9/11, this coming election cycle may make the rancorous animosity of that election seem like a cake-walk. If the nation ever needed the fervent prayers of dedicated Christians, it is now.

Many Christians think we should not become involved in national or political affairs. However, we must live and operate our lives within the framework of a political structure. I personally would rather live my life within one that guarantees the freedom that God gave me that will not be infringed by a governmental structure. The U. S. constitution is the greatest force other than God himself that guarantees that protection. Paul was proud of his Roman citizenship and did not hesitate to use it. **"But I was actually born a citizen."** (Acts 22:28)

A good tribute in memory of 9/11 would be for each of us to dedicate ourselves to being good citizens and actively pay attention to the politics of this election cycle and vote your conscience on election-day. Pray daily for our nation that it returns to upholding God in reverence in all occasions.

# THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

## EVENTS AND NEWS

### LADIES REFRESHER BRUNCH



*Special Welcome to our  
New Champions "Sisters"  
Saturday, September 22  
10 A.M.—11:30 A.M.  
All Ladies Invited!*

*Brunch Items will be provided*

*Please sign the list in the Welcome Center if you plan to attend.*

*Contacts: Lisa Reed or Jeanie Kuehl*



### **Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Swaim**

Congratulations to Jacquelyn Cuccerre and Kyle Swaim who were married on Sunday, September 2, 2018 at Ashton Gardens-Dallas. Jacquelyn is the daughter of Phillip and Jackie Cuccerre. The couple will make their home in Dallas, Texas.



Dear Family,  
Thanks for your many prayers. Linda's mother has been blessed with improving health daily. Thank you so much for your prayers, cards and concern.

Barney and Linda Bowles

### **FRIENDSPEAK "GETTING TO KNOW YOU" POTLUCK**



Come join us on Saturday, October 13th from 5 - 7 pm. Enjoy a potluck meal and get to know our FriendSpeak readers and their families. We hope to see you there!  
Contacts: Laura Mize or Edie Tews.

### **Save the Date—October 19-21**

5th Ward church of Christ—College Age and Young Professionals (Ages 17-30) Event!

### **Minister Search Committee**

Wes Arnold is the chairperson. Larry Wilson, Joe Jackson, Leland Willis, Justin Sammons, Aaron Trent, Carla Mahle, and Debbie Jones are the members of the committee.

### **TODAY! Family Circle Group #7 Family Center**

Leaders: Penn & Patricia Pennington  
All visitors are welcome!



Dear Champions,  
What a marvelous welcome you've shown our family at the beginning of this furlough from Slovakia. Thank you for honoring us with such a comfortable home to stay in—and with so many thoughtful touches. You've made us feel very special, and God bless you for it. For the next month we will be visiting Natalie's family in Florida. Also we will be reporting on our work and I will be preaching a special two-week series at the Church of Christ in Rockledge. We look forward to returning to Champions at the start of November to report on the mission to you and spend more time being refreshed by your company.

Yours,

Jordan, Natalie and Addie Arnold



Dear Champions Family,  
Thank you all for the prayers, cards, food and calls. Your sweet words of encouragement are appreciated so much.  
Lynn and Earlene Antwine

### **Ladies Bible Class Wednesdays at 9:45 a.m.**

Free Babysitting!

### **Church Calendar September**

16: Family Circle Meal #7  
20: Men's Night Out  
22: Ladies RefresHER Brunch

### **October**

6-7: Preacher Candidate  
13-14: Preacher Candidate  
19-21: College Age & Young Prof. Event  
20-22: Preacher Candidate

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

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

### **September**

16: Smith  
23: Trent  
30: Sammons

### **Men's Refresher**

### **Thursday, September 20 @ 6:30 PM**

Los Tres Ranchitos Mexican Restaurant  
16143 N. Eldridge Pkwy.  
Tomball, TX 77377

Please sign the list in the Welcome Center if you plan to attend. Contact: Wes Arnold



### **Shoe Drive for IMPACT**

Please bring *new or gently used* shoes and place in the container by the pantry door. Deadline to bring the shoes is Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. Athletic shoes are really needed. Contacts: Wes or Christy Smith.



### **Cooks Needed**

A sign-up list to prepare a Wednesday Night Meal is in the *Welcome Center Area*.  
Contact: Church office



Dear Champions Family,  
What a blessing you have been and continue to be to Jerry and me. Thank you so much for the prayers, food, visits and cards and calls. We appreciate and love you. You are in our prayers of gratitude.

Love,

Janice Norman

### **Wednesday Night Meal September 19**

Menu: *Homemade Corn Beef Brisket and Cabbage, Veggies, Salad, Bread and Dessert*  
COST: Adults \$5, Children \$3.00 (Ages 3-6th Grade), Children 2 and under Free. Meal served from 6:00 - 6:40 p.m. If you plan to eat, please indicate the number to eat on the attendance sheet this morning.

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### Elders:

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

### Deacons:

- Chris Ball
- Kevin Barnett
- Barney Bowles
- Eltonio (Tony) Brown
- Gordon Casey
- Darrell Fariss
- Jay Fraley
- Tommy Hill
- Joe Jackson
- Charles Joachim
- Brent Killough
- Michael McCall
- David Morgan
- Ryan Nelson
- Blake Phillips
- Kent Phillips
- Bryan Runions
- Justin Sammons
- Joel Smith
- Wes Smith
- Paul Tews
- Troy Thompson
- James Wyatt

### Ministers:

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

## PRAYERS & NOTES

### Prayer Requests:

**David and Ronda Morgan and family** in the loss of David's dad, Harley.

**June Freeman** will have knee surgery on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at TOPS. Time TBD.

**LaNell Allee** is in Methodist Hospital in The Woodlands, recovering from surgery to remove a tumor from her kidney.

**Jennifer Breithaupt** for strength in her struggle with M.S. Cards of encouragement may be sent to: 10010 Franklin Road, Houston, TX 77070.

**Hanna Haavikko** requests your prayers as she is dealing with major health problems.

**Mary Ann Hutson** is home recovering from a blood clot in her lung and from shoulder surgery.

**Suzanne O'Connell** is being treated for pneumonia.

**Several of our Champions' family members** are traveling.

### Family and Friends Prayer Requests:

**J.J. Davis**, Melba McKee's niece, for strength as she waits on a heart transplant.

**Robert Malonson**, Everlina's brother-in-law, suffered a stroke. Prayers are requested for her sister as she travels back and forth to the hospital.

**Jerushah Brown**, Everlina Jones' daughter, is in a San Antonio hospital with a leg infection.

**Ann Qualls**, John's nephew's wife, is in a Tennessee hospital recovering from a fall and brain bleed.

**Jill and Clint Wirz**, Terri Bennett's daughter and husband, are recovering from an auto accident.

**Nettie Jo Jackson** is in rehab in Eagle Lake. Cards may be sent to Nettie Jo at 1037 New Ulm, Cat Spring, TX 78933.

**Vickie Williams**, former member, has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

**Jennifer McClelland**, Barbara's daughter, is recovering from surgery at her Mom's **Edward (Hank) Barnett**, Kevin's dad, is in GraceCare at Northpointe, room 305, 11830 Northpointe Blvd., Tomball, TX 77377, for additional care.

### Members with Health & Other Concerns:

Stacey Farmer, Bill Johnson, David Arnold, Dennis Crosby, Howard Mahle, Kathy Tippet, Lynn Antwine, Reba Navarro, Cindy Schlesener, Susan Ellis, Sally Enders, Linda Bowles, David Bounds, Julia Shaw, Angela Joachim, John Hixon, Willie Birdow, Hilka and husband.

**Hospice:** Hank Barnett, Joyce Stearsman

### Employment Concerns:

Cindy Schlesener, Ernesto Harris, Jeff Long

### Families Who Have Lost Loved Ones:

Morgan, Ogg, Wimmer, Barkley, DeCarlo

### Family and Friends with Health and Other Concerns:

Nora Zarate, John Emshoff, Earl Jones, Greg Whitaker, Gracelyn Bowers, Mrs. Love, Christine and David Felgere, Clifag-ean Palmer, Leon Blood

### Champions Members with Cancer:

LaNell Allee, Gwen Crosby, Don Dearen, Pam Shaw, John Burns, Donna Nance, Caella Chappell, Gilbert Moreno, Keith Underwood

### Family and Friends Cancer Concerns:

Jean Taylor, Rocky Harrell, Glenda Robinson, Vannete and Bill Wirant, Delvin Sparks, Janice Myers, Maco Fariss, Judy Brown, Benowane Burrus, Lisa Kennedy, Stan Titlow, Zerle Carpenter, Teresa Jasper

### Missionaries:

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

### Members in Assisted Living/Rehab/Nursing Homes:

Terri Bennett, Nell McDonald, Edwina Moore

### Family and Friends in Assisted Living/Rehabs & Nursing Homes:

Hank Barnett, Marie McCall, Jean Simpson, Dorothy Kuehl, Gladys McHenry, Dorothy Allee, Polly Lindsay

### Prayers for our Military:

Brent Tyler Bowles, Traveon Gaines, William E. Taylor IV, Aaron Jean, Charles DuVerney, Phillip Cuccerre, Jr., Aaron Schubert

### Nursery Attendants

**September 16: Alaina Robinson & Tiffiany Thomas**

**September 23: Ashley Trent & 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 9/9/2018

Sunday Morning ..... 359  
Sunday Bible Class ..... 227  
Sunday Night ..... 150  
Wednesday Night ..... 150  
Contribution ..... 16,883.30  
Weekly Budget ..... 19,307.69  
YTD Contributions. 707,757.94  
YTD Budget ..... 695,076.84  
Over/(Under) ..... 12,681.10

### 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

Ladies Bible Class 9:45 a.m.  
Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

### Elder of the Month

**September**

Jim Chitwood

### 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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**281-893-2062**  
Lisa Killough—Director