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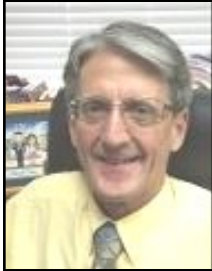
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 4, 2020

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

“The odds are...”. “I am betting that...”.
“My educated guess is...”. Words and phrases you have used. What you mean is, “Based on my information, I decide to do this...”

It is one way you make decisions. Wager, bet, guess. Back in the 1600’s French mathematician and religious thinker, Blaise Pascal, came up with the Divine Wager. He invites us to wager (bet) that God exists and build our lives on that belief. If we are right, we gain everything. If we are wrong, we lose nothing.

We all wager. We all place our life bets. We are betting that what we are building our lives around is what matters most. Upon what or who are you betting your life and eternity?

Jesus says in Matthew 16:26, “What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?”

Bet your life on God. He’s a sure thing.

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. Bible Study
August 5, 7pm
(WBC Fb Live)

Sunday Message
August 9, 11am
(WBC Fb Live & ON-SITE)

Bedtime Story
August 10, 9pm
(WBC Fb Live)

Men’s Bible Study
August 11, 6:30am
(Zoom)

Annual Business Meeting
August 26, 7pm

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DEACONS 2019-20

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
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Leton Harding	346-6039
Ron Helton	393-6145
Lewey Lee	393-5370
David Mullins	870-0005
John Ponish	870-1593
Oscar Raile	870-0131
Gary Smith	870-1579

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



Sunday Morning Worship On-Site at Wise Baptist Church as well as on Facebook Live: 11:00 am

Pastor Mike will be preaching on “Second Chances: Moses” (Exodus 3:1-10) this Sunday morning, **August 9.**

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

- (1) Attend the service on-site at 11am
- (2) View the service on Facebook Live at 11am go to the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page
- (3) View the service after it has “aired” - go to <https://www.facebook.com/WiseBaptistChurch/videos/246055226605395>

***(This does not require Facebook!)*



Even though Sunday morning worship services are being held in the sanctuary beginning July 12, tithes

and offerings may still be **mailed** to:

Wise Baptist Church, P.O. Box 777, Wise, VA or **brought** by the church during open hours. Thank you for your continued flexibility & faithfulness. Our church is blessed. My prayer is that its stewards feel a peaceful embrace.

~ Ron Helton

As you pray, please remember...



Peggy & Rudolfo Yanez, Ron & Vickie Swindall, Peggy Bowling & family, Anne Sturgill & family, Tammy Kilgore, Lewey Lee & family, Sharon & Donnie Bradley, Sandy Yun, Artie Bailey & Lisa Wolf, Dr. Peter Yun, 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,*



Wednesday Evenings, 7pm

Life After Death

This Wednesday (August 5), at 7pm, join Pastor Mike on Facebook Live (the church Facebook page) as we conclude our Bible study on Life After Death.

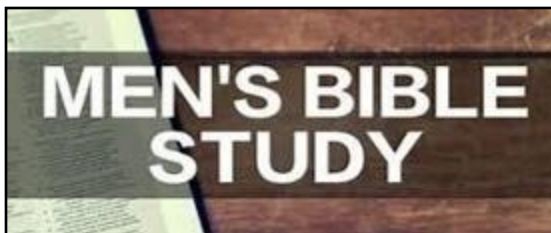


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ON-SITE WORSHIP

On Sunday, July 12, we re-opened our sanctuary at 11:00am for morning worship only. As excited as we all are about seeing each other & worshipping together again, we want to be vigilant about **social distancing** & the wearing of **masks** while we are together. Entrances & exits will be clearly marked, as well as seating - pews will be marked off for social distancing. Please wear a mask & observe these guidelines for the safety of all!

*With Heartfelt
Sympathy We extend our
deepest
sympathy to Peggy Bowling in the
death of her sister, Polly Brown,
last week. Please remember Peggy
& Kenny and their family in your
prayers.*



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



CHOOSE JOY

Wednesday, AUGUST 12!

NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINS

Do your circumstances determine the level of your joy? If so, you are in trouble. Join us August 12 at 7pm as we begin a new 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 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".



*Announcing the
Arrival of
Miss Caroline Lily
Wilson!*

Congratulations to Justin & Stephanie Wilson on the birth of Caroline Lily on August 3. Caroline weighed 7 lbs, 11 oz.

We also rejoice with proud grandparents, Susie & James Clasby, as well as Steve & Valerie Lawson!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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).



Scripture for the Week

Matthew 16:26

“Will people gain anything if they win the whole world but lose their life? Of course not! There is nothing they can give to regain their life.”

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!



thank you

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all your prayers for us. I feel girded by love and a peace about Ron's surgery.

Love, Vickie Swindall

Romans 12:12... "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction and faithful in prayer."

thank you

Dear Church Family,

We so appreciate the many expressions of love and care and especially your prayers during our recent surgeries!

~ Sandy & Peter Yun

MUSIC * YOUTH * CHILDREN'S NEWS

Happy Birthday!

August 5	Maci Cantrell Morgan Meade
August 7	Abbie Crutchfield
August 10	Ben Duncan Macie Conway Lewey Lee
August 12	Tim Cox Stephen Large
August 13	Nathan Hersel
August 14	Austin Bordlee
August 15	Cub Mullins



WBC Music Ministry

You can't turn on the television or social media without being bombarded with everything that is wrong with this world. Sometimes, we just have to turn it off! I have read more and read some different genres than I usually do. I found this quote the other day and found it so powerful.

"I'm held by
THE ONE
whose name is
PERFECT PEACE!"

This week, be held by THE ONE!

Love and Peace, Donna

Happy Anniversary!

August 4	Gil & Martha Blackburn
August 5	Chuck & Lulia Maine
August 11	Johnny & Renee Robinson
August 13	Lewey & Brenda Lee
August 14	Ron & Kathy Helton Stephen & Julie Large

Be Still
and know that I am God

Thank you to Kathy Dotson for sharing this...

"Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10) reads the sign on God's waiting room wall. You can be glad because God is good. You can be still because he is active. You can rest because he is busy. . . .

To wait, biblically speaking, is not to assume the worst, worry, fret, make demands, or take control. Nor is waiting inactivity. It is a sustained effort to stay focused on God through prayer and belief. To wait is to "rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him; . . . not fret" (Psalm 37:7).

Fresh strength. Renewed vigor. Legs that don't grow weary. Delight yourself in God, and he will bring rest to your soul."



WBC Children's Ministry Continues!

**HAPPY
SUNDAY**

**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!

SOCIAL DISTANCING SURVIVAL PAGE

Thank you to **Steve Horton** for sharing a great story with us this week!

Early May, I was travelling a set of trails that connect Bays Mountain Park and Laurel Falls Park and had planned to hike all the way to Laurel Falls, a trip I had not made before. I was hiking alone and had traveled about 2 miles from the parking area at the planetarium. Naturally, hiking alone I was quieter than had I been hiking with someone. Suddenly, about 20 yards away, bears began to scatter. One ran up the hill above me and two ran around the hill straight away from me. I tried to get my phone out to take a picture and keep my eyes on the bears at the same time. Siri was wanting to know what she could help me with.

Finally, I got my phone to where I could video the bear nearest me up the hill. It started to run in the direction of the other two as they were making noises. I assume they were trying to help him locate them and to call him over. Once he got to them, I realized that it was a mama bear and two cubs (not small but about a year old). She was looking around a tree watching me, clicking her teeth while the cubs retreated. So I retreated back up the trail that I came in on and I let them go back to doing whatever they were doing before I showed up.

Flower Photos



Flowers from **Mike & Terry Winters'** yard...thank you to **Sherry Collie** for sharing gladiola bulbs with Terry last year!

Scriptures

Many thanks to **John Mark Adrian** for sharing a favorite scripture with us:

Psalms 118:24

"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."



Seen on Facebook...

"At home, coloring my hair!"



Funnies



Many thanks to **Linda Burgess** for a quick & yummy dessert idea!

PEACH or APPLE BUNDT CAKE

Butter Pecan cake mix
3 eggs
1 can of peach or apple pie filling

Mix; bake for 35-40 minutes at 350 degrees.
Cool 10 minutes, then turn out on a plate.
While still warm, mix 1/2 cup powdered sugar, a couple of dashes of cinnamon & 2-3 Tablespoons milk, and drizzle over the top.

This page has been created as an "audience participation" page!

Each week, this page will feature ideas, thoughts & insights shared by you!

All "entries" must be received NO LATER THAN NOON on MONDAYS to be included in the newsletter for that week:

Email: tllwinters@gmail.com

Call or text: 276-870-2712

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call: 8/2 - 8/8 David Mullins, John Ponish
8/9 - 8/15 Ron Helton, David Mullins

Building Stewards: Ron Helton, Dan Helton,
Scott Snodgrass

Instrumentalists: Susan Mullins, Susan Smith

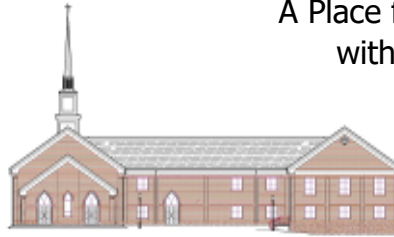
Worship Welcome: 8/9 Pastor Mike Winters
8/16 Rev. Jim Collie

Sound System: 8/9 Marty Adkins
8/16 Mike Osborne

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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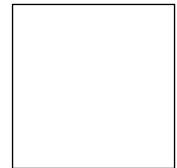
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