



We have been examining an article written by Dr. Will McRaney, Jr. entitled, "5 Ways to Overcome a Fear of Witnessing." We have seen that he listed four common fears that often inhibit our witness for Christ. Those fears are: rejection, failure, loss of relationship and lack of knowledge. Appropriately, he also presented remedies.

Dr. McRaney wrote that the first thing we must do is to "**Recognize that fear is natural, although we are seeking to live in the power of the supernatural.**" Another suggestion was, "**We can recognize that fear is not from God but a tool of Satan.**" The suggestion I want us to reflect upon this week is, "**Love will disperse fear.**" Paul told Timothy, "**For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind**" (2 Timothy 1:7, NKJV). Dr. McRaney wrote, "Fear is dispersed when we love someone who is lost and headed for a Christ-less eternity."

It is very important that we are reminded of eternity. Eternity is at stake. There is a Heaven and there is a Hell and the decisions we make in this life will determine where we will spend eternity. There simply is no greater decision we can ever make than to place our trust in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. There are not many ways to Heaven. Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism or any other "ism" is not a sufficient path to Heaven. Those paths are wrong. They will get us lost. Jesus Christ is the only way to Heaven. **Jesus said in John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."**

We must be adamant about our witness for Christ. We must be adamant concerning our own salvation as well as the salvation of everyone we know. We must be determined to share the hope of Christ with everyone we can. And we must not be afraid.

One key to living above fear is adequate training. We often admire police officers, firemen and military personnel for their calmness in the face of danger. It is not that they are necessarily unafraid; it is because they are well trained that allows them to respond to a crisis without being paralyzed by fear. We should be no less prepared in our service for Jesus Christ. Training certainly involves Bible study, prayer and church attendance; but it also involves preparation and practice of disciplines such as evangelism. Please write your testimony and practice saying it until it becomes a lifestyle. Someone's eternal future may depend upon it.

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

Blessings in Christ,

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**GROW Team O  
Monday @ 6:00**

### A New Discovery Class Is Beginning

A new session of Discovery Class begins this Sunday, August 14 and continues on August 21 and 28. This class is designed for anyone and is required for all new members at Northgate. You don't have to be a member to attend.

**Week of Prayer for Northgate  
August 21-28  
Pray for your church daily**

### Called Business Meeting

There will be a called business meeting on Wednesday, August 24 at 6:30 to approve the Nominating Committee Report for next year.

### Don't Miss a Blessing

Volunteer to stay in our nursery on Sunday mornings during Sunday School or worship or on Wednesday nights. Join this ministry and share Jesus with the preschoolers. If you will volunteer, contact Bonnie Burgess, Tiffany Bannister, or Cynthia Hudson.

### Called Leadership Council Meeting

Members of the Leadership Council are asked to meet in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, August 16 at 6:30.

### Baby Shower



You are invited to a baby shower given by Judy Rothfuss and Judy Whaley on August 21 from 3:00 - 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall honoring Gary and Heather Kirby and their soon-to-be addition. They are registered at Babies-R-Us.

**633 Worship  
Sunday, August 21 @ 6:33 p.m.  
Especially for youth but everyone is invited**

**August 17:** We will be doing service projects at Wonderful Wednesday this week. Remember to bring school supplies for children at Stone Academy who need assistance.



### Good News Club Workers

GNC workers are asked to attend a brief meeting on Wednesday, August 17 at 5:45 in the Hope classroom. If you would like to join this ministry this school year, you are also encouraged to attend. Contact Ruth Harrison.

### Sunday School Training

Remember to contact Blue by this Sunday about the Sunday School training session on Saturday, August 27.

### Helping Those in Need

The beginning of school is here and we are collecting school supplies for children at Stone Academy who need assistance. We will be focusing on ways to help others at Wonderful Wednesday on August 17 and are asking our children to bring school supplies on that date. We are also asking the church family to help them by placing supplies in the boxes located throughout the church.

### Donations Are Needed

A family moving back to Greenville in the near future needs furniture. If you have something you can donate, contact Ann Danciu at 884-4885.



Come to our church-wide Labor Day Picnic on Monday, September 5 from 4:00 - 9:00 at Paris Mountain State Park. Get to know your church family better while having fun and enjoying hot dogs!

The church will furnish the hot dogs and we are asking you to bring a side-dish to go with them. Make your reservations by calling the office or filling in the form in the bulletin. We need to know approximately how many hot dogs to prepare.

Our church family **MATTERS**

**In Case of Emergency Call:**

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845      Blue Bryan @ 243-7377

Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850

**Our Homebound Member of the Week:**

Helen Smith  
227 Brambleton Road, Winston Salem, NC 27127

**A Thank You Note Has Been Received From:**

Ruth O'Donnell

**Giving to the Lord:**

August 7

Budget Receipts	\$ 11,840
Budget Required YTD	\$330,144
Budget Received YTD	\$279,384

**Happy Birthday August 14-20**

16: \*Bob White  
18: Linda James, Almena Simon, Bryson Hunter  
19: Jonathan Craig  
20: Mick Griffith

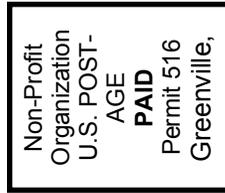
**Happy Anniversary August 14-20**

15: Jerry and Ella Jones  
16: David and Sherilyn Ammons  
17: Walt and Teresa Green

**Fellowship Meals**

**Will Begin Again After Labor Day**

We will use the same permanent Wednesday night meal list from last year. If you do not want to be on the list, you must call the church office and remove your name. If you want to add your name to the permanent list, please let us know soon.



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Return Service Requested

**Ministers This Week**

Every member a minister

**Deacons of the Month:** Jack Dill, Joey Hall, Will Moore  
**Preschool Worship:** Rhonda Capparelli, Joey and Kelly Hall, Blue and Heather Bryan, Marian Huskey  
**Preschool Sunday School:** Almena Simon, Rhonda Capparelli  
**Children's Church:** Jamie and Teresa Brazell, Beth Todd  
**Wednesday Ministers:** Sam Harp, Katie Nisky  
**Ushers:** Walt Green, Perry Folk, Ken Hall, Don Calvert  
**Sound/Video Projection:** John Folk, Steve Todd, Kristopher Newman  
**Counter:** Mary Jane Peden

**Church Staff**

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson  
Minister of Students and Children: Blue Bryan  
Minister of Childrem/Preschool: Ruth Harrison  
Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks  
Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker  
Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver  
Custodian: Tommy Murray  
Pianist: Patty Nance  
Interim Organist: Karen Beason

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