

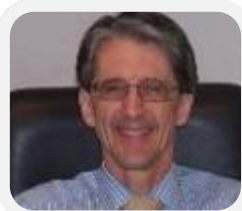
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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 15, 2012

*A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.*



Dear friends,

The message last Sunday referred to Ephesians 5:16, which says we are to make "the most of every opportunity". One opportunity is Sunday morning when the tear-off information piece in the worship bulletin is filled out. **As of Sunday, Sept. 2, this will have a different design (See sample on Page 3).** It will be called a "Communication Card". It will be a loose insert on colored paper in your bulletin each week.

If guests do not fill out information cards or slips, we do not have information and cannot follow up. One problem with information slips in the bulletin is that guests often do not fill them out. A cardinal rule for guests is that they do not want to be conspicuous or stand out in any way. Guests will not fill out a card if no one else is doing so. *They are much more likely to fill out a card if people around them are.*

**A "Communication Card" is for everyone every week.** It is not just for guests. Instead of having many sign-up lists, it is a central place for people to sign up for all kinds of events: Wednesday night meals, Bible studies, trips of all kinds, any special events or activities for groups of all ages. The card is designed so it can be filled out as quickly as possible.

#### **Advantages of the "Communication Card":**

- 1. It helps us get needed information for upcoming events.**
- 2. It more effectively gains contact information from guests.**
- 3. It provides opportunities for worshippers to indicate a next step of faith commitment (profession of faith, baptism, church membership, prayer need, etc.)**

**How will the "Communication Card be used on a given Sunday?** You will find the loose card in your bulletin. You will receive exact instructions about how to use it several times during the service. At the end of the service, you will be asked to pass them down to be placed in baskets at the end of each pew. After the service, a deacon will sort through the cards to make the first contact to guests. Later, additional contacts will be made by pastor, staff, Sunday School teachers, etc. On Monday, Rebecca, our secretary, will direct the appropriate information to any other person or group that needs it: sign-ups, information requests, etc.

Your participation will help us have the needed information to better be the church! Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation!

Love in Christ, Mike

#### **Important Dates:**

- Wed, August 15th**  
**6:00 pm**—Dinner  
**6:45 pm**—Bible Study for All Ages  
**7:50 pm**—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Sat, August 18th**  
**8:00 am**—Youth Trip to Splash Country

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

- Wed, August 29th**  
**7:00 pm**—Annual Business Meeting
- Sun, September 9th**  
**6:00 pm**—"A Time to Dance" - Marriage Enrichment Bible Study and Introductory Ballroom Dancing Lessons

*We extend our heartfelt prayers and deepest sympathy to:*

*Jim and Lois Lawson in the death of their son, Jimmy. Memorial gifts may be made to the Jimmy Lawson Memorial Fund c/o BB&T 811 Main Street Summersville, WV 26651 The funds will go toward the education expenses of his children.*

*Michelle Hunter and Elisha Alexander in the death of their father and grandfather, respectively.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Wednesday Night Dinner and Bible Study

Wednesday night Dinner and Bible Study resumes **TONIGHT**. Dinner begins at 6:00 pm. **Suggested donations for dinner are: Adult: \$5; Child: \$3; Family Max: \$15.** Bible Study begins at 6:45 pm. There are three adult Bible studies to choose from and each will last for 6 weeks:

**"Becoming a Contagious Christian"** - In this study, Pastor Mike will help you learn how to share your faith more effectively in a way that is both natural and personal. The study book for this class costs \$5.

**"Habitudes: Images That Form Leadership Habits and Attitudes"** - Jim Collie will help you learn to let the Lord Jesus Christ lead you. Only then can you begin to lead others. Each week will focus on an image that fixes the lesson in your mind. Book orders will be taken on August 15th.

**"The Andy Griffith Show" Bible Study Series-** Teresa Adkins will lead a series using "The Andy Griffith Show" as background. The episodes, characters and by-lines have become part of our culture. Although the show was secular, there are many moral and spiritual applications that can challenge us to become more like the example of Christ that we should be to the world.

### Wednesday Night Activities for Children



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!



### Children in Action

On Sunday, August 19th the Children In Action kids will learn about missionary Martha Richards who serves the Lord in Johannesburg, South Africa. Martha works at "The Door of Hope" to show compassion to babies who have been mistreated. This home is primarily for abandoned babies found on the streets, in rest rooms, or in garbage cans. Martha and other volunteers meet the physical needs of the babies and then find an adoptive mother and father for them. The CIA kids will learn how the Lottie Moon Foreign Mission Offering helps finance the missionary work at "The Door of Hope."

## GOOD NEWS

**Thank you** to Sherlene Hall and Regina Cantrell for clearing out the kitchen and for cleaning and reorganizing after Randy cleaned and sealed the floor!

**Thank you note from Linsay Allio:** I cannot thank you enough for the wonderful package and many prayers to celebrate the last three years I spent in law school. The book was inspirational and a great motivation to get me through the last three months in which I was studying for the bar exam. Most importantly, thank you all for your unconditional and unending love and support through this very trying and arduous time. Your prayers and your love have seen me through the good and the bad. I love you all and am so joyous that you each are such a beautiful testament to God's grace and glory. Thank you and God bless you each and every one.

**Congratulations!** On July 28th, the Wise County Blue Marlins Swim Team won the BASA swim meet held at Virginia High School. Members of the team include Caroline Mullins, Mary Paige Stuedeman, Ali Stuedeman, and Rachel Bailey.

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### Annual Business Meeting

Wise Baptist Church will hold its Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, August 29th at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. The agenda includes the proposed budget, ministry volunteers for the 2012—2013 church year, and proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws as discussed below.



### Proposed Changes to the Constitution and Bylaws

Proposed changes to the Wise Baptist Church Constitution and Bylaws (pages 10-13) were emailed. **Copies of the changes are also available in the church office.** The underlined sentences represent additions and the marked-through words and/or sentences are to be omitted. Please carefully read these changes and be prepared to ask questions and vote at the business meeting.

### Mailing Addresses for Our College Students



We are compiling a list of addresses for all of our college students! If you have a college age student, whether away at school or at home, please email the church office (wisebaptist@verizon.net) with their address.



### Youth Trip

When? **Saturday, August 18th.** Where? **Splash Country.** Departure time is 8 am. Let Leigh know if you plan to attend!



From Leigh

I am looking forward to Wednesday night fellowship! We will have dinner, Bible study, and choir rehearsal starting this week—I can't wait! I have missed the fellowship. If you have not made Wednesday night activities a regular part of your weekly schedule, I hope that you will start. It is nice to let someone else do the cooking and cleaning! You have time to catch up with your friends and an opportunity to make new friends. It is also a chance to "refuel" spiritually for the week. We have Bible study for every age. You will not regret getting involved!

The choir will start rehearsals this week—you're invited to join us! Our children's choirs will start later in September.

Blessings, Leigh

### 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.***



**August 16** Sam Austin  
Ann Culbertson

**August 17** John Ponish

**August 18** Kim Hall

**August 19** Hardon Kennedy  
Rose Kennedy  
Harold Kennedy

**August 20** Teresa Adkins  
Cindy Elkins



#### Youth Calendar

**August 18th**  
**8:00 am**  
Road Trip to Pigeon Forge

**August 26th**  
**6:00 pm**  
Parent/Youth Night



**August 14**  
*Ron & Kathy Helton*

**August 16**  
*John & Toni Thacker*  
*Rick & Caryn Johnson*

**August 17**  
*Sam & Debra Wharton*

(front) Communication Card

1st-time Guest  
 2nd-time Guest  
 Regular Attender  
 Member

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Best Contact Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Place this card in the basket on your pew.

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Prayer Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Next Steps:</b> <input type="radio"/> Becoming a follower of Jesus Christ <input type="radio"/> Church membership <input type="radio"/> Serving at Wise Baptist Church	<b>Send Me Information About:</b> <input type="radio"/> Sunday School <input type="radio"/> College / Young Adult Ministries <input type="radio"/> Adult Ministries <input type="radio"/> Preschool/Children's Ministries <input type="radio"/> Youth Ministries <input type="radio"/> Senior Adult Ministries <input type="radio"/> Music Ministries
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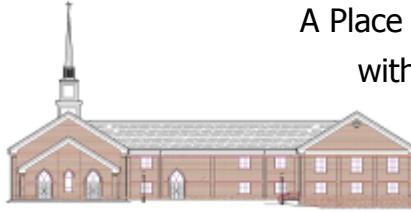
**Opportunities for Growth and Fellowship**

 Wednesday Night Dinner # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senior Adult Trip (MM/DD)  
 Vacation Bible School Volunteer  
 Kindred Spirits (MM/DD)  
 New Member Class (MM/DD)  
 Marriage Enrichment Bible Study

## VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Deacons On Call	8/12-8/18	Phil Mullins; Ron Helton
	8/19-8/25	Lewey Lee; Gil Blackburn
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Jason Mullins, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, and Wendy Adrian
SS Greeters	8/19	Billie Harris
	8/26	David and Sandy Mullins
Nursery	8/19	Jason & Vanessa Mullins; Travis & Kassi Jessee
	8/26	Jeff and Lee Ann Adkins; Terry and Autumn Chisenhall
Children's Church	8/19	Jennifer England
	8/26	Toni Thacker
PA	8/19	Mike Osborne
	8/26	Ron Swindall
Tellers	August	Kim Coomer and Mike Strouth
Ushers	8/19	Dan Helton*, Ron Helton, Mark Clark, Jeff Adkins, Jeff Cantrell, John Ponish, Scott Snodgrass
	8/26	Travis Jessee*, Jason Mullins, Jeff Elkins, Robert England, Dwight Jessee, Daniel Ray, and John Mark Adrian
		* Offertory Prayer
Serving Team	8/15	Vanessa Cyphers, Susan Smith, Rita Isaac, Jennifer England, and Karen Ponish
	8/22	Beverly Viers, Sandy Mullins, Erra Sutherland, and Brenda Kunigelis
Menu	8/15	Lasagna, Garlic Bread, and Salad
	8/22	Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, and Green Beans

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## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
	TRUTH	7:45 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	In Recess
	Caring Friends (2nd, 4th, & 5th)	In Recess
	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

### Rev. Mike Winters Contact Information

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COME AND BE A PART OF OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP! DINNER @ 6:00 AND BIBLE STUDY @ 6:45!

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### Thought For The Week:

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living, so that the person who serves God may be fully qualified and equipped to do every kind of good deed."

2 Timothy 3:16—17 (Good News Translation)