From Our Pastor

As I write this article this week, my mind drifts back five years. Five years ago today (November 14, 2007), I had a colon resection to remove a cancerous tumor.

Many of you prayed for me and my family during that time. I will be forever grateful for the compassion and kindness expressed to me and my family through you.

I pray regularly for a cure for cancer. I know you do too. We are all tired of the pain and scars that cancer leaves. However, we can be thankful that in cancer we see a picture of sin. Cancer is a disease of the body that, if left untreated, *can* lead to death. Sin is a disease of the soul that, if left untreated, *will* lead to death. Many kinds of cancers are treatable and many people are enjoying a full life in the wake of cancer. Sin is treatable only by the shed blood of the perfect Lamb of God who was given on Calvary's cross; and in His victorious resurrection from the grave.

We thank God for His abundant blessings and healings this Thanksgiving season! More, much more, than the blessings of successful treatment for a physical disease, we are thankful for the eternal blessings that we have in a cure for the disease of sin. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." I pray that everyone reading these words has received the blessing of Jesus as Savior and Lord. If not, please pray. In your prayer, admit that you are a sinner and unable to save yourself (Romans 3:23). Believe that Jesus Christ died in your place (for your sin) on the cross and rose from the dead to give you new life (Romans 5:8; 6:23). Confess Jesus Christ as the sovereign Savior and Lord of your life and commit every minute of the rest of your life to Him for His purposes (Romans 10:9, 13). If you prayed and asked Christ to be your Savior and Lord or if you have any questions concerning becoming a Christian, please let me know.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sam



There will be no Wednesday service or activities on November 21. The church office will be **closed** on Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23. **Have a wonderful**

Thanksgiving with your family. All activities will resume on Wednesday, November 28. Budget discussion is at 6:30.

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 so you won't miss out on important information during the month. **The deadline to get your Gate Post articles to the office will be the 20th of the month, beginning on December 20**. Go ahead and begin planning for the month of January now and get the information to us by the 20th so you we can all be informed! Thanks.

Children's church resumes this Sunday. Parents, please send your children to the front when Mrs. Ruth goes to the stage.



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 less than 20 spots available. You must be at least 13 years old to help at the Operation Center. See Blue Bryan.

Remember These

November 18:	Baptism, 2013 Budget Available
November 21:	No Wednesday Night Activities
November 22:	Thanksgiving Day
November 23:	Office Closed
November 28:	All Activities Resume, Budget Discussion

NO Gate Post next week.

Our children's ministry will present *The Christmas Shoe Tree* on December 12. In conjunction with this, they will be collecting shoes for **Soles4Souls**, a charity that distributes shoes around the world to people in need,



regardless of race, religion, class, etc. Our kids are asking your help by bringing shoes to the church between December 1 and 12 and placing them under the tree in the sanctuary. They can use new or gently used shoes of all kinds and styles for men, women, and kids. There are children in our world who cannot attend school and adults who cannot work because they have no shoes. Some even make shoes out of cardboard and string. Let's help impact the world . . . one shoe and one soul at a time. Check out their website at www.soles4souls.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 chairperson of this committee.

The Crossties Sunday School class will be studying the **GROW/Outreach** training material during the remainder of November, before they begin the Gospel Project literature in December. Anyone who is interested is encouraged to join this class during this special time. Contact Peter Rothfuss, class teacher, for more information.

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

GROW Team O this Monday Team W next Monday @ 6:00

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

Helen Smith 227 Brambleton Road, Winston Salem NC 27127

Christian Sympathy Is Extended to

Wesley Harrison on the death of his daughter, Sabrina Posey, and his cousin, Dot Campbell

David Brazell on the death of his brother, Mickey Brazell. He was the uncle of Jamie Brazell

Rick Hudson on the death of his father, Buddy Hudson. He was the grandfather of Richard Hudson.

Ministers for the Week of November 25-December 1

Deacons of the Month: David McClure, Warren Peden, Tom Simon December: Will Kirby, Bob Parker, Porter Huskey

Preschool Sunday School: Almena Simon

Preschool Worship: Chasie Bearden, Harry and Dawn Cunningham, Jack and Carol Dill, Pam Waters

Children's Church: Teresa Green, Ann Therrell

Wednesday Night: Tiffany Bannister, Bonnie Burgess

Greeters: Patty Runion, Carol Hughes, Pat Durham

Ushers: Lewis Barker, Mills Hunter, Robby Bannister, Dan Burgess

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

Counter: Perry Folk

Release Time: Jan Calvert, Dawn Painter, Barbara Lollis, Marian Huskey, Linda Smith

Wednesday Workers: Judy Whaley, Almena Simon, Linda Smith, Laverne Walls, Perry Folk

Happy Anniversary November 18-24

- 18: David and Violet Shehan
- 20: Bob and Janet Landers
- 22: Jonathan and Cynthia Hamilton
- 22: Mat and Tammy Wallace
- 23: Sam and Linda Smith
- 24: Tommy and Violet Stephens
- 28: Ed and Karen Synder





Ministers for the Week of November 18-24

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

Preschool Sunday School: Joan Hall

Preschool Worship: Jamie and Teresa Brazell, Tom and Elaine Estes, Carter Ann Nix, Beth Todd

Children's Church: Linda Hardesty, Ruth Harrison

No Wednesday Night Activities

Greeters: Lee Coker, Layne Winchester, Teresa Howard Ushers: Frank Black, Roy Sabean, Jim Hardesty, Bob Parker Sound/Video Projection: John Folk, Joey Hall, Daniel Mejia Counter: Mary Jane Peden

Happy Birthday for the Week of Nov. 18-Dec. 1

- 18: Sara Jo Jennings
- 20: Logan Green
- 21: Rodgers Gaines, Becky Irwin
- 22: Carolyn Geraci, Jonathan Lawton, Kelsey Todd
- 23: Kelly King, Christopher Bruce, Emily Turner
- 24: *Helen Smith
- 25: Marian Huskey, Scott Painter
- 26: Brenda Clark, Kellee Vernon
- 27: Catherine Berry, Linda Hardesty
- 29: Carol Hughes, Harriett Carmichael, Randy Bishop, Michael Currie
- 30: Josh Capps, Jacob Hudson
- 1: Syble Hendricks

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Your church staff wishes you a happy Thanksgiving!



Baptism: One of the two ordinances which Jesus Christ has instituted and established for His Church.

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