

## THE CHAMPIONS SPIRIT

### Stop And Pick Him Up

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In the horror of the fires in California, there was a story that intrigued me. One gentleman, being interviewed, was recounting his terrifying experience. He had been in his car, trying to escape the fast-approaching flames, when his escape came to a screeching halt. Cars were stopped in front of him and were quickly stacking up behind him. He was literally "stuck in traffic."

With the flames just feet from his car and the heat so intense that the rubber around the windows was melting, he knew he had to try to escape the fire on foot. As he ran toward the front of the line of stopped vehicles, a woman in a pickup stopped and told him to get in. She then drove him to safety and in the process stopped for 9 more—all squeezing in to make room for the next. The man told his interviewer that he never even got the woman's name.

This unnamed hero reminds me of the children's song, *Roll the Gospel Chariot* and the line, "If a brother's in the way, we will stop and pick him up."

Didn't the woman in the pickup do what we all are charged to do in a spiritual sense? When, in our life's journey we come across a fellow traveler who is in desperate need of salvation, mustn't we "stop and pick him up?" What was it that Jude said along these very same lines, "*save others by snatching them out of the fire*" (Jude 1:23 )?

We don't know her name, but what a difference the woman in California made to the lives and families of nine individuals! Yet, in the Lord's cause you can do even more! You *can* make a difference in a person's eternal destiny. When you see the need, will you "*Stop and Pick Him Up?*"

--Larry Keele

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### Family Matters

"But as for me, I will look to the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me." (Micah 7:7). Like the prophet of old, we are blessed to have a God who will hear us! That gives us another great reason to come together today to worship and praise His holy name!

Him in spirit and in truth! If you have any questions about anything said or done, we encourage you to ask us personally or write it with the guest information when the notebook is passed to you at the end of services.

Many of our members will be traveling this week to be with family and friends for the Thanksgiving holiday. If you travel, or even if you stay at home and your family comes to you, we pray that all will be safe and have a great, blessed time of thankfulness!

We are especially grateful for all of our visitors who have made the choice to come and be with us today. May God bless us all as we endeavor today to worship

*Little Champs* brought about 250 people together for the Thanksgiving program on Thursday. What a great "aroma of Christ" this work is! I thank them for the cards the kids "signed" for me—they are special treasures.

Parting thought: *Many want to serve God—as His advisor!*

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

*Larry*

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP—SUNDAY, November 18, 2018—AM SERVICE**


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Song #797 – Lord, We Come before Three Now

**Welcome/Scripture/Prayer: Isaiah 55:6-9 ESV**

Song – Wonderful, Merciful Savior (V 1, V 2, Chorus, V3, Chorus, Chorus)\*

Song #828 – Instruments of Your Peace

Song #719 – Love One Another

**Prayer**

Song #359 – I Love the Lord

**Communion/Offering**

Song #790 – Lord, Take Control ( 2 times)  
(Dismiss Children to Bible Hour)

Song #853 – When We all Get to Heaven

**Scripture Reading: Galatians 5:22-26 ESV**

Sermon: Larry Keele

Song #903 – There Is Power in The Blood (Verses 1, 2 & 4)

*\*Not in the Book*

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**John's Jogs: ACTS – THE HISTORY OF THE EARLY CHURCH**


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This article is the beginning of a series of articles from the book of Acts. It is the story of the beginning of the church. It is the saga of a movement - not just any movement – but the most successful and far reaching movement in the history of man. Note the beginning of John's Gospel (John 1:1-14).

- a) *In the beginning was the Word - the Word – the Word was with God- the Word was God.*
- b) *All things were made by Him – without Him nothing was made.*
- c) *In Him was life – and the Life was the Light of men.*
- d) *John bore witness of that Light – that we might be-*

*lieve...*

- e) *He came to His own and His own did not receive Him....*
- f) *And the Word became Flesh and dwelt among us.*

Who is John Talking ABOUT?  
JESUS THE CHRIST!

**He left Heaven and came to Earth.**

What GREAT love Jesus must have had for us to leave His marvelous home in heaven. Man had sinned and thus, separated himself from God, it became necessary for Christ to come to earth to redeem man. Jesus sets off the greatest war of all history when He gave His disciples their marching orders: **“GO INTO ALL THE WORLD**

**AND MAKE DISCIPLES IN ALL NATIONS.”**

Jesus came to seek and save the lost. The instrument through which He chose to save us is the church and He chose the book of Acts to give us the early history of the church He established. Thus the book of Acts is the early history of the movement of God's people across the face of the earth.

John Qualls

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## EVENTS AND NEWS

*With Sweet Memories, but with Sadness,*



*Join us as we say Farewell to*

*Larry and Janet Keele*



*Tonight following evening services!*

*Please bring finger foods and a memory to share!*

### **NO Family Circle Meals**

**Sunday, November 18**  
**Sunday, November 25**

### **Ladies Christmas Party**

**December 3rd @ 6:00 P.M.**

Family Center

### **Directory Changes**

Tiffiany Thomas  
1910 Cascade House Dr.  
Humble, TX 77396

### **URGENT! Help Needed!**

The FriendSpeak Program is urgently seeking additional teachers. We have students on our waiting list. Please sign up for training in the Welcome Center.

Other areas of your help are needed: greeting new readers, help plan events, sitting with FS children, writing newsletter/fliers for events, refreshments. See Alan Reed, Diann Thurston, Laura Mize, Edie Tews, Tiffiany Thomas or Lisa Reed.

### **Progressive Dinner**



*Christmas Dinner*

### **DECEMBER 8TH**

**Cost: \$10.00 per person**

Appetizers will begin at 5:45 P.M. in the Host Homes.

Salad, Entree, Desserts and Entertainment will be held in the Family Center.

Dinner portion will be at 7:00 P.M.

in the Family Center.

Entertainment: Drew Slatton

FREE Babysitting provided!

Please sign-up in the *Welcome Center* if you plan to attend. Also sign the list if you will Host for Appetizers!

Contacts: Justin or Julia Sammons

### **Collection for New Mexico**

**Christian Children's Home  
Deadline November 28th**

Please give your gift cards and/or money to Joan Burns.

### **Church Calendar NOVEMBER**

18: NO Family Circle Meal  
18: Youth Led P.M. Service  
18: Larry & Janet Keele's Farewell  
22: THANKSGIVING DAY  
23: Office Closed  
25: Keele's Last Sunday at Champions  
25: NO FC Meal

### **DECEMBER**

2: Family Circle 2  
3: Ladies Christmas Party  
9: Family Circle 2 Meal  
20: Men's Night Out

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

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

### **November**

18: Stafford  
25: Thomas

### **December**

2 Killough  
9 Smith



### **NOVEMBER**

18: Youth Led PM Service

### **December**

9 Youth Devo  
12 Summit  
14 Progressive Dinner

### **NO Wednesday Night Meals**

**November 21st**  
**December 26th**  
**January 2nd**

**Ladies Bible Class  
resumes  
January 9, 2019  
at 9:45 a.m.**

### **Wednesday Night Meal November 28th**

**Menu:** Beef Enchiladas, chicken enchiladas, Charro Beans, Salad and Sopapilla Cheesecake.

**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 eating on the attendance sheet Sunday.

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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:**

**Elders** as they make decisions regarding the hiring of a pulpit minister.

**Janice Norman** will have a procedure on her back on Monday, November 26th at Willowbrook Methodist Hospital. TBD.

**Bill Cartwright** is home under hospice care. Please pray for his comfort, and for strength for Sheryl as she cares for him.

**Hanna Haavikko** is in Willowbrook Methodist Hospital, room 5410 with a high fever and cough.

**Pam Shaw** has been approved for the new medication! At this time, she doesn't know when it will be started.

**Melba McKee** as they determine best treatment options for her Parkinson's disease.

**LaNell Allee** continues preparation for a possible stem cell transplant.

**Linda Underwood** fell and injured her hip and shoulder and remains in pain.

**Keith Underwood** as he undergoes radiation treatments.

### **Family and Friends Prayer Requests:**

**Hanna Burt**, Britt and Debbie Jones' 7-year-old niece who lives in Arkansas, is recovering from surgery for a heart defibrillator implanted. Please pray for her and her family.

**Mildred Kirk**, John Qualls' niece, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor.

**Jackie Johnson**, member at Bammel, is home recovering from bleeding ulcers.

**Mary Chappell**, Debbie Bills' mother, for peace and comfort for her and for all their family.

**Jeff Long**, Jess and Peggy Long's son, is home recovering from blood clots in his lungs.

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

### **Champions Members with**

**Cancer:** LaNell Allee, Gwen Crosby, Don Dearen, Pam Shaw, John Burns, Donna Nance, Caella Chappell, Gilbert Moreno, Keith Underwood, Jamellah Jones

### **Members with Health &**

**Other Concerns:** Dennis Long, John Hixon, Stacey Farmer, Bill Cartwright, Dennis Crosby, Lynn & Earlene Antwine, Reba Navarro, David Bounds, Julia Shaw, Angela Joachim, John Hixon, Willie Birdow, Sally Enders

### **Employment Concerns:**

Cindy Schlesener, Ernesto Harris, Jeff Long, Roddy Willis

**Hospice:** Bill Cartwright, Hank Barnett

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

Robert Malonson, Nora Zarate, Clifagean Palmer, Leon Blood, Hilkka and husband, Gerald Enders, Jeremy Hodges, Sherri Miracle, Joyce Randal

### **Family and Friends Cancer Con-**

**cerns:** James Kersh, Jean Taylor, Rocky Harrell, Glenda Maco Fariss, Donna Petty, Mike Rice

### **Missionaries:**

Dale DuVerney, Peter Chin, Eddie Cloer, Roman Halamicek, Roland Mohsen, Biblical Institute of Central America, Eastern European Mission, Jordan Arnold, Will Hanstein, 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, Philip Cuccerre, Jr., Aaron Schubert

## **Nursery Attendants**

**November 18: Julie Cox & Rosie Martinez**

**November 25: Jena Asher & Susan Frazier**

If you cannot serve, please find a replacement by checking names posted on the wall outside the nursery classroom.

### **FOR THE RECORD 11/11/2018**

Sunday Morning..... 367  
Sunday Bible Class ..... 255  
Retreat ..... 21  
Sunday Night ..... 148  
Wednesday Night ..... 178  
Contribution..... 17,743.50  
Weekly Budget.....19,307.69  
YTD Contributions.883,939.79  
YTD Budget..... 868,846.05  
Over/(Under) ..... 15,093.74

### **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 Resumes 1-9**  
Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

## **Elder of the Month**

**November**

Bill Johnson

## **Food Coordinator**

Check with your Family  
Circle Leaders

## **Church Wi-Fi Password**

### **Little Champs: Mothers Day Out**

Contact: Lisa Killough  
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**281-893-2062**  
Lisa Killough—Director