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The Church office will be closed for Christmas on December 24 & 25 and on New Year's Day.

It is our great blessing to serve our Lord Jesus Christ with you at God's church at Northgate. We pray that you and your family have a blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year.

Your Staff: Barry, Baxter, Ruth, Maranda, Matthew, Brenda, Tina, Candy, Bonnie, and Anthony

AN IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Please note that on Monday, December 3 the church office and financial office will be relocating to the Bryan Whitmire classroom for approximately 4 months while renovation is being done in the office areas. You may still access the office by ringing the bell at the preschool door entrance. We ask that you be patient while we make these adjustments. Feel free to call the church office if you have any questions.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

The portico is for the purpose of drop off and pick up only. It is not for parking. Please keep this area clear **PARKING** for those that need to drop off or pick up someone, and for emergency

vehicles to access the building. Thank you for keeping the portico clear of vehicles.



The seasons are changing. In case of inclement weather on a Wednesday evening or Sunday morning, please check our website at

www.northgatebaptist.com or watch WYFF-4 or Fox 21 for information about services and activities.

GROW will not meet in December and January. We will resume in February.



Pastoral Staff

Dr. Barry Jimmerson (864) 320-9076 Pastor

Mr. Baxter McGuirt (864) 906-1906 Minister of Students and Education

Mrs. Ruth Harrison Minister of Children and Their Families

Mrs. Maranda Williams Minister of Preschool and Their Families

Mr. Matthew Ellenburg **Supply Worship Leader**

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Deacons of the Month Robby Bannister Jamie Brazell **Tommy Stephens**



BEGINNING ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 SERVICES WILL BE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Sunday Worship will be held beginning December 2nd in the fellowship hall for several months while the sanctuary is being renovated. You will enter for service through the portico drop off area or the rear of the church. Please do not PARK under the portico.

Wednesday evenings: Beginning Wednesday, November 28, the Pastor's Wednesday night Bible Study will be held in the fellowship hall and BAMM will be in the current 3rd-4th grade classroom. James Turner, 3rd year student at the Evangelical Institute, will share his testimony on November 28.

Very Important Notice: Please consider the fellowship hall as the sanctuary during this time of renovation. We have set this place aside for the purpose of worship. Please do not bring food or drink into the fellowship hall during this **time**. Thank you for your understanding.



CHRISTMAS AT NORTHGATE

The Celebration Choir will present special Christmas music on Sunday, December 16. Throughout the month of December we will be singing all of the favorite Christmas Carols during our worship services.

Christmas Eve and Candlelighting Service December 24 @ 5:00pm



2018 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL—This year we're encouraging all Northgate members and families to celebrate Advent at home! Celebrating Advent at home is a wonderful Christmas tradition that helps the whole family focus on the reason for Christmas: Jesus. It also provides a great

opportunity to invite friends and family members over to celebrate Christmas along with you! We're providing an Advent devotional guide with devotions for each Sunday of Advent, as well as some instructions on how to set up an Advent wreath. You can pick these up from the information tables around the church or request one from the church office; just be sure to pick one up by the first Sunday of Advent on December 2. Our very own Baxter McGuirt wrote the Advent Devotional.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PLAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19 in the Gym

Dinner at 5:30

Play at 6:30

Join us for a festive evening of food, fellowship, music, and sharing on Wednesday, December 19.

A Christmas dinner of ham, green beans, macaroni and cheese, rolls, dessert, and tea will be served in the gym. The cost for the dinner is \$6. Reservations are necessary for dinner. The deadline for making reservations is Sunday, December 16. Call the church office during the week or see Ruth Harrison on Sundays or Wednesdays.

Northgate members of all ages will participate in the play, Shoe Tree, at 6:30 p.m.

A part of the play will be placing shoes on our Christmas tree. We are asking everyone to bring gently used and new shoes to be placed on a Christmas tree during the play. Bring shoes in all sizes for preschoolers, children, and adults. Begin purchasing shoes NOW!





Jesus is the reason for the Season!!

Praise God that we are allowed to worship such an amazing Lord and Savior. Now is the time to

start sharing with your babies and Preschoolers that Christmas is the day Jesus was born. By reading the Bible and quick books, we are planting the seed at an early age. This is crucial for their little minds and hearts. Remember if we do not teach them about Jesus Christ, who will?

Please be in prayer with me as we move our Babies and Preschoolers to the newly designed wing. This is such an exciting time at Northgate and a perfect time to get involved if you aren't already.

Have a Merry Christmas !!

Maranda Williams and

Preschool Team



All ladies are invited to join us for Women's Bible Study every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm in the Hope class. Come and study God's Word with us. You will be encouraged as we meet together.



December 2 at <u>5:30pm</u> in the Fellowship Hall.
Come join us for prayer.



We open on Sunday at 9:00am and at 5:00pm on Wednesday.

Now that school has started back, come by the library and check out some great reading material for your children. Pick one out for yourself also. We have a great selection.

Contact Kathy Todd at 864-907-6058 if you have any book requests.

Thank You notes have been received from:

Ruby Tumblin



The Intensive Financial Peace University course being offered at the church will be on *January 11 from 6:30-8:30pm*, *January 12 from 9:00am-4:00pm and during Sunday School at 9:30 on January 13, 2019*. We will learn about Dave Ramsey's Baby Steps. The event will cost \$20 per person. Refreshments, coffee, and lunch on Saturday will be provided. You may purchase the book if you wish but we will have some handouts. See Katie Ellenburg or Tina Jimmerson for more information and to sign-up. You must sign up for the course so we will know how many to prepare for. You may also call the church office to sign up at 864-242-3805.



We share our sympathies with Glenn Jones and family on the passing of Glenn's brother, Mike Jones; Brenda Yoder, Heather Witt and family on the

passing of their mother, grandmother and Northgate member, Helen Miller. Continue to remember these families in prayer.



2018 Week of Prayer for International Missions is December 2–9, 2018. A Prayer Guide and envelopes will be in your bulletin on December 2.

Northgate's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal is \$2,000. Pray about what the Lord would have you to give.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Northgate packed and sent 182 shoeboxes!!

Thank you Northgate family for praying and giving to Operation Christmas Child throughout this year and for everyone who came to the packing party to get the boxes packed and ready to go. We appreciate each one of you!



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Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is December 2—9, 2018