

## Our Family Matters

### On call this weekend

In case of an emergency call  
Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845

### Homebound Member of the Week

Margaret Bennett  
Greenville Place #85  
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### Because He Gave, We Give . . . July 18

Budget Receipts	\$ 5,694
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$308,241
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$232,223

### Happy Birthday for July 25-31

\* HOMEBOUND MEMBER

- 26: Wayne Jenkins
- 30: Jan Calvert
- 31: Ed Snyder, Tommy Merritt,  
Tyler Magedanz,  
Conner Murphy



### Happy Anniversary

- 25: Dan and Bonnie Burgess
- 26: Bob and Jessie Parker
- 30: Barry and Denise Agnew



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### Ministers for July 25-31

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

**Preschool Ministers:** Robby and Tiffany Bannister, Heather Bryan  
Joey and Kelly Hall

**No Children's Church:** Lord's Supper

**Wednesday Preschool Ministers:** Pam Waters, Susan McClure

**Ushers:** Jamie Brazell, Markus Heinis, Nich Shaler, David McClure

**Sound/Video/Camera:** John Folk, Debbie Hudson, Kelsey Todd

**Counter:** Marian Huskey

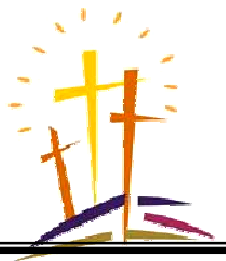
### Church Staff

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

# The Gate Post

Northgate Baptist Church  
Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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**This is what it's all about ...  
Loving kids and telling them  
about God!**



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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*.

Abraham Lincoln and his wife, Mary, had four sons: Robert, Edward, Willie and Tad. The Lincoln's lost one son (Edward) to death in February 1850. They lost a second son (Willie) in February 1862. Tad died at the age of eighteen in July 1871 (after Lincoln's death). Robert, their oldest son, is the only one of their four children to live to adulthood. He died in July 1926. In his essay, *Our Souls Will Not Harden*, Dr. Brands wrote (p. 30), "Willie's death reminded him [Lincoln] how fragile human existence is." Dr. Brands continued (p. 36), "Lincoln's loss of Willie and his solicitousness of Tad made him especially sensitive to the plight of families whose sons had died in the war. His assistants told him that a Boston widow, Lydia Bixby, had lost five sons in the fighting. In November 1864 Lincoln wrote her a letter:"

*Dear Madam:*

*I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the Adjunct General of Massachusetts, that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering to you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement, and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours, to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of Freedom.*

*Yours, very sincerely and respectfully,*

*A. Lincoln*

Although further investigation would prove that Mrs. Bixby lost only two of her five sons in the war, that letter was written from one broken heart to another. The grief of losing a loved one can be stifling. The great hope is the hope of

seeing our loved ones again in Heaven; and that can only occur if we and they are under the blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please make it your priority to politely, but boldly share your witness of a changed life by Jesus Christ to everyone you love.

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

Blessings in Jesus,

### Our New Deacons

The following men have been elected to serve as deacons: Jack Dill, John Folk, Porter Huskey, Will Moore, Peter Rothfuss, Sam Smith, and Steve Todd. Will Moore and Sam Smith will be ordained in August.

### Sundae on Monday

This Monday, July 26 we are having church-wide outreach from 6:00 - 7:30 and we need lots of people again. We want to contact everyone who has participated in activities on our campus this summer and doesn't attend our church, especially VBS kids. We will return to the Fellowship Hall at 7:30 for ice cream sundaes.

**Women on Mission will meet Tuesday at 10 a.m.**

- All deacons are asked to meet this Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
- Lord's Supper is this Sunday. No fellowship meal.
- Church conference is Wednesday, July 28.

### Sunday School Teachers

Don't forget we're going as a group to the 2010 Regional Sunday School Training, *Transform Lives Through Teaching*, at First Baptist North Spartanburg on Saturday, August 14. See Blue for more information.

Visit our website at [northgatebaptist.com](http://northgatebaptist.com) and see pictures of our summer events. The pictures of VBS this week are great!



### Where is Cody Coyote?

**Cody Coyote** is on the move again! Be the first to e-mail Ruth at [rharrison@northgatebaptist.com](mailto:rharrison@northgatebaptist.com) with his new location and win a special prize. Where will he go next?

**And our winner is:** Kristopher Newman found Cody at the door of Flat Rock Grill.

### Wonderful Wednesday

July 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Karate Night

Coming August 4: Art Night

### Terrific Thursday - July 29

12:00 - 4:00 (Note time change)

We are going to Discovery Island Water Park in Simpsonville. This event is open to anyone who would like to go. Preschoolers must be accompanied by a parent. You must register and get your permission form to Ruth by Monday, July 26. The cost is \$5 per person, if you haven't already paid.

### VBS Prayer Corner



Pray this week that:

- Our Family Night Service will provide a witnessing opportunity to parents and the community.
- God to make the seeds that are planted in VBS to grow.
- God will strengthen all the children and workers to follow the plan He has for them (Philippians 4:13).
- God to bless the follow-up efforts to contact every prospect and invite them to join other church activities.
- Those making follow-up visits to clearly share the gospel.