

From Our Pastor

Are you resolved? I wasn't sure if I was or not, so I looked it up. The *Merriam-Webster Dictionary* defines the noun "resolved" as "fixity of purpose" or "resolute." A good working definition (for me) would be a "firm commitment". So, yes, I am resolved and so are you! We are all firmly committed to something. I am firmly committed to eating at least once every day (unless I am fasting) and I would guess that you are too! But is it possible to be resolved to something unhealthy? Absolutely.

The beginning of a New Year is always a good time to reflect upon those things to which we are resolved. Of course, we call that process making New Year's resolutions. A New Year's resolution may involve a firm commitment to begin something that will have a positive effect upon our lives (and/or the lives of others) like more exercise, reading and memorizing more Scripture, or being a committed witness of the power of Christ in our lives. But it may also involve a firm commitment to end something that has a negative effect upon our lives (and/or the lives of others) like smoking, eating too much, or gossip.

Let me challenge you to join me in making two new resolutions in 2012: (1) to be firmly committed to do something positive for God, yourself, your family, and others and (2) to be firmly committed to end something destructive or disrespectful to God, yourself, your family or others.

Let us pray and ask God to reveal to us these goals for the New Year that will make us better people, a better church, a better community, and a better nation. May God bless us all in the New Year to be better. I pray Sunday School and worship attendance will serve as indicators of more lives that are more resolved to serve Christ.

I look forward to growing with you in Sunday School and worshipping with you at God's Church at Northgate in 2012!

Blessings,

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Church Conference

Please get a copy of the letter that is available in the vestibule and on the table at the front entrance to the sanctuary concerning "flood" repairs and renovations to the office and children's areas. We will discuss and vote on these recommendations at a called church conference on Wednesday, January 11, 2012.

Our regular church conference is Wednesday, January 25 at 6:30.

Our **WMU** is sponsoring a picnic to welcome students back to school after winter break on Saturday, January 14 @ 12:30 on the campus of North Greenville University. We are coordinating this event through Leslie Brown, NGU missionary for international students. Contact Elsie Crainshaw if you would like to help.

Important Financial Information

Beginning January 1, 2012, if you make a purchase and need to be reimbursed, you **MUST** provide our financial secretary with receipts. We cannot cut checks if there is no receipt for the purchase. If ordered online, you **MUST** get a PO number **BEFORE** ordering. Thank you.

Sanctity of Life Sunday

The Crossties Class is sponsoring a special speaker from Piedmont Women's Center on Sunday, January 15. All classes are encouraged to join them in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour.

With Sympathy

*Sam Harp
January 3, 2012*

Lottie Moon Offering

Northgate Goal:	\$10,000
Received:	\$ 8,305

You may give to this offering through the month of January to support international missions.

For All Ladies!

The beginning of a new year is a great time to make your health a priority. By staying healthy we can be ready to do what God has in store for us this year. At Northgate, we have Zumba classes 2 nights a week for 1 hour . . . just 2 hours out of the 168 hours in a week!. Come on out ladies and get healthy. The new schedule is Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the Gym. Come on out and join us. No more excuses, ladies!

Marriage Retreat Weekend Especially for Northgate

Learn how to strengthen your marriage at this weekend retreat planned especially for you and other couples from Northgate. It will be at Bonclarken in Flat Rock, North Carolina, November 9-11, 2012. We must turn in a \$40 deposit per couple by January 15 in order to keep our rooms. See Tina Jimmerson for more details.

March 25

Keep this date open on your calendar.

You'll be glad you did!

Watch for more information.

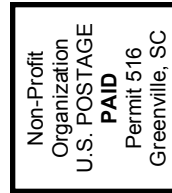
Church calendars coming soon!

Our church family **MATTERS**

In Case of Emergency Call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845
Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850

Blue Bryan @ 243-7377



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Return Service Requested

Our Homebound Member of the Week

Jennie Scott
1 Farnham Way, Timonium MD 21093

END OF YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT
WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK

Giving to the Lord

January 1

Budget Receipts	\$ 6,256
Budget Required YTD	\$10,724
Budget Received YTD	\$ 6,256



Dylan Shaw
Parents: Michael and Michelle Shaw
Deacon: Will Moore

John Sams
Parents: Alan and Jerri Sams
Deacon: John Folk

Thank You to the Church Family

David, Kathyne, and Katie Bailey

Happy Birthday January 8-14

11: Glenn Walls, Connie McCown
12: Bob Landers, John Goolsby
13: Danny Capparelli
14: Lee Coker, Brittany Way

Happy Anniversary January 8-14

9: Harold and Rachel Graves

Ministers for the Week of January 8-14

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Peter Rothfuss, John Folk, Mat Wallace

Preschool Worship: Mike and Janet Cartee, Joan Hall, Dawn Painter
Tina Jimmerson, Laverne Walls

Children's Church: Dawn Cunningham, Kelly Hall

Wednesday Night: Marian Huskey, Beth Todd

Preschool Sunday School: Janet Cartee, Danette Hunter

Ushers: Bobby Taylor, Roy Sabean, Richard Hudson, Jim Hardesty

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk, Debbie Hudson,
Kristopher Newman

Counter: Mary Jane Peden

Fellowship Meal: Judy West, Rhonda Capparelli, Pam Waters,
Tina Jimmerson, Lewis Barker

Release Time: Jan Calvert, Barbara Lollis, Dawn Painter,
Laverne Walls, Pat Foster

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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Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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Be Here This Sunday

A House Divided

Matthew 12:22-30

by Barry Jimmerson

Ordinance of Baptism

Special Report from Christian Learning Centers
10:45 a.m.

Life Transformation Group Kick-Off

Do you need Jesus to change your life from the inside out? If so, be here at 5:00 to learn how. You only have to commit one (1) hour per week.

Teach Us to Pray

This class is a six-week study of prayer in the daily life of a Christian. Taught by Warren Peden, the class will begin at 6:00.

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