



Decadence is a word that unfortunately often fits the film industry in the world today. The age old saying, "sin sells" is still true. It is for that reason that we, as followers of Jesus Christ, should rejoice when Christ-centered films are released into mainstream culture.

One such film is *Courageous*. You have probably already heard or read or perhaps have seen the movie; however, you may not be aware of the heartbeat of the church that released the film and other films like it: *Flywheel* (2003), *Facing the Giants* (2006), and *Fireproof* (2008). I thought you might enjoy knowing more about Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia. The following article was released by Baptist Press on October 14, 2011.

"A few days before the movie, "Courageous," was released, Michael Catt, pastor of Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Ga., -- the church that produced the film -- acknowledged that projects such as this have blessed the congregation with tremendous resources and opportunities. Catt spoke at a staff retreat for the International Mission Board Sept. 27-28 at the International Learning Center in Rockville, Va. He presented IMB President Tom Elliff with a book printed in 1899 by the Church of England. The book was filled with stories of how God answered prayers for the church's missionaries. Catt shared a few words from the book, noting there is still much work to be done. A check for \$100,000 was inside the book. The gift from Sherwood will go toward supporting nearly 5,000 Southern Baptist missionaries serving overseas. "We get resources through the films," Catt said. "My prayer is, 'God, we want to get it from Your hand and out of our hand as quickly as we can. We don't want to hold on to it.'" Elliff thanked the church, calling the gift an "eternal investment." The revenue from Sherwood's movies is split multiple ways, and the church gets only a portion of it. The majority of the gross goes to theater owners and the church's film partners -- Sony Pictures, for instance. Still, the church has made enough money from its films to make a difference in several ministries, including building an 82 acre sports park that is open to Albany, Ga., residents. A white 110-foot cross stands in the middle of the park. On its opening weekend, more than 1 million people saw *Courageous*. It finished its first weekend at No. 4 in total gross and No. 1 in per-theater average and was the No. 1 new movie. Heading into its third weekend, it remains the top-rated film by fans at Fandango.com, a leading ticketing website."

If you plan to go to the theatre to view only one movie this year, see *Courageous*. You will be glad you did.

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

Blessings,
Bamy



**NO GROW
This Week**

633 Worship
Sunday, October 23 @ 6:33 p.m.
In the sanctuary
Everyone is invited and welcome!

All ladies are invited to one of our **WMU group meetings** this Tuesday at 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

We will observe the **Ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper** on Sunday, October 30. There will also be a fellowship meal following the service. Bring a veggie dish and a salad or dessert and stay for the meal.

Preschoolers, children, and their families are invited to go to **Sky Top Orchard** this Saturday, October 22. Bring a picnic and meet at the church at 9 a.m.

Thank you, Northgate family, for giving **222 pair of socks** to give warm feet to the homeless and less fortunate in Greenville.

Stewardship Committee Meeting
 Tuesday, October 25 at 7:00.

Check out this book from your church library! *Hope Unseen: The Story of the U.S. Army's First Blind Active-Duty Officer.* Captain Scotty Smiley's story is one all Americans should hear. Dave Ramsey says of this biography of Scotty, "It's not only a great story of a true hero, but it is so well written that you will cry, laugh, and cheer as you turn the pages."

A new **Discovery Class** will be taught on November 6, 13, and 20. This class is mandatory for youth through adults who are new members at Northgate. If you started a Discovery Class and missed a session, if you are a new member, or if you are a long-standing member and have questions, then this class is for you. It is on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room (203).

Pack a shoebox for **Operation Christmas Child** with gifts for children around the world who are suffering from poverty, disease, war, and natural disaster. Our collection date is November 6. Information, boxes, brochures, and a list of approved items are located near the bottom of the stairs. Get a box soon and start packing! You can use your own shoe box or get a plastic one at the Dollar Store.



Our youth will be going to the Charlotte distribution center November 26 to help get the boxes ready for shipping.

It's time to order pecans! Help our youth with mission trip expenses while enjoying delicious pecans. Get an order blank and return it by Wednesday, November 2. Please, no late orders!



- October 22: Preschool and Children to Sky Top
- October 23: 633 Worship
- October 25: Women on Mission
- October 26: Fall Festival
- October 30: Baptism, Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal
- November 2: Church Conference
- November 6: Daylight Saving Time Change
Discovery Class Begins

Our church family **MATTERS**

In Case of Emergency Call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845

Blue Bryan @ 243-7377

Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850

Our Homebound Member of the Week

Maxine Grooms

7 Spring View Lane Taylors 29687



Jacob Sams

Parents: Alan and Jerri Sams

Deacon: John Folk

Giving to the Lord

October 16

Budget Receipts \$ 7,124

Budget Required YTD \$433,314

Budget Received YTD \$374,671

Janie Chapman \$ 3,286

World Hunger \$ 1,913

Happy Birthday October 23-29

23 Eunice Graham, Sylvia Lee, Mike Davis, Leslie Bruce, Bethany Wallace

24 Peggy McGinnis, Linda Bearden

25 Susie Jeter, Robert Vass, Ryan Snyder

26 Jack Nance

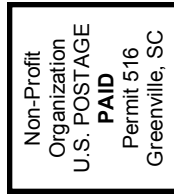
27 Judy Holland, Richard Hudson

28 Elaine Estes, Jo Beth Graves, Payton Wright, Jonathan West, Hunter Hamilton

Happy Anniversary October 23-29

25: Sean and Kelly Smith

Call the office before noon on Tuesday to remove your name from the permanent supper list or to add/remove it for the week. Payment will be expected the next week for meals not canceled by this time.



Northgate Baptist Church
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Return Service Requested

Ministers the Week of October 23-29

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Jack Dill, Tom Simon, Will Moore

Preschool Worship: Danette Hunter, Bonnie Burgess, Joan Taylor, Mike and Janet Cartee, Pam Waters

Children's Church: Cynthia Hudson, Beth Todd

Wednesday Ministers: Rhonda Capparelli, Teresa Green

Preschool Sunday School: Almena Simon, Joan Hall

Ushers: Mike Cartee, Bill Nix, Don Calvert, Will Moore

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

Counter: Perry Folk

Fellowship Meal: Judy Whaley, Almena Simon, Linda Smith, Laverne Walls, Perry Folk

Release Time: Jan Calvert, Barbara Lollis, Dawn Painter, Lou Jean Barker, Nancy Stephens

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson

Minister of Students and Children: Blue Bryan

Minister of Children/Preschool: Ruth Harrison

Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks

The Gate Post

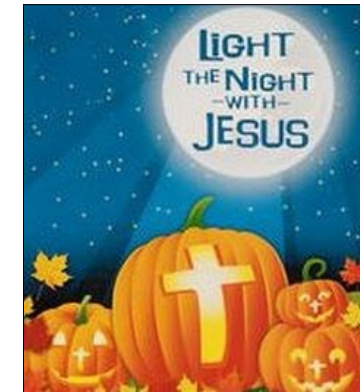
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A Fun, Safe Place for Your Family

Treats

Cake
Walk

Bounce
House

Face
Painting

Storytelling

Cookie
Decorating

Hot Dogs

Family Fun

Wednesday, October 26

5:30 - 7:30

Free

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