Northgate Family

In case of an emergency call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845

Blue Bryan @ 243-7377

Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850

Our homebound member of the week

Jennie Scott

1 Farnham Way, Timonium, MD 21093



Josh Burgess

Deacon: John Folk, Joey Hall

Richard and Syble Hendricks vour new church family!

Deacon: Steve Todd

We have received a thank you note from

Marietta Baptist Camp

Giving to the Lord

July 24

Budget Receipts \$ 6,299 **Budget Required YTD** \$309,510 **Budget Received YTD** \$240,997

Happy Birthday July 31 - August 6

- 31: Ed Snyder, Tommy Merritt, Conner Murphy
- 1: *Grady Watson, Tom Henry
- 2: Janet Landers, Rebecca Ballenger
- 3: John Hetrick, Debby Folk
- 4: Ella Jones, Lydia Hill, Makenzie Moore
- 5: Tip Lazar, Tiffany Bannister, Brycen Bannister, Campbell Bryan
- 6: Chris King

Happy Anniversary July 31 - August 6

- 31: Charles and Norma Outz
- 2: John and Gayle Wells
- 4: Steve and Julie Campbell
- 5: Peter and Anne Danciu

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NORTHGATE BAPTIST CHURCH 633 Summit Drive Greenville South Carolina 29609

Ministers for July 31 - August 6

ALL MEMBERS ARE MINISTERS

Deacons of the Month: Walt Green, Steve Todd, Don Calvert

August: Jack Dill, Joev Hall, Will Moore

Preschool Worship: Jack Dill, Tina Jimmerson, Ted Garner,

David and Susan McClure, Ruth Harrison

Baby Room, Sunday School: Peter and Anne Danciu

Wednesday Preschool Ministers: Heather Bryan, Kelly Hall

No Children's Church

Ushers: Frank Black, Dan Burgess, Joey Hall, Lewis Barker Sound/Video/Camera: John Folk, Debbie Hudson, Adam Cartee

Counter: Ken Shirley

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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Northgate Baptist Church Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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Pray for Our Deacons

Deacons are to be servant-ministers of the church.

The following men were elected by the members at Northgate to serve as deacons for the next three years: Will Kirby, Warren Peden, Nick Shaler, Sam Smith, and Tom Simon. An ordination service



will be held for Nick Shaler in the near future. Pray for our newly-elected deacons as they begin their service to the Lord here at Northgate.

Pray also for the deacons who are presently serving and those who are rotating off the deaconate.

> Lord's Supper This Sunday, July 31 No fellowship meal

Northgate Baptist Church

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Greetings in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

We have begun to examine an article by Dr. Will McRaney, Jr. entitled, "5 Ways to Overcome a Fear of Witnessing." We have seen that he listed four common fears that often inhibit our witness for Christ. Those fears are: rejection, failure, loss of relationship and lack of knowledge. Appropriately, he also presented remedies. Last week, we began to explore these remedies.

Dr. McRaney wrote that the first thing we must do is to "Recognize that fear is natural, although we are seeking to live in the power of the supernatural." Another of suggestions was, "We can recognize that fear is not from God but a tool of Satan." Dr. McRaney wrote, "We do battle against the forces of hell when we share our faith. When fear comes, acknowledge it and claim victory over it in the power of the Holy Spirit." Paul wrote, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind" (2 Timothy 1:7, NKJV). God did not give us a spirit of fear; but He did give us His Holy Spirit! Too many Christians too often forget that at the moment we receive Christ, we receive the Holy Spirit.

Witnessing in our own intellect, logic, wit or in any manipulative manner is futile and a waste of time. If we, on our own, can "talk" someone into becoming a Christian then someone else can "talk" them out of becoming a Christian. Conversion to Christ is a spiritual re-birth. It is a miracle of the soul that cannot be fully understood nor explained in human language. It occurs only by the providence, mercy, conviction and calling of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the One who reveals to us our sinful condition. It is only by His merciful conviction of our sinful and helpless state that we can even hope to come to Christ. Yet in His sovereignty, God chose to use Christians in the process of drawing people to Jesus. Knowing our testimony and sharing it faithfully and regularly positions us to be used of God in His beautiful work of saving souls from His just wrath against sin. The work is His; therefore, there is no need for us to be fearful of anything or anyone except Him! We should be fearful when we disobey His call on our lives to be on mission for Him. Jesus said, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (Matthew 10:28, NKJV).

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

Blessings in Christ,

Bany

From the Preschool Department

We are updating our volunteer schedule for the new church year and we need volunteers for Wednesday night and Sunday during worship. We also need volunteers during Sunday School in the infant room. Please see Tiffany Bannister, Bonnie Burgess, or Cynthia Hudson if you will volunteer. Contact one of them if you are currently on the volunteer list and will continue to serve. Thank you for sharing Jesus with our children.

Important Information

We <u>must</u> abide by our Child Protection Policy. Only adults <u>over the age of 18</u> who have had a background check done by Northgate 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 (on and off campus) for this age child. Thanks for helping us protect for our children.



VBS WAS GREAT!

If you ordered a VBS T-shirt and have not paid for it, please see Ruth. Thanks.

We Still Have a Problem!

Lights have been left on in the gym and kitchen area overnight this week. If you are the last one to leave any of our buildings, PLEASE turn off all lights and lock all doors when you leave. This is for the safety of our staff as they enter the building in the morning as well as saving money on our power bill.

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. 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.



Team G Monday @ 6:00

Upcoming Kids Stuff

August 3: A Night with the Puppets

<u>August 11</u>: We are going rock climbing at Blue Ridge Indoor Rock Climbing. Lunch will be served at the rock climbing building. Register with Mrs. Ruth (\$5).

Discovery Class Begins

If you have been a member a long time, if you have visited recently, or if you just wonder about 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 PRAY FOR YOUR CHURCH DAILY

Sunday School Training

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

Put Labor Day, September 5 on your calendar and watch for info about our Labor Day Picnic.

Call the Church Office

- * If you change your address
- * If you change your phone number
- * To give us or change your email address or cell phone number
- * If you or another member enters the hospital
- * Upon dismissal from the hospital
- * If a member enters a nursing facility
- * If a member or family member passes away