



Northway Community Church

December 17, 2023

find your destiny in Christ

Pastor

Dr. Bill Blanchard

Worship Leader

Mr. Thomas Matthews

Ministers

Every Member

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- 9:15 a.m. Bible Study/Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
10:30 a.m. Children's Church
FAMILY WORSHIP -
(Last Sunday of Month)

Welcome
to
Northway
Community Church

This is the Lord's place, and all who are seeking Him are welcome! We strive to make a relationship with God as intelligent as science, as appealing as art, as vital as a good day's work, as intimate as a healthy home, as inspiring as genuine love, and as redeeming as God's grace!

Remember in Prayer

Betty Belcher, Tallahassee, FL
Carolyn Bergquist, Carrollton Club
Dale Braswell
Evelyn Cantrell, Presbyterian Home, Quitman
Shirley Cantrell, Roswell, GA

Out-of-town Senior Adults:

Sharon Morgan
Bob & Suzy Scheuring

PRESCHOOL MINISTRY TODAY

Debra Adams and Lara Blanchard
December 24, 2023
Terri and Tori Dinlons

CUSTODIAL MINISTRY

December 10 - 16, 2023
Dianna Deeley & James Ruzich
December 17 - 24, 2023
Bill and Lara Blanchard

**BUILDING
FUND
\$207,800**

MESSAGE NOTES

**"NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE INFLUENCE
OF EVEN A BORROWED DAD!"**

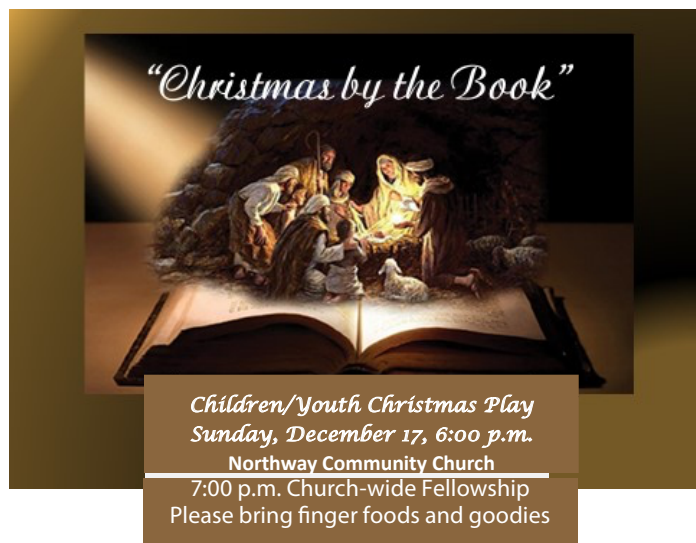
Selected Texts—The Gospel of Matthew

There were 3 stages involved in a Jewish marriage:

- #1 Engagement
- #2 Betrothal
- #3 Marriage ceremony

There are several things that we can appreciate about Joseph:

- I. His relationship with God
- II. His attitude toward women
- IV. His obedience to God
- V. His desire to glorify God in his sexual conduct



Contact Information

Church Location:

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www.NorthwayCC.com

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Giving is an Act of Worship

Northway Community Church believes giving to your local church should be a planned and willful act of worship. Normally, we do not take up an offering as part of our worship services. Instead, we have an offering box located on the desk near the front door. Gifts to Northway (a non-profit corporation) qualify as tax deductible gifts. If you would like credit for your gift in your name and receive a contribution statement at year end, simply fill out and use our contribution envelopes as a means of depositing your gift into our offering box. Gifts to Northway are an act of worship between you and the Lord. As such, only a few from our accounting department know the giving records of our families. We do not want knowledge of contributions to impact or sway our staff's effectiveness in ministering to the body.

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GIFT IDEAS FOR THIS CHRISTMAS

The entire world is gearing up to celebrate Christmas! But isn't it amazing and incredible that many people who take time off to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ neither follow after nor believe in Him? There are many people who are going to celebrate Christmas and talk about Christ, but they will not recognize Him as Deity; they talk of love, but they have never experienced God's unconditional love; they talk about family relationships, but they know nothing about the Family of God. And yet the birth of God's unique Son in Israel on that first Christmas morning over two thousand years ago assures us that God is personal, loves us, and invites us to enter into a personal relationship with Him.

So now, here's the question: In our secular world, what kind of gifts can we present to others who desperately need to know the real Christ of Christmas? May I suggest a few? This Christmas:

- Mend a quarrel
- Seek out a forgotten friend
- Dismiss suspicion and replace it with trust
- Share some treasure
- Provide a soft answer
- Keep a promise
- Find the time
- Listen
- Try to be understanding
- Examine the demands you place upon others
- Think first of someone else
- Be kind
- Laugh a little more
- Deserve confidence
- Express your gratitude

And do all of the above in the name of the Christ of Christmas who is coming again.

How I pray that God will use each one of us to help carve out a channel of faith in the lives of others through whom the Holy Spirit can flow.

Devotedly your pastor,

Bill Blanchard



Christmas Party for

Seniors "Wise Guys" Ministry

*Monday, December 18 - 6pm
Northway Community Church*

Meat and Drinks will be provided.

*Bring a side dish or dessert and a "Dirty Santa"
gag gift to exchange.*

Please sign up at the credenza.