Our church family MATTERS

On call this weekend

In case of an emergency call Blue Bryan @ 243-7377

Homebound Member of the Week

Yvonne Almeida 10 Meadow Crest Circle Greenville SC 29609

Christian Sympathy Is Extended to

Judy Holland on the death of her mother (Ida Mae Tapp)

We have received a **thank you note** from Jim, Linda, and Ryan Hardesty

Because He Gave, We Give... December 27

Budget Receipts \$ 33,728 \$565,292 Budget Requirements Y-T-D **Budget Receipts Y-T-D** \$545,237

Happy Birthday for January 10-16

* HOMEBOUND MEMBER

- 11. Glenn Walls, Connie McCown
- 12. Bob Landers, John Goolsby
- 13. Danny Capparelli
- 14. Lee Coker
- 15. Ricky Adams, Grant McClure
- 16. Millie Swofford, Lou Jean Barker, Kim Hiott

Family Night Supper . . . January 6

To make or cancel reservations, you must call the church office by **Tuesday noon**. If you do not cancel your reservation by Tuesday noon, you are obligated to pay.

At the present time we are not equipped for walk-ins on Wednesday nights. Please make sure your name is on the list if you wish to eat.

Kitchen Helpers: Green Team

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Return Service Requested

Because He Gave, We Give . . . January 3

Budget Receipts \$ 8,248

Ministers for January 10-16

Deacons of the Month: Don Calvert, Walt Green, Perry Folk Preschool Ministers: Marian Huskey, Pam Waters, Teresa Howard Children's Church: Blue and Heather Bryan, Nick and Laurel Shaler Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Tiffany Bannister, Teresa Green Ushers: Bobby Taylor, Roy Sabean, Arvid Lumanauw, Jim Hardesty Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Debbie Hudson, Nolan Peden

Counter: Marian Huskey

Release Time (January 14): Barbara Lollis, Marian Huskey

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson Minister of Education /Students: Blue Bryan Interim Worship Leader: Sherilyn Ammons Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver

Custodian: Tommy Murray Pianist: Patti Nance Interim Organist: Karen Beason Hostess: Tammy Wallace

The Gate Post

Northgate Baptist Church Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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GROW

Receive a blessing as you enter a new world of outreach and evangelism! GROW is designed to take even the most timid individuals and train them to carry out the Great Commission through the local church.

Up and down every street in our community there are those who are lost . . . families, friends, neighbors, acquaintances, fellow citizens . . . where we ourselves are rearing our children and building our families.

GROW will mobilize Northgate to grow and reach people for Jesus on a consistent, week-by-week basis.

Attend the training sessions in January and then meet once a month for outreach ministry!

Will you commit to GROW?

GROW Training will begin this Sunday morning, January 10 and continue each Sunday in January at 9:30 in Room 210.

GROW Outreach will resume with team G meeting on Monday, February 1 (not February 8 as noted earlier) at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Three years ago, on January 1, 2007, I came to Northgate to serve as your pastor. I can say without hesitation that these past three years have been some of the most rewarding, as well as challenging, years in my life. I absolutely love my church family. It is an honor beyond words to serve as your pastor. Thank you for three wonderful years of ministry in which often you have ministered to me more effectively than I have to you!

I want to commend you on your faithful stewardship of the finances that God has placed under your control. Our budget receipts for 2009 were \$545,237. That's ninety-six percent of our budget requirements for the year! In this economy, that is absolutely incredible! Praise God for His bountiful provision for His church! I know that many of you have given sacrificially to the Lord that His church might continue to impact this community for the Kingdom's sake. I appreciate and am, in fact, overjoyed at your generosity.

You have also been faithful to pray for international missions as you have given to that cause. Our goal for the Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions for 2009 was \$13,000. To date, we have given \$9,442. Is it too late to give for the cause of advancing the gospel to the ends of the earth? Absolutely not! Feel free to continue to give as the Lord leads. Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing to meet or surpass our goal? Each of us needs to simply be obedient and give as God teaches us to give in the Scriptures: a tithe of our income for His work through His church, and offerings above and beyond our tithe as God's Holy Spirit leads us.

It is one of the great blessings of my life to walk shoulder to shoulder with you at Northgate as we take the gospel to the people in the Greenville. South Carolina area and even to the ends of the earth!

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

Blessings in Jesus,

GROW Team W begins Monday, February 1 at 6 p.m.

Discipleship Classes Begin Soon

- → Men's Fraternity begins **January 17** at 6:00 The winter session will focus on Winning at Work, an eight-week study focusing on an area that is central to a man's life and his career explores how a man can enjoy and be responsible at his work. Cost: \$10. Meets in sanctuary.
- ◆ Experiencing God for adults begins **January 20** at 6:30 Learn how to know God intimately, to recognize his voice, and to understand His will for your life during this thirteen-week session. Cost: \$15. Meets in room 206.
- → Financial Peace begins **January 20** at 6:30 This thirteen-week life-changing program teaches you how to achieve your financial goals by eliminating debt, saving for the future, and giving like never before. Cost: \$93 (must pay when you register). Meets in room 202.
- → *Team Kid* for grades 1-6 begins **January 20** at 6:30 Balances high-energy activities and games with high-impact Bible lessons, scripture memorization, and life application. No cost or registration for this one! Meets in rooms 104 and 106.
- ◆ Experiencing God for students begins **January 24** at 6:00 In this nine-week session youth will learn to hear God speaking, join Him where He is working and experience what only God can do. Cost: \$10. Meets in room 212.
- ◆ Parent Fuel: For the Fire Inside Our Kids begins **January 24** at 6:00 This thirteen-week session will fuel the fire in our most important relationships, Christ and our kids makes a connection with kids and caring adults offers a new, fiery perspective on parenting filled with possibilities. Cost: \$12. Meets in room 215.

In order for us to make plans and purchase materials, you must register at least 1 week prior to the beginning of class. You can register using our website, the Sunday bulletin, or the church office.

The Coupon Lady

Thursday, January 14 @ 6:00 Learn how to save 50% at the grocery store. Money spent on groceries is one of the top three expenditures of households today.



A little time and organization is the key to a rewarding way of buying. Coupons ARE money. Learn a new lifeskill and never go back to your old spending habits again.

Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions

Upcoming New Sermon Series

Dr. Jimmerson will begin a new study on the book, *Classic Christianity*, on Wednesday, January 13 at 6:30.

He will begin a new series on the book of Matthew on Sunday, February 7.

Good News Club will resume on January 12 and **Release Time** will resume on January 14.

Barring unexpected delays, the 2010 **church calendar** will be available Sunday.

Do not file your **2009 income taxes** until you have received written acknowledgment of your contributions from the church, as some of your 2009 contributions may not be tax deductible.