Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

I want to share with you some of the happenings at the Southern Baptist Convention at Indianapolis, IN, last week. Messengers voted to elect a new president, Johnny Hunt, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Woodstock, GA. Bill Henard, pastor of Porter Memorial Baptist Church in Lexington, KY, was elected first vice president and John Newland, pastor of Fall Creek Baptist Church in Indianapolis, IN, was elected second vice president. John Yeats, director of communications for the Louisiana Baptist Convention, was reelected SBC recording secretary and Jim Wells, director of missions for the Tri-County Baptist Association in Nixa, MO, was re-elected registration secretary.

Messengers voted to adopt nine resolutions to express our views on various events within our convention and throughout our culture. Among them was a colorful discussion and eventual adoption of an amended resolution on the California Supreme Court Decision to allow same sex marriages.

Of course, the NAMB report was exciting and informative. NAMB's President Geoff Hammond introduced a bold new strategy for evangelism called GPS: God's Plan for Sharing. The theme of this new strategy is "Every believer sharing, every person hearing." For the next twelve years (by 2020), Dr. Hammond challenged Southern Baptists to accept a mission of **praying** for lost people in the United States and Canada, **engaging** them in relationships, **sowing** the gospel in their lives, and **harvesting** the ones Christ draws to Himself.

The highlight of the convention (as usual) was the IMB report. The theme of the report was "Who will go tell?" IMB's president, Dr. Jerry Rankin, reported that overseas baptisms were 308,000 in 1997 and 609,900 in 2007! New church starts were 3,352 in 1997 and 25,000 in 2007! In 1997, SBC missionaries were working with 584 people groups. In 2007, they were engaging nearly 1,200 people groups. More people are hearing the gospel for the first time than ever before! He reported that although our 2007 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering fell short of its \$165,000,000 goal, it was still the largest in IMB history at \$150,400,000. However, Dr. Rankin cautioned that because of the global economic situation, our \$150,400,000 offering spends like \$132,000,000, an \$18,000,000 loss.

It is a true blessing to be a Southern Baptist. God is doing great things through our convention.

Blessings in Jesus,



It's Chocolate Time!



Ladies, bring your favorite chocolate delight and let's indulge together at our *Chocolate Party* this Saturday, June 21 at 7 p.m. in

the Fellowship Hall. Start dieting now so you can eat more on Saturday. What happens at our Chocolate Party stays at our Chocolate

Party!!! Husbands, you will never know how much we eat!

Go ahead and pull your favorite PJs out (elastic waist, no doubt, as a result of our Chocolate Party!) so you can be ready for our *PJ, Popcorn, and Movie Night* coming up in July.

Attention! All Sunday School Classes

Did you make plans Sunday to decorate the entrance to your classroom with an Island/Hawaiian for VBS? Doors will be judged and need to be finished by Sunday, July 6. Take part and have fun! The children will love it!



Did you, or perhaps your children, sing for the CD *Generations of Praise* that was recorded by the Northgate choirs in 2004? If you would like to have a copy of the CD, they are located in the blue mail cabinet near the Gym entrance. Feel free the take some.

WE'RE GOING TO A BALL GAME!

Greenville Drive vs. Hickory Crawdads
This Friday, June 20

Tickets: \$8 per person
First come-first serve!
Only 14 tickets left - in section 113
Must pay in the church office.



We had 47 children in Basketball Camp this week.

We are asking each Sunday School class to have a **special prayer** each Sunday at the end of class time for our pastor and the worship service.

We are also asking that you refrain from giving announcements, information, updates, etc. to the ministerial staff until after the service so that they may focus on the Lord and the worship service. Please have them in writing, if at all possible. Thanks.



Sunday at 6 p.m. at the church Sponsor: Mary/Martha Class

Please Pray for:

- * Our kids and chaperones who will be going to CentriKid June 25-28.
- * Our Personnel Committee as they seek the person God has chosen for our Worship (Music) Pastor.
- * Our Nominating Committee as they begin meeting.
- * Our ministers as they lead us in worship each Sunday.

Wonderful Wednesdays for grades 1-6 will have Movie Night this week. Wonderful Wednesdays will continue through August 27. Don't miss out on the fun!

WMU Meetings Are Tuesday, June 24

Nan Herring Group at 10 a.m. Missions of the Heart at 7 p.m.



Greenville County needs school bus drivers for next year. If interested, call 242-3531 for more information.

Our church family MATTERS

Homebound Member of the Week

Don and Margaret Reece 10 Meadow Crest Circle, Greenville SC 29609

Nursing Home Resident of the Week

Alice Norton

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

Because He Gave, We Give . . . June 8

| Budget Receipts | \$ 9,374 |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Budget Requirements Y-T-D | \$246,146 |
| Budget Receipts Y-T-D | \$221,835 |

Because He Gave, We Give . . . June 15

| Budget Receipts | \$ 7,177 |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Budget Requirements Y-T-D | \$256,848 |
| Budget Receipts Y-T-D | \$229,012 |

Christian Sympathy Is Extended to

Peggy McGinnis and Charles Green on the death of their mother



Pam Tucker 16 Mills Street, Greenville 29609 Joined by profession of faith

Happy Birthday for the Week of June 22-284,

- 23. Allison Peden
- 25. Jane McKinney
- 26. Pam Waters, Nicole Finch
- 27. Sarah Finley, Haley Gonick
- 28. Al Pugh, Harry Cunningham, Cleve Cox

Happy Anniversary to:

24. Mike and Yvonne Fortner

Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, June 25

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: BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Lemon Pie

Serving Team: Eunice Graham, Melissa Lawton, Marian Huskey, Ted

Garner

Reservation Attendant: Frances Gregory

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Ministers This Week

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Lewis Barker, Jamie Brazell

Don Calvert

Preschool Ministers: Mills and Danette Hunter, Carolyn Finch

Judy Anderson

Children's Church: Dan and Bonnie Burgess

Blue and Heather Bryan

Wednesday Preschool: Lewis Barker

Ushers: Frank Black, Walt Green, Perry Folk, Ken Hall

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Steve Todd **Monday Counters**: Perry Folk, Chuck Cornish

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson

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

Loving God, Loving People...Here, There, and Everywhere Helping one another develop healthy, growing, and productive relationships with God, family, and community.

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CentriKid is a week of high-energy worship, age-appropriate Bible study, and more fun than you could imagine.

Pray for our children and adults who are at CentriKid this week.

Jordan Adams Ricky Adams Brendan Bishop

Blue Bryan Brittney Hammond Nathan Hamilton Taft Jimmerson Kristopher Newman

Nolan Peden Kelsey Todd Beth Todd Bethany Wallace Ryan Wallace Tammy Wallace Payton Wright

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