

Gate City Baptist Church
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There will be no adult choir rehearsal on February 19. For those who are not currently part of the choir, but are perhaps interested, you are welcome to join us for rehearsal on Sunday nights at 5:30.



KidStuf is an exciting worship experience for children grades K-5. In February, it will meet on the 5th, 12th and 26th. Children are dismissed to KidStuf after the offertory during the morning service.

Deacons Meeting



Deacons will meet on Sunday, February 5th at 4 PM in room A-118.

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I finally found out why your sermon files keep disappearing... we installed a new "spam filter."

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Joy Group Valentine's Dinner February 14—6 PM



On February 14, the Joy Group will sponsor their annual Valentine's Day Banquet. The catered meal will consist of chicken cordon bleu, salad, vegetables and dessert. After the meal, we will have a lot of fun as some of Gate City's own participate in the *Not So Newlywed Game*. The cost is \$12/person. Sign up by contacting either Emma McCoy or calling the church office by February 10th.

Southern Gospel Concert February 19—6PM



Cross Anchored, a Southern Gospel quartet, will be leading us in a time of worship on Sunday night, February 19. The service will begin at 6 PM. We hope that you will invite a friend and make your plans to be here for this night of worship!



Church Directory



**February 23, 24, & 25
 March 8, 9, & 10**

For our new church directory to be complete, we need *you* to be a part of it! We are currently in the process of having individuals and families sign up for appointments. Sign-up sheets are available in the side lobby or you may call the church office to schedule an appointment. There is no charge to have your picture taken and you will receive a \$25 gift card to use on any pictures that you may wish to purchase. If you cannot be here for any of the available dates, please contact the church office and we will work to ensure that your picture can be taken at a time of your convenience.

From the Pastor...

I am so grateful to be not simply pastor but a part of Gate City. It has been a genuine blessing to witness the tangible fruits of God's work. If you have been paying attention at all, I'd like to think that you can see this as well.

That being said, I want you to think about something. If you're looking for a new doctor or dentist what do you typically do? If you're tired of the same old restaurants and want to try something different, what might you do? If you're looking at the prospect of buying a particular car, what is something you'll probably do? You'll talk to others and ask them for their recommendations.

For all of the effort and expense undertaken to market and advertise for a restaurant, medical practice or vehicle, there is simply no substitute for a personal recommendation.

In all likelihood, there are people that you work with, are in class with, live near or simply know who may not know Jesus or if they do, are not actively part of a healthy church. Will you do something simple that may reap eternal consequences? Will you just simply share with them about your church, about what it means to you and how you see God working here?

Not only is there no substitute for a personal recommendation, more specifically, there is no substitute for *your* personal recommendation!

Let me just remind you of my love for you and my genuine gratitude to God for the pleasure of being able to serve Him alongside of you!

—Pastor Michael



Winter Jam

We will be going to Winter Jam at the Greensboro Coliseum on February 4th. We will leave the church at 3PM. The cost is \$10/person

Super Bowl Party

We will be having a Fusion Super Bowl Party at the Lunsford's home on Sunday, February 5th at 6 PM.

Youth Leadership Academy

Sunday, February 12th and 26th at 4:15PM.

D-Now Weekend

Our annual Disciple Now weekend will be Friday February 17 through Sunday February 19th. We will meet at the church on Friday night beginning at 7PM. The cost is \$30/person and this needs to be paid by February 5th. This weekend has the potential to change not simply your walk with the Lord but the rest of your life!



Our children will be going to the Natural Science Museum of Greensboro on Saturday February 25. We will meet at the church at 9:30 AM. The cost is \$6/person and parents are welcome to attend. Please be sure to sign up with Christa by Wednesday, February 8th.



We will be having a reception to express our gratitude to Marie Haymore Welch for leading our children's ministry on Sunday, February 12 at 7 PM.



We have recently begun a daytime visitation ministry to provide our seniors with another opportunity to be involved in the ministry of the church. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 10 AM. Even if you have never made an in-home visit before, you'll be amazed at the way God can use you to bring joy and encouragement to the life of our homebound members. In February we will meet on the 14th and the 28th. Join us!

February 7th and 21st at 8:30 AM at the Golden Corral on Wendover.



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Our monthly church council meeting of all committee and ministry team leaders will be on Monday, February 6 at 7 PM.



We will be having a church workday on Saturday, February 4th beginning at 9AM. There are a number of projects we plan to tackle including painting Sunday School classrooms. We would appreciate any who can help. If you have any questions, please speak with Robbie Brown.



We will have a business meeting at the conclusion of the morning worship service on Sunday, February 19th.



Our monthly Sunday School teachers' meetings will take place on Sunday, February 19 at 4:15 PM. Shawn will meet with the adult teachers in room B-126 and Christa will meet with our children's teachers in room B-125. As the teacher, if you are unable to attend, please have a representative from your class present.



Going forward, you'll be seeing and hearing the name "Impressions" quite a bit, as it is the new name for Gate City's Children's Ministry. The name comes from Deut. 6:6-7, where Moses has shared the law from God and says, "These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children..." The goal of a Christ-centered family and the goal of a Christ-centered children's ministry should be the same: to impress the truths of God on to the hearts of children.

In keeping with this theme, we will be calling our nursery and pre-school ministry *First Impressions* since as a church family this is our first opportunity to demonstrate and communicate the truths of Scripture. Grades K-3 will be *Positive Impressions*, as we want to build on the foundation that has been laid with more truth and deeper understanding. Finally grades 4-5 will be *Lasting Impressions* where we are intentional in seeking to ensure that our children have a personal relationship with Jesus and are not simply prepared for the challenges of middle-school, but the challenges of life and the reality of eternity.

From nursery to Sunday School, to Awana and Kidstuf, thank you to all of the adults who so graciously serve to make an *impression* on our children for Christ!



Gate City Family:

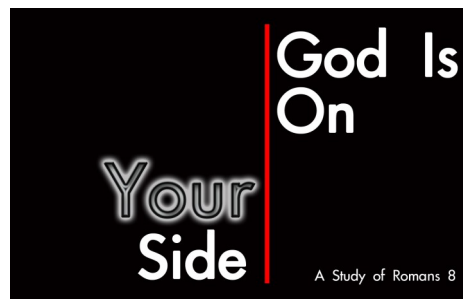
Thank you for all of your love, prayers, and expressions of concern with the passing of my brother, Jeff. For the food that was prepared, calls made, cards sent, and visits made, we are so grateful. We thank the Lord for being able to be part of such a loving church family!

—Bruce Haymore and Family



With Deepest Sympathy

Christian sympathy is extended to Peg Kiss and family with the passing of her husband, Frank, and to Dreama Cranny with the passing of her mother, Juanita Laraby.



As a follower of Christ, God is not at all against you, He is *for* you; He really is on your side, even when circumstances may lead you to doubt this. Find out more as the Pastor continues in a series of messages through Romans 8 called *God Is On Your Side*.



February Birthdays

2	Juliana Gagliano	21	Kim Hagan
	Sarah Gagliano		Trey Adams
3	Chase Carpenter	22	Dravin Pendergrass
4	Elizabeth Channel	25	Ray Gravley
	Miguel Viera		Annie Chrismon
5	Carl Tart	26	Charlie Goad
7	Ian McKinney		Joyce Ross
8	Kathy Patrick		
11	Mark Welch		Please contact Nancy Pendergrass in the church office if your birthday is not listed.
14	Barbara Ward		
18	Edith Cottrell		
	Michael Owens		