A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

# A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

April 22, 2014



Dear Church family and friends,

On Monday the 120<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon was held. The day after Easter is always when the Boston Marathon is held, dating back to 1895. This year was particularly tense. Last year, 2 bombs went off near the finish line. 3 people were killed, many lost limbs, and 260 were

injured. A police officer was later killed by one of the bombers.

Security forces were doubled. It was one of the largest groups of runners ever at Boston, about 36,000. Over 5,000 of these were given automatic admission since they could not finish in 2013 due to the bombing.

People injured last year, competed and finished this year. The race director said at the beginning of the race..."Let's take back the finish line".

An interesting fact is that the Boston Marathon is always the day after **Easter**. Easter is the reference point for the race.

**Easter is our reference point**, as followers of Jesus. Easter declares God's great love. Easter declares God's victory over sin, death, and evil. Easter propels us with a new power and purpose into life. Hear the words of our Lord only days after Easter in Acts 1:8 – "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The day after Easter...it is always the day after Easter now...the journey continues. God calls us to Himself and then sends us out to serve.

There is a place for you to serve in and through Wise Baptist Church. God can make a difference in and through you. Find your place. You will be glad you did!

Love, Pastor Mike

# **Proclamation against Child Abuse**

Even in our fair town and county, there is child abuse and neglect. Over 700 calls were made in 2013 to Social Services to report neglect or abuse, which does not include calls which were not made. The church is part of the community. Get involved. Report abuse. Make a difference in the lives of our children. For further information, contact Wise County DSS or Wise County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

New Wednesday Night Bible Studies Begin April 23

**Great Day of Service** April 26

Education Committee May 1, 5:00 pm

Yard Sale for Missions May 2-3

# How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

† Transfer of Letter transfer membership to Wise Baptist Church

† **Baptism**desire to express faith in Christ

† Statement of Faith baptized believer not on a membership roll

through baptism

# RESURRECTION CROSS 2014



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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# It's coming...Wed. Night Bible Study! Don't miss it...you can still sign up... Begins April 23—6:45pm.

Recovering from the Losses of Life—H. Norman Wright gives encouragement and practical guidance for any having losses through death, broken relationships, job, leaving home, etc. Taught by Mike Winters

What Are You Afraid Of? - David Jeremiah explores ten fears holding us back from the life God has called us to live and shares the supernatural secrets for facing down these fears with faith. Taught by Teresa Adkins

**Kingdom Agenda** - Dr. Tony Evans teaches that the Bible provides clear authority...to all of life. Following our own agendas—instead of God's—leads to chaos. This study helps align heart and life with the priorities of God's kingdom agenda. Taught by Robert England

#### YARD SALE FOR MISSIONS

Your trash is someone else's "treasure"! We need your TREASURES! Please go through your closets, your attic, and your garage to round up some donations for our annual church-wide yard sale. Contact Sherlene Hall or Kathy Kennedy to arrange for pick-up or delivery of your donations. The sale is May 2-3 at the Rock.

## Great Day of Service—April 26

You can make a difference in our community! If you cannot participate directly, you can participate in other ways. You can pray, contribute supplies, or help in preparation for the following service projects:

- Food delivery to Fire/Rescue/Police
- Lonesome Pine Airport/NASA Rocket Launch
- Clean-up of Playgrounds at Wise Primary and LF Addington Schools
- Visitation at Laurels Retirement Home
- Fast Food Drive-thru (pay for person behind you)
- Town of Wise Great American Clean-up
- Free Car Wash
- Business Window Washing on Main Street
- Visiting and serving widows in our church

#### Serving on a Hospital Ship - Heather Kunigelis

One of our own at Wise Baptist, Heather Kunigelis, daughter of Stan and Brenda, will begin in June of 2014 to serve as a crew member with Mercy [hospital] Ships. They deliver free, world-class healthcare services to developing nations without access to medical care.

Heather will be an Ophthalmic Field Coordinator. She will assist eye-care teams, coordinate appointments, treatments, do patient intake, education, and post-surgical care. Heather is excited to share God's love through her actions.

All volunteers pay their own way. Heather will need \$1,250. Pray and give as God leads. Contact her by e-mail at <a href="mailto:hk\_in\_ak@yahoo.com">hk\_in\_ak@yahoo.com</a> or phone at (907) 738-8152. Keep her in your prayers throughout her experience. You can read further about her story at <a href="http://mercyships-us.donorpages.com/crewmates/HeatherKunigelis/">http://mercyships-us.donorpages.com/crewmates/HeatherKunigelis/</a>.

#### The Daniel Plan

Our group has had so much success and encouragement from one another, that we want to continue to study and learn about living healthier lives. So, you are invited to join us on Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the youth building. You will need the Daniel plan book and workbook. The new group will begin May 1. See Leigh for details.

#### **MISSION FRIENDS**

Calling all young people, Grades 3-6, to participate in a monthly program led by Erra Sutherland. Erra will teach our young people about missions and about our missionaries at home and abroad. Mission Friends will meet on the 4th Sunday of each month (this Sunday) during worship.

#### **MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS**

- Remember to begin now collecting items for your OCC Shoebox. Lots of great sale items!
  - Bring your peanut butter during April for the Wise County Food Bank

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Several of our young people were recognized last week for their submissions to the AAUW Creative Writing competitions sponsored by UVA-Wise. In the 3rd-4th grade group, Kate Jessee won 2nd Place and Gabriella Collins won 3rd Place. We are proud of you both!



A baby shower for Wendy Adrian will be held on Saturday, May 3 from I-3 pm in the Fellowship Hall—everyone is invited!

We are grateful for the office volunteers during this time without a church secretary. Grace Allio, Ruby Salyer, Suzy Bailey, and Linda Bailey

are doing an excellent job! All volunteers are welcome!!



# 3 5 5 From Leigh

Where to begin? Over 40 days ago, we entered into the Season of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time to reflect, to remember, and to repent. We started a "Journey" that day to the Cross and beyond. We have experienced wonderful spiritual growth together through music, prayers, scriptures, drama, Holy Communion, and the messages in worship.

Passion week was especially meaningful. Over 130 people worshipped together on Holy Wednesday and more than 70 attended our first ever Good Friday experience. And while it is not about the numbers, it is about each of us investing in and taking advantage of these opportunities for spiritual growth. We cannot grow as a church unless we grow spiritually.

I read an article this week on personal growth. The writer stressed that growing doesn't mean looking for where the "grass is greener". It means deciding/choosing to put your roots down where you are and let them go deep. That is how you grow! My prayer is that each of us will put our roots deeply into the spiritual growth opportunities at WBC—not just 11:00 worship—but Sunday School, small groups, Wednesday nights, and opportunities to serve/teach/minister within our church and in our community.

I'm so glad that the "Journey" is not over! And, I'm thankful to have my WBC friends and family as "journey" partners along the way!

Blessings, Leigh



CONGRATULATIONS to Cody Large for signing a National Letter of Intent to play Men's Golf at The University of Virginia's College at Wise next fall.

# **Great Day of Service**

Any and all youth are encouraged to participate in the Great Day of Service by contributing cookie dough, brownie mix, cupcake mix/icing or the money to buy these things. Anyone who is available, plan to join me in the kitchen on Thursday afternoon beginning about 2pm until we are finished! Should be a great time!

#### **SUNDAY NIGHT**

We will have our dinner and Bible study on Sunday evening from 6-7:30 in the youth building. Invite a friend!

#### **MISSION TRIP**

Youth going on the mission trip are reminded to sign up to help with the yard sale!

#### **GRADUATES**

Please remember to send your pictures to me by April 27. We will recognize Graduates on Sunday, May 11 during worship.

## As you pray, please remember...

Marty, Rose and Jon Kennedy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Lisa Porchie, all of the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military

#### **Our Shut Ins:**

Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, and Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG)

If there are other known prayer concerns and/or shut-ins, please let us know.

# **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

April 22 Noah Hall
April 27 Reuben Swindall
April 24 Don and Cyndi Newlon
April 27 Stan and Brenda Kunigelis
April 30 Archie and Joanne Kennedy



#### ON A "HIGH" NOTE

Members of our Monday quilting group showing off some of their beautiful work. If you are interested in joining, please contact Grace Allio or Ann Collins.



#### **JUBILATION RINGERS**

The Jubilation Ringers will rehearse on Sunday, April 27 at 4:15 pm.



#### Volunteers this Week

04/20-04/26 Gil Blackburn, Ron Helton Deacons On Call:

04/27-05/03 John Ponish, Jerry Baird

Ron, Dan, Scott S. **Building Stewards:** Susan M., Eva. Susan S. Instrumentalists:

Cindy E., Oscar R., Worship Welcome Team:

Daniel R., Wendy A. John Kennedy

S.S Greeters: 04/27 05/04 John Ponish

Nursery: 04/27 Crutchfield and Mullins families 05/04 Nancy Stalnaker, Caroline Mullins, Emma

**Snodgrass** 

Children's Church: 04/27 Crutchfield Cindy Elkins 05/04 PA: 04/27 Wayne Isaac 05/04 Mike Osborne

Tellers: Lee Ann Adkins, Martha Blackburn April

May Oscar Raile, June Dotson

Ushers: 04/27 Ron Helton\*, Jeff Adkins, Jeff Cantrell, John Ponish, Mark Clark, Scott Snodgrass, Dan

Helton

05/04 Lewey Lee\*, Bob Adkins, Gary Smith, Bill

Sutherland, Mike Strouth, David Mullins, Matt

Meade, Ron Swindall \*Offertory Prayer

04/23 Serving Team: Linda Bailey, Ruby Salyers, Rebecca Osborne,

Artie Bailey

04/30 Vanessa Cyphers, Susan Smith, Jennifer

England, Karen Ponish

Wed meal: 04/23 Chicken casserole, mashed potatoes, corn,

Rolls, salad Kids menu: chicken nuggets

04/30 Lasagna, rolls, salad

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# WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd, 4th, & 5th)	9:00 am
	Children's Choirs	3:45 pm
Wednesday	Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bible Study (All Ages)	6:45 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women On Mission (2nd)	Noon

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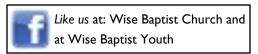
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# WBC Great Day Of Service—April 26

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Thought For The Week: It is always "the day after Easter". The journey with Jesus continues!

# WISE BAPTIST CHURCH GREAT DAY OF SERVICE EVENTS

\*Even if you can't help on April 26, you can help prepare for events. There is a place for everyone. Sign up by contacting the church office or in the bulletin on Sunday morning.

## Food preparation and delivery to fire/rescue/police

Timetable: Saturday, April 26th, 10:30 am - 2 pm

Location: Throughout Town of Wise

Leader: Mark Clark

## Lonesome Pine Airport NASA/Scouting Rocket Launch

(deliver food orders to campsites, trash pick-up, etc.)

Timetable: Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, TBA Location; Lonesome Pine Airport

Leader: Ron Helton

# Free car wash at Fred's Gas 'N Grubs Station

Timetable: Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, I - 3 pm Location: Fred's Gas N Grubs Gas Station

Leader: Mike Winters

# Cleanup of Playground-LFA-WPS

Timetable: Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 2pm

Location: LFA and WPS Leader: Dan Helton

## **Business window washing**

Timetable: Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am – 2 pm

Location: Downtown Wise-Main Street from Fred's Gas to Subway

Leader: Gary Smith

#### Visitation with seniors at retirement home

Timetable: TBA

Location: Laurels Assisted Living Center

Leader: Lewey Lee

#### Visit WBC widows and shut-ins, minor tasks of service

Timetable: Wednesday, April 23 – Tuesday, April 29

Location: Homes around Wise

Leader: Bill Sutherland

# Coordinated fast food drive-thru: pay for person behind you

Timetable: Wednesday, April 23 – Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

Location: Fast Food businesses around Wise and Norton

Leader: Gil Blackburn

#### Town of Wise Great American Clean-up

Timetable: Saturday, April 26th, 9am – 2pm

Location: Big Glades Park Leader: Robert England