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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,

When Jesus claimed His life mission, He faced the full force of temptation from the devil. Jesus had to go through these temptations in order to fulfill His life purpose. In order to fulfill our life purpose, we must also go **through** temptation. The only way to our life mission is through, not around, or by avoidance.

If your car is stuck in the mud, giving the accelerator more gas only sinks you in deeper. A more helpful approach is for the car to have enough momentum to carry you through the muddy patch. To focus too much on the temptation gives it too much power (like giving a stuck car more gas). It is a symptom of deeper things that need attention.

Jesus fortified Himself for spiritual combat with the devil in Matthew 4. He was clear about His calling from God (Matthew 3) and spent time fasting, praying, and absorbing the message of the Scriptures. These actions gave Him a spiritual momentum to carry Him through the temptation.

The bigger issue is not the temptation, but a clear life purpose under God. A life lacking this clear purpose leaves an empty space that attracts more temptation. It is also important to fortify ourselves with the presence and love of God. Having a life purpose under God about which we are excited and spiritual fortification give us a spiritual momentum that can better carry us through times of temptation and difficulty.

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

Leadership Team Meeting

Sept 25

Sunday School Leaders Breakfast

Sept 29

Mission Committee Serves lunch

Sept 29

Women On Mission

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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WELCOME

It is with great joy that we welcome the Sheppard family for membership at WBC. David and Carla come by Transfer of Letter. Macey was Baptized here by her grandfather and Pastor Ray. And Garrison has made a Profession of Faith and is requesting Baptism. *To God Be ALL Glory!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wednesday Night Bible Study

The New Bible Study series has gotten underway. If you haven't signed up yet, it is not too late to join us. We have a great meal at 6:00 and then Bible Study after at 6:45.

- (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)

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

WELCOME

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

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 23rd was \$670. 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY LUNCH FOR MISSIONS

Following worship on Sunday, September 29, the Mission Committee and youth will serve lunch in the fellowship hall. The menu will include lasagna, salad, bread and desserts. You may dine-in or carry-out. Donations for the meal will help provide coats and shoes for children in Wise County. Please plan to join us for a wonderful meal and a wonderful opportunity to make a difference.

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child, a 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.



From Leigh

On Sunday morning, Beth Snodgrass shared her testimony about the Beth Moore Simulcast. She shared the following poem from Beth Moore's blog. I thought you might enjoy reading it over and over again!

Blessings, Leigh

Grace is an inflated raft that can submerge to the floor of a sea to save you.

Grace is the silver thread that stitches up the shreds of mangled souls.

Grace is the eye that finds us where it refuses, there, to leave us.

Grace calls the waitress to the table and sits her down to wash her feet.

Grace sees underneath the manhole on a street of self-destruction.

Grace is the air to draw a breath in the belly of a whale.

Grace is the courage to stand in the shamed wake of a frightful falling.

Grace is the only fire hot enough to burn down a living hell. Grace waits with healing in His wings when we're too mad to pray.

Grace is the gravity that pulls us from depravity.

Grace races us to the Throne when we make haste to repent and always outruns us.

Grace treats us like we already are what we fear we'll never become.

Grace is the doorpost dripping red when the angel of death grips the knob.

Grace is the stamp that says Ransomed on a life that screams Ruined.

Grace sets a table before me in the presence of my enemy even when my enemy is me.

Grace is the cloak that covers the naked and the palm that drops the rock.

Grace is divine power burgeoning in the absence of all strength.

Grace proves God true and every self-made man a liar for the sake of his own soul.

Grace is the power to do what we cannot do for the Name of Christ to go where it has not been.

Grace is a room of a thousand mirrors, all reflecting the face of Christ.

Grace is...

The eye popping...Knee dropping...Earth quaking...
Pride breaking...Dark stabbing...Heart grabbing...
Friend mending...Mind bending...Lame walking...
Mute talking...Slave freeing...Devil fleeing...
Death tolling...Stone rolling...Veil tearing...
Glory flaring...Chin lifting...Sin sifting...
Dirt bleaching...World reaching...Past covering...
Spirit hovering...Child defending...Happy ending...
Heaven glancing...Feet dancing...Power of the Cross.
Jesus Christ, Grace Incarnate.

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 Boggs

> All of the cancer patients in our area Our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

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.

Terry and Gina Chisenhall September 26



Happy Birthday

Sept 25
Sept 27
Sept 28
Sept 30

Women On Mission district meeting, Sunday September 29th at the Associational/BSU building, 3:00 p.m. For more information contact Erra Sutherland.



SYATP

See You At The Pole is a national event which promotes worship and prayer on our school campuses. Some of our youth are leading the effort on Wednesday at Central High School. All students and any community members are invited to join at the flag pole in front of the school at 7:45 am for worship and prayer. It will be a great way to start your day!! SYATP!

YOUTH ON SUNDAY

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

SERVICE

This Sunday, September 29, the youth will assist the Mission Committee in serving a meal after worship. The menu includes lasagna, salad, bread and dessert. The funds will help purchase coats and shoes for children in Wise. Please plan to participate in this wonderful event.

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.

Volunteers this Week

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Deacons On Call	9/22-28	Robert England, Gil Blackburn					
	9/29-10/5	Jerry Baird, Bill Sutherland					
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.					
Instrumentalists		Susan M., Eva, Susan S., Gigi,					
Worship Welcome Team		Cindy E., Oscar R., Daniel R., Wendy A.					
S.S Greeters	9/29	Lewey and Brenda Lee					
	10/6	Mike and Rebecca Osborne					
Nursery	9/29	Bonnie Owens, Jason and Vanessa Mullins					
	10/6	TBA					
Children's Church	9/29	Holly Meade					
	10/6	Jennifer England					
PA	9/29	Mike Strouth					
	10/6	Wayne Issac					
Tellers	September	Oscar Raile, Lee Ann Adkins					
	October	David Mullins, Martha Blackburn					
Ushers	9/29	Youth*					
	10/6	Ron Swindall*, Lewey Lee, Bob Adkins, Gary Smith, Bill Sutherland, Mike Strouth, David Mullins					
		*offertory prayer					
Habitat Store	9/25	Harold Witt, Jim Collie					
	10/2	June Dotson, Linda Bailey					
Serving Team	9/25	Linda Bailey, Ruby Salyers, Rebecca Osborne, Artie Bailey					
	10/2	Vanessa Cyphers, Susan Smith, J Jennifer England, Karen Ponish					
Wed Night Dinner	9/25	Tacos Chips, Salsa, Nacho Cheese, and Refried Beans					
	10/2	Hamburgers, French Fries, Baked Beans					
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	Weekly Opportunities			
Wednesday	Leadership Team Meeting Meal	5:00 pm 6:00 pm		
Sunday	Bible Study Choir Rehearsal S. S. Leaders Breakfast Bible Study Worship	6:45 pm 7:50 pm 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am		
Monday	Lunch served Youth Caring Friends Children's Choir	12:00pm 6:00pm 9:30 am 3:45 pm		

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MISSION COMMITTEE SERVES LUNCH AT THE CHURCH SEPT 29TH



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Thought For The Week:

"Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." Romans 5:3-4 NIV

OCTOBER 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	Mission Committee Meeting—5:30 pm 2 Meal-6 p Bible study-6:45 Choir rehearsal 7:50p	3	4 You trip	5 th camping
		<u>B:</u> Gloria Raile, Misty Belcher, Jasmine Vance, J. Matthew Cantrell	<u>B:</u> Ann Wade, Averia Stalnaker	<u>A:</u> Donnie & Sharon Bradley	<u>B:</u> Brandon Winters	<u>B:</u> Susan D avidson, Tony Harris <u>A:</u> Rick & Holly Meade
6 Sunday School -10am Worship-11am Youth 6 pm	Piecemakers 9:30am 7	8	9	Women on Missi on—Noon	11	12
	Children's choir 3.45-5 <u>B:</u> Debbie Caudill		Meal 6pm Bible study 6:45 Choir rehearsal 7:50pm	<u>A:</u> Butch & Donna Hutchinson	<u>A:</u> Clifton & Regina Carson	<u>B:</u> Chelsea Polly
Deacon meeting 8:29 Holy Communion Sunday school 10 am Worship-am Youth 6pm	Columbus Day 14 Caring friends9:30am BCM at UVA 11 am	15	Meal 6 pm Bible study 6:45 Choir rehearsal 7:50pmm	17	18	19
	Children's choir 3:45-5 <u>B:</u> Margie Horton <u>A:</u> Bill & Erra Sutherland	<u>B:</u> Elizabeth Smith <u>A:</u> Bri an & Elizabeth Wills	<u>B:</u> Chase Coomer		<u>B:</u> Edna Hedden	<u>B:</u> Mike Osborne, Autum n Chisenhall
Sunday school 10am Worship 11am Youth Creeper trail	21 Piecemakers 9:30 am Children's choir 3:45-5	22	Meal 6pm Bible study 6:45p Choir rehearsal 7:50pm	24	25	26
<u>A:</u> Don & Bobbie Farmer	<u>B:</u> Carla Sheppard	<u>B:</u> Debra Wharton, Don Farmer	<u>B:</u> Sherry Collie	<u>B:</u> Katie Carson, Beau Chisenhall		<u>B:</u> Emma S nodgrass, Jean Aker
Sunday school 10am Worship 11am Youth Serving day	28 Caring friends 9:30 am Children's choir 3:45-5	29	30 Carnival Games and Trunk or Treat	Halloween 31	B=Birthday A=Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office. (328.6247)
<u>B:</u> Kim Lyons , Cana an Godsey		<u>B:</u> Judy Sturgill <u>A:</u> Curtis & Mila Hall	<u>B:</u> AnnaBeth Addison	<u>B:</u> Don Pippin		

Mission opportunities displayed during the Beth Moore Simulcast









