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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear friends,

Imagine that you are a first-time passenger in this raft. You are navigating some very turbulent whitewater.

The man in the very back of the raft is the guide. He is only one of six people on board. What makes him important?

First, he tells you when to paddle and when not to paddle. He also knows the rocks and currents of the river and can tell you to where you need to paddle.

Now imagine that you are trying to make it downstream a 7 mile trip without a guide. The raft might make it, but it would probably be empty!

Life is like this river...sometimes there are raging torrents. Other times there is a near-calm. Still other times are somewhere in between.

We have a sure Guide Who knows the way. The One Who calmed the storms on the Sea of Galilee can calm the storms inside of us. Take heart and hope and together may we get and act on our guidance from Him!

Love in Christ, Mike

Important Dates:

- Wed, May 23rd**
- 5:00 pm—Leadership Team Meeting
- 6:00 pm—Dinner
- 6:45 pm—Men's Cake Auction
- 6:45 pm—Bible Study for Children (Age 3—Grade 6)
- 7:50 pm—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Mon, May 28th**
- Church Office Closed
- 5:00 pm—Personnel Committee Meeting
- Wed, May 30th**
- 5:00 pm—Worship Committee Meeting
- Fri & Sat, June 1st and 2nd**
- Yard Sale (Youth Building)

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Coming Soon: Graduate Recognition Slide Show and Accomplishments Available on Church Website

For those who missed our graduate recognition on Sunday, May 13th, look for the slide show and accomplishments of all of our graduates on the church website soon ~ www.wisebaptist.com.

Welcome New Member!



Wise Baptist Church welcomes Jared Owens as our newest member. Jared came forward on Sunday, May 13th to make his profession of faith in Jesus Christ public and was baptized on Sunday, May 20th.

Pictured: Pastor Mike and Jared Owens



Herbert Tuck Associational Offering and Week of Prayer for Association Missions

Prayer Calendar for Association Mission Emphasis—May 20th—27th

Tue, May 22 ~ WMU, Glenda Collins & Angie Mullins

Wed, May 23 ~ Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Thu, May 24 ~ Wise Baptist Association, Our churches, leaders, and ministries

Fri, May 25 ~ North American Mission Board & International Mission Board and their missionaries

Sat, May 26 ~ The Lost

Sun, May 27 ~ You!

You may donate by designating “Herbert Tuck Associational Offering” on your check or offering envelope and placing in the offering plate on Sunday, May 27th. The offering this year will go to the Southwest Virginia Partnership.



Men’s Cake Auction

Everyone is invited to join the Summer Mission Team for the annual Men’s Cake Auction on **Wednesday, May 23rd in the Fellowship Hall immediately following dinner.** All proceeds will go toward the mission trip to Folly Beach, SC.

A Special Challenge from Pastor Mike

If someone will donate \$200 for my awesome cake for the mission trip cake bake fundraiser, I will do the “moonwalk” that night. As an act of faith, I will bring my hat and sunglasses.



Church Office

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 28th in observance of Memorial Day.



Sunday School Volunteers Needed

If you are willing to teach or substitute for the nursery Sunday School classes, please contact our Sunday School Director, Susie Clasby, right away.

Congratulations



Congratulations to two of our college students: Mark Collins and Megan Buchanan. They both earned NAIA Academic All-American honors last week and are members of the UVA-Wise tennis teams.



WBC COMMITTEE BULLETIN BOARD

The **Leadership Team** will meet on Wednesday, May 23rd at 5:00 pm in the Youth Building.

The **Personnel Committee** will meet on Monday, May 28th at 5:00 pm in the Spiritual Blessings Sunday School Classroom.

The **Worship Committee** will meet on Wednesday, May 30th at 5:00 pm in the Men’s Sunday School Classroom.



Junior Youth Camping Trip

Thank you to Donna Hutchinson and Jim Sturgill for the wonderful camping trip for our Junior Youth!



Peanut Butter Drive

Keep those donations rolling in! We have collected **63 jars** of peanut butter so far. **Our goal is 100 jars for the Wise County Food Bank by the end of May!** If you would like to make a monetary donation, please designate “Peanut Butter Drive” on your check or offering envelope and place in the offering plate. For more information on this effort, please see Erra Sutherland.



Mark Your Calendars for a Mission Trip Fundraising Event

Yard Sale—June 1st & 2nd

You may drop off items for the sale beginning **May 23rd.** All items should be brought to the Youth Building. Please contact **John Kennedy** for large items that need to be picked up.

Bill Collie Memorial Bike Challenge Saturday, June 9th beginning at 8 am in Gate City

For more information or to register for the ride, please visit www.townofgatecity.com. Registration fee is \$20 per rider.



Baby Shower

Everyone is invited to a drop-by baby shower for Brittany Osborne on **Saturday, June 9th** at 2 pm in the UVA-Wise Student Center (5th Floor). She is registered at Walmart and it's a boy!



Unclaimed Dishes

Thank you to everyone who provides dishes for our meals at the church. There are a number of unclaimed dishes located in the Fellowship Hall and kitchen. Please stop by to see if one may belong to you!



♪♪♪♪ FROM LEIGH

Thank you Silver Bells Choir and Singing Sunbeams for the wonderful worship music yesterday. I am especially grateful to Donna Hutchinson, Jill Jessee, and Gigi Pippin for their faithful work with our children on Monday afternoons.

During my tenure of service at WBC, it is clear that our children's choir program is one of our most successful outreach tools. Our choir leaders have always reached out into our community to invite people to bring their children to choir. Many of you came to Wise Baptist Church because of our children's choir ministry.

Our church and families have faithfully supported this ministry through the years. I am hopeful that our parents will continue to believe and know that this is an important ministry for their children for several reasons: 1. It is a safe place for our children on Monday afternoons; 2. It is fun to learn about Jesus through music and through fellowship; 3. It is important to set aside time for church activities and not just be consumed with school and sports. Look forward to seeing everyone back in the fall.

Blessings, Leigh

TRUTH did an awesome job at the Baccalaureate Service on Sunday evening at Mr. Olive. We will rehearse again on Sunday, June 3.

YOUTH MINISTRY

CONGRATULATIONS

The Central HS Girl's track team won the Region D team title and **Kristen Osborne** is the Region D champion in the discus. She will compete at the State Competition on June 2.

The Central HS Girl's tennis team won the LPD team title. **Hannah Barnette** and **Kaitlin Ponish** compete in Region D matches this week.

Central High School presented 2012 Senior Awards to **Caitlin Adkins** (Leadership Award and Sportsmanship Award), **Kaitlin Ponish** (Wendy's Heisman Award), and **Anna Clark** (Army Strong Scholar Athlete Award).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 25 & 26**—High School Graduations
- May 27**—Pool party at the Coomer's from 2:30-6:30. Invite a friend!
- June 1 & 2**—Mission Trip Yard Sale

As you pray, please remember...

Pat and Fred Adkins, George Barnette, Kim Boggs, Carolyn Jones, D L and Patsy Boggs, David Mullins, Michelle Hunter, Elizabeth Davidson, Clayton and Shirley Willis, Glenn and Bea Hill, Michelle Sisson, and Rita Isaac
All of the cancer patients in our area
Our men and women in the military

Hospitalized:

Hazel Dixon (Mountain View)

Our Shut Ins:

Jewell Bradley, Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Jeanne and Debbie Stallard, Vernoy Bolling Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG)

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



May 22

Courtney Sturgill
Christina Meade
Lisa Yates
Jordan Owens
Archie Kennedy
Casey Mullins

May 23

John Thacker
Devan Johnson

May 24

Grace Allio
Madison Gardner
Vanessa Zerhusen
Sarah Means

May 26

Dr. Charles Maine

Thank You Silver Bells and Singing Sunbeams



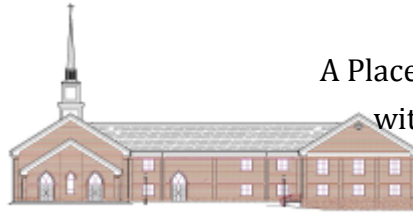
Thank you to all of the members of the Silver Bells and Singing Sunbeams Children's Choirs for sharing the story of creation and the good news that Jesus is our King! Thank you to Donna



Hutchinson, Jill Jessee, and Gigi Pippin (and helpers) for leading these children in music each week.

VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Deacons On Call	5/20-5/26	Gil Blackburn; Robert England
	5/27-6/2	Jeff Adkins; Jerry Baird
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Jason Mullins, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, and Wendy Adrian
SS Greeters	5/27	John & Edna Hedden
	6/3	Bob & Teresa Adkins
Nursery	5/27	Cory & Ashley; Wayne & Rita
	6/3	Jeff & Lee Ann; Terry & Autumn
Children's Church	5/27	Jill Jessee
	6/3	Beth Snodgrass
PA	5/27	Mike Strouth
	6/3	Wayne Isaac
Tellers	May	Kathy Helton and Lee Ann Adkins
	June	Oscar Raile and David Mullins
Ushers	5/27	Roger Viers*, Stan Kunigelis, John Hedden, Harold Witt, Mark Clark, Jerry Baird, James Clasby, and Edgar Owens
	6/3	Bill Sutherland*, Mike Strouth, Matt Meade, Ron Swindall, David Mullins, Lewey Lee, Bob Adkins, and Gary Smith
		* Offertory Prayer
Serving Team:	5/23	Teresa Adkins, Karen Ponish, Gina Chisenhall, and Edna Hedden
	5/30	Susie Clasby, Regina Carson, Kassi Jessee, and Jennifer England
Menu:	5/23	Chicken Casserole, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Rolls, and Salad
	5/30	Spaghetti, Salad, and Garlic Bread
Youth Dinner	5/30	Coomer Family



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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6—7:30 pm
	TRUTH	7:45 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	In Recess
	Caring Friends (2nd, 4th, & 5th)	9:00 am
	Children's Choirs	In Recess
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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YOUTH POOL PARTY ~ SUNDAY, MAY 27TH ~ 2:30-6:30 ~ THE COOMER'S

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Thought For The Week:

“Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.” ~ James 1:2-4 (The Message)