Discipleship is a priority at Northgate. Christ didn't commission us to "Go and make converts." He commissioned us to "Go and make disciples." We have much work to do! One of the ways that we make disciples is through small group ministry. At Northgate, we have an ingenious way of doing that. Years ago, education space was constructed with small rooms where small groups could meet. These small groups began meeting at a convenient time - on Sunday mornings before the worship service. Although I'm sure many names for this small group ministry were considered, "Sunday School" was the name that Northgate adopted. So, if you are not currently a part of a "Sunday School" small group, I encourage you to consider joining one. Understand, one may join a "Sunday School" small group without joining the church. Joining a Sunday School class has many benefits. It provides an avenue of sharing information so we can be included in small-group as well as church-wide events. These events may have a fellowship, prayer, discipleship, ministry or outreach theme. Being a member of a "Sunday School" small group positions us to receive ministry, prayer, fellowship, discipleship and outreach when we or our family needs it most.

I am excited about what God is doing in and through His church at Northgate!

Blessings,

Bany

Barry

Saturday, May 4 7:00am - 12:00pm

Our youth are once again sponsoring a yard sale. There are always lots of good bargains at their sale so don't miss out this year. Bring your donations to the gym the week before the sale.



Deacons of the MonthWill Kirby, Bob Parker, Porter Huskey

Women of Honor

Ladies, don't miss this free event on Saturday, May 4 at Calvary First in Greenville. Our own Lynette Eason will be the speaker. Register at and get more information at honorevent.com.

Senior Adult Sunday May 5 RSVP by May 1st

Call office for reservation 242-3805

piscovery Class

For our members: To complete your membership at Northgate, you are required to attend the Discovery Class. For our guests: This class is an excellent way to become better acquainted with Northgate.

We will meet at 9:30 a.m. during the Sunday School hour on May 5, 12, and 19 in the Fellowship Hall.



We will have Parent Child dedication on Mother's Day. Please contact Ruth Harrison by **May 5th** if you would like to participate in this service.



VBS Team Leaders meeting will be Wednesday, May 1st at 6:15pm on the stage end of the Fellowship Hall.

Graduate Sunday - May 19

If you are a member of Northgate and are graduating this year from high school, college or above, please call the office and give us your name, the school from which you are graduating, and how many will be eating lunch by **Sunday**, **May 12th**.



Meetings are:

Thursday, May 23 @ 7:00pm and

Tuesday, May 28 @ 10:00am Fellowship Hall

The Eastside Crisis Center is in

need of non-perishable food items. Please consider bringing a food item each Sunday to help provide for the needs of our community. Place your items in the shopping cart in the church foyer.



Tuesday, May 21 @ 11:00

Our guest for May will be "the Church Lady" Mrs. Pam Parker from Rock Springs Baptist Church in Easley. May will be one of our months that we have a covered dish lunch. Bring your favorite dish and come join in good food, fellowship and entertainment.

Hostesses: Marian & Porter Huskey, Pat Foster, and Judy Holland



FUNDRAISER FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Mark your calendar for our Hamburger Supper on Wednesday, June 5th. Cost will be \$6/adults and \$4/children. Wednesday meal standing reservations DO NOT apply. More information to come.

GROW IN MAY

G Team: May 6 R Team: May 13 O Team: May 20





Church Office closed Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day.

Information for next month's Gate Post must be in the office by **the 15**th **of this month**.

Flip flops for Dominican Republic

Jack & Lynette Eason are going on a mission trip and need **flip-flops (ALL SIZES).** A box will be provided in the foyer for the next few weeks. Thank you for your contribution for this trip.

Wednesday Night Suppers will end on May 29. We will not have the suppers throughout the summer.

Our Church Matters

Homebound Member of the Month

Yvonne Floyd

6 Bonaventure Drive, Greenville, SC 29615

May Birthday

- Katie Nisky
- Wayne Dantzler
- Curtis Blackmon, Vinh Thomsen
- Violet Stephens, Kevin Cothran, Season Buchanan, Tyler Lawton
- Phyllis Threatt, Linda Craig, Patti Spagnolo
- 6 Patti Nance
- 7 Helen Miller, Jennifer Sanders, Scott Banks
- 8 Bill Nix, Daniel Mejia
- 10 Rebecca Duncan
- 11 Tommy Stephens
- 12 Kylie King
- 13 Pamela Anderson
- 14 Melvin Sammons, Mary Ridgeway
- 15 James Jeter, Jeanette Parrish, Jesse Hudson
- 18 Paul Williams, Jackie Simonet
- 19 Karen Beason, Tina Jimmerson, Jessica Harper
- 20 Carol Dill, Steve Poole
- 22 Jean Outz, Tammy Wallace
- 23 Ralley Shirley, Sherilyn Ammons
- 24 Donna Williams
- 25 Angela McGee, Heather Ellason
- 26 Hudson Peden
- 27 Glenn Winchester
- 28 Ann Therrell, Cathy Pittman, Ben Hall
- 29 Lillian Price, Cecil Arey, Kayla Ellason

May Anniversaries

- 3 Porter & Marian Huskey
- Henry & Bobbie Godfrey
- 7 Tony & Laura Green
- 10 Perry & Debby Folk
- 11 Will & Barbara Moore
- 13 Leon & Sue Lutz
- 15 Dean & Pam Waters
- 17 Michael & Karen Rainey
- 18 Ken & Joan Hall
- 22 Glenn & Laverne Walls
- 27 Bob & Judy Whaley
- 29 Wesley & Ruth Harrison

Counting Team

6: Marian Huskey

- 13: Mary Jane Peden 12: Sam Smith
- 20: Bonnie Arey
- 19: Will Kirby 26: Ted Garner

5: Bob Parker

Offertory Prayer

28: Perry Folk

Projection/Audio Team

Joey Hall, Payton Wright

Preschool Worship

- 5: Mike & Janet Cartee, Joan Hall, Cynthia Hudson, Dawn Painter, Tina Jimmerson
- 12: Ted Garner, Tony & Laura Green, Will Kirby, Warren & Allison Peden
- 19: Robby & Tiffany Bannister, Dan & Bonnie Burgess, Lee & Kacie Coker
- 26: Blue & Heather Bryan, David & Susan McClure, Jered & Katie Nisky

Preschool Sunday School

- 5: Almena Simon
- 12: Janet Cartee
- 19: Sybil Hendricks
- 26: Joan Hall

Children's Church

- 5: Jamie & Teresa Brazell
- 12: Linda Hardesty, Ann Therrell
- 19: Dawn Cunningham, Ruth Harrison
- 26: Cynthia Hudson, Tina Jimmerson

Wednesday Preschool Care

- 1: Bonnie Burgess, Katie Nisky
- Teresa Green. Beth Todd
- 15: Chasie Bearden, Kelly Hall
- 22: Danette Hunter, Michelle Shaw
- 29: Kelly Hall, Joan Taylor

Wednesday Night Meal Helpers

- 1: Judy Whaley, Almena Simon, Linda Smith, Laverne Walls, Perry Folk
- 8: Tom Simon, Ann Therrell, Roy & Del Sabean, Barbara Lollis
- 15: Youth Team 1, Marian Huskey
- 22: Judy West, Rhonda Capparelli, Pam Waters, Tina Jimmerson, Lewis Barker
- 29: Melissa Lawton, Peter Danciu, Ted Garner, Carole Coker, Eunice Graham

Ushers

- Perry Folk, Bob Parker, Steve Poole
- 12: Jim Hardesty, Will Moore
- 19: Danny Capparelli, Joey Hall, Bill Nix
- 26: Lewis Barker, Richard Hudson, Roy Sabean

Greeters

- 5: Tommy Stephens, Almena Simon
- 12: Anne Danciu, Peter Danciu, Jesse Parker, Taft Jimmerson
- 19: Lee Coker, Layne Winchester, Teresa Howard
- 26: Patty Runion, Carol Hughes, Pat Durham

We have received thank you notes from the following: Anne Beaver, James & Betty Jeter

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A word from our Pastor!



Dr. Chuck Kelley, President of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, frequently (and humorously) refers to an old Hebrew expression: "Wow!" "Wow" sums up my response to the first three months of 2013! But as exciting as 2013 has been, we look back only for perspective's sake. We are moving forward! Forward in faith and forward by faith. We are pressing toward the goal that God has for His church at Northgate! As Paul wrote: "Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of

me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise. God will reveal even this to you. Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind" (Phil. 3:12-16).

Northgate is a busy church. By God's grace, we have been busy seeing men, women, boys and girls come to faith in Christ! We will remain busy as we enter May. May 5 is Senior Adult Day – a day to appreciate and celebrate our seniors. May 12 is Mother's Day and a time for parent/child dedication. May 19 is a day to celebrate with our graduates. May 26 will be a day to remember how we became a free nation, what that means, and why God chose to establish a large free nation with a large free church! We are busy making disciples for Christ.

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