Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

A screen door on a submarine doesn't make much sense! Well, neither does a Christian without conviction. I want to share one of my convictions with you this week. I wish to address the topic of the ordination of women in the New Testament church. You need to know what your pastor believes about this issue. All Scripture references are from the NKJV.

Galatians 3:28 reads: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." That verse speaks to our position in Christ in salvation, not to our role in the church. 1 and 2 Timothy and Titus make up what we call the "Pastoral Epistles." Acts, of course, is the biblical account of the history of the early church. 1 Timothy 3:14-15 reads: "These things I write to you, though I hope to come to you shortly; but if I am delayed, I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourselves in the house of God which is the church of the living God, the pillar and grounds of the truth."

The model for leadership in the church is Jesus Christ; therefore, in His tradition we are all to be servant leaders. There are only two offices in the NT church – pastor and deacon. While both men and women are to serve in a Christ like manner, pastors and deacons are set aside by ordination to be leaders, teachers and examples in the local church. The New Testament clearly states that women have a vital role in the church. One only needs to look at the ministries of Mary the mother of Jesus, Mary Magdalene (Luke 24), Mary the mother of James (Luke 24), Mary the mother of John Mark (Acts 12), Joanna (Luke 24), Phoebe (Romans 16), Priscilla (Acts 8), Lois and Eunice (2 Timothy 1:5) and many, many others to see that God has used women in great and mighty ways to advance the cause of Christ. He certainly continues to do great and marvelous works through the women of the church. In fact, Baptist history is replete with references to the contributions of women for the cause of Christ. However, based upon my understanding of Acts 6:1-7 and 1 Timothy 3:8-15, ordination is not conducive to a biblical view of a woman's role in the church. While men and women are called and equipped to lead and minister in a variety of roles within the church, men only are set aside by the New Testament for ordination.

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

Blessings in Jesus,





Vacation Bible School July 20-24

BRING A CHILD TO VBS! MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN A LIFE!

Invite your neighbors, friends, grandchildren . . . any child who needs to hear about God's love. This year we will pack our gear and set sail on the evening of July 20 for Outrigger Island where we will discover how to live God's *unshakeable truth*. Be sure every child you know is here. Check our website at www.northgatebaptist.com



Will you volunteer your time on Sundays or Wednesdays and enjoy the adorable infants and children here at Northgate. To help, contact Tiffany Bannister, Preschool

Coordinator or one of the co-directors, Season Foster and Bonnie Burgess.



For ALL Sunday School teachers and leaders This Sunday, June 1 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Hall

This Could Save Your Life

LifeLine Screening will be testing for Stroke/ Carotid Artery problems, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Peripheral Arterial Disease, and Osteoporosis on Tuesday, June 10 at Francis Asbury United Methodist Church in Greenville for a cost of only \$129 for all four tests or you may just choose separate tests for a lesser cost. Information sheets are on the table near the stairs. You must pre-register by calling 1-800-324-1851.



On Father's Day, June 15

Call the church office at 242-3805 if you would like to take part in this service to have your children dedicated to the Lord.

Please Pray for:

- * Our students as the summer vacation begins
- * Our Personnel Committee
- * The Southern Baptist Convention which meets June 8-11



Sunday at 6 p.m. at the church

On June 4, Chick-Fil-A will provide the meal for our Wednesday night supper. The cost will be the same as a regular Wednesday night meal, but 100% of the profit will go to our youth mission trip to St. Louis. Thank God for Christian businesses that support the Lord and His work. Call the office before Tuesday at noon to add your name to the supper list. Let's support our youth.

Check out the **Wonderful Wednesdays** for grades 1-6 for this summer. Flyers are located on the table near the stairs. Wonderful Wednesdays will run from June 4 through August 27. Don't miss out!



If not, please email it to admin@northgatebaptist.com. Please make sure we have your **current** address.

Our church family **MATTERS**

Homebound Member of the Week

Gilbert Littlejohn 135 Buist Avenue, Greenville SC 29609

Nursing Home Resident of the Week

Bill Reynolds

Myrtle Beach Manor - Rem. Unit 9547 Highway 17 N, Myrtle Beach SC 29572

Because He Gave, We Give . . . May 25

Budget Receipts \$ 6,897 Budget Requirements Y-T-D \$224,742 Budget Receipts Y-T-D \$201,911



Kathy Todd 102 Pelham Square Way Greer SC 29650

WELCOME TO NORTHGATE

Happy Birthday for the Week of June 1-7

* Homebound Member

- 1. Jessie Parker, Gail Pruitte, Laura Merritt
- 2. Norma Cornish, John Peden, Kevin Hill
- 3. Peter Danciu
- 4. Dan Welch, Rhonda Capparelli, Lori Spagnolo
- 5. Joye Solas, Carl Hitchcock, Jonathan Hamilton, David Stroud
- 6. Jocelyn Danciu

Happy Anniversary to:

- 1. David and Linda Craig
- 2. Marvin and Barbara Lollis
- 3. David and Vicki Brazell
- 6. Rodgers and Jerry Gaines
- 6. Jack and Patti Nance

Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, June 4

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: Chick-Fil-A (youth fund raiser)

Serving Team: Judy Whaley, Kelly Hall, Almena Simon, Layne

Winchester

Reservation Attendant: Perry Folk

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Ministers This Week

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Lewis Barker, Jamie Brazell

Don Calvert

Preschool Ministers: Beth Todd, Arvid Lumanauw

Nick and Laurel Shaler

Children's Church: Tina Jimmerson, Laura Jimmerson

Rhonda Capparelli

Wednesday Ministers:

Ushers: Marvin Lollis, Danny Capparelli, Arvid Lumanauw,

Virgil Thomas

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Ryan Richards

Monday Counters: Evelyn Bradey, Peggy McGinnis

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson

Minister of Students and Children: Blue Bryan Interim Minister of Music: Joel Duncan

Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver Custodian: Tommy Murray

Pianist: Patty Nance Organist: Pat Cannon

Hostess/Food Service: Tammy Wallace



The Gate Post

Northgate Baptist Church Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson

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Basketball Camp 2008 June 16-20

K5 - Grade 10 Cost: \$60 per camper

Register and pay in the church office by Friday, June 6.

Camp is for all children who are interested in basketball.

Invite your friends!

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