

## From Our Pastor

What is a church? The church is not a building, not a program, not activities. The Church is alive! It is not an organization, it is an organism. The Greek word that most often refers to the New Testament church is *EKKLESIA*. *EKKLESIA* literally means, "Called out ones." We get our English word, "ecclesiastical" from this word. It refers to a fellowship of Christians that are holy, separated, and set apart for the specific purpose of bringing glory to Jesus Christ.

The 2000 edition of the Baptist Faith and Message says the following about the local church: **"A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is an autonomous local congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel; observing the two ordinances of Christ, governed by His laws, exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by His Word, and seeking to extend His gospel to the ends of the earth. Each congregation operates under the Lordship of Christ through democratic processes. In such a congregation each member is responsible and accountable to Christ as Lord."**

You will notice no mention of buildings or facilities in the above definitions of the church. That is because the church is people, not buildings. But of course, the people need a place to meet! This Sunday morning, we will set aside time to prayerfully and corporately dedicate recent improvements to the facilities of Northgate Baptist Church.

Also, beginning this Sunday and continuing through next Sunday, August 26, we will place a special emphasis on praying for Northgate Baptist Church. Look for the prayer guide in this Sunday's bulletin. Please invest time this week in praying for Northgate Baptist Church.

May God always receive glory through His church at Northgate!

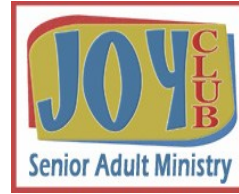
Blessings in Christ,



**GROW Team O**



**There will be a called church conference on Wednesday, August 29 to vote on the Nominating Committee report for next year.**



Tuesday  
August 21  
11:00 a.m.

Come and participate in an old-time singing of hymns. Plan to pay for your September catered meal (trial basis). Hostesses: Eunice Graham, Wilma McGarity, Mildred Sams, Jean Outz.

Week of Prayer for Northgate  
Begins This Sunday

Remember to use your prayer guide  
and pray for Northgate each day.

### Deacon Ordination Service

We will ordain two new deacons, Robby Bannister and Bob Parker, during our worship service on August 26. Pray daily for all of our deacons at Northgate.

### Important Meeting for All Teachers

An important meeting for all Sunday School teachers has been set up to discuss the upcoming Sunday School year of teaching, ministering, and reaching others in the name of Jesus. Please make plans to attend one of the two identical meetings in the Bryan Whitmire room.

1. Sunday, August 19 at 5:45 p.m.
2. Wednesday, August 22 at 5:45 p.m.

Please let Blue Bryan or David Ammons know which meeting you will be attending.

### Good News Club Leaders

All GNC leaders are asked to meet at 5:45 on Wednesday, August 22 in the Conference Room upstairs

**There will be NO Gate Post next week.**

## FOR KIDS K5 - GRADE 6

**Wonderful Wednesday August 22**  
Art Night with David Ammons

### School Supplies Are Needed!

It's Back-to-School time again and we are collecting school supplies for children who need them. These supplies will be given to students at Summit Drive Elementary and Stone Academy, the two schools where we sponsor Good News Clubs. When you are shopping, select a few extra supplies and bring them to share with these children. Collection boxes will be placed at the foot of the steps downstairs and in the vestibule. Thanks for reaching out to our community through this project.

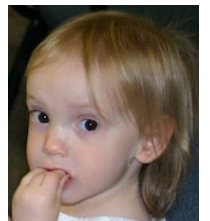
### Christmas Is Getting Near!

Do you want to sing in the Christmas music but can't make it to rehearsal on Wednesday evenings? Maybe the practice time is too late for you, or you have to work on Wednesday nights, or your children need to be in bed before 8:00. Whatever your reason, starting Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:15 p.m. we will have an additional rehearsal time just for Christmas music. Give Richard a call at 884-6912.

**Pray for students, teachers, and school administration as they return for a new school year.**

### We Need You!

Please come stay with us during worship service.



# Our church family **MATTERS**

## In Case of Emergency Call

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

Blue Bryan @ 243-7377  
Richard Hendricks @ 884-6912

## Our Homebound Member of the Week

Maxine Grooms  
7 Spring View Lane, Taylors SC 29687



*Congratulations to Justin and Katy (Atkins) Few who were married on August 11.*

## Giving to the Lord

### August 12

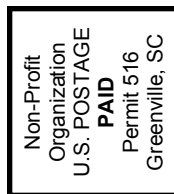
Budget Receipts \$ 5,222  
Budget Required YTD \$353,892  
Budget Received YTD \$305,006

## Happy Birthday for the Week of August 19-25

19: Jonathan Craig  
20: Mick Griffith  
22: Dylan Shaw  
24: \*Alberta Odom, Pat Foster, Jackie McCowan, Trisha Green  
25: Pat Derrick, Lacey Lewis



9:30



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Return Service Requested

## Ministers for the Week of August 19-25

Every member a minister

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

**Preschool Worship:** Blue and Heather Bryan, David and Susan McClure, Jered and Katie Nisky

**Children's Church:** Almena Simon, Ann Therrell

**Wednesday Night:** Marian Huskey, Beth Todd

**Preschool Sunday School:** Rhonda Capparelli, Janet Cartee, Joan Taylor

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

**Sound/Video Projection:** John Folk, Joey Hall, Payton Wright

**Counter:** Bonnie Arey

## Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson  
Minister of Students and Education: Blue Bryan  
Minister of Children/Preschool: Ruth Harrison  
Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks

# The Gate Post

Northgate Baptist Church  
Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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## A Service of Dedication

*August 19, 2012  
Sunday at 10:45*



*Praise God,  
from whom all blessings flow!*

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