Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

This Sunday, October 5, is "Soul Winning Commitment Day." I want to encourage you and challenge you to share the plan of salvation with at least one person in the month of October. It doesn't matter if you use the F.A.I.T.H. outline, the ABC outline, the CWT outline, the EE outline, the Roman's Road outline or any other outline that presents the truths of the gospel and presents someone with an opportunity to receive Christ as their eternal Lord and Savior. Just do it! The North American Mission Board has said for years that their research indicates that every evangelism strategy works. The key is not with the strategy, the key is doing it.

Let me share some ideas with you to help you find opportunities to encounter people who need Christ. First, pray. Ask God to prepare the heart of someone you know (or don't know) to receive Jesus. Second, go. Go to a football game or to the shopping mall and sit, watch, wait and pray. Be alert to the people God brings across your path, then intentionally engage them with the gospel. Third, be accountable. Tell your Sunday School class, your deacon or me about your experience.

According to George Rable, in his book, *Fredericksburg! Fredericksburg!* Tally Simpson, a private in the Confederate Army from South Carolina, wrote a letter shortly after the battle of Fredericksburg in December, 1862. His letter was published in the *Richmond Daily Whig* on December 24, 1862, The *Richmond Daily Dispatch* on December 25, 1862, The *Richmond Daily Enquirer* on December 25, 1862, and the *Charleston Daily Courier* on December 25, 1862. A portion of his letter reads: "If all the dead...could be heaped in one pile and all the wounded be gathered together in one group, the pale faces of the dead and groans of the wounded would send such a thrill of horror through the hearts of the originators of this war that their very souls would rack with such pain that they would prefer being dead and in torment than to stand before God with such terrible crimes blackening their characters."

I believe we can draw a parallel from Private Simpson's letter to our Commission as Christians to evangelize. We are at war with the world for the eternal souls of people. As Private Simpson indicated in his letter, if we could just see the horror of Hell, perhaps we would be better motivated to obey our Commission.

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

Blessings in Jesus,

A Celebration of Praise

Sunday, October 26 at 4 p.m.

Be here for a celebration of praise for all who have experienced answers to prayer and a time of prayer for those who are in need of prayer. We will praise the Lord for all his goodness and then have supper together, provided by the Faith class and the deacons. Please call the church office by October 21 for supper reservations.



Bring back your rice bowl on World Hunger Day, October 12.

There will be a church-wide lunch following the service that day. If you can bring a crock pot of soup or a loaf of sandwiches, contact Anne Danciu at 884-4885. We are

also asking that you give the money you would have spent to eat out that day to world hunger.





SATURDAY FROM 9:00 - NOON AT ST. JOHN'S

Associational Senior Adult Fall Festival Thursday, October 16 @ 9 a.m. Parisview Baptist Church Admission is \$8 and includes all activities, entertainment, snacks, and BBQ lunch. Call the GBA office if you need additional information.

A Day on the Farm at Connie Maxwell October 21

Get a group of friends together and go to Greenwood to join other SC senior adults for a fun-filled day. See the bulletin board upstairs for more information and items needed by Connie Maxwell.



October 31 Watch for info!

Can you help us with this community outreach? We need lots of individually wrapped candy, volunteers to decorate the trunk of your car, and volunteers to help serve. Candy can be placed in the boxes around the church. Contact Tina Jimmerson if you can help.

Discovery Class for New Members

A Discovery Class will be taught on October 19, 26, and November 2 by Dr. Jimmerson during the Sunday School hour. If you've never taken a class like this, then this one's for you. No obligation! Just come and learn more about Northgate. It is a must for new members! Call the office for more information.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH/VISITATION IS MONDAY AT 7 P.M.

JANIE CHAPMAN OFFERING FOR STATE MISSIONS RECEIVED TO DATE: \$3,866

Cluster Leaders: The Time Has Come!

Planning Packets for 2009 should be in the church office by this Sunday. You can leave them in the secretary's mail box near the gym entrance or you can email it to admin@northgatebaptist.com.





Our church family MATTERS

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK Bill Ables (Lois) 15 Lake Forest Drive, Greenville SC 29609



THANK YOU

A thank you note is posted on the second-floor bulletin board from Denise Agnew and family.

BECAUSE HE GAVE, WE GIVE ... SEPTEMBER 28

Budget Receipts	\$ 5,985
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$389,376
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$362,663

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 5 - 1

* Homebound Member

- 7. Lynn Riddle
- 8. Ann Danciu, Del Sabean, Steven Hill, Jacob San Jeremy Sams, John Sams
- 9. *Gertrude Moore, Hayston Lindsay
- 10. Mike Cartee
- 11. Monte Hooper

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

Blue and Heather Bryan
Cecil and Bonnie Arey
Bill and Linda James
Peter and Judy Rothfuss

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER . . . WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

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: Baked Chicken Parmesan with Noodles, Salad, Garlic Bread, Turtle Cheese Cake

Serving Team: Judy West, Rhonda Capparelli, Jean Outz, Pam Waters Reservation Attendant: Lewis Barker





MINISTERS THIS WEEK Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Tommy Stephens, Steve Todd, Glenn Walls

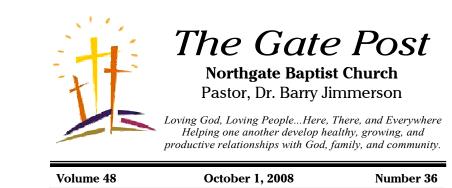
Preschool Ministers: Judy West, Pat Durham, Rhonda Capparelli

Children's Church: Tina Jimmerson, Laura Jimmerson David and Susan McClure

Wednesday Preschool: Tiffany Bannister Ushers: Rusty Hill, Bob Landers, Jack Nance, Don Calvert Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Debbie Hudson

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: Patt Cannon Hostess/Food Service: Tammy Wallace



Ont miss the fun This Saturday



Help Our Youth Go Greek! 7 a m - noon

Be here early to get the best bargains!

BBQ plates, consisting of a sandwich, chips and drink and cooked by our own Tom Simon, will be sold for \$5 each.

Preschoolers and Children Are Having Fun!



They are going to Niven's Apple Farm at 10:00 a.m. where there will be a hayride, an apple maze, apple cider, pumpkins, a play area, a small animal farm, and lots of fun with friends.

Bring a picnic or better still, help our youth and buy BBQ plates to take with you!

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