From Our Pastor

This Sunday, October 14, we will be receiving an offering for world hunger. I thought you might be interested to know the scope of this problem. I want to make you aware of some statistics according to the World Hunger Fund of the Southern Baptist Convention (worldhungerfund.com). 1.02 billion people in the world do not have enough to eat (1 out of every 6 people on earth are malnourished). Hunger and malnutrition is the number one health problem worldwide. Every day, almost 16,000 children die from hunger-related causes (that is one child every five seconds). In 2008, nearly three million children died before they reached their fifth birthday due directly or indirectly to hunger or malnutrition. It is estimated that 684,000 child deaths worldwide could be prevented by increasing access to vitamin A and zinc.

Hunger is not only a world problem, it is a United States of America problem. 49 million Americans struggle with hunger; including 17 million children (this means 1 in 6 people in the United States] do not get enough food to be healthy). An estimated 35% of poor families in the U.S. are forced to choose between buying food or paying their rent or mortgage. Nearly half of all families headed by a single mother are food insecure. In our nation's cities, one in every four people in a soup kitchen line is a child. The cost of a meal at a Southern Baptist hunger ministry averages 30 cents per meal.

When we give to the Southern Baptist World Hunger Fund, what happens to the money? 100% of all contributions is used to feed hungry people (personnel are already in place; thus, administrative and promotional costs are borne out of other budgets). From 2009 to 2010, giving to the World Hunger Fund dropped by nearly \$1 million (from \$6,375,000 in 2009 to \$5,410,000 in 2010). In 2011, Southern Baptist hunger ministries fed more than 5 million meals to the hungry in North America. As a result, more than 33,000 professions of faith were reported. Southern Baptists' gifts for world hunger provided for projects in more than 68 countries in 2008.

Of the funds collected at Northgate on Sunday, October 14, 50% will go to the Eastside Crisis Center in Greenville to meet local hunger needs and 50% will go to the World Hunger Fund of the SBC.

Give thanks to God for every meal every time, everywhere.



This Sunday

Bring at least one pair of new socks to church on Sunday, October 14 in the size you wear. They will be taken to the agencies in Greenville who distribute clothing to the needv.

Sunday is also World Hunger Day. Ushers will be at the doors after the service to receive a love offering for the World Hunger Fund and the Eastside Crisis Center. You may also bring canned goods.

JOY Club will meet on Tuesday, October 16 at 11 a.m. Mrs. Margaret Stringer, a former missionary in the jungles in Africa, will be the guest speaker. You will enjoy hearing about her work and experiences. If you have not made reservations, see Evelyn Bradey by October 11. Hostesses are Porter and Marian Huskey, Ruby Tumblin, and Sue Ridgeway.

Order Your Pecans

It's time to order pecans again to raise funds for our mission trip next summer. You can order online or pick up an order form at the church. The deadline to order is November 4.

A Great Day Planned!

On October 21 we will observe the Lord's Supper during worship and have a fellowship meal following the service. At 1:30 the Gap Creek Singers will present a concert of music in the sanctuary. Bring a couple of dishes - large ones to help accommodate our guests and stay for some great singing. You'll be glad you did!



Pack a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Boxes, brochures, labels, and a list of favorite shoe box fillers are available at the bottom of the stairs near the office. Our church-wide goal is 100 shoeboxes. There will be a dedication service on Sunday, November 4 at 5:30.

Remember These

- October 14: Pray for a Cure for Cancer, World Hunger Day Sock 'Em Sunday
- October 21: Lord's Supper, Fellowship Meal, Special Concert
- October 28: High Attendance Day in Sunday School Release Time Emphasis

Deacons meeting is this Sunday, October 14 at 4:00 p.m.

Be a Messenger!

If you would like to be a messenger from Northgate to the SC Baptist Convention here in Greenville (November 13-14) let the church office know before October 21.

The Greenville Associational meeting is October 25 at City View Church

If you know of anything around our church buildings that need repairs, etc. please give your suggestions, in writing, to the Building Committee (Tom Estes, chairman) or the office.

Men, don't miss the Equipping Men retreat at EI October 19-20. See Warren Peden for more information.

Basketball Registration

Basketball registration can be done online this year. If you do not have internet, we will have forms available on request in the church office. The deadline is October 28



This year we are planning a *Trunk or Treat* as our Fall Festival. If an individual, class, or group would like to sponsor a trunk on October 28, please see Ruth for instructions. You



will be eligible to win a prize! Individuals are asked to bring candy treats to go in the trunks.



Our church family MATTERS

In Case of Emergency Call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845 Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850 Blue Bryan @ 243-7377 Richard Hendricks @ 884-6912

Our Homebound Member of the Week

Alberta Odom 109 Covington Road, Greenville SC 29617

Giving to the Lord

October 7	
Budget Receipts	\$ 10,676
Budget Required YTD	\$439,684
Budget Received YTD	\$377,245
State Missions	\$ 1,962

Happy Birthday for the Week of October 14-20

15: Greg Parrish
16: Ben Waters
17: Harry Cunningham, Lily Ann Burgess
18: Sharon Warday, John Vernon
19: Joan Hooper, Sophie Britt
20: Frank Graves

Happy Anniversary October 12-20

- 12: Jered and Katie Nisky 17: Curtis and Melanie
- Blackmon

JOIN US AT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Wednesday Night Meals

Our Wednesday night meals are served from 5:15 - 6:30 each Wednesday. Call the church office by noon on Tuesday to add your name or to remove your name from the list. If you do not cancel your permanent reservation by this time you will be charged the following week for the meal you missed.



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Return Service Requested

Ministers for the Week of October 14-20 Every Member A Minister

Deacons of the Month: Jack Dill, Peter Rothfuss, Will Moore Preschool Sunday School: Cynthia Hudson Preschool Worship: Mike and Janet Cartee, Joan Hall, Tina Jimmerson, Will Moore, Dawn Painter

Children's Church: Jamie and Teresa Brazell

Wednesday Night: Chasie Bearden, Pam Waters

Greeters: Peter and Anne Danciu, Jessie Parker, Taft Jimmerson

Ushers: Nick Shaler, Joey Hall, Richard Hudson, Mills Hunter

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk, Steve Todd, Kristopher Newman

Counter: Bonnie Arey

Release Time: Jan Calvert, Dawn Painter, Barbara Lollis, Almena Simon, Patti Runion

Wednesday Workers: Judy Whaley, Almena Simon, Linda Smith, Laverne Walls, Perry Folk

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson Minister of Students and Education: Blue Bryan Minister of Children/Preschool: Ruth Harrison Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks

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Sunday School Emphasis Month



A key task to the Sunday School ministry is reaching people. Without reaching people there would be no one to teach and minister to. So how can your Sunday School class be active in reaching others so that they may experience God's love through ministry and teaching? Who can your class reach out to and invite to High Attendance Day on

October 28?

Pastor Appreciation Month



Christ's love compels me to join His work to reach the lost and equip them to join in the process of becoming mature and ministering worshipers of God. (Matthew 28:18–20 and Ephesians 4)

Blue Bryan Minister of Students and Education

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