FROM THE PASTOR

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

When Hudson Taylor was director of the China Inland Mission, he often interviewed candidates for the mission field. On one occasion, he met with a young man to determine his motivation for service. Taylor asked, "Why do you wish to go as a missionary?" The young man said, "I want to go because Christ has commanded us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." "Millions are perishing without Christ." Hudson Taylor said, "That is a great motive, but it will fail you in times of testing and trial and possible death. There is only one motive that can sustain you in times of trials and testing and that is the love of Christ."

As of October 23, 2007, there were 5,309 field personnel under appointment with the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. 4,147 of them are career, associate or apprentice missionaries. 758 were appointed in 2006 alone! God is calling men and women to the mission field as never before. As the love of Christ calls and compels them to go, the same love of Christ calls and compels us to give and pray. Not all of us can go to a foreign land to share the gospel, but all of us can pray and give. I invite you to use the prayer guide to help you to pray for our missionaries to the former nations of the Soviet Union and I encourage you to give sacrificially to support our missionaries. One half of their support comes through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. As you make out your shopping list for Christmas gifts this year, don't forget missions!

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

Blessings in Christ, Barry



International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

National Goal: \$165 million

Northgate's Goal: \$12,000

Received to date: \$4.032



KNOW YOUR DEACONS Glenn E. Walls

Deacon for the Welcome Sunday School Class



Glenn has been a Christian since 1945 and a member of Northgate for 44 years. He received a BS in Business Administration from North Georgia College and State University and a MBA in Human Resources from the University of Georgia. Glenn is a Korean War Veteran having served as an Officer in

the U.S. Army from May 1952 until September 1957. He retired as VP of Human Resources from UMBRO, USA. He and his wife, Laverne, have three children and six grandchildren. Glenn is a member of the Welcome Sunday School Class, serves as Co-Chairman of the Baptism Committee, and a member of the Personnel Committee. He can be reached at 235-7657.



Congratulations to:

Richard & Cynthia Hudson upon the birth of their son:

Jacob Dean Hudson Born: November 30, 2007

Proud big brother: Caleb Hudson Proud Grandparents: Rick & Debbie Hudson and Lynn & Ronnie Riddle



Christmas Tea And Ornament Swap

Saturday, December 15 2-3:30 p.m.

At the home of Linda Hardesty, 303 Oak Brook Way, Pebble Creek Bring a wrapped \$5 ornament to swap!

The **December Cottage Prayer Meeting** will be hosted by each Sunday School Class. It is recommended that the meeting be a part of each class' Christmas party.



Christmas is a great time of year to give. The Father modeled this for us by giving us His Son so that we may have a relationship with Him. There are several ways our students and children are giving

this month. Some of our students through Guided Feet will be giving in worship on the 16th with a creative movement and some of our children will be singing in worship on the 23rd as their gift. Another way our students will be giving is by going with the deacons to give communion to the homebound members of our body on the 16th. It is indeed a good time to be reminded that giving is better than receiving.

As a church we have the opportunity to give through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Our goal is \$12,000 and this will be used to spread the Gospel and make disciples throughout the nations. God gave us His Son so that we may have a relationship with Him. God has blessed us and gives us the opportunity to send the Gospel throughout the world so that they may know the Son. Please be sensitive to what God is calling you and your family to give so that the world may know Jesus.

May God bless you, Blue

Nursery News

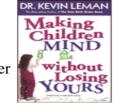
We are doing a Birthday celebration for the birth of Christ on December 16th during the Worship service in the nursery for the preschoolers.



Wednesdays
Beginning January 9 at 6:30 p.m.
For Grades 1-6
Meet in the Children's Area

Wednesday, January 2 at 6:30 p.m. Parent's Introduction and Information Night

New Parenting Class
Wednesdays for 6 weeks
Beginning January 9 at 6:30 p.m.
Facilitators: Lewis and Lou Jean Barke



Facilitators: Lewis and Lou Jean Barker Sign-up by Wednesday, January 2

PECANS ARE HERE

Pick up your order Monday through Friday during office hours

Pray For One Another

Homebound Member of the Week

Mr. Kenneth Noe 32 Holmes Drive, Greenville, SC 29609

Retirement/Nursing Home Center Member of the Week

Mrs. Alice Norton

Martha Franks Baptist Retirement Center 1 Martha Franks Drive, Laurens, SC 29360

Because He Gave...We Give

Receipts December 2, 2007

Weekly Requirements	\$ 10,459
Regular Budget Tithes and Offerings	\$ 11,837
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$ 502,032
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$ 462,336

Family Night Supper

<u>Wednesday, December 12</u> in the Fellowship Hall Make or cancel reservations by Tuesday noon. (If you do not cancel your reservation you are obligated to pay.)

Adults: \$4.00 Children (under 12): \$2.50

Menu:

Salmon with Remoulade Sauce, Rice Pilaf, Broccoli with Cheese, Reece's Peanut Butter Pie, Tea (Chicken Fingers may be substituted for Salmon by calling the church office by Tuesday noon), Tea

Serving Team 3:

Judy Whaley, Layne Winchester, Almena Simon, Vicki Brazell **Reservation Attendant** - Perry Folk

(Team members are responsible for notifying their team leader or finding a substitute to work for them if unable to work.)

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Return Service Requested

Preschool Volunteers:Steve ToddGlenn WallsJohn SpagnoloPreschool Volunteers:Judy WestMichael & Karen RaineyBrad & Jackie SimonetBrad & Bonnie BurgessPreschool: Wed., Dec. 12 Joan TaylorBob ParkerSteve PooleUshers:Bob ParkerSteve PooleJohn SpagnoloMelvin SammonsSound:John FolkCounters: Dec. 10Sarah PhillipsNancy Williams

address: www.northgatebaptist.con

Hostess/Food Service

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Presented by
The Celebration Choir of Northgate
The Sanctuary Choir of St. John's Baptist Church
and members from the
South Carolina Youth Symphony

Sunday, December 9 7:00 p.m.

at St. John's Baptist Church (Groveland Baptist Church Facility) 2 Groveland Road, Taylors

And Sunday, December 16 6:00 p.m.

At Northgate Baptist Church