

DEAR NORTHSIDE FAMILY,



TIM WILLIAMS
Senior Pastor

It is with greatly mixed emotions that I tell those of you who have not heard that my time as pastor here at Northside is drawing to a close. For the past two months, Judith and I have been praying, discussing, consulting, and at times struggling with the opportunity to join the staff of the South Texas Children's Home Ministries. That opportunity has turned into a calling from God to go there as strong, as clear, and as consistent as His calling was to come here. I will be serving as the Director of Church Relations working in the existing ministries of STCHM, but also working directly with churches, pastors, and their families to form new ministries.

I will be sharing with you in next Sunday's message how all this came about. I will also walk you through the process that Northside formed long ago to guide you through the selection process for a new pastor. I will do my best over the next three Sundays to help us all in this journey. I will be with you through Sunday, August 23, which is Round Up Sunday.

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Let me say now, and very clearly, that my leaving does not come because of a problem, or a conflict, or some underlying issue. We simply sense the call of God on our lives to go be involved in something that He is preparing for us. We love this church, we love the great staff we have here, and we love you - that is much of what I mean when I say we have struggled. God has given us so many blessings here.

There are so many good things happening, but this new call on our lives keeps coming and we must go.

Something unusual about this is that we will not be moving from Victoria for the foreseeable future. The plan is for me to work in this area and beyond it, but for the sake of your pastor search process, and for the sake of the new pastor, we must step away from this church. We do not intend to step away from the many friendships and relationships we have built here.

I know there are many questions and many emotions that we are all facing. I wish we could have told you all one by one to address those things. We regret that we were not able to do that, but over the next three weeks we will attempt to help you in this journey you now embark upon.

for the journey...
Tim

AT A GLANCE

<i>Sunday</i>	9:30a	Sunday School Groups
<i>August 9</i>	10:45a	Worship Service
	5:00p	Family Picnic
	6:00p	Night of Music
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>August 11</i>		
<i>Wednesday</i>	8:30a	Happy Agers
<i>August 12</i>	6:00p	Pastor's Prayer Meeting
	6:00p	Nsyde the Word
	7:00p	Worship Choir Rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>August 13</i>	6:00p	Student Dinner Bunch

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<i>Sunday</i>	9:30a	Sunday School Groups
<i>August 16</i>	10:45a	Worship Service
	6:00p	Churchwide Budget Meeting
	6:00p	Sunday School Outreach
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>August 18</i>		
<i>Wednesday</i>	8:30a	Happy Agers
<i>August 19</i>	6:00p	Pastor's Prayer Meeting
	7:00p	Worship Choir Rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i>	12:00n	Student Lunch Bunch
<i>August 20</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY



FAMILY PICNIC AND NIGHT OF MUSIC

Bring your picnic dinner on August 9 to join other Northsiders for an evening of food and music. We will eat in the Fellowship Hall (Bldg D) then move to the Worship Center for a concert featuring the Veal family and the Worship Choir.

Bring enough food to feed your family. Come Sunday morning for a preview of the evenings' music.



PRAYER WALK FOR SCHOOLS

August 16 we will host a prayer walk for schools in Victoria. You can pick up a prayer guide that morning at a Connect Center. We will meet in the Upper Room (Bldg D) at 6:00pm to pray and get guidance on how to pray for our schools. Let's start the school year off right.



SENIOR ADULT TRIP

Saints Alive will be traveling to George Ranch in Richmond, Texas, on August 27. Meet at Northside at 8:00am to catch the bus. The park tour with a box lunch and transportation costs \$25. The deadline to sign up is August 24. Call the church office to get your name on the list.



UPWARD FLAG FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING

Registration is underway for Upward Flag Football and Cheerleading. Go to nbcvictoria.org/upward to register. K5 through 6th grade are eligible to play. The cost is \$75 with the option of buying shorts for football for an extra \$15. The first practice is the week of September 14 with the first game on September 26. The Awards Celebration is November 8. Evaluations are August 16, August 30, and September 2.



NORTHSIDE BAPTIST SCHOOL

The school is taking registrations for the fall semester. There are classes for 2 year olds through 5th grade. Extended care and Early Birds are available. Call 578-5601 for more information on the school.

AUGUST 23

This will be a full day at Northside. First, it is Round Up Sunday. Get your boots on, and stay for lunch on us. Second, there is a Quarterly Church Conference at 5:00pm. Third, at 6:00pm there is a Bluegrass concert in the worship center featuring Copper Canyon Bluegrass Band. Don't miss it.



CHURCH CONFERENCE

There will be a Quarterly Church Conference on August 23 at 5:00pm in the Conference Center. We will discuss the quarterly financial statements as well as other agenda items.

:::SHORTLINES:::

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY FAIR: Come see the opportunities available in the children's area on August 26 at 6:00pm. There will be games to play as well as information to pick up. Learn about AWANA, Collide, Sunday School, and KIDS Worship.

NORTHSIDE LIBRARY: Volunteers are needed for our library on Wednesdays (from 9:00am to 2:00pm) and Sunday mornings. We need people who can read to students at Northside School, check books in and out, and reshelve books. Contact Dot Mouliere at 648-7469 or Jean Persilver at 575-5122 for more information or to volunteer.

AUGUST 30 MOVIE NIGHT: From the award-winning creators of Fireproof and Courageous comes WAR ROOM, a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives. Meet at Cinemark to watch this movie on opening weekend.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Collide will kick off on August 30 at 5:30pm. There will be hot dogs, snow cones, bouncy houses, water games, and Collide registration. Collide meets on Sundays from 5:00pm until 7:00pm and will begin regular rehearsals September 13.

BETH MOORE SIMULCAST: Planning is in the works for a Beth Moore Simulcast on September 12. Watch for details and registration information.

LIVE STREAMING: You can now watch Northside's 10:45am Sunday service live on our website - nbcvictoria.org. Just click the "Worship" tab. As you will see, we have a new look to our website. We are working on restoring the past sermons.

BSM LUNCHESES: The Baptist Student Ministries (at the GBA office) needs help with lunches this fall. Contact Lori Huber at 649-1955 with questions. Call the GBA at 575-5281 to get on the calendar for lunch.

CHOIR: Worship Choir has a summer break, but rehearsals begin again August 5. That is a great time to try out the choir. Everyone is invited.

HOPPER FAMILY: Will be in concert on October 23 at Northside. Watch for more details

ONLINE GIVING: Online giving is available on our website. It is safe and secure. You can give once, or set up a recurring gift. Go to nbcvictoria.org and log on to My Northside. If you don't remember your password, or haven't logged in before, call the church office and ask for Rebecca.

SYMPATHY TO AND PRAYERS FOR: Eve Ladner on the death of her mother, and Vera Sparks on the death of her husband. We join together as a family of faith and pray as we celebrate Christ's gift of eternal life.

THE RECORD SPEAKS

MINISTRY ACTION PLAN

Received July 19

Budget Receipts:	28,860.34
Designated & Other:	8,854.57
Total Weekly Receipts:	37,714.91

Received July 26

Budget Receipts:	16,756.65
Designated & Other:	2,278.71
Total Weekly Receipts:	19,035.36

Received August 2

Budget Receipts:	38,417.54
Designated & Other:	3,436.88
Total Weekly Receipts:	41,854.42

Year-to-Date Need: 1,357,280.00

Year-to-Date Received: 1,246,433.22

Continuing His Vision

Received to date: 1,828,427.02

BIBLE STUDY

July 19	445
July 26	462
August 2	486

WORSHIP

July 19	594
July 26	546
August 2	587

THE PASTOR'S BLOG

This morning I shared this announcement with our congregation. Knowing many of you are out of town at this time of year and many of you live away and read this blog, I wanted you all to know:....*read more at nbcvictoria.org/blog*



NEW FACES AT NORTHSIDE

We welcome these new folks to the community of Northside. There's room for everyone 'round here.



Viola & Gary Willis

IN
FOCUS

church picnic

August 9

Followed by a night of
worship featuring the
Northside Worship Choir
& Special Guests.
Picnic starts at 5:00
Concert at 6:00



Bring dinner for your family
and dessert's on us!!

— journey ▲ together —

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9:30am Sunday School Groups

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