

# Northgate Family News

## On Call This Weekend

In case of an emergency this weekend call  
Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845

## Homebound Member of the Week

Bob White  
125 Broughton Drive, Greenville SC 29609

## Because He Gave, We Give . . . February 6

Budget Receipts	\$ 14,537
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$61,902
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$53,816

## Special Occasions . . . February 13-19

### Happy Birthday

- 13. Chip Lawton
- 14. \*Lib Simkins
- 16. Dell Wessell
- 17. Melissa Lawton, Dan Burgess
- 18. Jerry Jones, Chris Simpson
- 19. Ben Jeter, Jered Nisky

### Happy Anniversary

- 17: Jim and Linda Hardesty
- 18: Greg and Jeanette Parrish
- 19: Lawrence and Donna Williams

## Family Night Supper - February 16

To make or cancel reservations, you must call the church office by **Tuesday noon**. If you do not cancel your reservation by Tuesday noon, you are obligated to pay.

**Kitchen Helpers:** Judy West, Rhonda Capparelli, Jean Outz, Pam Waters, Lewis Barker

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## Ministers for February 13-19

**Deacons of the Month:** Walt Green, Steve Todd, Don Calvert  
**Preschool Worship:** Lou Jean Barker, Walt and Teresa Green, Beth Todd Will Kirby, Tony and Laura Green, Pat Foster  
**Baby Room, Sunday School:** Peter and Anne Danciu  
**Children's Church:** Jamie and Teresa Brazell, Tina Jimmerson  
**Wednesday Preschool Ministers:** Marian Huskey, Beth Todd  
**Ushers:** Frank Black, Dan Burgess, Joey Hall, Lewis Barker  
**Sound/Video/Camera:** John Folk, Joey Hall, Taft Jimmerson  
**Counter:** Mary Jane Peden  
**Release Time:** Jan Calvert, Barbara Lollis, Pat Foster, Almena Simon

## Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson	Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver
Minister of Education /Students: Blue Bryan	Custodian: Tommy Murray
Interim Worship Leader: Sherilyn Ammons	Pianist: Patti Nance
Minister of Preschool/Children: Ruth Harrison	Interim Organist: Karen Beason
Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker	Hostess: Tammy Wallace

# The Gate Post

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Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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True discipleship takes all of Christ's teachings and implements them into our lives in such a way that we live like Christ did.

### Which class will you join?

▲ **Life Transformation Groups (LTG):** Do you need accountability in reading the Scriptures? This is the place. Join a group of men or women to discuss the Scripture read during the previous week. Contact Blue to join a group. An informational meeting will be held Wednesday, February 16 at 6:00 in room 202.

▲ **Matthew in Focus:** Beginning Wednesday, March 21 from 6:30 pm - 7:30, this class will take a deeper look into the Scriptures preached by Dr. Jimmerson on the previous Sunday. The class, lead by David McClure, will meet for 7 weeks in room 203, concluding April 13.

▲ **More Than a Carpenter Bible Study:** This DVD-driven class, facilitated by Will Kirby, will begin Wednesday, February 23 in room 202. Our choir will present a cantata by the same name on Palm Sunday.

▲ **Life Lessons from Women of the Bible:** Class begins February 23 at 6:30. Facilitators are Heather Bryan and Debbie Hudson.

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## Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

I have never read an article about the transatlantic slave trade like the one in the February 2011 issue of *Civil War Times*. The article is entitled, "Hell on the Water," and it is written by Ron Soodalter. February is Black History Month in our nation; therefore, I will be devoting my articles in *The Gatepost* to this blemish on our nation's soul by referencing this moving article.

Mr. Soodalter wrote (p.50), "A slave ship generally carried large quantities of cures and disinfectants. Since such vessels rarely included a doctor in the crew, the captain of necessity became familiar with a wide range of nostrums and folk remedies – not out of humanitarianism, but to ensure the loss of as few slaves as possible. Some slave traders actually went as far to write their own medical manuals. To fight disease on board (most commonly smallpox), some captains smoked their vessels in pitch, which was believed to be a preventative. The combined stink of pitch, sweat and the human waste of captives wafting on the breeze made a slave ship a floating offense to the olfactory system. It was said that a slaver could be detected on the water several miles downwind, long before it was sighted. Sir Dalby Thomas, commander of England's Royal Africa Company, did not exaggerate when he pointed out in 1706: 'Your captains and mates must neither have dainty fingers or dainty noses, few men are fit for these voyages but them that are bred for it. It's a filthy voyage and a laborious [one].'" Soodalter continued, "Sometimes the captain was a partial owner of the vessel or an investor in the voyage; sometimes he simply worked for a salary and a percentage of the sale price of the slaves at auction. He saw his job as merely to convey merchandise of a highly valuable and highly perishable nature to a viable market. He was in the transport business."

One of the reasons why I am drawing attention to this atrocious "trade" is because slavery still exists in the world today. May God help us for all human life is sacred; and we were all fearfully and wonderfully made. Pray for repentance and salvation for the perpetrators and comfort and rescue for the captives that this particular evil be permanently eradicated from our world.

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

Blessings in Christ,



## Time for JOY Club

The JOY Club will meet on February 15 at 11:00. Our guest this month will be Mr. Dave Aho who will entertain us with music and songs. Don't miss this!

Hostesses: Eunice Graham, Wilma McGarity, Mildred Sams

There will be a special meeting of the Senior Adult Council after the lunch. If you are on this council, please make plans to be here.



Bring your valentine to church Sunday and hear Dr. Jimmerson's sermon on *Love Is Forever*.

## Are You GROWing?

**G.R.O.W.** (God Rewards Our Work) is a comprehensive outreach program designed to carry out the Great Commission of Matthew 28:19 by touching the lives of people in our community. Members are asked to commit just one evening a month to outreach . . . with several different avenues of outreach to choose from.

SS teachers, check out the GROW video, show it to your class for four Sundays, and get your members trained in GROW.

## Do You Know Where Your Children Are?

There have been problems recently with unsupervised children and youth being in parts of the church other than their classrooms or designated areas on Wednesday nights before and after their activities.

Parents, for safety reasons, please remember you are responsible for your children before and after the meal on Wednesday nights. Thanks for your cooperation.

**Women's Birthday Party on March 5**  
**Mark your calendar and watch for details.**

**Youth and Adult Sunday School teachers meeting**  
**Sunday, February 20 at 5:30 in room 202**

**Winter Bible Study on Galatians**  
**Wednesdays at 7:00**  
**Prayer service @ 6:30**

**Children's Sunday is February 20.**

## Help Our Children!

Northgate children are selling bags of coffee, hot chocolate, lemonade, and candy from Liquid Highway for \$10 per bag. All proceeds will go to our children's ministries. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, please see Bonnie Burgess, Ruth Harrison, or a child who is selling them.

## WMU Focus Week

WMU Focus Week is February 14-20. Greenville WMU is having a Souper Supper on February 15 at 6:00 at First Baptist Mauldin. The cost is \$5. Please see Nancy Stephens for your reservation.

## Basketball Banquet

Our annual Basketball Banquet is set for Saturday, February 26 at 6:00. All coaches and players through the eighth grade and their families are invited to attend a celebration of a well-played season. A hot dog supper and awards will be provided.

## Supplies for Piedmont Women's Center

The Crossties class is once again collecting baby items for Piedmont Women's Center. They are in need of all kinds of baby items, especially newborn diapers. Please bring your unwrapped gifts to the Crossties classroom by the end of February.