



## Children's Ministry

### Fundraiser Dinner and Auction February 11 beginning @ 5:00

**Silent Auction 5:00-6:30; Supper 5:30;  
Live Auction at 6:30**

Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread,  
tea and dessert

#### Cost:

**Adults age 13 and up \$10.00**

**Children 6-12 \$ 5.00**

**Preschoolers FREE**

New items or gift cards from retail stores and/or restaurants are needed for the auction. If you have a business, consider donating some of your products. Also, you may ask some businesses to donate new items or gift cards. All items must be new. You may also donate baked goods as well. Letters are available for your tax deductible donation from Ruth Harrison. The deadline for bringing items for the auction is **Sunday, February 8.**

**You must have tickets to attend the dinner.** If your name is on the "standing reservations" list for Wednesday night you need only to come to the church office to purchase your tickets. If your name is on the list and you cannot attend please call and cancel your reservation. **COME SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES.**

**Tickets must be purchased in the church office by noon on Monday, February 9th. See Bonnie Burgess to purchase tickets at church on Sunday morning or Wednesday night. Call the church office at 242-3805.**

## Released Time

We are having a very successful year. Our ministry is reaching many League Academy students each Wednesday. This success can be attributed to the belief in and dedication of our Northgate volunteers. Northgate and the Christian Learning Centers of Greenville County wish to thank each volunteer for their many, many hours of service.

The program is going well this year. We do need more volunteers on **Wednesdays from 10am-2pm.** You would only have to serve 1 time per month. **If you can help please call Peggy Kirby at 244-5376. We need you!**



### CentriKid Camp is June 23-27

Every child who is planning on attending camp must turn in a non-refundable deposit of \$50 by Sunday, **February 8.** Make checks payable to Northgate Baptist Church. Please give your deposit to Ruth Harrison.

**Youth trip to Ski Wolf Ridge - February 16:** We will leave @ 7am and return to the church around 7:30pm. The cost is \$65/person. A deposit of \$10 must be paid by February 1. The deadline to pay the entire cost is February 8. See Moses Jonnalagadda for further information.



## Northgate Basketball

### Come support our Northgate Basketball Teams

2/2 @ Edwards Road - Boys vs. Edwards Road 6:30  
@ Taylors First - Men under 30 vs. Brothers & Sisters 9:30  
@ Northgate - Men over 30 vs. Fairview 8:30  
2/9 @ Earle Street - Boys vs. Earle St. White 6:30  
@ Northgate - Men over 30 vs. Fairview 7:30  
@ Earle Street - Men under 30 vs. Edwards Rd. 8:30

## Joy Club



Come and join us at Joy Club **Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 11:00am. Tim Womack will be our guest.** Tim is the Regional Information Referral & Assistance Specialist with the Appalachian Council of Government. Tim will provide information about services that are available to Seniors by the Governments. Don't miss this time of information, fellowship and great food.

For reservations contact Violet Stephens at (864) 271-0527.



Books are education, encouragement and entertainment you can hold right in your hands! They make good company while waiting in the doctor's office, carpool line, or traveling. Pair a heartwarming book with a cozy blanket and you'll soon forget it is cold outside! February is Library Lovers' month. Stop in and check us out!

**We open on Sunday's @ 9am and on Wednesday's at 5pm.**

**Eastside Crisis Center:** The Crisis Center is always in need of monetary donations or canned goods to give to the homeless and those in need. Bring a bag with you on Sunday or Wednesday and place in the buggies in the foyer or the fellowship hall. **Help feed a hungry person or family. You will be blessed!**

Eastside Crisis Center is located at:  
12 Ebaugh Avenue - Greenville, SC 29607  
(864) 242-9083

They are always in need of volunteers, so if you are looking for volunteer opportunities, give them a call.

**Sunday School Teachers and Workers Training - February 8 @ 4pm**  
**Children's Ministry Fundraiser - February 11 - Get your ticket soon!**



**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering: Northgate's goal is \$8,000. Received to date is \$9,052.**

**PRAISE GOD!**

**Women's Missionary Union will meet Tuesday, February 24 at 10am. All ladies are welcome. Come and join us.**



**Women's  
Birthday Party  
March 14, 2015**

### A NOTE FROM THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Any committee or group that uses the church buses for events, please be sure that you clean the buses out upon return to the church. **Help us take care of the buses has God blessed us with.**



Come join the men of the church on **Tuesday mornings @ 7am** for breakfast and prayer. This is a special time for sharing the needs of God's people at Northgate and to pray for our nation. All men are welcome to join us. We hope to see you on Tuesday morning @ 7am.

**Thank You notes have been received from:**  
Tommy & Bea Murray, Tina Speakman

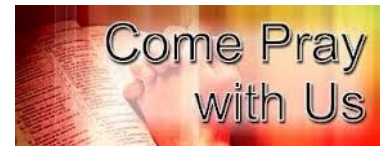


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*Church-wide Prayer*  
*February 15 @ 5pm*

Come and join us on *February 15 @ 5pm*  
in the Bryan Whitmire class.

*New Bible Study*

Come join us for the exciting new series that Pastor Barry is beginning on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. He will begin a Biblical Character study of the various people in the Bible on January 28th and will start with Adam.



**FEBRUARY**  
**2 Team G**  
**9 Team R**  
**16 Team O**  
**23 Team W**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER AND WORKERS TRAINING

Sunday, February 8 at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

All Sunday School teachers and workers are encouraged to attend this very important and informative meeting that will be led by Dr. Jimmerson. You will gain valuable information about setting goals, teaching and growing your Sunday School Class. Come be a part of it!



### Pastoral Staff

**Dr. Barry Jimmerson**  
*Pastor*

**Mr. Moses Jonnalagadda**  
*Interim Youth Minister*

**Mrs. Ruth Harrison**  
*Preschool and Children*

**Rev. Richard Hendricks**  
*Worship*

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15th of each month*

**Deacons of the Month**  
**Walt Green**  
**Richard Hudson**  
**Al Phillips**

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## Thoughts from Pastor Barry



I read the following story the other day: "There was a man who got lost in the desert. After wandering around for a long time his throat became very dry, about that time he saw a little shack in the distance. He made his way over to the shack and found a water pump with a small jug of water and a note.

The note read: "pour all the water into the top of the pump to prime it, if you do this you will get all the water you need". Now the man had a choice to make, if he trusted the note and poured the water in and it worked he would have all the water he needed. If it didn't work he would still be thirsty and he might die. Or he could choose to drink the water in the jug and get immediate satisfaction, but it might not be enough and he still might die. After thinking about it the man decided to risk it. He poured the entire jug into the pump and began to work the handle, at first nothing happened and he got a little scared but he kept going and water started coming out. So much water came out he drank all he wanted, took a shower, and filled all the containers he could find. Because he was willing to give up momentary satisfaction, he got all the water he needed. Now the note also said: after you have finished, please refill the jug for the next traveler." The man refilled the jug and added to the note: "Please prime the pump, believe me it works!"

We have the same choice to make, do we hold on to what we have because we don't believe there are better things in store for us, and settle for immediate satisfaction? Or do we trust God and give up all that we have to get what God has promised us? I think the choice is obvious. We need to pour in all the water, trust God with everything. Then once we have experienced what God has to offer, the living water, we need to tell other people, "Go ahead prime the pump, believe me it works!"

That story reminded me of spiritual disciplines. Disciplines like prayer, Bible-study, witnessing, tithing and volunteering. When we invest in the Kingdom of God we reap blessings. You see, it is impossible to out-give God; but first, it takes a step of faith. I am praying that we all exercise our faith and discover all that God has for us. We will never realize the full blessing of our salvation until we have faith enough to prime the pump! This truth is illustrated all through the Scriptures. We find it in 1 Kings 17; 2 Kings 4; Matthew 8; Mark 5, Luke 7, John 9 and in many, many other passages. God blesses faith. **Hebrews 11:6 – "Without faith it is impossible to please God."**

Let's grow in our faith. Let's serve God. Read a book of the Bible this month. Spend twenty minutes in prayer every day. Tell someone your story of redemption through Christ. Give three hours of your time each week to the Lord through His church. Write a check. Pay a tithe. Make an offering. Give sacrificially.

Prime the pump!

*Barry*

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