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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 23, 2013

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



Dear friends,

The Bible is packed with the language of relationship. Ideas of friends and family fill its pages. So it is with life...that relationships with friends and family fill and significantly impact our lives. Rollo May estimates that we deal with anywhere from 500 – 2,500

acquaintances, but on average have only 7 friends in any given year. Those numbers give pause for reflection. We often do not stop long enough to reflect on whether we are gathering acquaintances or friends. There is a limit to how many close friends we have time to cultivate, but I suggest that most of us probably need more than they have.

It is interesting that Jesus poured and invested His whole ministry into the hands of twelve people. These were twelve people who had spent time with each other and Jesus for three years. Night and day for three years the disciples absorbed, witnessed, and practiced what Jesus believed and taught.

I Samuel 18 reveals a beautiful friendship between David and Jonathan. They made a “covenant” between each other. It is a sacred bond. The same word, covenant, is also used to describe God’s special relationship with His people.

A great place to cultivate and extend spiritual friendship is the local church. A great place within the local church to experience friendship is in small groups of some kind. A small group that meets often allows you to get to know people and for them to get to know you. On Wednesday nights we will have three opportunities in 3 different studies: a men’s study, women’s study, and a book on parenting (grandparents can benefit, too). There will also be youth Bible study and Bible study for children. Sunday School has classes for all ages and meets each Sunday.

Jesus, in John 15, calls us friends. May we extend that spiritual friendship in all directions.

With love from your friend, Pastor Mike

## IMPORTANT DATES

**VBS** July 22-26  
**Brown Bag Ministry** July 29-Aug 2  
**Relay for Life** July 26  
**Ride, Run, Relax** July 27  
**Symphony of the Mtns.** July 27  
**Back To School Event** Aug 2  
**Senior Trip** Aug 3  
**Church Picnic** Aug 4  
**S.S. Training** Aug 17  
**Beth Moore Simulcast** Sept 14

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## SPECIAL

In Sympathy

We extend our heartfelt prayers and deepest sympathy to Lois Stallard and family for the loss of her brother, Edgar, on Sunday, July 14th.

In Celebration

We celebrate the birth of little Landon. The baby was born July 17, at 12:27 a.m.. He is a beautiful boy. He weighed 7 lb. 4 oz. and is 20 1/2 in. long. Carolyn Strouth is the proud new Grandma.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

KEEP UP-TO-DATE OR COMMUNICATE WITH JON KENNEDY VIA ...  
CARING BRIDGE WEBSITE: [www.caringbridge.org/visit/jonkennedy](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/jonkennedy)  
E-CARDS: [www.healthsystem.virginia.edu/e-cards](http://www.healthsystem.virginia.edu/e-cards)

Note: You will need the following information:

Name: Jon B. Kennedy

Room: 8174A

Hometown: Wise, VA

Age: Select 19-40

NOTE: The staff strives to deliver the cards daily. However, they do not deliver on the weekends.

SNAIL MAIL ADDRESS:

Jon B. Kennedy, Room 8174A University of Virginia Medical Center  
1215 Lee Street Charlottesville, VA 22908



We had a great turn out at VBS, on Monday. As we left there was a beautiful rainbow in the sky, right outside the church. It mirrored how beautiful the sanctuary was decorated, and the mood of everyone involved.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Ride, Run, & Relax Benefit



On July 27, our church and Lonesome Pine Cycling will be sponsoring a benefit for Ian Boggs. He is a 7 year old Pound boy who was born with a severe deformity of his legs. Our goal is to make his home handicap accessible. *We could use some help in these areas.*

**-Sponsors/Donations.** If you/business are willing to help sponsor, we could use the help.

**-Aid Stations.** I need people to man tables for the 5k run to distribute water.

**-General help.** I need help with general tasks, that may be unforeseen until event day.

**-Participation.** Get registered, come out, and have fun. We need all the participants we can get.

We would like to see this become an annual event with the proceeds going to a worthy cause. Donations are also welcome and can be given to the church with the note that it is for the Ian Boggs Project. For more information, go to:

<http://www.lonesomepinecycling.org/ride-run-relax>

Or call Robert England at 276-275-1604

### Exciting new Wednesday Night Bible Studies for Adults

Our Wednesday Night Program begins on Aug. 7. Supper at 6pm is followed by Bible studies and activities for children and youth. For adults there will be 3 different and exciting series of 3 Bible studies, each lasting 6 weeks. (Sign up on Communication Cards or notify church office).

**Series 1 (8/7-9/11)**

- "Setting Boundaries with Kids: When to Say Yes, When to Say No to Help your children Gain Control of Their Lives"- Good book for parents or grandparents.
- "Quiet Strength" (study for men) Inspirational book by Tony Dungy, former coach of Super Bowl champions, the Indianapolis Colts.
- "The Girl's Still Got It" (study for women) by Liz Higgs. Walk with Ruth and Naomi as God redeems disappointments in their lives.

**Series 2 (9/18-10/23)**

- "Changing Places: A Christian's Guide to Caring for Aging Parents" - by Betty Roberson
- "Setting Boundaries with Kids"

**Series 3 (11/6-12/18)**

- "Ephesians: Building a Community in Christ" -John Stott
- "So You Want to Be Like Christ?: 8 Essentials to Get You There" -by Charles Swindoll
- "Game Plan" -(study for men) - by Joe Gibbs, former coach of Super Bowl champions
- "Redeeming Love" (study for women) - by Francine Rivers- the love story of Hosea and Gomer set in the Gold Rush days of the Old West

### Back to School Community Kick-Off

Cavalier Pharmacy is hosting a Back to School event at the Big Glades, on Friday, August 2nd. Items are provided by Local Churches and businesses. Contact Christy Greear at 328-9141, or email

[cavalier.pharmacy@yahoo.com](mailto:cavalier.pharmacy@yahoo.com)

Free Admission Free Activities

Free Refreshments Free School supplies

**Our Church Mission project for VBS is to collect back packs for this event.**

### Deacon Nominations

On Sunday, August 4th, members of Wise Baptist Church will have the opportunity to submit nominations for three new active Deacons. Edgar Owens and Gary Smith are rotating off and will not be eligible to serve as an active Deacon this coming Church year. Phil Mullins, who would have been in this rotating group, left our Church earlier this year. Other current active Deacons include Jerry Baird, Gil Blackburn, Mark Clark, Ron Helton, John Ponish, and Bill Sutherland. Please begin praying now for those who be called to serve.

### Relay for Life

Relay for Life is in Wise County on July 26, from 6 till 2 am.

For more info, call 276-739-7780

### Senior Adult Trip



Senior Adults are invited to come with us on Aug 3rd, to have lunch at beautiful Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Afterwards, we will see the show, "Church Basement Ladies"; said to be a heartfelt, hilarious musical comedy. Cost is \$25. Call church office (6247) or Jerry (3126) for reservations.

### Symphony of the Mountains

By the Lawn of the Lake at UVA, on July 27 at 8 p.m., there will be a free concert. Even if it rains, they will take the event into the David Prior Convocation Center. They are offering a boxed meal for \$10. You can order that by calling 376-4520.

### Associational Sunday School Training Event

Sunday school teacher training on Sat. Aug.17, right here at Wise Baptist. A team organized and trained by the Virginia Baptist Mission Board will lead the conference.

Saturday, August 17th

10 A.M. - Noon

(Lunch will be served at noon)

**Wise Baptist Church**

Registration deadline- Aug. 14.

Session 1: How to Energize, Engage and Motivate Your Class

Session 2: Creative Ways to Reach Prospects

**Registration Required:** Call (276) 328 - 6247 or  
email [Rose@wisebaptist.com](mailto:Rose@wisebaptist.com)

You're Invited

**Our Church Picnic**

**5:30-8:30**

**At Camp Bethel for food and fun**

**Hope to see you there**





*From Leigh*

It has taken me several days to "recover" from the mission trip! Being responsible for 22 people for eight days is pretty stressful, not to mention all of the detail work for months prior to the trip. But, the reward and results of a trip like ours, more than makes up for the stress. Words and pictures cannot fully describe or explain the affect a mission trip has on you. This was by far the best mission trip that I have been a part of at WBC. (The artwork on the shell was done by Kaitlin Ponish!)



Over the next few weeks, you will hear testimonies from the team members in worship and in the newsletter. My hope is that you will begin praying now about where God will lead us next summer and how you may be involved. I would like to especially thank Mark Collins, Kristen Osborne, Lily Snodgrass, Emma Snodgrass, Jasmine Vance, Rachel Bailey, and Rachel Porchie for their willingness to share about their mission trip experience with everyone in worship yesterday.

Thank you to Andi Kilgore for the beautiful music in worship on Sunday. Russell Cyphers will sing a solo on July 28. The Sanctuary Choir will resume rehearsing on Wednesday nights at 7:50 on August 7. It would be awesome to welcome some new members to our musical fellowship! Let me know if you are interested.

Blessings, Leigh



## Youth Ministry

### YOUTH/PARENT EVENT

Sunday, August 11 at 5:30 all youth and their parents are invited to attend our back to school event. We will have food, games, an event planning session, and a short devotional. Please plan to attend! Bring your calendar and wonderful ideas!

### YOUTH LEADERS

I am so pleased to announce that Mark Collins, Melissa Blackburn and Andi Kilgore have enthusiastically agreed to assist with the youth this year! It is going to be awesome! We are already planning and praying for a wonderful year!

### COLLEGE STUDENTS

As soon as possible, please share with me your mailing address for college—even if you are staying local. It is important for us to be able to stay in touch with you!

## LIVING PROOF LIVE SIMULCAST

WITH BETH MOORE

SEPTEMBER 14, 2013



All ladies are invited to attend the Beth Moore Simulcast on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at Wise Baptist Church from 8:45 am until 4:15 pm.

**What is a simulcast?** A simulcast is an event broadcast simultaneously to various locations. We will simulcast the Living Proof Live event with Beth Moore through HD internet technology. The simulcast will be broadcast worldwide, live from Charleston, WV. The schedule for the day includes time for worship and Bible study.

**About Beth Moore:** Beth founded Living Proof Ministries in 1994 with the purpose of teaching women how to love and live on God's Word. She has written numerous books and Bible studies, including *Breaking Free*, *Believing God*, *The Patriarchs* and most recently, *James: Mercy Triumphs* that have been read by women of all ages, races, and denominations. Ever the storyteller, Beth is known to pepper her teaching with stories and poems written from the perspective of pertinent characters. She communicates with great energy, passion, humor, warmth, and grace.

**About Living Proof Ministries:** Living Proof Ministries is dedicated to Biblical literacy and a commitment to guide believers to love and live on God's Word. Every tape, book or product offered through this ministry is developed to encourage people to know Christ through His Word.

*"For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any two edged sword." Hebrews 4:12*

Living Proof was founded upon this verse. It is their desire to see people discover and fully experience this truth for themselves. Living Proof Ministries exists because of the grace and mercy of Christ. It will always exist to glorify Him alone.

The cost for the event is \$20 / person (\$10 / person for college students) and includes a boxed lunch.

Information on how to register you and your friends is coming soon!

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

Questions? See Wendy, Jennifer, Sandy, Rebecca or Terry



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

Lois Stallard and family,  
Pat and Fred Adkins, George and Shirlee  
Barnette, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Lynell Wells,  
Wanda Baird, Glenn Hill, Lawrence Black, Marty  
and Rose Kennedy

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

### Hospitalized:

Jon Kennedy ( UVA Hospital)

### Our Shut Ins: Jack Tolbert, Sr.

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.***

Ken & Peggy Bowling July 25  
Mark & Leigh Clark July 27

Bonnie Owens July 24  
Debbie Collins July 24  
Sara Hardin July 25  
Martha Gilliam July 25  
Oscar Raile July 25  
David Allio July 26  
Danny Rowland July 26  
Allen Cantrell July 27  
Ron Helton July 28



**VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK**

Deacons On Call	7/28—8/03	Jerry Baird, Gil Blackburn
	8/04—8/10	Edgar Owens, Gary Smith
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Cindy E., Jason M., Oscar R., Daniel R., and Wendy A.
SS Greeter	7/28	Lewey and Brenda Lee
	8/04	Mike and Rebecca Osborne
Nursery	7/28	Rose and Brooklyn Kennedy, Cyndi Newlon and Chelsea Polly
	8/04	Johnny and Tracy Wills, Donna and Butch Hutchinson
Children's Church	7/28	Holly Meade
	8/04	Jennifer England
PA	7/28	Wayne
	8/04	Mike O.
Tellers	JULY	David Mullins, Debbie Helton
Ushers	7/28	Gary Smith, Bill Sutherland, Mike Strouth, David Mullins, Matt Meade, Ron Swindall, Lewey Lee, Bob Adkins
Offertory Prayer	7/28	Gary Smith

A Place for Faith and Fellowship  
with Family and Friends

**Summer****Weekly Opportunities**

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
Monday	Caring Friends 29th	9:30 am
Monday-Friday	VBS	6:00

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**CHURCH PICNIC AUG 4 AT CAMP BETHEL, 5:30– 8:30**

**Wise Baptist Church**

**P.O. Box 777**

**Wise, VA 24293**

**Thought For The Week :**

"Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~[Matthew 19:14 NIV](#)