Our Family Matters

On call this weekend

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

Homebound Member of the Week

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



Congratulations to Jonathan and Jenn Craig on the birth of their daughter, Emaleigh Grace, on July 20. Proud grandparents are David and Linda Craig.

The following joined our church recently on profession of faith requesting baptism. We welcome into our church family:

David Stroud (Hall, Simon, Agnew) Sarah Wynn (Hall, Simon, Agnew) Michael Pryor (Hall, Simon, Agnew) Noah Brazell (Hall, Simon, Agnew, Folk) Savannah Vernon (Kirby, Folk) Thomas Vernon (Kirby, Folk) Jennifer Britt (Hall, Simon, Agnew)



Birthdays_&

Anniversaries

Happy Birthday for August 1-7

- 1: *Grady Watson, Tom Henry
- *Lib Bruce, Janet Landers, Rebecca Ballenger
- John Hetrick, Debby Folk
- Ella Jones, Lydia Hill, Makenzie Moore
- Tip Lazar, Tiffany Bannister, Brycen Bannister, Campbell Bryan
- Chris King
- 7: Katherine Nisky

Happy Anniversary

- 4: Steve and Julie Campbell
- 5: Peter and Anne Danciu

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Because He Gave, We Give . . . July 25

Budget Receipts \$ 8,724 Budget Requirements Y-T-D \$318,870 Budget Receipts Y-T-D \$240,947

Ministers for August 1-7

Deacons of the Month: Tommy Stephens, Barry Agnew, Glenn Walls

Preschool Ministers: Pat Durham, Rhonda Capparelli, Marian

Huskey, Pam Waters

Children's Church: David and Susan McClure, Judy West Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Chasie Bearden, Ted Garner Ushers: Mike Cartee, Rodgers Gaines, Don Calvert, Will Moore Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Joey Hall, Taft Jimmerson

Counter: Ken Shirley

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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Our VBS Was Awesome!

The church was filled with the voices of energetic children and youth as they praised God through songs, creative movement, and questions about the Bible. They learned that the answers to the tough questions of life are found in God's Word. Look at some records of VBS:

- Over 100 kids were enrolled, with an average attendance of 87. Check out our website to see Dr. Jimmerson riding a horse down the church aisle (his promise to the kids if we had 100 enrolled)!
- Over 50 adults assisted in making VBS a success.
- VBS Offering: \$1,076.26 for the Northgate budget.
- 4 children accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior.
- School supplies were collected for Disciples' Fellowship Church.

Since the conclusion of VBS, we have contacted by card every child and youth who were present. We have made visits to 18 families that are not a part of Northgate and delivered to them a VBS music CD and brochures about our church and her ministries.

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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 was under constant pressure from abolitionists to free the slaves during the Civil War. Dr. Brands wrote in his essay, Timing is Everything, "In early September [1862] the president received still another petition to emancipate the slaves; he responded, in a more anguished tone than ever: 'The subject is on my mind, by day and night...It is my earnest desire to know the will of Providence in this matter. And if I can learn what it is I will do it!' Providence seemed to speak just days later. Lee exploited his victory at Second Bull Run by crossing the Potomac and striking into Maryland....The two armies - Lee's 50,000 and McClellan's 90,000 - collided near Sharpsburg on September 17 and more than 20,000 soldiers were killed or wounded that day on the banks of Antietam Creek....Lincoln interpreted the result as the sign he had sought... 'The time has come,' he said, regarding emancipation. 'I wish it were a better time. I wish that we were in a better condition. The action of the army against the rebels has not been quite what I should have liked.' But it would have to suffice. 'I must do the best I can and bear the responsibility of taking the course which I feel I ought to take."

We have all heard the saying, "Timing is everything." When is it the right time to do the right thing under God? The right time is when God reveals His will. In his book, *Experiencing God*, Henry Blackaby wrote, "The moment God speaks to you is God's timing" (p.77). It is time to act when God reveals truth through His Word, prayer, the church or through the circumstances of our lives. My prayer is that we would all be sensitive to God's will and act upon it when it is revealed to us.

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

Blessings in Jesus,

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GROW Team G meets Monday at 6 p.m.

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.

Let's Join God Where He Is Working!

In South Carolina, we have the God-granted and state-permitted right to take the gospel to our schools! God is enlarging our ministry field this school year and we will be conducting Release Time and Good News Club in four schools. Good News Club begins on September 13 at Summit Drive Elementary and September 14 at Stone Academy. Release Time begins September 15 at League Academy and September 16 or 17 at Sevier Middle. As you can see, this will be a "God thing" for our church. It will test our faith and our commitment to the Lord as we fill all of the positions in all of the classes. We are asking you to begin praying now about where God wants you to join Him beginning in September.

Looking Ahead to VBS 2011

Next year we will be traveling to New York City for a *Big Apple Adventure*. As kids explore the big city, they'll learn how to step out in faith and connect with Jesus - sharing the message of Christ with their world. Mark your calendars and plan you vacation around VBS 2011 - July 17-21.



One clear thing we learned from VBS this year is that we need more adult volunteers - especially senior adults! Begin to pray about this. You will have the time of your life!

Like our pastor said, "It's about getting people to Jesus." And no ministry does that more effectively or more efficiently than VBS.



Where is Cody Coyote?

Cody Coyote has gone back to the woods now that VBS is over! Watch for more VBS action next year and see who hides where!

And our final winner is: Brycen Bannister who found Cody at the Humane Society.

Wonderful Wednesday

August 4 at 6:30 p.m. Art Night

Coming August 11: Back-to-School Water Night

Terrific Thursday - August 12

10:00 - 12:30

For our last Terrific Thursday this year, we will be doing another mission project. Watch for more information.

On Sunday, August 8 our pastor will be preaching a message about sexual lust. We are providing special worship experiences for all children and teens that have not completed the 7th grade. Parents, please use your discretion for older teens. Only those that have completed the 7th grade will be permitted in the sanctuary.

VBS Prayer Corner



Pray this week that:

- What we learned in VBS will continue to guide our lives throughout the year.
- Everyone will come to other Northgate activities and ministries.
- We will continue VBS throughout the year and share the love of Jesus to those we know and come in contact with.