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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.

September 11th—A Message of Hope and Healing

"No matter how hard we try, words simply cannot express the horror, the shock and the revulsion we all feel over what took place in this nation on Tuesday morning. September 11 will go down in our history as a Day to Remember.

But today we come together in this service to confess our need of God. We've always needed God from the very beginning of this nation. But today we need Him especially. We're involved in a new kind of warfare. And we need the help of the Spirit of God.

We've seen so much that brings tears to our eyes and makes us all feel a sense of anger. But God can be trusted, even when life seems at its darkest. What are some of the lessons we can learn?

First, we are reminded of the mystery and reality of evil. I have been asked hundreds of times why God allows tragedy and suffering. I have to confess that I do not know the answer. I have to accept, by faith, that God is sovereign, and that He is a God of love and mercy and compassion in the midst of suffering.

The lesson of this event is not only about the mystery of iniquity and evil, but, second, it's a lesson about our need for each other. A tragedy like this could have torn our country apart, but instead it has united us. So those perpetrators who took this on to tear us apart, it has worked the other way—it has backlashed. We are more united than ever before.

Finally, difficult as it may be for us to see right now, this event can give a message of hope—hope for the present and hope for the future.

Yes, our nation has been attacked, buildings destroyed, lives lost. But now we have a choice: whether to implode and disintegrate emotionally and spiritually as a people and a nation; or to choose to become stronger through all of this struggle, to rebuild on a solid foundation.

And I believe that we are starting to rebuild on that foundation. That foundation is our trust in God. And in that faith, we have the strength to endure something as difficult and as horrendous as what we have experienced this week. This has been a terrible week with many tears.

My prayer today is that we will feel the loving arms of God wrapped around us and that as we trust in Him we will know in our hearts that He will never forsake us."

Excerpted from Billy Graham's remarks given at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., on Friday, September 14, 2001.



Welcome New Member!

Wise Baptist Church welcomes Butch Hutchinson as a new member on Sunday, September 9th. Butch comes to us by statement of faith.

(Pictured from left: Butch Hutchinson, Pastor Mike, Donna Hutchinson, and Elora Hutchinson)

Important Dates:

Sept. 9th—16th

Alma Hunt Offering for
Virginia Missions
Emphasis Week

Wed, September 12th

6:00 pm—Dinner

6:45 pm—Bible Study
for All Ages

7:50 pm—Sanctuary
Choir Rehearsal

Thu, September 13th

Noon—Women on
Mission

Sat, September 15th

8:00 am—Leadership
Team Retreat

Sun, September 16th

3:00 pm—Membership
Class

6:00 pm—Marriage
Enrichment Bible Study
and Ballroom Dancing

Mark Your Calendars

Sun, September 30th

**Departure Time To Be
Announced**—Senior
Adult Trip

Sun, October 7th

Following Worship—
Creeper Trail Bike Trip

Senior Adult Trip

The next Senior Adult
Trip will be **Sunday,
September 30th.**

Mark your calendars
now and plan to
attend! See upcoming
bulletins and
newsletters for all the
details!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Dinner and Bible Study

Our Wednesday night Dinner and Bible Study continue this week! Dinner begins at 6:00 pm.

Suggested donations for dinner are: Adult: \$5; Child: \$3; Family Max: \$15. Bible Study for all ages begins at 6:45 pm.



A nursery is available for children under the age of 3.



Children Age 3 through Grade 6 will lace up their hiking boots, grab their backpacks and get ready for an adventure at "Rock Solid Followers"! Join in for fun, Bible lessons, games, crafts and more!



Youth (Grades 7—12) will meet with Leigh each week in the Youth Building for time in the Word!

There are 3 small group Bible studies available for adults: "Becoming a Contagious Christian", "Habitudes: Images That Form Leadership Habits and Attitudes", and "The Andy Griffith Show" Bible Study Series.

It's not too late to join a Bible Study!

Sunday School

September marks a new year for Sunday School. Susie Clasby has decided to "retire" from being Sunday School Director after many years of good service. I thank you Susie for your dedication and faithfulness. I will step in to that role this year. I believe that we have a good Sunday School program, and if you are not attending, please plan to start this Sunday! We have classes for all ages, 0-100! We have several classes for adults, and age appropriate classes for children. We have great teachers, that are here to encourage you in your Christian walk. Hope to see you Sunday!

Teresa Adkins

Children's Choirs

The Children's Choirs of Wise Baptist Church will resume rehearsals on **Monday, September 24th**. The choirs meet from 3:45 pm until 5:00 pm each Monday. All children age 3 through grade 7 are invited to participate. Our choir leaders this year are: Silver Bells (age 3—PK) - Donna Hutchinson and Sandy Yun; Singing Sunbeams (K—3rd) - Debbie Collins and Carla Sheppard; Joyful Noise (4th—7th) - Leigh Clark and Susan Mullins.

GOOD NEWS

Thank you note from Shirley and Clayton Willis: We would like to extend our sincere thanks for all the support from our church family. The calls, visits, and cards have been so thoughtful and have lifted our spirits. The wonderful food has been so helpful as I have begun the recovery process from my broken arm. We both feel so very fortunate to have you all in our lives.



Thank you Georgia Horne for providing special music for us on Sunday. You shared a beautiful arrangement of Pachelbel's Canon for worship.

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Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions

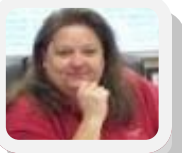
**Emphasis Week:
September 9th—16th**

The Alma Hunt Offering is a statewide offering that provides funding for all Women's Missionary Union missions and ministries in Virginia. This 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. When you give to this offering, you are equipping those who seek to share with others how God has set them free to live and serve.

When you give to the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions, you are claiming God's love for you and acting upon God's command to give and to serve. Through this offering, you and others are able to do something special—to experience God Moments. . . Everywhere!

You can read more about "God Moments" online at www.almahunt.org.

As of September 9th, Wise Baptist has received **\$193.00** in offerings. **This missions offering will be received throughout the month of September. Please use the special offering envelopes or designate "Alma Hunt" on your check.**



From Leigh

What a wonderful day of worship! Our service was filled with the blessing of music! The Sanctuary Choir led us in a moving spiritual and then Georgia Horne played a beautiful arrangement of Pachelbel's Canon as a piano solo. Finally, TRUTH, shared a song with an incredible message by Brandon Heath—*Give Me Your Eyes*. I am thankful and grateful for all of the wonderful and talented musicians in our congregation.

Music can communicate and inspire and affect people in ways that are sometimes impossible for mere words. It is truly a gift from God. Throughout scripture God's people are encouraged to "make a joyful noise" and to worship Him with singing and with instruments of praise.

As the Minister of Music, it is my prayer that the music at Wise Baptist is an act of praise and worship. Our music ministry is not about personal recognition; it is always about worshipping the Lord, Our God. *Amen!*

Blessings, Leigh

TRUTH will rehearse on Sunday, September 23 at 9:15 am. I am so excited about our newest members: Daniel England and Rachel Bailey.

All of our children's choirs will get underway on Monday, September 24 at 3:45. Children age 3 through grade 7 are encouraged and welcome! Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors.



We will have Bible study and fellowship this week on Wednesday and Sunday beginning at 6 pm. Hope to see all of you there! The England family will provide our meal on Sunday. Thank you to the Snodgrass and Elkins families for providing our meal last Sunday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, Sept 21

Tailgate party at Central Football Game

Sunday, Oct 7

Creeper Trail Bike Trip—Following Worship

Saturday, Oct 20

Bonfire

As you pray, please remember...

Pat and Fred Adkins, George Barnette, Kim Boggs, Carolyn Jones, Patsy Boggs, Michelle Hunter, Clayton and Shirley Willis, David Mullins, Glenn and Bea Hill, Lawrence and Irene Black, Michelle Sisson, Sherry Collie, Ron Swindall, and Rita Isaac
All of the cancer patients in our area
Our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

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

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



September 12 Terry Chisenhall

September 14 Clifton Carson
Jeremy Dotson

September 15 Kathy Dotson

September 17 Wendy Adrian

MEETING REMINDER

Kindred Spirits will meet on **Thursday, September 20th at 6:30 pm** at the home of Kathy Helton (203 Ridgefield Rd., Wise). Don't forget to bring a sweet or salty snack! Drinks and craft supplies will be provided. Please RSVP to Kathy (328.0907) by Tuesday, September 18th.

Additional College Student Mailing Address

Andi Kilgore
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Wise, VA 24293

A note or care package to any of our college students from their church family would make their day! Keep these young adults in your prayers as they study and explore who they are and Whose they are. Addresses have been included in past newsletters and have been sent out through e-mail. Paper copies are available in the church office.



VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Deacons On Call	9/9-9/15	Edgar Owens; Phil Mullins
	9/16-9/22	Mark Clark; Bill Sutherland
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Jason Mullins, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, and Wendy Adrian
SS Greeters	9/16	Lewey & Brenda Lee
	9/23	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
Nursery	9/16	Susie Clasby; Regina Carson; Regina Cantrell; Melissa Blackburn
	9/23	Coomer Family; Dwight & Jill Jessee
Children's Church	9/16	Megan Cline
	9/23	Gina Chisenhall
PA	9/16	Wayne Isaac
	9/23	Mike Osborne
Tellers	Sept	Kathy Helton and David Mullins
Ushers	9/16	Ron Helton*, Mark Clark, Jeff Adkins, Jeff Cantrell, John Ponish, Scott Snodgrass, and Dan Helton
	9/23	Jason Mullins*, Jeff Elkins, Robert England, Dwight Jessee, Daniel Ray, John Mark Adrian, and Travis Jessee
		* Offertory Prayer
Serving Team	9/12	Teresa Adkins, Brenda Lee, Gina Chisenhall, Cyndi Newlon & Edna Hedden
	9/19	Sherry Collie, Ruby Salyers, Rebecca Osborne, and Artie Bailey
Menu	9/12	Hamburgers & Hotdogs, French Fries, Baked Beans, and Salad
	9/19	BBQ, Baked Beans, Chips, Slaw, and Salad

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with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
	TRUTH	7:45 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	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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MEMBERSHIP CLASS ~ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH ~ 3:00 PM

Wise Baptist Church

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Thought For The Week:

"If my own people will humbly pray and turn back to me and stop sinning, then I will answer them from heaven. I will forgive them and make their land fertile once again."

~ 2 Chronicles 7:14 (CEV)