



Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

The Southern Baptist Convention has changed dramatically in our 163 year history. Where 103 messengers attended the 1849 meeting at Charleston and 646 attended in 1900, 45,519 registered for the Dallas convention in 1985 (one of the largest ever)! The SBC has grown to become the largest Protestant denomination in the United States. Ingenious leadership under the authority of the Holy Spirit led to this growth. It began the twentieth century with three boards, FMB, HMB and BSSB. Today, those boards have become the IMB, NAMB, and LifeWay.

In 1898, a suggestion from Georgia led to the establishment of a "Centennial Committee" to usher in the new century. What began as a celebration of past achievements quickly became a planning exercise for the future. The Centennial Committee became the seed that would grow into the Executive Committee. In 1901, they wrote: "We earnestly invite every State Association or Convention, and every State Board, to **CO-OPERATE** with us in a vigorous, specific movement." Although that particular recommendation was rejected, from that point on, cooperation became the hallmark of Southern Baptists. The need for cooperation was in the air. State conventions actually led the way, with the Baptist General Convention of Texas in 1914, being the first Baptist group to consolidate all of its work under one executive board.

In 1925, the SBC launched the Cooperative Program. The plan called for churches to send their offerings for denominational ministries to their state conventions. The states, in turn, would retain a portion of the funds for work within their state and send the balance to the SBC Executive Committee in Nashville. The goal has always been a 50/50 split, however this has rarely been achieved. Currently (2006), 60.05% of Northgate's CP offerings remain in South Carolina and 39.95% goes to the Executive Committee to be used for national and international ministries. The Executive Committee, made up of representatives from each state, receives funds from the states and recommends percentage allotments for the work of each SBC agency. The convention at the annual meeting ratifies the Executive Committee's work.

God's blessing through the Cooperative Program has largely been the genius behind the Phenomenal blessings Southern Baptists have received since 1845.

Just thought you would like to know!

Blessings in Jesus,

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Parent-Child Dedication
 May 11
 Call the church office if you wish to participate.



April 15 at noon

Program: Dr. Jimmerson
 Bring your favorite casserole or dessert and join in the fun!
 Hostesses: Marian Huskey, Sue Ridgeway, and Frances Gregory.

New Mailboxes Are Ready

Have you ever noticed the blue cabinet near the Gym entrance? If not, check it out because it is now set up for our new mailbox system. Slots are labeled for staff members and the major ministries and organizations of the church. When mail, information, literature, etc. comes to the office, we will place it in the proper mailbox slot. If you are the chairman of a committee, etc, remember to check your mailbox each time you are in the church. Members may leave information in the slots when the church office is not open, but, please, do not put money, confidential information, or non-replaceable items in the slots. Thanks for your cooperation.

Do we have...

your@e-mail.address?

Sometimes we send emails from the church office and we don't want you to be left out. Send your email address to admin@northgatebaptist.com. or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday.

Parents, Need a Night Out?

Sign up this week to take advantage of some free babysitting on April 18. Bring your children, from birth through grade 5, to the church from 6 - 8 p.m. and enjoy a good meal, a movie, or just some good adult conversation and company!
 If you plan to bring your children, please fill out the form below and drop it in the offering plate this Sunday so plans can be made.

Name _____
 Name and age of children who will participate _____



Our Spring Fling has been rescheduled for Sunday, May 18 from 2 - 5 p.m.



God's Way to Financial Freedom

May 16-17
 Friday: 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - noon

Make plans to attend this seminar presented by our state convention. The cost of \$5 per person will cover all seminar costs, including a snack supper on Friday, a continental breakfast on Saturday and snacks. Call Tina Jimmerson for details and to register.



Ladies, come celebrate your birthday with us on April 19. Your secret sister will be revealed and you will get a secret sister for next year (if you wish). This party is for all ladies, whether or not you participate with the secret sisters, and is always a fun time!

Would You Like to Help?

The following items are needed for ladies leaving Shepherd's Gate Shelter: paper towels, toilet tissue, window cleaner, general purpose cleaning products, dish towels, scrubbers, bath towels and wash cloths, dust mops, brooms, dust pans, drinking glasses, silverware, pots and pans, dishes, sheets, and blankets. A box will be in the hallway beside the church office. For information contact Linda Hardesty, Debbie Folk, or Linda Garner.

Our church family **MATTERS**

Homebound Member of the Week

Ginny Bryson
214 Sandpiper Way—Swansgate
Greenville SC 29605

Nursing Home Resident of the Week

Lola Pinson
% Linda Moseley,
114 Clairewood Court, Greenville SC 29615

Because He Gave, We Give . . . April 6

Budget Receipts	\$ 29,336
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$149,828
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$143,842

Happy Birthday for the Week of April 13-19

* Homebound Member

13. Jeannie Strickland, Jake Cox, Amanda Harper
14. Gayle Wells, Zackary West
15. Lee Chapman, Pam Simpson
16. Steve Todd
17. Mary Ashley Deese, Nathan Witt, Barry Agnew, Sam Sanders, Quinn League, Savannah Vernon
18. *Willine Littlejohn, *Ginny Bryson
19. Violet White, John Folk

Happy anniversary to:

13. Will and Peggy Kirby
15. Markus and Joan Heinis
15. Ronald and Sharon Warday
17. Chris and Kelly King
18. Russell and Charlene Hill

Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, April 16

Make or cancel reservations by Tuesday noon by calling the church office. If you do not cancel your reservation by **Tuesday noon**, you are obligated to pay.

Menu: Shrimp Linguini with a side of Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce, Italian Salad, Italian Bread, Toll House Cookie Pie, Drink

Serving Team: Tom Simon, Anne Danciu, Patty Doornbos, Anne Therrell

Reservation Attendant: Peggy McGinnis

Northgate Goal.....	\$7,500
Received to Date	<u>\$5,805</u>
Needed to Reach Our Goal	\$1,695

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Greenville,

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633 Summit Drive
Greenville South Carolina 29609

Return Service Requested

Servants This Week

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month of April: Warren Peden
Glenn Walls, Tom Simon

Preschool Volunteers: Susan & David McClure
Teresa Howard, Harry & Dawn Cunningham

Children's Church: Tina Jimmerson, Laura Jimmerson,
Rhonda Capparelli

Wednesday Preschool: Karen Rainey

Ushers: Ricky Adams, Dan Burgess, Joey Hall, Lewis Barker

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Steve Todd

Monday Counters: Sarah Phillips, Nancy Williams

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson
Minister of Students and Children: Blue Bryan
Interim Minister of Music: Joel Duncan
Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker
Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver
Custodian: Tommy Murray
Pianist: Patty Nance
Organist: Pat Cannon
Hostess/Food Service: Tammy Wallace



The Gate Post

Northgate Baptist Church
Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson

*Loving God, Loving People...Here, There, and Everywhere
Helping one another develop healthy, growing, and
productive relationships with God, family, and community.*

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Sunday Is



Cooperative Program Day



*The Cooperative Program begins with us.
What can we do to support it?*

Pray: Pray regularly for our Southern Baptist missionaries in our state and around the globe. "Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers." Matthew 9:38 (HCSB)

Go: Be involved in some sort of missions endeavor. Talk with our pastor about the available opportunities. You are God's missionary right where you live. "Go...and make disciples of all nations." Matthew 28:19 (HCSB)

Give: Out of love for the Lord, give regularly to Him through our church. If you are not tithing, begin to do so, and also discover the blessings of giving beyond the tithe. .

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