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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

## A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear church family and friends,

A powerful Bible verse, Hebrews 4:14, says Jesus is able to "sympathize with our weaknesses, but...tempted in every way, just as we are, yet without sin." The very next verse, says... "Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may

receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

Because Jesus was tempted and can sympathize with our weaknesses, without sinning, we can approach Him with confidence. Jesus has "been there" and understands our struggles and He has the power to help us.

My next sermon series, "A New Look at an Old Problem: Temptation" will explore the temptations of Jesus and how we can learn from His experience. Read Matthew 4:1-11 carefully. There are three basic ideas.

First, we need to <u>see it clearly</u>. One of the biggest obstacles is denial. Human beings have a boundless capacity to deny things we do not want to face. Until we see it and face it, we cannot make progress.

Second, **<u>substitute something positive</u>**. Replace the time and energy that goes into a temptation with something positive.

Third, <u>strengthen relationships</u>. Most temptations are fed by loneliness or unhealthy relationships. God has made us with a need to be in relationship with Him and others. If this is not happening or in a healthy way, we will fill that empty space with something unhealthy. Take time to strengthen healthy relationships and limit unhealthy relationships. Love, Pastor Mike

## IMPORTANT DATES

Alma Hunt State Missions Offering Sept 8-15 Youth Tailgate Sept 13 Beth Moore Simulcast Sept 14 Youth Camping Trip Oct 4-5 Leadership Team retreat Nov 9 Christmas Cantata Dec 8

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With Deepest Sympathy

We offer our condolences to Philip Prince and Andrea Gonzalez for the loss of her Father, Dr. Gonzalez. His service was in myrtle Beach.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### To my dear church family,

Thank you for your cards and your prayers during George's illness and death. They were very much appreciated. Thank you also for the delicious lunch you served us the day of his funeral. Your continued prayers are desired by me and my family. I have missed being in church and hope to be there soon.

Shirlee Barnette.

#### Dear Church Family,

The "Amazing Grace" framed picture was a special token of your appreciation and love. The 25 years I served as volunteer organist have passed so quickly. Thanks to the dear members of WBC, I have many wonderful memories. I am thankful I was able to use my talents to glory God. I have been blessed during the journey. Sincerely, Ms. Gigi

#### To the men of Wise Baptist Church,

Thank you from all of the businesses that had their windows washed earlier this year. It was such a nice thing to do- taking your Saturday to do something for someone else. We appreciate your hard work.

Thank you, Margaret Bolling

## WBC's Missions Committee's Emphasis for September:

## Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions Statewide Emphasis Week: Sept.8 -- 15

The annual offering for Virginia missions was named for Alma Hunt (1909-2008), a native Virginian who was known worldwide for her missions service and her unswerving dedication to the cause of Christ.

The offering provides funding for all WMUV missions and ministries and makes possible other special ministries, outreach projects, and initiatives not funded through regular streams of giving (but uniquely connected to Virginia Baptists).

Since 1976, this offering has been a joint venture of Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia (WMUV) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) and Virginia Baptist Mission Board (VBMB).

When you give to the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions, you are equipping those who seek to share with others how God has set them free to live and serve.

Wise Baptist Church's goal for this year is \$3,050.00.

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse, works yearround to offer the opportunity for children across the world to come to know Christ as their personal Savior. Wise Baptist Church participates in Operation Christmas Child by packing shoe box gifts and by serving as the Wise Relay Center for collection of shoe box gifts packed by others in our community.

**Have you ever wanted to be more involved?** There are opportunities available in our area to be a year-round volunteer. What does a year -round volunteer do, you ask? Well, there is a lot that goes on in the "off season" to prepare for the National Collection Week held each November. There are local teams in the areas of church relations, community relations, media relations, prayer, and shoebox collection. Everyone is invited to become a part of our local area team in one of these capacities!

If you are interested in being involved on a year-round basis, please contact **Rebecca Osborne** (276.365.0969 or Osbornes4Go@aol.com) for more information.

About Operation Christmas Child: For 20 years, Operation Christmas Child has answered the call to share the love of Jesus Christ with hurting children around the world. In 2012, more than **9 million** shoe box gifts were collected internationally from the United States and 10 other countries. The Mid-Atlantic region packed **798,280** shoe box gifts and **over 8,000 shoe box gifts came from our area (Dickenson, Wise, Scott, and Lee counties).** Since 1993, more than 103 million gift-filled shoe boxes have been distributed to children in more than 150 countries worldwide. Dedicated volunteers work year-round to promote and pray for Operation Christmas Child.

#### Lunch offered on the fifth Sunday

Every three months we have a fifth Sunday in a month. The Mission Committee will be offering meals immediately following worship. Eat in or carry-out. Donations will be taken, but a suggestion on \$7 per person is suggested. On September 29th we will be having pork BBQ, slaw, baked beans and on Dec 29th we will offer soups.

#### Beth Moore Breakfast

Wise Baptist Church is hosting the Beth Moore Simulcast on Saturday, September 14, 2013. We hope that you will make your plan to attend, if you have not already. You will be blessed! We will be providing a continental Breakfast, and we are asking for volunteers to help prepare something. You may have it at the church on Friday, September 13, from 4:30—8:30, or Saturday morning by 8:00. Thank you in advance for your help!

Suggestions: banana bread, pumpkin bread, cream cheese braid, cinnamon rolls, muffins, scones, sausage balls, ham biscuits, quiche.



I'm just a kid at heart! I love to watch our children on Wednesday evenings playing, screaming, laughing, and chasing in the courtyard! On Mondays the kids swarm the Rock with energy and enthusiasm—it is so exciting. When Aaron and Anna were children, they loved being at church with their friends. As adults, we call it fellowship. Kids just know it is fun!

If your children are not participating in choir or Wednesday night Bible study, you need to get them involved! You will never regret it. New studies for adults will get underway on September 18. Sign up on the Communication Card or call the church office.

It is hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner!! That means that the choir is beginning to prepare for their annual Christmas Cantata. Mark your calendars for Sunday evening, December 8. It is always a great way to get the Season started! (If you would like to sing with us, please let me know so that I can get enough books ordered.)

The Jubilation Ringers will have their first rehearsal on Sunday, September 15. We would welcome new members! See me if you are interested.

Blessings, Leigh



#### TAILGATE AND BONFIRE

This Friday, September 13, we will set up tents and tables at the Central vs Burton football game for tailgating! Cindy and Beth are helping to organize this event. If you can help, please let us know! Ways you can help? Set up tents and tables early Friday morning; provide food; help with cleanup; bring chairs and/or blankets. We will provide all of the drinks and paper products. Following the game, we will have a bonfire at the Snodgrass home. Text or call if you have questions or if you can volunteer!! Looking forward to a great crowd coming out to support our Central Warrior Band and Football players!

#### YOUTH ON SUNDAY

The youth will meet on Sunday from 6-7:30 in the youth building. We will have pizza and participate in a local service project. Invite a friend!

#### SERVICE

In the next few weeks, we will have several opportunities to Serve the Lord with Gladness! Working with Butch Hutchinson and the Southwest Virginia Partnership, we will help paint kitchen cabinets for Lawrence and Irene Black. We will also help others in our church with yard clean up. I'm proud of our young people for their compassion and their willingness to help others who are in need.

#### **CAMPING TRIP**

Please remember to mark your calendar for October 4-5 for a camping trip to Natural Tunnel. More information soon! Let Donna know ASAP if you are planning to participate.

#### Attention All Youth

All youth are asked to meet at the youth building at 2 pm on Sunday, September 15. We are going to Lawrence and Irene Black's house to help sand, paint, and install kitchen cabinets. This project is in conjunction with the Southwest VA partnership and the Governor's serving day initiative. Please plan to participate is at all possible. If you can't be there at 2, come on at 3 or whenever you can.

#### As you pray, please remember...

Jon Kennedy, Pat and Fred Adkins, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Lynell Wells, Wanda Baird, Glenn Hill, Lawrence Black, Bill Sutherland, Marty and Rose Kennedy, Patsy Boggs



All of the cancer patients in our area Our men and women in the military In the Hospital: Melissa Blackburn (Norton) **Our Shut Ins:** 

Jack Tolbert, Sr., Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Mar-tha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Jeanne and Debbie Stallard, Vernoy Bolling, Jewell Bradley, and Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG)

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

#### Wednesday Night Bible Study (Sept. 18 – Oct. 23)

\* "Changing Places: A Christian's Guide to Caring for Aging Parents" – by Betty Roberson \* "Setting Boundaries with Kids" – by Cloud and

Townsend

\* "Ephesians: Building a Community in Christ" – by John Stott

(Sign up on Church Communication Card or notify church office)





#### **COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Melissa Blackburn (July 30) PO Box 242 Norton, VA 24273

Kaitlin Ponish (Feb 7) PO Box 6375 Boiling springs, NC 28017

Anna Clark (July 11) One Bear Place #70049 Waco, TX 76798-0049

Kristen Osborne (Sept 27) Appalachian State University Box 13532 Boone, NC 28608

Alex Hall (Aug 22) PO Box 365 Wise, VA 24293

Haden Ponish (June 18) 207 South Patrick Street, #206 Alexandria, VA 22314

Andi Kilgore (March 10) PO Box 2581 Wise, VA 24293

Christian Coomer May 29) Coastal Carolina University Box 50879 107 Founders Drive Conway, SC 29526

Nick England (Feb 5) PO Box 2922 Wise, VA 24293

Jerrard Vance (Dec 14) 9734 Palmetto Road Wise, VA 24293

Caitlin Adkins (Nov 20) 128 Washington Ave Charlottesville, VA 22903

If your address is not listed, please get that information to Leigh via email or text.

#### **Volunteers this Week**

Deacons On Call	9/8-9/14	Bill Sutherland, John Ponish	
	9/15-9/21	Mark Clark, John Ponish	
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan Scott S.	
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi	
Worship Welcome Team		Cindy E., Jason M., Oscar R.,	
		Daniel R., Wendy A.	
S.S Greeters	9/15	John Kennedy	
	9/22	John Ponish	
Nursery	9/15	Daniel and Tabitha Ray	
	9/22	Russell and Vanessa Cyphers,	
		Marybeth and Alex Adkins	
Children's Church	9/15	Jill Jessee	
	9/22	Debbie Helton	
PA	9/15	Ron	lг
	9/22	Oscar Raile	I
Tellers	September	Oscar Raile, Lee Ann Adkins	I
Ushers	9/15	Jerry Baird*, Edgar Owens, Roger Viers, Stan Kunigelis, Harold Witt, Butch Hutchinson, Mark Clark	
	9/22	Dan Helton*, Ron Helton, Jeff Adkins, Jeff , John Ponish, Mark Clark Scott Snodgrass	
		*offertory prayer	I
Habitat Store schedule	9/25	Harold Witt, Jim Collie	I
Serving Team	9/11	Eileen Cantrell, Pat Adkins, Cindy	IL
	-	Elkins, Gail Kiser, Mingkwan Collins	I٢
	9/18	Teresa Adkins, Brenda Lee, Cyndi	
	0/11	Newlon, Gina Chisenhall	
Wed Night Dinner	9/11	Baked Parmesan Chicken, Roasted	
	9/18	Vegetables, Mac and Cheese	П
	7/18	Soup Beans, Cornbread, Roasted Potatoes	Π



## Weekly Opportunities

Sunday Monday Wednesday

Thursday

Sunday School Worship Youth Jubilation Ringers Piecemakers Singing Sunbeam Meal Bible Study Choir Rehearsal Women on Mission 10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm TBA 9:30 am 3:45 pm 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:50 pm

11:00 am

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## BETH MOORE SIMULCAST SEPTEMBER 14, 2013

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#### **Thought For The Week :**

"Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you." Isaiah 46:4 NIV