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Donna Hutchinson, Music Director

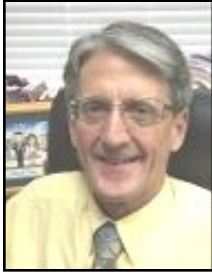
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 18, 2020

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

If someone asked you to prove the existence of God, what would you say? Pressured? Feel on the spot? You want to build the best case you can. You might even think if you can give enough evidence that it will convince them to turn to God.

This is not a new idea. For centuries, the smartest Christians have tried to build the best case to prove the existence of God. Here is a quick summary of some of the main approaches.

The Clockmaker argument

Imagine that all creation (the universe) is like a giant clock. It could not have happened by itself. Someone had to start it off. That Someone is God.

The Moral argument

Every culture has had a standard of right and wrong around which it is organized. This standard implies there is One (God) behind this desire to have a clear idea of right and wrong.

The Empty Tomb argument

Facts support that Jesus was resurrected from the dead. Roman guards protected Jesus' grave. If the Romans and Jews could show Jesus' body, it would discredit Him, since He claimed He would be raised from the dead. How could terrified disciples overpower trained Roman soldiers? The only explanation is that Jesus miraculously rose from the dead. Therefore, Jesus is God.

Love, Pastor Mike

P.S. See Part II next week

IMPORTANT DATES

**Campus Prayer Walk
Now - August 26**

**Wed. Bible Study
August 19, 7pm
(WBC Fb Live)**

**Sunday Message
August 23, 11am
(WBC Fb Live)**

**Bedtime Story
August 24, 9pm
(WBC Fb Live)**

**Men's Bible Study
August 25, 6:30am
(Zoom)**

**Annual Business Meeting
August 26, 7pm**

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Deacons Emeritus:
Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,
Harold Witt

How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

- † **Transfer of Letter** Transfer membership to Wise Baptist Church
- † **Baptism** Desire to express faith in Christ through baptism
- † **Statement of Faith** Baptized believer not on a membership roll
- † **Watch Care** Desire to be connected to our Church family without official membership

ANNOUNCEMENTS



With the consensus and recommendation of the Leadership Team and the Deacons, a decision has been made to postpone congregational worship in the sanctuary for the time being.

We will continue to broadcast (Livestream) the service from the sanctuary.



Sunday Morning Worship at Wise Baptist Church on Facebook Live: 11:00 am

Pastor Mike will be preaching this Sunday morning, **August 23**, on "Second Chances: Saul" (1 Samuel 24:16-22).

There are 3 ways that you can be a part of WBC's Sunday worship service each week:

- (1) View the service on Facebook Live at 11am go to the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page
- (2) View the service after it has "aired" - go to <https://www.facebook.com/WiseBaptistChurch/videos/246055226605395>
**(This does not require Facebook!)
- (3) Share the service with others by clicking the "share" button.

As you pray, please remember...



Don Newlon, Ron & Vickie Swindall, David Mullins, Mike Peak's sister Lynn, Alan & Martha Seidel, Phyllis Hatcher, Peter & Sandy Yun, Peggy & Rudolfo Yanez, Peggy Bowling & family, Anne Sturgill & family, Tammy Kilgore, Lewey Lee & family, Sharon & Donnie Bradley, Artie Bailey & Lisa Wolf, Pat Boggs, Nancy McDaniel (Marsha Tolbert's sister), doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, Glenn Hill, Steve Collins, Pat Adkins & family, Gerry O'Bryan, Royce McNeal, Bessie Vance, Kathy & John Kennedy, John & Kay Wright, Wanda Takahashi (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Jim & Sherry Collie, Ray & Carolyn Jones, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military.

Our Shut Ins: Jeanne Stallard

*If you know of other prayer concerns, please contact the church office (328-6247).

CHOOSE JOY

Wednesday, AUGUST 19! Join us for Bible Study!

Do your circumstances determine the level of your joy? If so, you are in trouble. Join us Aug. 19 at 7pm as we continue a study of the Book of Philippians and learn how to find joy in any circumstance.

Pastor Mike will be teaching via Facebook Live (on the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page) each Wednesday evening.

* If you would a study book, please contact Terry Winters or the church office. The suggested cost is \$5.00.

*If you would like to order a digital book, the link is: <https://baptistwaypress.org/adults>

Click on the digital copy of "Pure Joy: a Choice to Rejoice".

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE?

There are so many great ways to plug into Wise Baptist Church & to be a part of reaching our community with Jesus' love. We welcome & encourage EVERYONE to share your gifts & passion through one of the many ministries at Wise Baptist! Also, if you have an idea for a new ministry, please share that with Pastor Mike!

Youth Ministry ~ Children's Ministry

Music Ministry ~ Missions

Laurels Ministry ~ Live Streaming Ministry

Worship Committee ~ Sound System Ministry

Education / Discipleship

Church Library Ministry

Building & Facilities Committee

Bereavement Ministry

Baptism Committee ~ Communion Preparation

Please contact

Gary Smith

(Personnel

Committee)

at 276-870-1579 or

gsmith@pmgllc.biz

to volunteer!



*Wednesday,
August 26, 7pm*

Annual Church Business Meeting *(more details to follow)*

T. L. C. (Tender Loving Care)



Sharing a simple meal can be such a comfort & a blessing!

Join WBC as we start **a new ministry**, the TLC Group... There will be no meetings, just providing one of your delicious meals to those within our church family who may be in need of a little Tender Loving Care from time to time—such as a birth, illness, surgery, loss of a loved one, etc.

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact **Tammie Harding** (276-608-6196) or **Beth Snodgrass** (276-870-9585).

MEN'S Ministry

Guys, grab your breakfast & your Bible and join in the Men's Bible Study

EACH Tuesday morning
at 6:30am via Zoom.

Simply send your email address to John Ponish:

*text 276-870-1593 or

email jponish@atsone.com



Scripture for the Week

Hebrews 11:1

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

MUSIC * YOUTH * CHILDREN'S NEWS

Happy Birthday!

August 18 Kim Hodges
August 19 Rose Kennedy
August 20 Teresa Adkins
Cindy Elkins
Holden Osborne
August 21 Suzanne Baird
Cindi Farmer
Sutton Polly
Betty Roberts
August 22 Alex Hall
August 23 Jeff Sturgill
August 24 Jerry Baird
August 25 Linda Bailey
Brenda Lee
August 26 Julie Large
August 28 Megan Moody



WBC Music Ministry

This well-loved hymn was written in 1873 by America's most prolific hymn writer, Fanny Crosby. Frances Jane Crosby was blind since she was 6 months old, yet she wrote 8,000 gospel songs during her lifetime of 95 years.

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Happy Anniversary!

August 21 Scott & Beth Snodgrass

Thank You

Many thanks to our church family for donating items to the School Supply Drive for our community! We collected 100 boxes of crayons, 100 packs of pencils & 100 packets of notebook paper to go in the book bags collected by the First Church of God!



~ the Children's Ministry Team



WBC Children's Ministry Continues!

See Page 5 for
a fun project!!

random
act of kindness



**Sunday School on
Facebook Live at
10am each Sun.!**

Mondays — Bedtime Story
with Miss Terry at 9pm
(Facebook Live on WBC Fb page)
Wear your pj's!



KINDNESS CHALLENGE!



Acts of Kindness Bingo Card: The Children’s Ministry Team is sponsoring an activity called “25 Acts of Kindness”! Each time you complete an act of kindness on your Bingo Card, you can color in that square or place a sticker on it. When you fill your whole card, send a picture of you & your card to Susan Mullins at: stmullins@wisek12.org & you will be featured in the church newsletter & church facebook page! HAVE FUN!

Leave someone a kind note.	Give a compliment to someone.	Hold the door open for someone.	SMILE at someone.	Support a small business.
Tell a family member how much you love them.	Pick up litter.	Let someone go ahead of you.	Volunteer	Give a hug to someone in your family.
Do a chore without being asked.	Leave change at a vending machine.	Bake cookies for the firefighters or police.	Donate to a food bank.	Give a snack to a friend or a new kid at school.
Send a note to a college student from church.	Feed the birds.	Take supplies to an animal shelter.	Read a book to someone.	Color a picture for someone.
Buy extra school supplies for your teacher.	Set the table for dinner.	Fold the clean towels.	Leave a snack & a note for the mailman.	Tape a dollar on a vending machine.

SOCIAL DISTANCING SURVIVAL PAGE



Thank you to **Wanda Baird**
for sharing this story...

While working in my flowers one evening, I heard my neighbor repeatedly tell his very young son, "Don't stand on that. You could fall and hurt yourself." He never raised his voice nor lost his patience. Finally, I heard him excitedly say, "Good job!" when his son safely got down.

It blessed me because it reminded me that our Heavenly Father repeats His words to us and doesn't lose His patience...just rejoices when we finally listen and avoid a fall that would injure.



Flower Photos

Gil & Martha Blackburn's yard made a beautiful venue for Matt & Stephanie's wedding on August 8! Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Matt Collins!**

Funnies



The Official Mascot of 2020:
Always wears a mask.
Compulsively washes hands.
Letter of racoon rearranged spell corona.



Many thanks to **Regina Carson** for sharing this recipe with us!

Zucchini and Squash Au Gratin

2 Tablespoons butter
1 large zucchini, sliced
1 large yellow squash, sliced
2 medium shallots, minced
1 teaspoon garlic (fresh or jar)
1/2 cup heavy cream
shredded cheese (just a handful to sprinkle)
salt & pepper to taste
sprinkle of oregano
parmesan cheese to taste

Preheat oven to 450 degrees.

In large skillet, saute shallots & garlic in the butter. Cook until shallots are translucent.

Add zucchini, squash, heavy cream, salt, pepper & parmesan cheese.

Cook 8-10 minutes or until mixture is bubbly.

Transfer to an oven-safe baking dish & sprinkle with a little more parmesan & shredded cheese.

Bake for 10-14 minutes or until mixture is bubbly & golden brown on top.



Scriptures

Thank you to **Donna Hutchinson** for sharing this awesome promise from scripture:
"And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow - not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love."

Romans 8:38-39



PRAYER WALK

Hi all,

Praying that you are finding rest and comfort in this season. I wanted to invite you all to visit our **UVA-Wise campus** between now and **Aug. 26** to participate in our campus prayer walk. This is not an event that we will gather for, rather something that each of you can do in your own quiet time, or in the safety of your home if you feel more comfortable.

This week I will be taking an hour or so out of my schedule to take a walk around the campus and pray for our students, faculty, staff, and their families. In a time that is as uncertain as now, I feel that it is more important than ever to be praying for our students.

While walking please consider these things:

The protection of our students, faculty, staff, and their families.

The well-being of our collegiate leadership who are making tough decisions daily for our young adults.

The overwhelming feelings of loneliness, confusion, depression, and anxiety perplexing our young adults in this time.

The guidance of the Holy Spirit as our campus ministries begin to have online and in person events.

The salvation of those young adults that may not have had the chance to join a campus or community ministry.

I believe that taking time to breathe in the fresh air and enjoy God's creation is the perfect opportunity to pray for these young adults that are near to our hearts and ministry. Thank you all so much for your continued support for our ministry.

Love and Blessings,

Hannah Grace Mullins
Director, Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call: 8/16 - 8/22 Jerry Baird, John Mark Adrian
8/23 - 8/29 Gary Smith, David Mullins

Building Stewards: Ron Helton, Dan Helton,
Scott Snodgrass

Instrumentalists: Susan Mullins, Susan Smith

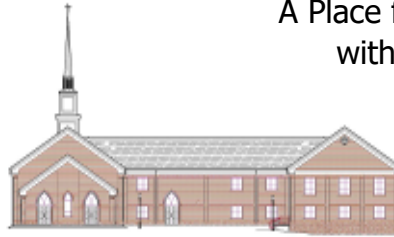
Worship Welcome: 8/16 Rev. Jim Collie
8/23 Pastor Mike Winters

Sound System: 8/16 Mike Osborne
8/23 Mike Strouth

Tellers: August Jessica Crutchfield, Jeff Kiser



A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

**(These activities are postponed
until further notice)**

Sunday	Truth Rehearsal	4:45 pm
	Youth (Grades 7-12)	6:00 pm
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Children's Choir (Ages 3 - Grade 6)	4:45 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Youth Hand Chimes	7:00 pm
	Children in Action (Ages 5 - Grade 6)	
	Nursery (Birth - Age 4)	

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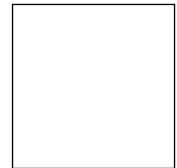
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and at Wise Baptist Youth

Thought for the Week:

Faith in God involves
head and heart.