



# Northway Community Church

October 1, 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

Cleo Kapilla, Pruitt Health, Lakehaven

Bonnie Segerstrom, Fellowship Home

### Out-of-town Senior Adults:

Sharon Morgan

Bob & Suzy Scheuring

## OCTOBER 1, 2023

### Preschool

Terri and Tori Dinkins

## CUSTODIAL MINISTRY

September 24 - 30, 2023

Mark and Jackie Heffelfinger

October 1 - 7, 2023

Dianna Deeley and James Ruzich

## BUILDING FUND

## \$206,600

## MESSAGE NOTES



### *Entire Church Family Fellowship Event Next Sunday Night, October 8th*

At 5:30 pm you and your family are invited to our pizza supper and one big home group here at the church.

Then promptly at 7:15 pm, we'll dismiss and head to the church property for a time of sweet fellowship to observe a meteor shower under the stars.

Bring a lawn chair and a flashlight. Upon entering the property, park over to the right.

We'll make S'mores around the campfire (and firepits for younger kids) and enjoy fellowship, acoustic guitar music and singing as the sun sets.

Just after dark, (around 8:15 pm), we'll begin to "catch some falling stars" as we watch a meteor shower together. We'll begin to wrap up by 9:15 pm.

Please sign up so we know approximately how many people to plan for. Use the link or QR code below or locate the sign-up sheet on the credenza.



Sign-up with this link:  
[bit.ly/ncccatchafallingstar](http://bit.ly/ncccatchafallingstar) or use this  
blue QR code:



Our list of needed items (including  
marshmallows and wire coat  
hangers) can be accessed here  
[bit.ly/catchafallingstarnneedslist](http://bit.ly/catchafallingstarnneedslist) or  
use this black QR code:

## 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.

Michael Walker, Dame, Walker, Hardeman & Co., LLC, Certified Public Accountants

## A DAY SET ASIDE FOR WORSHIP AND REST

The director of a zoo in Bonn, Germany, recommended that he close the zoo for one day each week. He claimed that the lions, monkeys, and several other animals were overly nervous and under great stress because they were viewed by the public **every** day. So he wanted to close the zoo for one day each week in order to allow the animals to rest.

Upon reading this recommendation, do you know what my first thought was? I began to realize that some of those animals show better sense than many human beings! You see, the Master Builder knows what will make us work efficiently and last the longest. This is precisely why He tells us in His Word to take one day out of seven and set it aside for worship and rest.

All of us live under varying kinds of stress. As you know, too much stress is harmful to our well being, while some stress is necessary and even useful. But when we become stress-laden, our lives get out of control, and we may even become emotionally and mentally distraught. That is why one day a week, given to worship and rest, may be the solution to many of our challenges related to stress and tension.

So let's obey God and, in the process, do yourself a favor; determine to be in the Lord's house with His people every Lord's Day! You will never regret it, and God will bless you for it.

Devotedly your pastor,

Bill Blanchard



## *Christmas Gifts for Orphanage Emmanuel*

*It is time to help the children at Orphanage Emmanuel in Honduras to celebrate Christmas!*

*NCC has been given 20 names of children for gifts this year. Please select a name and get instruction sheets, sizes, and gift suggestions to provide a wrapped box of items for your child. Deadline for all wrapped boxes is Sunday, October 15th. Approximate cost of gift box: \$30 - \$50 .*

**Contact Lara Blanchard  
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## Contact Information

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