Northgate Family

In case of an emergency call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845

Blue Bryan @ 243-7377

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Our homebound member of the week

June Scott

10 Indian Springs Drive, Greenville SC 29615

Giving to the Lord

<u>July 17</u>

Budget Receipts \$ 6,285 Budget Required YTD \$299,193 Budget Received YTD \$254,253

Happy Birthday July 24-30

24: Mickey Summerall, Laura Jimmerson

26: Wayne Jenkins

30: Jan Calvert

Happy Anniversary July 24-30

25: Dan and Bonnie Burgess

25: Bob and Jessie Parker

30: Barry and Denise Agnew

Zumba Schedule

Ladies, come have some fun exercising at Zumba class. Times are Monday (6:45), Tuesday (6:15), and Thursday (6:45). The cost is \$15 for 4 classes and is open to all ladies.

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NORTHGATE BAPTIST CHURCH 633 Summit Drive Greenville South Carolina 29609

Ministers for July 24-30

ALL MEMBERS ARE MINISTERS

Deacons of the Month: Walt Green, Steve Todd, Don Calvert **Preschool Worship:** Chasie Bearden, Warren and Allison Peden,

Harry and Dawn Cunningham, Joan Taylor

Baby Room, Sunday School: Tony and Laura Green

Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Robby Bannister, Dan Burgess Children's Church: Joey and Kelly Hall, Rhonda Capparelli Ushers: Bobby Taylor, Roy Sabean, Richard Hudson, Jim Hardesty

Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Debbie Hudson, Adam Cartee

Counter: Perry Folk

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson Minister of Education /Students: Blue Bryan Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks Minister of Preschool/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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Sunday at Northgate!

Deacon election is this Sunday, July 24. Northgate members will elect five (5) men from the list below. Please pray that God would reveal to you the deacons that will serve Northgate for a three-year term. The candidates



Robby Bannister Will Kirby

Bob Parker Warren Peden Nick Shaler Tom Simon Sam Smith

Pastor's Sermon

Life Restored

Matthew 9:18-26

633 Worship

6:33 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited to attend, especially students.

Northgate Baptist Church

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Greetings in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

What a great Vacation Bible School! Thanks again to everyone who gave so much to make this year's Vacation Bible School a success. We have heard it over and over again — "More people come to faith in Christ through Vacation Bible School than through any other ministry of the church." Imagine how we could be used of the Lord to grow His kingdom if we could maintain this enthusiasm and emphasis on evangelism throughout the year? I want to examine an article that I recently read by Will McRaney, Jr. The article is entitled, "5 Ways to Overcome a Fear of Witnessing" and is an adaptation from Dr. McRaney's book, *The Art of Personal Evangelism: Sharing Christ in a Changing Culture* (Broadman & Holman Publishers, 2003). Dr. McRaney serves as the Director of the Evangelism Strategy Department of the Florida Baptist Convention and was previously an associate professor of evangelism at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. McRaney states that after much research, he has discovered that "fear is the number one barrier to personal evangelism." He continued, "Fears are real and imaginary, small and huge, have merit and are unfounded. Fear comes in many shades of colors, both bold and subtle." He maintains that there are several different manifestations of fear. Four of which are: rejection, failure, loss of relationship and lack of knowledge. In his remedy for overcoming fear in witnessing, he offered an excellent summation of this fear. He wrote, "Fear in its simplest form is a temporary loss of perspective." He continued, "It is easy to focus on how someone might respond to me. It is also easy to forget how much people need the Lord and how much Christ desires a relationship with lost persons."

For the next few weeks, I want us to consider Dr. McRaney's work, "5 Ways to Overcome a Fear of Witnessing." My prayer is that we all become more acquainted with our own personal testimony of how Christ changed our life and how we can more effectively and more confidently share that good news with others.

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

Blessings in Christ,





IMPORTANT! Please Read!

If you have checked out a key to the church, remember that you signed an agreement that you would not loan your key and you would not make a copy. There has been a problem recently with the church being left unlocked and the lights left on. If the problem is not resolved, we will have to rekey the locks and refrain from giving out keys. Please help us by abiding by this policy. Thanks.

Fundraiser Project at Death Valley

There will be an important meeting this Sunday, July 24 at 5:30 about a fundraising project that we have been selected to participate in. We have the opportunity to go to Death Valley in Clemson for 7 weeks to run a concession stand and help clean up after the game. Anyone interested in helping is asked to come to the meeting to learn more about this opportunity. If you can't be here Sunday, see Blue for information. Even if your blood runs garnet, bite the bullet and help our youth with this project!!!

Sunday School Training

If you are working in Sunday School next year, please contact Blue about the training session on Saturday, August 27 at Fairview Baptist Church from 8:00-12:30.

Important Information

We <u>must</u> abide by our Child Protection Policy. Only adults over the age of 18 who have had a background check and are on our approved list may provide care for children under the age of 18. This includes preschool care, children's church, and all activities for this age child. Everyone should attend Sunday School, worship services, and Wednesday events appropriate to their age group.

Lord's Supper July 31 No fellowship meal



VBS is going GREAT. Everyone is having a good time learning about faith. There were 76 children enrolled the first night and 119 present on Monday. Thank you, Lord.

Upcoming Kids Stuff

July 27: Puppet Time

July 28: Water Fun for all! We will go to Otter Creek Water Park at 12:00 and return at 4:00 (note time change). Hot dogs will be provided at the church before we go to the park. Preschoolers must be accompanied by a parent. Cost: \$5. See Mrs. Ruth.

Discovery Class Begins

If you have been a member a long time, if you have visited recently, or if you just wonder about some things at Northgate, then the Discovery Class is for you! Barry will lead this class August 14, 21, and 28 during the Sunday School hour at 9:30 a.m. Call the office if you know you are coming. This class is mandatory for all new members at Northgate.

Week of Prayer for Northgate August 21-28

Father-Son Retreat

There will be a Father/Son Retreat by Norm Wakefield at Evangelical Institute July 22-24. If you are interested in attending, see Warren Peden for more details.

Check Our Website Often

Check our website at northgatebaptist.com to see pictures and videos of what has been going on at Northgate this summer. Our Sunday service is also on the website for you to enjoy.

Our pastor can be seen on youtube driving his taxi to VBS. Check it out at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gBHUi9TBWCc