

Our church family **MATTERS**

On call this weekend

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

Homebound Member of the Week

Loree Folk
6 Inglewood Drive, Greenville SC 29609

We have received a **thank you note** from
Operation Christmas Child

Because He Gave, We Give . . . February 28

Budget Receipts \$ 9,925
Budget Requirements Y-T-D \$ 95,949
Budget Receipts Y-T-D \$65,252

Happy Birthday for March 7-13

* HOMEBOUND MEMBER

- 7. Chris Jones, Todd Whitaker
- 8. Cathy Finley
- 9. Evelyn Pugh
- 10. Kathy Todd, Olivia Sutton
- 11. Mills Hunter
- 12. Rose Shockley, Carolyn Wynn, Kelli Merritt
- 13. Laverne Walls, Bonnie Guzik



Happy Anniversary

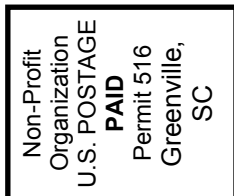
7: Jim and Betty Agnew

Family Night Supper . . . March 10

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.

Menu: **Kitchen Helpers: Green Team**



NORTHGATE BAPTIST CHURCH
633 Summit Drive
Greenville South Carolina 29609

Return Service Requested

FRIEND DAY: March 21

Ministers for March 7-13

Deacons of the Month: Jered Nisky, Chasie Bearden, Tom Simon

Preschool Ministers: Almena Simon, Glenn and Laverne Walls
Will Kirby, Dan and Bonnie Burgess

Children's Church: Warren and Allison Peden, Almena Simon

Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Janet Landers, Season Foster

Ushers: Bobby Taylor, Roy Sabeen, Arvid Lumanauw, Jim Hardesty

Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Steve Todd, Nolan Peden

Counter: Mary Jane Peden

Release Time (March 11): Jan Calvert, Barbara Lollis, Joan Taylor

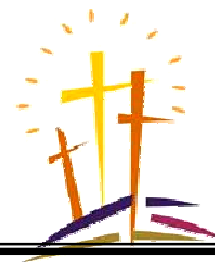
Church Staff

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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Mark Your Calendar

March

- 7 Blue Bryan preaching
- 14 Time change, spring forward
- 21 Friend Day
- 27 Egg hunt for children
- 28 Palm Sunday



Easter music by Celebration choir
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Church-wide Fellowship Meal



April

- 4 Easter
Sunrise Service at 7 a.m.
Resurrection Celebration
- 10 Birthday party for ladies
- 11 Youth Sunday

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Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

On March 3, 1931, Congress voted to make the Star Spangled Banner our national anthem. I find that to be very interesting. What was happening in March 1931? Our nation was in the depths of a great economic crisis – “The Great Depression.”

People were concerned and unsure about their future.

Many of you know that the Star Spangled Banner wasn't a song at all when Francis Scott Key wrote it on September 16, 1814; it was a poem. The lyrics of that poem were set to popular song in British and American bars and pubs at the time. It was a drinking song entitled, “The Anacreontic Song.” Anacreontics are verses in a meter first used by Greek poet, Anacreon. Anacreon was famous for his poems about love and wine. Think about it, our national anthem has its roots in a poem and song that was associated with drinking and a part of the bar scene in the early nineteenth century. Many of our greatest and most popular Christian hymns have similar origins.

When we take a look at the lyrics of our national anthem, we can see why our government's leaders would want to move to make it our “official” song. The song has four verses. We sing the first one before every major sporting event and in church on patriotic holidays. Listen to the last verse:

*Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved home and the war's desolation!
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!*

Interestingly Francis Scott Key wanted, “In God We Trust” to be our national motto in 1814. It went on our money beginning in 1864 and on all our coins by 1938. In 1956, congress voted to adopt “In God We Trust” as our official motto.

GROW Team R - Monday at 6 p.m.

Some today are already calling our current economic crisis the “Great Recession.” Just like in the days of the Great Depression, people are concerned and unsure about their future. What an opportunity to revisit our history and turn to the Lord. Maybe this is the catalyst for the revival we've been praying for! Maybe instead of the Great Recession, this will turn out to be the recession that made America great!

Praying for revival,

Bamy



About 50 more counselors are needed for the *Just Give Me Jesus* Conference with Ann Graham Lotz March 19-20. If you can help and can come to a training session on Thursday, March 4 at 7 p.m. at Taylors First Baptist please respond to Melanie at mtr255@aol.com.

Celebration Choir will rehearse Sunday at 4 p.m. for their Easter music, *Reign, Jesus, Reign.*

Guided Feet will practice Sunday at 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

We have received an email that the South Carolina Disaster Relief will take the lead in response to the **earthquake in Chile**. More information will be available soon Check online at BaptistCourier.com.

A list of **birthdays and anniversaries** for March is on the table near the stairs.

Friend Day



March 21

How many invitation cards have you given out to friends? How many phone calls have you made? Friend Day will be here before we know it. Don't let time slip up on you. You just might get a surprise if you bring the most friends that day!

Dr. Jimmerson has challenged us to a goal of 250 in worship service. Let's show him how many friends we really have.

JOY Club is Tuesday, March 16 at noon
Come hear the **Challengers Quartet**

Our **Basketball banquet** is Thursday, March 11 at 7:00 for all players and coaches and their families.



A wheelchair, blood pressure cuff, diabetic monitor and other **first aid** items are now located in the closet in the vestibule. Please DO NOT remove these items from the area.