



Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ!

As I am writing this article, tropical storm, Edouard is slamming into Texas. It is interesting how storms that seem to be so destructive can be blessings in disguise. The other side of a difficulty is always an opportunity!

Craig Brian Larson of Leadership Journal wrote, "On December 29, 1987, a Soviet cosmonaut returned to the earth after 326 days in orbit. He was in good health, which hasn't always been the case in those record-breaking voyages. Five years earlier, touching down after 211 days in space, two cosmonauts suffered from dizziness, high pulse rates, and heart palpitations. They couldn't walk for a week, and after 30 days, they were still undergoing therapy for atrophied muscles and weakened hearts. At zero gravity, the muscles of the body begin to waste away because there is no resistance. To counteract this, the Soviets prescribed a vigorous exercise program for the cosmonauts. They invented the "penguin suit," a running suit laced with elastic bands. It resists every move the cosmonauts make, forcing them to exert their strength. Apparently the regimen is working. We often long dreamily for days without difficulty, but God knows better. The easier our life, the weaker our spiritual fiber, for strength of any kind grows only by exertion." Someone else once said, "In adversity we usually want God to do a removing job when He wants to do an improving job. To realize the worth of the anchor, we need to feel the storm."

Speaking of opportunities, Deacon Ordination will be Sunday morning. This will be a powerful service for Northgate as well as for our new deacons to be ordained. Pray for Jered Nisky, Joey Hall and their families.

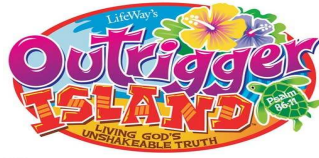
I look forward to growing with you in Sunday School and worshipping with you in church.

Blessings in Jesus,

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Visitation and Community Outreach

Our next community outreach has been scheduled for Monday, August 11 at 6 p.m. Come join our deacons as we reach out to our community.



VBS Reunion Party

Saturday, September 16
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Spread the word!

For College and Young Single Adults

Remember the Low Country Boil is this Friday night at 7 p.m. at the home of David and Susan McClure.



A **Festival of Marriage** allows you and your spouse to get away for a weekend of spiritual and marriage renewal. Mark your calendar now and go to Ridgecrest October 10-12 with other couples from Northgate. If you turn in a \$100 deposit by August 17, the cost is only \$350 per couple (includes program, housing, and meals). After that date the cost will be \$400.

Wonderful Wednesdays for grades 1-6 will have Water Night this week. Be sure to join the fun.

Volunteers and Yard Tools Needed!

The Grounds Committee is sponsoring a work day at Northgate on Saturday, August 23 from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Contact Rhonda Capparelli at 325-2111 if you can help. Let her know what tools you can bring.



Celebration Choir Retreat
Saturday, July 9 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon
at North Greenville University

Deacon Events

Wives of presently serving and newly elected deacons are invited to the home of Carol Dill for a Dessert Fellowship on Thursday, August 14 at 7 p.m.

There will be a Deacon Retreat for all active and newly elected deacons on Saturday, August 16 from 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall.

Congratulations to Jonathan Craig who is graduating from Clemson University on Saturday with a BS in Business Management.



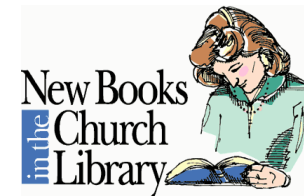
Greenville Baptist Association WMU-WEM Fall Training

Thursday, August 14 at 6:15 p.m.

West Gantt Baptist Church

Contact Runette Sweatmon for tickets

Bring food for the Crisis Centers. Most needed items are corn meal, flour, peanut butter, jelly, and other non-perishable food items.



Mistaken Identity by Van Ryan and Cerak: Two families, one survivor, unwavering hope.

Finding Home by Jim Daley (president of Focus on the Family): An imperfect path to faith and family.

Dawn's Light by Terri Blackstock: The 4th and final book in the Restoration series.

The Faith by Charles Colson: What Christians believe, why they believe it, and why it matters.

Distant Echoes by Colleen Coble: An exciting adventure without ever leaving home.

Sisters of Holmes County Series by Wanda E. Brunstetter: A three-book series (*A Sister's Secret, A Sister's Test, A Sister's Hope*) about an Amish family in an Ohio community.

Our church family **MATTERS**

Homebound Member of the Week

Lib Bruce
204 E. Celestial Drive, Greer 29651

Nursing Home Resident of the Week

Mrs. Gertrude Moore
Aldersgate Retirement Community
3800 Shamrock Drive, Charlotte NC 28215

Because He Gave, We Give . . . August 3

Budget Receipts	\$ 15,413
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$309,504
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$294,380

Happy Birthday for the Week of August 10-16

* Homebound Member



- 10. Bob Jarvis
- 11. Valda Poole, Vicky Thackston
- 12. Ronnie Noe
- 13. Patrick Waters
- 14. Kristie Danciu
- 16. Bob White

Happy Anniversary to:

- 15: Jerry and Ella Jones
- 16: David and Sherilyn Ammons

Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, August 13

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: Summer Salad Night: Chicken Salad with Croissants, Broccoli Salad, Corn Salsa Salad, Gooney Butter Bars

Serving Team: Judy West, Rhonda Capparelli, Jean Outz, Pam Waters

Reservation Attendant: Lewis Barker

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Return Service Requested

Ministers This Week

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Walt Green, Mills Hunter, Will Kirby

Preschool Ministers: Jered and Katie Nisky, Nick and Laurel Shaler, Warren and Allison Peden

Children's Church: David and Susan McClure
Michael and Karen Rainey

Wednesday Preschool: Tiffany Bannister, Teresa Green

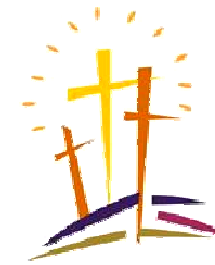
Ushers: Robby Bannister, Chasie Bearden, Mills Hunter
Harry Cunningham

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Joey Hall

Monday Counters: Bonnie Arey, Eunice Graham

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 morning

Joey Hall and

Jered Nisky

will be ordained

as deacon servants

at Northgate Baptist Church.



*. . . But whoever wishes to be great
among you must be your servant.*

Matthew 20:26

The office of Deacon
is a noble and holy calling.

Deacons are to be servants of the church.
(from the Constitution and By-laws
of Northgate Baptist Church)

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