Our church family MATTERS

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Irene Black % Nancy Manning, 2 Dellbrook Court, Taylors SC 29687

BECAUSE HE GAVE, WE GIVE ... DECEMBER 14

Budget Receipts	\$ 41, 333
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$499,200
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$490,968

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR DECEMBER 21-JANUARY 10 * HOMEBOUND MEMBER

- 22. *Loree Folk. *Bob Sams. Burton Lee, Allyson Reid
- 23. Faye McMahon, Ken Shirley, Linda Rumph
- 26. Tom Estes
- 27. *James Thompson, Mike McKinney
- 28. Sue Ridgeway
- 29. Jean Ellison
- 30. Barbara Stone
- 31. Jack Gerwig
- 1. Bill Bishop, Bridgette Chapman
- 3. Joe Jones
- Virgil Thomas, Patti Murphy 7.
- 8. Jim Agnew



2: Jack and Judy West

Birthdays

Anniversaries

21: Milward and Lois Griffith

25: Jackie and Connie McCown

29: Larry and Patty Ertzberger

1: F.A. and Melissa Lawton

7: Frank and Jo Beth Graves

10: Homer and Joann Staton

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

24: Frank and Mary Black

Thank you to the choir for sponsoring the reception to honor Joel Duncan last Sunday evening. Thank Ahank You you to all who helped in any way. It was wonderful.

MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 4 - 10

Deacons of the Month: Ted Garner, Joey Hall, Will Kirby Preschool Ministers: Judy West, Pat Durham, Rhonda Capparelli Children's Church: Arvid Lumanauw, Nick and Laurel Shaler Beth Todd

Wednesday Preschool: Lewis Barker

Ushers: Frank Black, Walt Green, Perry Folk, Ken Hall Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk/Debbie Hudson Counters: Barbara Lollis, Ken Shirley









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.

Volume 48

December 21- January 10, 2008 Number 46



Best Wishes to You and Your Family This Christmas Season From Your Church Staff

The church office and buildings will close at noon on Christmas Eve and re-open on Monday, December 29 at 8:30 a.m. We will also be closed on New Years Day.

There will be no Gate Post until the week of January 4.



Northgate Baptist Church 633 Summit Drive • Greenville • SC • 29609 • (864) 242-3805 www.northgatebaptist.com • fax: 242-9625





MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 21-27

Deacons of the Month: Jack Dill, John Folk, Perry Folk

Preschool Ministers: Dan and Bonnie Burgess, Heather Bryan, Joey and Kelly Hall

Children's Church: Beth Todd, Nick and Laurel Shaler, Judy West Ushers: Marvin Lollis, Will Moore, Arvid Lumanauw, Virgil Thomas Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk/Steve Todd Counters: Sarah Phillips, Nancy Williams

MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 28-JANUARY 3

Deacons of the Month: Ted Garner, Joey Hall, Will Kirby Preschool Ministers: Lewis and Lou Jean Barker. Tina Jimmerson Richard and Cynthia Hudson Children's Church: Warren and Allison Peden Mills and Danette Hunter Ushers: Ricky Adams, Dan Burgess, Joey Hall, Britton Calvert

Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk/Steve Todd

Counters: Evelyn Brady, Peggy McGinnis

NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER UNTIL JANUARY 7

Serving Team: Tom Simon, Anne Danciu, Anne Therrell, Stephanie Davis Reservation Attendant: Barbara Lollis



Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

We all face trials, trials of every sort. We face financial trials, relationship trials, health related trials. I could go on and on. You get the picture. No one enjoys trials, but James said in Christ, we can find joy in them. James 1:2 says, "My

brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials."

2008 was a year of trials for me; but by God's grace and your encouragement, I was able to find joy and peace and even a deeper walk with my Savior because of them. I had cancer, but by God's mercy and your support, cancer never had me. I learned many things from my year of testing, but most of all I was reminded constantly of the presence and the nearness of God. There is a saying we have all heard – the safest place in the entire world is to be in the will of God. I hope my witness and example have been pleasing to my Savior. We experience many emotions when we receive a cancer diagnosis; but by the grace of God, I never experienced fear. I thank my God for His presence and the peace that He alone provides. And I thank you for your patience, encouragement and loving support while I was preoccupied with fighting cancer. I also thank God for our great staff!

On behalf of Tina, Laura, Emily and Taft, we wish you the merriest of Christmases and a wonderful new year.

Merry Christmas,





Dear Northgate Family,

Again, I want to thank each of you for the love gift and the beautiful reception which we enjoyed this past Sunday evening. Gloria and I have been blessed from our contact with you and our lives are richer for this time we have served with you. God has wonderful things in store for Northgate and I will be praying for you as you love and serve with Jared. What a privilege it has been for me to serve with Barry and Blue. They have always been so supportive and encouraging to me. I look forward to perhaps other opportunities for our paths to cross. May God's richest blessings be yours.

In Christian Love,

Joel Duncan



Children in grades 4-6 will eat lunch at the church Sunday and then go to Whispering Pines Stables to help serve. See Tina Jimmerson for more information.



There will be no Wednesday services, choir rehearsal, or activities until January 7.

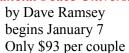
Leadership Council meets Tuesday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m.

F.A.I.T.H./G.R.O.W. Informational Dinner Meeting

Monday, January 12 at 6 p.m. Watch for more information!



Financial Peace University



What a great Christmas gift for your college/adult children or even for parents! Come to the first session on January 7 and see if you are interested. No obligation to attend session 1.





Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions Our Goal: \$13,000 Given to Date: \$5,847

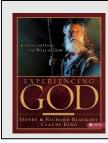
Sunday is the final day to get your name on the list to receive *The Baptist Courier* next year. There is a form in the Sunday bulletin you may fill out and place in the offering plate or you may call the church office. If we do not hear from you by this Sunday, your name will not appear on the mailing list.



News from the Kitchen

Several Cutco knives are missing from the kitchen. If you have any information on their whereabouts, contact Tammy Wallace. If they happen to be in your kitchen drawer by mistake, please return them to the kitchen. Thanks.

Our Wednesday night crew needs containers for left-over food. If you have Cool Whip size and larger containers you could donate, please bring them to the kitchen.



Begins Sunday, January 11 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Facilitator: David McClure

Support our youth mission trip to Greece by shopping at Bi Lo. Get a **Boostersplus** enrollment card from Blue and use it at Bi Lo and our youth will receive 1% of your purchases. Give a card to your friends, too!

There are extra **pecans** for sale. See Blue Bryan or Pam Waters or come to the church office. These make great Christmas gifts and will help our youth get to Greece this summer.

