

## Greetings in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

As we approach the 232<sup>nd</sup> birthday of our nation, I want to share some information with you about our beloved and blessed America. The data for this article comes from the Wikipedia and the Presidentusa.net websites.

Did you know that Delaware was the first state to enter our nation? They did so on Friday, December 7, 1787. December 7, isn't to be remembered only as Pearl Harbor Day (a day of disaster, but also as a day of celebration as the first of the United States of America). Hawaii was the last state added to our union on Friday, August 21, 1959. By the way, Wednesday (11) and Saturday (11) were the two most likely days of the week for states to be added to the United States and Thursday (5) and Sunday (0) were the least likely.

Did you know that more states entered our union before we had a president than in any one president's term? Which president saw more states come into the union during his term than any other? If you guessed Benjamin Harrison, you guessed correctly. He saw six. Washington and Monroe each saw five. Did you know that Mississippi entered the union on Wednesday, December 10, 1817, as the 20<sup>th</sup> state, before Alabama, Arkansas or Florida? Did you know that Florida entered the union only five years before California? Did you know that California entered the union at least nine years before any of its border states? So that for nine years it was impossible to enter California (our 31<sup>st</sup> state – 1850) by land without leaving the United States of America! Do you think the gold rush of 1849 in San Francisco had anything to do with President Millard Fillmore and congress ushering in California as a state?!

Sixteen states entered the union during the 18<sup>th</sup> century, twenty-nine states entered the union during the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and only five entered the union during the 20<sup>th</sup> century. More states entered the union in December (9) than in any other month. January was second with seven. September and October were the two least likely months for a state to enter the union with one state being added in each of those months. Of course California (our largest state by population) was that one September entry! Next week, we will continue our curious little look at the history of our blessed union of states. God has blessed our great nation. Pray that revival will come! Oh, by the way, happy birthday, Virginia! You entered our union as our tenth state 220 years ago today on Wednesday June 25, 1788.

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

6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

VBS registration forms are now available on the literature tables. Use them to invite your friends, grandchildren, neighbors, and any other child or youth who have finished K5 through grade 12.

### Is Your Sunday School Classroom Door Ready Yet?

Has your class decided how to decorate the entrance to your classroom with an Island/Hawaiian theme? Doors will be judged and need to be finished by Sunday, July 6. Take part and have fun! The children will love it!



VBS needs clear, empty, plastic water bottles with caps. They can only use 16.9 oz. size. Please place them in the plastic tub near the gym entrance.



### Ready or Not, Here I Am! For All Rising 6th Graders!

Put this date on your calendar and get your registration form and money to the church office soon. The cost is \$35 per student and adult leader and \$7 for the parent's session. Forms are located throughout the church or can be downloaded at [www.greenvillebaptist.org](http://www.greenvillebaptist.org).

### Senior Adult Summer Fellowship A Night under the Stars

Picnic supper, fireworks, and band concert  
Thursday, July 17 at 6:30 p.m.  
Standing Springs Baptist Church in Simpsonville  
Bring a chair!

Join us for a time of **Community Outreach** this Sunday at 4:00 p.m. We will be contacting our Basketball Camp participants and their families.



The **church-wide picnic and ice cream fellowship** on your calendar for July 4 has been cancelled.

**The church office will be closed Friday, July 4.**

**Leadership Council** will meet Tuesday, July 1 at 6 p.m.  
Note change in time.

### Gripping Point

Our students will begin their new Sunday night Bible study, **Gripping Point**, this Sunday, June 29 at 5 p.m. Note time change.



**Sunday at 6 p.m.**  
**Sunday School classes are encouraged to meet in homes or at the church. Let's make this a real cottage prayer meeting.**

**Wonderful Wednesdays** for grades 1-6 will have a Patriotic Night this week. Wear your red, white, and blue! Wonderful Wednesdays will continue through August 27.

### Please Pray for:

- \* Our kids and chaperones are at CentriKid June 25-28.
- \* Our youth and adult leaders who are preparing for M-Fuge.
- \* Our Personnel Committee as they seek the person God has chosen for our Worship (Music) Pastor.
- \* Our Nominating Committee as they seek new leaders for our church for next year.
- \* Our ministers as they lead us in worship each Sunday.

## Our church family **MATTERS**

### Homebound Member of the Week

June Scott

10 Indian Springs Drive, Greenville SC 29615

### Nursing Home Resident of the Week

Alice Phillips

Southern Oaks Residential Care Room 120

120 Roper Mountain Road Ext, Greenville SC 29615



**Thank you notes** are posted on the bulletin board near the elevator on the second floor from Patti Nance and Ruth O'Donnell.

### Because He Gave, We Give . . . June 22

Budget Receipts	\$ 5,808
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$267,550
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$234,820

### Happy Birthday for the Week of June 29-July 5

29. Bryson Moehlenbrock, Joey Greene
30. Beth Welch, Kenny Payne
1. Lois Taylor, Michael Rainey
2. Joan Taylor, Pat Hunter, Chasie Bearden, Carol Traynham, Sherri Merritt, Ashley Steinbrecher
3. Terri Johnson
5. Scott Johnson, Justin Adams, Josh Burgess



### Happy Anniversary to:

2. Ben and Susie Jeter
4. Roy and Del Sabeau

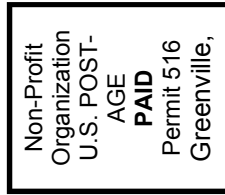
### Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, July 2

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:** Hamburger Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Chocolate Eclair

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

**Reservation Attendant:** Perry Folk



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Return Service Requested

### Ministers This Week

Every member a minister

**Deacons of the Month:** (June) Lewis Barker, Jamie Brazell, Don Calvert

(July) Jack Dill, John Folk, Perry Folk

**Preschool Ministers:** Tina Jimmerson, Rhonda Capparelli, Pam Waters

**Children's Church:** Warren and Allison Peden, Steve Todd

**Wednesday Preschool:** Kelly Hall, Heather Bryan

**Ushers:** Jamie Brazell, Derrick Hiott, Nick Shaler, David McClure

**Sound/Video Projection:** John Folk/Steve Todd

**Monday Counters:** Bonnie Arey, Eunice Graham

### 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

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*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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# Patriotic Service Sunday



Wear your red, white, and blue  
and join in the celebration  
of our nation's independence.

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