From Our Pastor

The requirement to register with the Selective Service was reinstated in 1980 for men born January 1, 1960, or later. I was born in August, 1960. The reinstatement of the draft came about as a result of the Iran Hostage Crisis. American citizens were held captive for 444 days from November 4, 1979 until January 20, 1981. When my friends and I registered for the draft, we formed an unofficial agreement that if war were to breakout between the U.S. and Iran that we would join the military rather than wait to be drafted. We had decided that we would rather be proactive than reactive. Further, we decided that should we enter the military, our desire would be to be among the best trained troops in the military. Therefore, your pastor was prepared to "sign up" for the Special Forces.

War never came, the draft never occurred and I never served in the military, but a fascination and appreciation was implanted deep in my heart for our military personnel. I enrolled in every military history and tactics class that Kennesaw State University offered at the time. I was hooked! As I reflect upon my life, I am a little amazed that I never served in the military, as interested as I have always been. My brother, Rick, retired from the U.S. Air Force. Virtually all of my cousins served in the military. Four of them retired from military service. One of my cousins experienced two tours of combat duty in Vietnam with the United States Marines. Tragically, he later took his own life due to the trauma he suffered in Southeast Asian jungles.

As we approach Veterans Day 2012, please join me in praying for our veterans and their families. Find creative ways to express your appreciation to them. We are planning a special service this Sunday that will hopefully lead us to worship our Savior Jesus Christ and also honor our veterans. Make plans to attend. Veterans, please wear your uniform (even if you can only still fit into your socks)!

I have vowed to never be addicted to anything; but I must confess I am hopelessly addicted to freedom! May God bless our veterans and active duty personnel and their families, and may God bless the United States of America!

In order to be good stewards of God's money, beginning in January we will be going to a **monthly edition of the Gate Post**. Weekly announcements will be in your Sunday bulletin and on the Wednesday night prayer sheet. We will also send out emails when we know of *extras* that come up during the month. If you are not getting emails from us now, please get your email address to us at admin@northgatebaptist.com.

Important information! Anyone who needs to spend over \$200 for church needs, etc. MUST have prior approval from the Stewardship Committee. Carter Ann Nix is chairman of this committee.

South Carolina Baptist Convention November 13-14 at the TD Convention Center



Northgate is going on a mission trip on Saturday, December 8 and we want you to go with us! We will leave the church at 11 a.m, stop for lunch, and then go to the **Billy Graham Library** in Charlotte for a free tour (donations are accepted).

There is a book store with souvenirs and a restaurant at the library. After the tour, we will go to the **Operation Christmas Child Operation Center** and help pack shoeboxes from 4:00 - 8:00. Bring money for souvenirs, lunch, and dinner. We have about 20 spots available. You must be at least 13 years old to help at the Operation Center. See Blue Bryan.



Remember These

November 11: Veterans Day Service

November 18: Baptism, 2013 Budget Available November 21: No Wednesday Night Events

November 22: Thanksgiving Day November 23: Office Closed

JOY Club meets <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 13</u> for those with reservations. Note the date change! By request, our guest will be Joel Duncan, former interim Minister of Music at Northgate. This probably will be the last time this year we will have lunch catered.

Hostesses: Pat Foster, Evelyn Bradey, Ken Shirley

Ladies, have you used the **Journey** magazine for your daily quiet time? We have several free copies on the table downstairs - first-come first-serve.

The **2013** Northgate budget will be available to pick up on Sunday, November 18 with discussion following on Wednesday, November 28. Vote, without discussion, will be taken to approve the budget on Sunday, December 2.

Doors in various places at the church are still being left open or unlocked at night. Please, please, be sure to lock the door behind you when you leave the church after 5:00. This includes locking our vehicles after use.

When you park to come into the church office, please do not block the drive on either side of the portico. Other cars need to load and unload in this area

WE MUST PROTECT THE LORD'S HOUSE.

Barry

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

Elizabeth Simkins
Gardens at Eastside H-14
275 Commonwealth Drive, Greenville SC 29615

Happy Birthday for the Week of November 11-17

- 11: Frances Boggs, Billy Burch
- 12: Nita Finley, Jerri Sams
- 13: *Vera Jamison, Taft Jimmerson
- 14: Nick Skolnick
- 15: Grady Poole
- 16: Joan Heinis, Ken Hall, Dawn Painter, Barry Agnew, Mike Shaw
- 17: Mary Hodgden, Linda Garner, Heather Bryan

Happy Anniversary November 11 - 17

14: Bruce and Peggy Jackson



Wednesday Night Meals

Our Wednesday night meals are served from 5:15 - 6:30 each Wednesday. Call the church office by noon on Tuesday to add your name or to remove your name from the list. If you do not cancel your permanent reservation by this time you will be charged the following week for the meal you missed.

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Deacons of the Month: David McClure, Warren Peden, Tom Simon

Preschool Sunday School: Syble Hendricks

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

David and Susan McClure

No Children's Church

Wednesday Night: Teresa Green, Joan Taylor

Greeters: Peter and Anne Danciu, Jesse Parker, Taft Jimmerson

Ushers: Scott Ferguson, Joey Hall, Danny Capparelli

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk, Joey Hall, Daniel Mejia

Counter: Mary Jane Peden

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

Patty Runion, Jeannie Strickland

Wednesday Workers: Melissa Lawton, Peter Danciu, Ted Garner,

Carole Coker, Eunice Graham

Pastoral 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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Thank you!

We will honor our veterans at a patriotic service this Sunday morning. We appreciate all of our veterans and thank them for our freedom.

All veterans in our community are invited to a Community Veterans Celebration at 1:15 this Friday, November 9 at Summit Drive Elementary School.

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