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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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Dear friends,

Temptation is as old as mankind. Something that helps is not to focus so much on the temptation itself. That leads us into the trap of trying to manage temptation often when it has already reached the breaking point. At this point we attempt to deal with it with

only willpower, which will fail nearly every time.

That only makes it more powerful. Instead, focusing on fortifying ourselves in mind, body, and spirit helps us in all areas of life, including temptation.

The occasion for Jesus' temptation was actually what helped Him cope. He was focused on how His life mission and vision would play out. When we have a life vision and mission, it gives us momentum that carries us through temptation.

Also, discern the patterns which are consistent in most temptations. Identify the internal triggers that feed it (boredom, loneliness, anger, stress, and tiredness). What are the external pressures at play?

Determine that willpower is not enough to carry the day. It is too little and too late when it is applied. Willpower is much more effective when applied much earlier in the process.

Finally, declare out loud the exact temptation you are facing. Also, specify what you think it will do for you (make you happy, etc.). Lastly, state the actual consequences. If you were to completely indulge the temptation, how would it really affect you and your relationships?

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

Education Committee meeting Sept 25 Sunday School Leaders Breakfast Sept 29 **Mission Committee** Serves lunch Sept 29 Youth Camping Trip Oct 4-5 Leadership Team Retreat Nov 9 **Christmas Cantata** Dec 8 Marriage Retreat Jan 24-26

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In Sympathy

We offer our deepest condolences to Lois Stallard and family, for the loss of her nephew, David Easterling. He passed away Sunday the 15th and was 65 years old.

We would also like to offer our Richie Kennedy and family for the loss of his father, N. Brent Kennedy. He was a good man and will be missed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child, а ministry of Samaritan's Purse, works year-round 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.

Correction, the breakfast and lunch is on the 29th

Wednesday Night Bible Study

The new bible study series begins this week. If you haven't signed up, please join us. The food and fellowship is great fun and the studies are a great way of learning Christian strategies for copying with our every day lives.

(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)

Alma Hunt Offering

The Annual Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions was Statewide this last week. It was for the week for September 8-15. WBC total offerings as of the 16th was \$570. 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.

Beth Moore Simulcast

WOW! That one word describes the experience of listening to Beth Moore. She teaches enthusiastically and exuberantly . Her message was powerful. Her lesson on the truth that we can never go so far that we can't come back to God, was especially touching. God always welcomes us back. We need to remember that. If you get another chance to hear Beth Moore, I strongly encourage women and men to take that opportunity.

Sunday School leaders Breakfast

On September 29th, the Sunday School Leaders will be having a breakfast at the Church.

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. Your donations will go to local school children that need coats and shoes. These are for children in desperate need. You get a favorite meal and proceeds go to a very good cause. What On September 29th ,we will be having could be better? Lasagna, Bread, Salad and Dessert and on Dec 29th, we will offer soups.



What a great weekend! All of the youth activities on Friday; the Beth Moore Simulcast on Saturday; worship and the youth service project on Sunday. Whew! It's a good thing I'm still so young!

I just wanted to take a moment to thank the Beth Moore organizing committee for all the vision, planning and prayer that made this simulcast possible. Your hours of investment behind the scene made possible an incredible spiritual growth opportunity for so many women in our church and community. I was personally blessed beyond measure.

Beth taught about *The Law vs Grace.* Intellectually, I knew all of these things. But, spiritually, I was not living them out. Living under the law causes me to die a slow death because I can never measure up; I can never be good enough or worthy; I fail. Living under the law means I am standing on shame. However, when I live under Grace, I give Glory to God for everything. I can live in joy because I realize and accept the true gift of Jesus' love and mercy. I can truly leave my old sinful self behind when I live under grace because I am standing on the Name of Jesus.

One of the most profound statements she made was that disappointment is a human malady; it is NOT divine. I am not a disappointment to God—He loves me and created me—He knows how I turn out! No matter how hard I work to keep the law, I am unworthy. But, the amazing thing is Jesus is worthy enough for both of us! "No longer" will I choose to live under anything but grace. I am trading in my "no longer" worthy for "no longer" the same!

Blessings, Leigh



TAILGATE AND BONFIRE

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Tailgating party at the Central football game on Friday night! We had so much food and the fellowship was wonderful. The weather was perfect for the bonfire after the game! Special thanks to Cindy and Jeff Elkins, Donna and Butch Hutchinson, Beth and Scott Snodgrass, and Mark Collins for all their help!

YOUTH ON SUNDAY

The youth will meet on Sunday from 6-7:30 in the youth building. The Mullins family will provide our meal. Invite a friend!

SERVICE

On Sunday, 15 youth and adults went to work at the home of Lawrence and Irene Black. We sanded and painted kitchen cabinets, washed down and the cabinet frames, stripped wall paper, and removed and replaced a cabinet and hood for the stove. We also spent time just visiting with the Black's. It was a wonderful project and a great time of fellowship.

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.

As you pray, please remember...

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



All of the cancer patients in our area Our men and women in the military **Our Shut Ins:**

Bogas

Jack Tolbert, Sr., Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha 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.

Habitat for Humanity is looking for a Director. Anyone that thinks this is something they might be interested in doing, please contact June Dotson at 328-4313



Tim and Kathy Osborne

September 20

Happy Birthday

Sept 17
Sept 18
Sept 19
Sept 19
Sept 23
Sept 23



Welcome, Eva Kling, our new WBC instrumentalist. Eva is a music education major at UVA-Wise. She is a talented musician. Please take time to make her feel welcome as you see her at church on Wednesdays and Sundays.

Youth Service Project at the home of Lawrence and Irene.



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	9/15-21	Mark Clark, John Ponish	
	9/22-28	Robert England, Gil Blackburn	
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.	
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi, Eva	
Worship Welcome Team		Cindy E., Oscar R.,	
		Daniel R., Wendy A.	
S.S Greeters	9/22	John Ponish	
	9/29	Lewey and Brenda Lee	
Nursery	9/22	Russell and Vanessa Cyphers,	
		Marybeth and Alex Adkins	
	9/29	Bonnie Owens, Jason and Vanessa	
		Mullins	
Children's Church	9/22	Debbie Helton	
	9/29	Holly Meade	-
PA	9/22	Oscar Raile	
	9/29	Mike Strouth	
Tellers	September	Oscar Raile, Lee Ann Adkins	
Ushers	9/22	Dan Helton*, Ron Helton, Jeff	
		Adkins, Jeff , John Ponish, Mark Clark	
		Scott Snodgrass	
	9/29	Youth*	
		*offertory prayer	
Habitat Store	9/18	June Dotson, Grace Allio	
	9/25	Harold Witt, Jim Collie	
Serving Team	9/18	Teresa Adkins, Brenda Lee, Cyndi	
6		Newlon, Gina Chisenhall	Г
	9/25	Linda Bailey, Ruby Salyers, Rebecca	
		Osborne, Artie Bailey	
Wed Night Dinner	9/18	Soup Beans, Cornbread, Roasted	11
J. J		Potatoes	11
	9/25	Tacos Chips, Salsa, Nacho Cheese,	11
		and Refried Beans	11



Weekly Opportunities

Wednesday

Sunday

Monday

Meal Bible Study Choir Rehearsal Bible Study Worship Youth Truth Caring Friends Children's Choir 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:50 pm 10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm 7:45 pm 9:30 am 3:45 pm

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Mission Committee serves Lunch at the Church Sept 29th

Wise Baptist Church P.O. Box 777 Wise, VA 24293

Thought For The Week :

"[*Two Kinds of Wisdom*] Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom." <u>James 3:13 NIV</u>

Beth Moore Simulcast in Pictures



The gang from Gracepoint









