Our Family Matters

On call this weekend

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

Homebound Member of the Week

Jim Agnew National Health Care, 1305 Boiling Springs Road, Greer 29651

Christian Sympathy Is Extended to

Don Calvert on the death of his brother, James

We have received thank you notes from

- James and Betty Jeter
- Greenville Baptist Association/World Changers
- The family of Butch Green

Because He Gave, We Give . . . June 27

Budget Receipts \$ 5,421 Budget Requirements Y-T-D \$276,354 Budget Receipts Y-T-D \$206,462

Happy Birthday for July 4 - 10

* HOMEBOUND MEMBER

- 4. Joel Warren
- 5. Scott Johnson, Justin Adams, Josh Burgess
- 6. Mildred Sams
- 7. Jack Dill, Dean Waters, Bradley Waters
- 8. Lewis Barker, Nancy Williams
- 9. *Louise Kerr, Lou Jarvis, Evan Therrell
- 10. Roy Sabean



Happy Anniversary

- 4: Roy and Del Sabean
- 10: Chris and Marsha Jones

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Ministers for July 4 - 10

Deacons of the Month: Jered Nisky, Chasie Bearden, Tom Simon **Preschool Ministers:** Chasie Bearden, Bob and Janet Landers

Season Foster, Allison Peden

No Children's Church: ArtAlive Presentation

Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Tiffany Bannister, Bonnie Burgess

Ushers: Lee Coker, Dan Burgess, Joey Hall, Lewis Barker

Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Debbie Hudson, Taft Jimmerson

Counter (Tuesday): Bonnie Arey

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson Minister of Education /Students: Blue Bryan Interim Worship Leader: Sherilyn Ammons Minister of Preschool and Children: Ruth Harrison Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker

Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver Custodian: Tommy Murray Pianist: Patti Nance

Interim Organist: Karen Beason Hostess: Tammy Wallace

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Northgate Baptist Church Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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On July 4, 1776, our nation claimed it's independence from England and our Democracy was born. Our flag is a symbol of our country's independence and commitment to certain ideals. As an American, proudly fly your American flag this weekend

Be here Sunday at 10:45 a.m. as Vince Tharpe of *ArtAlive* presents the gospel through chalk art. A love offering to help support an orphanage in Africa and other international missions will be received after his patriotic presentation Childcare will be provided.

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Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

We have been considering H.W. Brands' reflections on Abraham Lincoln in his collection of essays entitled, *Lincoln's Genius*.

In his essay, We Must Not Be Enemies, Dr. Brands wrote (p. 26), "On February 11, [1861] Lincoln left Springfield for Washington. The psychological strain on the long, hard winter showed in his face and bearing; an acquaintance remarked that his body 'heaved with emotion and he could scarcely command his feelings,' Lincoln's voice broke as he told his Springfield neighbors, 'I now leave, not knowing when, whether ever, I may return.'"

Have you ever felt so weary, so tired, that you really didn't know if you could continue? Most of us have been there at some point in our life. In Christ, it is often during those times that it is easiest to see God. It is in those times that we can know Him best. Strangely, it is when God seems to be absent from our lives, seemingly leaving us to weather the storms on our own that our faith has the opportunity to grow stronger. Paul was very much acquainted with that life. Reflecting upon the difficulties of living a life of service and sacrifice for Christ, Paul wrote, "Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Cor. 12:10). Friends, as Christians, we are at the beginning of this journey, not the end. We will not and cannot arrive in the eternal Promised Land of Heaven apart from the merciful grace and strength of Christ. The best strategy for progression through life is surrender to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior: and the sooner, the better.

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

Blessings in Jesus,



NO GROW
THIS WEEK

Basketball Camp July 5-9

Basketball Camp begins Monday morning at 9:00. If you know someone who is not registered and wants to come, have them call Blue to see if the camp is full.



Lunch 'n Learn: As an extra this year, Blue and Ruth will lead campers' parents in an overview of *The Five Love Languages of Children* on Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30 - 1:30. Free lunch!

Get Your Ticket by Sunday!

Don't miss our hamburger cookout on Wednesday, July 7 beginning at 5:30 (note time change). This is a fundraiser for our children's ministry. Tickets must be purchased early, therefore, we can not accommodate walk-ins. See Ruth on Sunday.

Prayer service will follow at 6:30 and at 7:00 Dr. Jimmerson will begin a new series about the *Armor of God* from Ephesians 6.

GROW Schedule for July!

There will be no GROW on July 5. On July 12 we are having Church-wide outreach. We need as many as possible to be here to contact everyone who has participated in an activity on our campus this summer. Following the outreach, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for homemade ice cream and fellowship. Make plans to be here, if at all possible.

Just to Let You Know

Dr. Bob Whaley has accepted the full-time pastorate of Reedy Fork Baptist Church. We know from experience the wonderful job he will do for the Lord at Reedy Fork.

The **Nominating Committee** will meet on Tuesday, July 13 at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall. This includes the chairmen of standing committees and all cluster leaders.

The church office and buildings will be **CLOSED** on Friday. Have a safe holiday!



Where is Cody Coyote?

Cody Coyote is on the move! Be the first to e-mail Ruth at rharrison@northgatebaptist.com with his new location and win a special prize. Keep looking at our website to discover his next stop!

And our winners are: Price and Noah Brazell discovered Cody was at Herdklotz Park. Congratulations, guys!

Wonderful Wednesday

July 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Our children will be going to Herdklotz Park for VBS outreach and games. We will leave the church at 6:30 sharp and return at 7:30.

Coming July 14: Square dancing with Greg McKee

Terrific Thursday - July 15

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (Note time change) Whispering Pines Stables

VBS Round-up

Saturday July 17 at 5:00 p.m. Lots of fun and games!

Visit our website at northgatebaptist.com and see pictures of our summer events.

VBS Prayer Corner



Pray this week for:

For creativity, patience, stamina, strength, an extra measure of energy to these leaders and their helpers that will excite the kids to learn His truths:

Crafts: Teresa Brazell

Recreation: Jamie Brazell

Music and Worship Rally: Laurel Shaler and Warren Peden Audio/Video/Photography: Steve Todd and Dan Burgess