

Our church family **MATTERS**

On Call This Weekend
In case of an emergency call
Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845

Homebound Member of the Week

Kate Jenkins
Greenville Place #16, 2006 Pelham Road, Greenville SC 29615

Lola Pinson and Frances Gregory are now residents at National Health Care on Boiling Springs Road. Pete Bailey is now a resident at Autumn Care in Taylors.

We have received a **thank you note** from Ronnie and Lynn Riddle and family, the family of Mary Williams, and from Lou Ann Cox for the books for the Library at Greenville Place. She still needs children's books and magazines. Gently used and old ones are OK.



Happy Birthday for August 23-29

* HOMEBOUND MEMBER

- 24. *Alberta Odom, Pat Foster, Jackie McCown
Trisha Green
- 25. Pat Derrick, Lacey Moore
- 26. Wyatt Traynham, Barry Kerr,
Braylin Hunter
- 27. David Cornish, Teresa Porter
- 28. Barry Jimmerson, Drew Ertzberger
- 29. *Yvonne Almeida, Jamar Rosemond



Happy Anniversary

- 23: Nick and Laurel Shaler
- 26: Mike and Jane McKinney
- 26: Wyatt and Carol Traynham

Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, August 26

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: Hawaiian chicken, Caribbean rice, broccoli/cheese, coconut pie

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

Reservation Attendant: Lewis Barker

Wonderful Wednesdays
August 26 is Creative Movement Night.

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Because He Gave, We Give . . . August 16

Budget Receipts	\$ 5,784
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$358,743
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$299,397

Ministers for August 23-29

Deacons of the Month: Tommy Stephens, Steve Todd, Glenn Walls

Preschool Ministers: Chasie and Linda Bearden, Season Foster
Bob and Janet Landers

Children's Church: Warren and Allison Peden, Mike and Janet Cartee

Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Bonnie Burgess

Ushers: Jamie Brazell, Nick Shaler, David McClure, Don Calvert

Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Joey Hall, Nolan Peden

Counters: Bonnie Arey, Eunice Graham

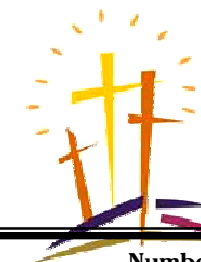
Lawn Maintenance (August 28) Warren Peden, Barry Jimmerson,
Chasie Bearden, Rhonda Capparelli, Marcus
Bennett, Taft Jimmerson

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson	Custodian: Tommy Murray
Minister of Students & Children: Blue Bryan	Pianist: Patti Nance
Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker	Interim Organist: Karen Beason
Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver	Hostess: Tammy Wallace

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Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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Week of Prayer for Northgate August 23-30

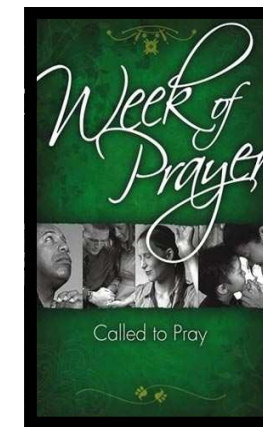
Northgate Mission Statement

To glorify God by equipping its members to be actively involved in the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Northgate Vision Statement

At Northgate Baptist Church we seek to express God's love to people through the five core functions of the church.

Ministry: We envision helping believers to become involved in missions and service for our Savior by providing ample training for the family of Christ to express God's love in ministry to all people everywhere. We have identified youth and children's ministry as being of paramount importance and desire to create a culture that brings them to Christ and is conducive for their spiritual maturity. Our ultimate goal is for every church member to be a well-equipped minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ.



**This will be an exciting week in the history of
our church. Begin now to pray for Northgate.**

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Greetings in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

A mission statement is the same thing as a purpose statement in that it states why an organization exists. A purpose statement for a New Testament church never changes. It is dictated to us by the Scriptures. However, a Vision statement does change. A vision statement captures, in words, how a particular church in a particular setting at a particular time achieves its purpose or mission. We adopted our mission and vision statements in May of 2007. They read as follows:

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of Northgate Baptist Church is to glorify God by equipping its members to be actively involved in the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

VISION STATEMENT: At Northgate Baptist Church, we seek to express God's love to people through the five core functions of the church:

EVANGELISM: We envision the introduction of the people of the Greenville, South Carolina area to Jesus Christ primarily through the work of a strong Sunday School that seeks to express God's love through honest, relational evangelism.

DISCIPLESHIP: We envision the development of our people into fully equipped servants of Christ through biblically-based discipleship training for all ages. We envision using innovative ways to encourage Bible study at church and in our homes.

FELLOWSHIP: We envision the development of a loving, inclusive Christian fellowship for all of our people through personal interaction with members as well as our guests. We envision a Christian fellowship that supports the other functions of the church by providing innovative opportunities for people to come together in Christian love. We deeply desire to reflect Christ's "third" great commandment that all will know us as His followers by the love we have for one another. (Jn. 13:35).

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WORSHIP: We envision worship as being dynamic encounters with the living God. Since an experience with God is, by its very nature exciting and life changing, we seek to create an atmosphere through music, prayer and biblically-based preaching where everyone can respond to God's presence with genuine worship and praise. We envision worship as being a reflection of our stewardship responsibility to our gracious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We

envision worship as a celebration of the giving of our time, gifts, talents, finances and even our life's breath for the glory of God.

The purpose for our week of prayer and our accompanying Vision Offering for Northgate Baptist Church is to pray and give so that we might achieve God's vision for His church at Northgate. I encourage you to pray, give and to fast sacrificially next week, perhaps like you never have before.

A quick word about fasting. Do not fast from drinking. You may fast from eating if you know that you are healthy and your fast will not adversely affect your health. When I fast, I usually drink grapefruit juice and abstain from food. You do what is best for you. If you are unsure, check with your physician. But there are other ways we can fast. We can fast from television or the internet or anything that we might be able to use to re-channel that time and energy to prayer. **Technically, fasting is the voluntary denial of food (or something else), so that we can focus more intently upon God.** The point is that most of our lives are so full of stuff that we can't hear God; and during our week of prayer, we really want to hear God! Read Matthew 6:1-18 for a better understanding of giving, prayer and fasting.

Remember – Sunday School is in the sanctuary at 9:30 this Sunday!

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

Blessings in Jesus,

This Sunday, August 23

All Sunday School classes are encouraged to meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. this Sunday to see the last session of Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University*.

Men's Prayer Breakfast will not meet Tuesday.

The following discipleship classes will begin soon:

- *Experiencing God for Adults* on Thursday, September 3. There will be an informational/organization meeting on Wednesday, August 26 at 7:30.
- *Parenting the Younger Years* on September 9
- *Experiencing God for Youth* on September 13

If there are classes you are interested in attending or leading, contact Teresa Green or Blue Bryan.

Our New Deacons

Barry Agnew

Barry has been a Christian since 1968 and a member of Northgate for 23 years. He earned a BS in Architecture from Clemson and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. Barry is the managing architect with Agnew Rincon Architects, Inc. and his wife, Denise, works with the Meyer Center. They have two children. Barry teaches Sunday School in the Welcome Class and is chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee. He can be reached at 268-1766.



Week of Prayer for Northgate

Our Week of Prayer begins this Sunday. Brochures will be in your bulletin to lead your prayer time during our Week of Prayer for Northgate. Envelopes will be in the bulletin and the pew racks. Use them to help us reach the goals set by our Stewardship Committee. This offering is in addition to our weekly tithes.

See Blue this week and receive a real blessing by volunteering to help at Summit Drive Elementary this school year with **Good News Club**. Training is Wednesday, August 26 at Northgate and Saturday, August 29 at Brushy Creek Baptist. All volunteers should plan to attend.

Grandparents Breakfast

Grandparents of our preschoolers from birth - four-year-olds are invited to a Grandparents Breakfast in the preschool area on Sunday, September 13 at 9:00.

Guided Feet

There will be an information meeting for students in grades 5 - 12 and their parents on August 30 at 5 p.m.

GROW Team W
Monday at 6 p.m.