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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear church family and friends,

There is such power in great stories. They draw us in before we know it and carry us along. There is a reason children love to hear stories.

These stories gather life's many experiences and try to connect the dots. It is way of expressing ourselves and trying to cope with and make sense out of life.

Common themes are things that have always been a part of the human condition. Themes like fear, courage, suffering, hope, joy, sorrow, forgiveness, etc. are expressed over and over in many different ways.

I invite you to allow the Story of all stories to capture you and carry you along. There is such power in it! There is the story of an all-powerful God Who bent low to meet us at our point of need. As we reflect on the closing days of Jesus' earthly ministry... may we be amazed all over again over what God has done for us!

We need to continue to uphold and highlight the Person of Jesus at all times. He is "the Way, the Truth, and the Life!" Sometimes, even as we practice our faith in church, we can overlook this.

May this season of our faith be the most meaningful yet. Take note of some of the opportunities being offered to deepen your faith. Let's journey together with our Lord to the Cross and beyond! Your presence and participation make it all the more special!

Love, Pastor Mike



**Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering**
The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering will be received throughout the month of March. Please place your offering in the special envelopes found in your pew or designate "Annie Armstrong" on your check. To find out more, visit www.anniearmstrong.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

Fifth Sunday Lunch
March 30, Noon

Senior Adult Trip
April 1, 5:15 pm

Holy Week
April 13, Palm Sunday
April 16, Holy Wednesday
April 18, Good Friday
April 20, Easter!

Great Day of Service
April 26

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 through baptism

† **Statement of Faith**
baptized believer not on a
membership roll

SUMMER MISSION TRIP

When: July 4-12

Where: Lavalette, NJ

Deposit of \$50 due on
April 6.

Yard Sale for Missions

May 2-3

Please save your
treasures!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIFTH SUNDAY LUNCH

You are invited to lunch on Sunday, March 30 following worship. Chicken Alfredo and Lasagna will be served along with bread, salad and desserts. The Mission Committee is sponsoring this meal to raise money for our summer mission trip to New Jersey. You can dine in or take out. Please plan to join us!

Make Wednesday nights a regular part of your week! There is something for all ages, from pre-school age, children, youth, to adult. New adult Bible studies begin **April 23 at 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

To help us in ordering materials, please indicate on the Communication Card which study in which you are participating in by **April 13.**

SENIOR ADULT TRIP

On Tuesday, April 1 at 5:15 pm, our senior adults are invited to join Jerry Vance for dinner and a show. Dinner will be at Prime Sirloin in Norton and the show will be the Pro-Art production of "The Miracle Worker" - a story based on the life of Helen Keller. The cost is \$20 per person. Make your reservation by calling Jerry, the church office, or on the Communication Card.



A household shower will be held in the church fellowship hall on Saturday, April 5 from noon-3pm for Stephanie Lawson and Justin Wilson.

The couple will be married in August. Please bring a favorite recipe with you to the shower.



Enrich Your Spiritual Life...in a "Journey of Grace"...

Join in special worship experiences offered during this season.

April 13—Palm Sunday—our children will sing and process in with palm leaves

April 16—Holy Wednesday—Special solo, "Via Dolorosa", youth drama, and special personal communion.

April 18—Good Friday—Self-guided devotional tour. Anytime from 11am to 6pm. This journey begins in our Fellowship Hall and ends in the sanctuary. Your stops will allow you to walk where Jesus walked from the accusations of Pilate right up to His death. It will take from 15—30 minutes.

April 20—Easter—Jesus is alive! Celebrate the Great News with us! Everyone is encouraged to bring flowers to place on the Cross.

April 26—Great Day of Service—The Journey Continues...We have the privilege of living the resurrection message and express it in very practical ways, serving our Lord and community.



Susie Bailey for volunteering to update the weekly birthday board near the sanctuary.

Erra Sutherland for re-starting the Mission Friends program for our older children during worship.

Grace Allio for volunteering to answer the phones in the church office while we are in the process of hiring a new secretary. All volunteers are welcome!!



From Leigh

Our worship service on Sunday was very uplifting. Sometimes I need “uplifting”. I grow tired and weary of the everyday demands—most of which are self-imposed. But, nonetheless, weariness sets in. But, then, I am reminded—through a song, or a scripture, or a friend’s encouragement, or a hug, or a prayer—that God NEVER grows weary. His love and grace and presence is never-ceasing! He never gives up, He never takes a day off, He never forgets to be a part of my life, He never _____ . WOW!

How much does our world need to hear that message? How could knowing everlasting Hope make a difference to others who are hurting, tired, and weary? TRUTH sang “Born Again” by Third Day on Sunday...*Feels like I’m Born Again, feels like I’m living, living for the first time. Feels like I’m moving...The life I have now is only the beginning.* Singing those words refreshed me. The thought of this life as only a beginning revived me.

Yes, I will be weary again—probably sooner rather than later—but, I know...*I know* someone who never grows weary. I’m gonna share that hope with others this week.
Blessings, Leigh

- Jubilation Ringers will rehearse on March 30 at 4:15.
- Mission Trip Deposit (\$50) is due April 6.

As you pray, please remember...

Marty, Rose and Jon Kennedy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Kim Boggs, Patsy Jennings, Jeff Dotson and family, 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.

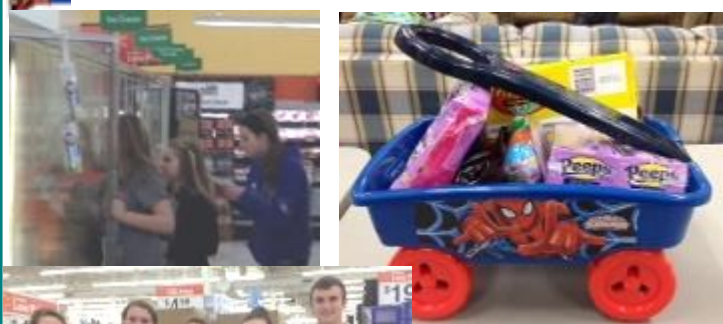
We extend our deepest love and sympathy to Jeff Dotson and family at the loss of his mother, Helen Dotson, on Sunday afternoon, March 23.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 26	Chloe Cantrell	March 29	Matthew Collins
March 27	Nancy Stalnaker		Matthew Mullins
March 28	Deborah Knox		
	Christy Lardieri		
	Isabella Lardieri		
	Ashley Farmer		

THANK YOU
Thank you, Crisp family, for the wonderful meal Sunday night at Bible study!

LOCK-IN
We had a great time at the Lock-in on Friday night. The movie, *God’s Not Dead*, was really awesome and thought provoking. Glad that we were able to watch it together and talk about some of the movie themes later that night. IHOP was great and so were the games and fellowship. Thank you, church family, for always supporting our youth!



Pictures from our Walmart scavenger hunt at the Lock-in—yes, we got some strange looks!

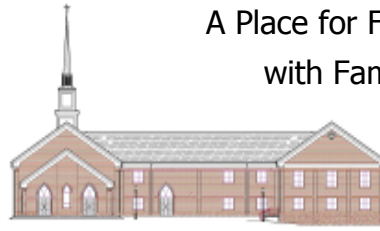
SCENES FROM WORSHIP at WISE BAPTIST



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	03/23-29	Mark Clark, Gil Blackburn
	03/30-04/5	Dan Helton, Ron Helton
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Eva, Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Cindy E., Oscar R., Daniel R., Wendy A.
S.S Greeters:	03/30	Bob and Teresa Adkins
	04/06	Jim and Sherry Collie
Nursery:	03/30	Donna and Butch Hutchinson, Rachel Bailey, Rachel Porchie
	04/06	Regina Carson, Susie Clasby, Brooklyn Kennedy, Mary Stuedemann
Children's Church:	03/30	Jennifer England
	04/06	Vanessa Mullins
PA:	03/30	Mike Osborne
	04/06	Bryan Crutchfield
Tellers:	March	Kathy Helton, Ron Swindall
	April	LeeAnn Adkins, Martha Blackburn
Ushers:	03/30	Ron Swindall, Lewey Lee, Bob Adkins, Gary Smith, Bill Sutherland, Mike Strouth, David Mullins, Matt Meade
	04/06	Travis Jessee, Jason Mullins, Jeff Elkins, Bryon Burton, Robert England, Dwight Jessee, Daniel Ray, John Mark Adrian
Serving Team:	03/26	Beverly Viers, Sandy Mullins, Sherrie Collie, Brenda Kunigelis
	04/02	Kathy Helton, Martha Blackburn, Donna Hutchinson, Jessica Crutchfield
Wed meal:	03/26	Breakfast for Dinner
	04/02	Potluck

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
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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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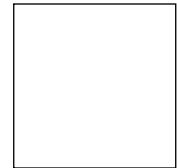
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at Wise Baptist Youth

Thought For The Week: (Matt. 7:7)
**"Ask and it will be given you; seek
and you will find; knock and the
door will be opened to you."**

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. You can 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 26th, TBA
Location: Lonesome Pine Airport
Leader: Ron Helton

Free car wash

Timetable: Saturday, April 26th, 1 - 3 pm
Location: Fred's Gas N Grubs Gas Station
Leader: Mike Winters

Cleanup of Playground-LFA-WPS

Timetable: Saturday, April 26th, 10 am – 2pm
Location: LFA and WPS
Leader: Dan Helton

Business window washing

Timetable: Saturday, April 26th, 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 27th
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

Undecided – I want to participate, but need more information or suggestions.