

## From Our Pastor

I am a college football fan so I am happy that it is that time of year again (Roll Tide)! Every year (for some years now) college football is kicked-off with a Chic-fil-a sponsored game between the SEC and the ACC in the Georgia Dome (this year, there are two games!!). But really, chicken has nothing to do with football. Chicken has nothing to do with marriage either. When the Chief Operating Officer of Chic-fil-a spoke publically about his convictions concerning marriage, he (and Chic-fil-a) received a brutal backlash from angered opponents to Dan Cathy's convictions. I would suggest that his opponents are not as angered at Dan as they are with the biblical values that he believes. Dan Cathy wasn't the first and sadly, he will not be the last to be persecuted for Christian values and free speech.

The United States of America is indeed in trouble. When an owner of a family owned business cannot publically share his convictions without the threat of government intervention and opposition, we are in trouble. With regard to government interference, I found it interesting that the mayors of Chicago, Boston, San Francisco and Washington D.C. would be the most vocal at threatening to keep Chic-fil-a restaurants out of their cities. A quick search of the internet reveals that there are currently more than 1,600 Chic-fil-a restaurants in the world today. Fourteen are in Illinois, two in Massachusetts, one in San Francisco and one in Washington D.C.! I heartily agree with what Dan Cathy told Baptist Press about his personal convictions concerning biblical marriage. I am not alone. Wednesday, August 1, 2012, was Chic-fil-a appreciation day. Chic-fil-a had a historic day. Never before have they sold so much food in one day!!!

The events of the past many weeks prove to us that the United States of America desperately needs to bow the knee to Jesus Christ and His perfect Word. Will you join me in praying for a Christian awakening in our nation? **2 Chronicles 7:14** – **“If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”**

Read the Bible, pray and “Eat Mor Chicken!”

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**No GROW  
on Labor Day**

**There will be NO Gate Post next week.  
Church office is CLOSED for Labor Day.**

## You Are Needed!

Worship care for preschoolers and Children's Church for K5 - grade 2 are high priority areas at Northgate. These ministries cannot exist without volunteers and right now we have a shortage of volunteers in both areas. Please prayerfully consider giving one Sunday every 4 to 6 weeks to serve. If you are willing, contact Ruth or Dan Burgess as soon as possible. Thank you for serving God through this ministry.

## Week of Prayer for State Missions

We will observe the Week of Prayer for State Missions September 9-16. There will be a prayer guide in your bulletin on September 9 to lead your prayer time.

## Planning Packets Are Ready

If you are a leader/chairman of a committee or team for next year, please pick up your planning packet this Sunday from the table at the foot of the stairs near the office. They must be returned to the box on the same table by Sunday, October 7. Remember to sign them in.

## Discovery Class

Dr. Jimmerson will lead a new Discovery Class in Room 210 on September 9, 16, and 23 during the Sunday School hour. If you are a new member you must take this class. Others interested in learning more about Northgate are also encouraged to attend.

Northgate Marriage Retreat  
November 9-11  
See Tina Jimmerson

## 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 are at the foot of the stairs near the office and in the vestibule. Thanks for reaching out to our community through this project.

## Ladies Dessert Night

All ladies are invited for dessert Saturday night, September 8 at 7:00. Cherie Nettles will be our guest speaker for the evening. A love offering will be taken. Bring your friends!



## Wednesday Meals Return

Our Wednesday night meals will return on September 12, beginning at 5:30 - prepared by the best cook in the country, Tammy Wallace. We will use the permanent list from last year so if you need to remove your name call the office by noon on Monday, September 10. Also call by this time to add your name.

## Christmas Is Coming!

You MUST let Richard know if you will be attending the special rehearsals for our Christmas music beginning on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:15.

## Please Note!

Due to vacations, no checks will be written September 13-20. Please turn all check requests in by Sunday, September 9.



**October 1  
4:30 - 9:00  
See Judy Rothfuss**

# 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

Bill James  
232 Glenbrooke Way, Greenville SC 29615

## Christian Sympathy Is Expressed to

Eunice Graham on the death of her sister, Mattie. She was also the aunt of Susan McClure.

## Giving to the Lord

August 19

Budget Receipts \$ 7,035  
Budget Required YTD \$364,616  
Budget Received YTD \$312,041

## Giving to the Lord

August 26

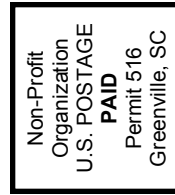
Budget Receipts \$ 4,202  
Budget Required YTD \$375,340  
Budget Received YTD \$317,972

## Happy Birthday for the Week of August 26-September 15

- 26: Wyatt Traynham Barry Kerr, Braylin Hunter
- 27: David Cornish, Teresa Porter
- 28: Barry Jimmerson, Drew Ertzberger
- 29: \*Yvonne Almeida
- 30: Caroline Lawton
- 31: Baylus Johnson, Joey Zywiczynski
- 1: Patty Runion
- 3: Britton Calvert
- 4: Grant Foster
- 5: Nancy Taylor, Stacey Simpson, Zachary Pearson
- 7: Walt Green
- 8: Will Moore, David Foster
- 9: Charles Johnson, Bruce Jackson, Sonny Ellison, Zachery Metz
- 10: Margaret Glenn, Bob Bryson
- 11: David Craig, Susan McClure
- 12: Randy Tucker, Valia Warren, Landon Bannister
- 13: Tony Green
- 15: Robbie Currie

## Happy Anniversary August 26-September 15

- 27: Wyatt and Carol Traynham
- 28: Lee and Kacie Coker
- 30: Ted and Linda Garner
- 31: Scott and Dawn Painter
- 1: Alan and Jerri Sams
- 2: Rick and Debbie Hudson
- 6: Curt and Carla Trogdon
- 9: Lyle and Patty Doornbos
- 15: Randy and Bonnie Bishop



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Return Service Requested

## Ministers for the Week of September 2 - September 8

Every member a minister

**Deacons of the Month:** Robby Bannister, Steve Todd, Ted Garner

**Preschool Worship:** Robby and Tiffany Bannister, Dan and Bonnie Burgess, Sarah Folk, Danette Hunter

**Children's Church:** Teresa Green, Ruth Harrison

**Wednesday Night:** Lou Jean Barker, Joan Taylor

**Ushers:** Chasie Bearden, Jamie Brazell, Lewis Barker, Frank Black

**Sound/Video Projection:** John Folk, Steve Todd, Kelsey Todd

**Counter:** Marian Huskey (Tuesday)

**Greeters:** Tommy Stephens, Bob Landers, Almena Simon

## Ministers for the Week of September 9-15

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

**Children's Church:** Tina Jimmerson, Ann Therrell

**Wednesday Night:** Kelly Hall, Marian Huskey

**Ushers:** Will Moore, Markus Heinis, Michael Britt, Danny Capparelli

**Sound/Video Projection:** John Folk, Steve Todd, Kelsey Todd

**Counter:** Mary Jane Peden

**Greeters:** Peter and Anne Danciu, Jessie Parker, Taft Jimmerson

# The Gate Post

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## A New Sunday School Year!



Preschoolers, children, and youth will go to their new classes this Sunday morning to begin a new year of studying God's Word.

Adults, now is the perfect time for you to join a Sunday School class. We have just the class that suits your needs.



If you feel a need to change Sunday School classes, contact Blue Bryan or David Ammons, our director, and they will help find the perfect class for you!

A new class for men of all ages is beginning September 9 in Room 203. Sam Beason will be teaching the class. Watch for a new ladies class to begin soon.



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