

Our church family **MATTERS**

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Polly Langston
25 Idlewood Drive, Greenville SC 29609

BECAUSE HE GAVE, WE GIVE . . . NOVEMBER 16

Budget Receipts	\$ 11,586
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$459,264
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$427,267



Thank you, church family, for preparing almost 20 shoe boxes this Christmas for children in less fortunate countries.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO

Violet Stephens on the death of her uncle, James Reed

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 6

* HOMEBOUND MEMBER

23. Kelly King, Marjorie Riddle, Christopher Bruce, Emily Turner
24. Helen Smith, Mimi Keener
25. Marian Huskey, Scott Painter
26. Brenda Clark, Kellee Vernon
27. Catherine Berry, Linda Hardesty
29. Randy Bishop



30. Josh Capps, Jacob Hudson
1. Ravenel Scott, Patty Ertzberger
2. *Margaret Bennett, Denise Agnew, Frank Gerwig
3. Susan Hughes, Lawrence Williams, Teresa Brazell
5. Anthony Capparelli
6. David Brazell, Jamie Taylor

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 24: Tommy and Violet Stephens
- 28: Ed and Karen Snyder
- 1: Mike and Patti Murphy
- 3: Charles and Patricia Green
- 4: Nathan and Heather Witt

NO SUPPER ON NOVEMBER 26

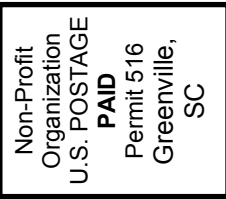
FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER . . . WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

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: Homemade Soups and Sandwiches on Specialty Breads, Chocolate Goopy Butter Bar

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

Reservation Attendant: Lewis Barker



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633 Summit Drive
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Return Service Requested

MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 23 - 29

Deacons of the Month: Lewis Barker, Chasie Bearden, Jamie Brazell
Preschool Ministers: Pat Hunter, Violet Shehan, Tony and Laura Green
Children's Church: Warren and Allison Peden, Almena Simon
Wednesday Preschool: Lewis Barker
Ushers: Rodgers Gaines, Don Calvert, Will Moore, Britton Calvert
Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Joey Hall
Counters: Barbara Lollis, Ken Shirley

MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 6

Deacons of the Month: Jack Dill, John Folk, Perry Folk
Preschool Ministers: Chasie and Linda Bearden, Season Foster, Bob and Janet Landers
Children's Church: Jamie and Teresa Brazell, Heather Bryan
Wednesday Preschool: Anne Danciu
Ushers: Bob Parker, Steve Poole, Melvin Sammons, David McClure
Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Steve Todd
Counters: Carol Dill, Marian Huskey

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson	Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver
Minister of Students & Children: Blue Bryan	Custodian: Tommy Murray
Interim Minister of Music: Joel Duncan	Pianist: Patty Nance
Worship Leader: Jared Knight	Organist: Karen Beason
Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker	Hostess: 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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November

Is High Attendance Month in Sunday School

The Bible is the oldest book in the world, yet, it is still the most important, life-changing book you'll ever read. Study it and share it in Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. *For the word of God is living and active . . .* (Hebrews 4:12). Greeters are at all church entrances to help you find a class just right for you or you may call Warren or Allison Peden at 268-9579.

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Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ!

According to the July 1990 edition of *Today in the Word*, the first American Thanksgiving didn't occur in 1621 when a group of Pilgrims shared a feast with a group of friendly Indians. The first recorded thanksgiving took place in Virginia more than 11 years earlier, and it wasn't a feast. The winter of 1610 at Jamestown had reduced a group of 409 settlers to 60. The survivors prayed for help, without knowing when or how it might come. When help arrived, in the form of a ship filled with food and supplies from England, a prayer meeting was held to give thanks to God.

Thanksgiving is a time to stop and remember from Whom our blessings flow. We are all thankful for our freedom, families, friends and especially our salvation. God, in His amazing grace has given us His own Son to die in our place that our sins might be forgiven and we might be reconciled to Him. A life of "Thank You's" could not suffice for the greatness of that precious and wonderful gift.

I am thankful for the wonderful opportunity I have to serve our Lord through Northgate. You all have been very gracious and kind to me the past year. On November 14, 2007, I had surgery to remove a malignant tumor from my colon. You have all been very helpful and supportive of me since that time and I sincerely appreciate your love and kindness. I praise God for our wonderful church and our blessed staff.

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

Blessings in Jesus,

Benny

**Leadership Council meets
Tuesday, December 2 at 6:30 p.m.**



Our Celebration Choir will once again combine with the Sanctuary Choir of St. John's Baptist Church for their Christmas music presentation. You are invited to attend either or both of the presentations - at St. John's on December 7 and at Northgate on December 14. Both are at 7:00 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar!

Financial Peace University by Dave Ramsey begins January 7
Only \$93 per couple
What a great Christmas gift for your college/adult children!

**There will be NO Gate Post next week.
There will be NO services, supper, or activities next Wednesday, November 26
The church office and buildings will be closed November 27 and 28 for Thanksgiving.**



This Sunday, November 23

We will observe the Lord's Supper Sunday. Following the service, everyone is invited to a fellowship meal. Please bring a casserole or vegetable (to serve 10) and a salad or dessert. The church will furnish the turkey and tea.

In our efforts to be good stewards of God's resources, we are asking that every church family who desires to continue receiving the *Baptist Courier* call the church office before Sunday, December 21, 2008, to have your name placed on a new subscription list. There is a form in the Sunday bulletin you may fill out and place in the offering plate. If we do not hear from you by this date and you are receiving the *Courier*, your name will be removed from the subscription list. Thank you for helping us be responsible stewards of God's gifts.

There will be a **called business meeting** Wednesday, December 3 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the proposed church budget for 2009.

Vote on the 2009 budget, without discussion, is Sunday, Dec. 7.



**Week of Prayer for
International Missions and
Lottie Moon Offering
November 30 - December 7**

If you have dates to go on the **church-wide calendar**, please turn them in (in writing) to the office before Thanksgiving. Dates on the calendar take precedence over dates added at a later time.

JUST SCRAP IT

Our first scrapbooking event is this Saturday, November 22 from 10 a.m. until noon. The cost is \$10 for two double page layouts. You provide the pictures. Contact Del Sabeau at 979-1910.

Parent Child Dedication

New parents, if you would like to participate in this service on December 14, call the office this week and let us know.

Ladies Christmas Shopping Trip

Saturday, December 6 - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Join us as we shop and have lunch in Hendersonville at *A Day in the Country* where they have specialty jams, gifts, collectables and Christmas decorations in a unique Victorian house. We will travel on to the historic shops in historic Biltmore Village in Asheville. Costumed characters and carolers will be performing throughout the day at the 1880's village shops where. Here there will be children's clothing, toys, Thomas Kinkade, jewelry, Vera Bradley items, a Christmas gallery, shoes, antiques, and much more. Don't miss out on the fun. Contact Tammy Wallace at 268-8970 if you would like to go.



Christmas Packets for Prisoners

Please put the following items in a 1 gallon zip lock bag and have it at the church by Tuesday, November 25: One blue or black non-retractable pen (no wire clip), one 6 oz. or larger tube of toothpaste, one adult toothbrush (individual, factory-sealed, no multi-packs), one 4 - 6 oz. bar of soap, one junior legal writing tablet (no larger than 5½ x 8, no wire bound), five first class stamp-embossed #10 envelopes (purchased at Post Office), and two rolls of candy (Lifesavers, Mentos, Breath Savers type).

I would like to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary this Christmas at a cost of \$8 per plant. The deadline to order is November 26.



In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Placed by _____

Please fill out a separate order form for each plant and return to the church office with your money by November 26.