From Our Pastor

We do well to be reminded of the sovereignty and the providence of God. I came across the following story recently (as told by John Nelson Darby) and thought you might enjoy it too.

"Newscaster Paul Harvey told a remarkable story of God's providential care over thousands of allied prisoners during World War II, many of whom were Christians. One of America's mighty bombers took off from the island of Guam headed for Kokura, Japan, with a deadly cargo. Because clouds covered the target area, the sleek B-29 circled for nearly an hour until its fuel supply reached the danger point. The captain and his crew, frustrated because they were right over the primary target yet not able to fulfill their mission, finally decided they had better go for the secondary target. Changing course, they found that the sky was clear. The command was given, 'Bombs away!' and the B-29 headed for its home base. Sometime later an officer received some startling information from military intelligence. Just one week before that bombing mission, the Japanese had transferred one of their largest concentrations of captured Americans to the city of Kokura. Upon reading this, the officer exclaimed, 'Thank God for that protecting cloud! If the city hadn't been hidden from the bomber, it would have been destroyed and thousands of American boys would have died.' God's ways are behind the scenes; but He moves all the scenes which He is behind. We have to learn this, and let Him work."

Don Piper, author of *NY Times* bestseller, *90 Minutes in Heaven*, is coming to Northgate on March 25. In the days and weeks preceding this event, God will move in hearts and lives by His sovereignty and providence to prepare us to consider our eternal lives. Pray that God opens our eyes and those of people in our communities to the importance of life surrendered to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

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

Blessings,

GROW Team G Monday 6:00 We need all of our Northgate family to be at the Don Piper service on March 25 so we can extend a warm smile and a welcoming handshake to our guests.

Tickets will be available tonight and Sunday for church members only. You <u>must</u> see Steve Todd to get them. After Sunday church members and non--members may get them online or in the church office during regular office hours.

Please invite people to come with you but make sure they are coming before you get their tickets. Take tickets only for people you know are going to attend. Since we are expecting an overflow crowd, we will need a count of the people who will be here and must know that all tickets taken will be used or can be given to someone else. Please return all unused tickets to the church office as soon as you possibly can. Thanks, in advance, for your cooperation.

Go to our website for instructions on ordering and printing tickets from your computer.

Women's Birthday Party 2012

Saturday, March 10 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall Please join to celebrate YOUR Birthday!

Our guest speaker will be Michelle Campbell, founder of Women by Design and a graduate of *Proverbs 31 She Speaks* ministry. Michelle has served over a decade in Women's Ministry by facilitating, coordinating, teaching, and speaking for conferences and retreats.

Sunday School Leadership Meeting

Sunday School teacher, leaders, and workers are encouraged to come to a meeting on Sundays, March 4 and 11 at 6:00.

Called Church Conference

There will be a called church conference on Wednesday, March 7 at 6:30. The following will be discussed:

- Remodeling the stage area of the sanctuary to provide a more functional space.
- Election of Michelle Shaw to the new position of Preschool Sunday School Division Director.

Indoor Putt-Putt

Call Tina Jimmerson (569-4628) to get one of the few tickets she has left for \$2 each for the Falls Park Indoor Golf and Games this Saturday, March 3 at 4:00.



There will be an usher, deacon, and greeter meeting on Sunday, March 11 at 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We need to make preparations for Friend Day and Easter.



We have begun to collect individually wrapped candy for our *Eggstravaganza* on March 31. Place your donation in one of the boxes located throughout the church.

Be here March 4 and 11 to learn how to read music and/or sing correctly. Richard will be leading classes at 5:00 (reading music) and 5:45 (voice) in the Choir Room.

Follow Me, The Cross in the Life of the Believer

You are invited to a one-day seminar, *Follow Me*, on Saturday, March 10 at Evangelical Institute in Greenville. The cost is \$25 per person. Call 678-4909 or see Warren Peden for more information. We also have several students of EI who are members of our church that you can ask.



Check the newspaper for the schedule at Cherrydale and Hollywood Cinemas.

Our church family MATTERS

In Case of Emergency Call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845 Blue Bryan @ 243-7377 Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850 Richard Hendricks @ 884-6912

Our Homebound Member of the Week

Bob White

125 Broughton Drive, Greenville SC 29609



Congratulations to

- Perry and Debby Folk on the birth of their granddaughter, Natalie Kathryn, on February 21
- Richard and Syble Hendricks on the birth of their granddaughter, Georgia Grace, on February 22



Andrew Lance Deacon: Will Moore

Giving to the Lord

February 26

Budget Receipts \$ 7,366 Budget Required YTD \$96,516 Budget Received YTD \$65,509



Happy Birthday March 4-10

- 4: Henry Godfrey, Judy West, Anissa Henderson
- 5: Margaret (Sis) Schaeffer, Thomas Dacus
- 6: Ruth O'Donnell
- 7: Chris Jones, Todd Whitaker
- 8: Kathy Finley
- 9: Evelyn Pugh
- 10: Kathy Todd, Zoe Wampole

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Ministers for the Week of March 4-10

Every member a minister

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

Preschool Worship: Blue and Heather Bryan, Jered and Katie Nisky,

David and Susan McClure

Children's Church: Janet Cartee, Tina Jimmerson Wednesday Night: Marian Huskey, Beth Todd

Preschool Sunday School: Janet Cartee, Cynthia Hudson

Ushers: Bobby Taylor, Roy Sabean, Richard Hudson, Jim Hardesty **Sound/Video Projection:** John Folk, Steve Todd, Payton Wright

Counter: Marian Huskey

Fellowship Meal: Youth, Perry Folk

Menu: Hamburger steak, grilled mushrooms and peppers,

baked potato, tossed salad

Release Time: Jan Calvert, Barbara Lollis, Dawn Painter,

Allison Peden, Patty Runion

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson

Minister of Students and Education: Blue Bryan Minister of Children/Preschool: Ruth Harrison

Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks

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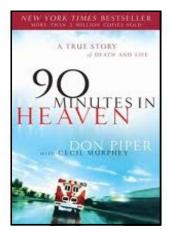
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March 25 6:00 p.m.

This event is for all Northgate members, our guests, and our community.

Free tickets available soon No reserved seats No child care



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