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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
 WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 30, 2016

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



Dear church family and friends,

The 2016 Summer Olympics have come and gone. One interesting story was about Kyle Snyder. He wrestled for the U.S.A. in the freestyle 97kg (213 lbs.) division. His accomplishment was unheard of...winning a gold medal at age 20.

There is an important life lesson in his story. In high school he won 179 matches and lost 0. As a college freshman, he was expected to win an NCAA championship. Instead, he lost in the finals. Snyder was devastated.

He realized he was wrestling for the wrong reason...for applause and awards. He got clear about why he would continue to wrestle. From then on, he would wrestle because he valued the sport; because he found joy in it. He would give it his best effort. Then, he would be satisfied with the result.

Kyle Snyder began practicing his new philosophy. The year after losing his first match...to a college wrestler, he won the Freestyle World Wrestling Championship at the 97 kg weight class. In 2016 he lost several matches, but he was not discouraged. He only got better.

The result? In the 2016 Summer Olympics when he won a gold medal. Once he changed his main goal from winning, ironically, he got better.

As we enter a new church year, reflect on your service to God. Why do you serve? Find that passion God has already put in your heart. Do it with all your heart, trusting God's help along the way. We will be blessed as we serve. The church will be strengthened. God will be glorified.

Serving God and you with love,

*Pastor Mike*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**New Bible Studies Preview  
 August 31**

**Christmas Cantata Practice Begins  
 August 31**

**Church Office CLOSED  
 September 5**

**BCM Meal  
 September 5**

**Potluck Fellowship Meal  
 September 7**

**New Small Group Bible Studies Begin  
 September 7**

**Parents' Day Out  
 September 17**

**Youth Retreat  
 September 17-18**

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## DEACONS 2015-16

Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Dan Helton	328-6086
Ron Helton	393-6145
John Kennedy	328-5013
Lewey Lee	328-3845
Matt Meade	393-9177
Edgar Owens	328-6129
Daniel Ray	328-2483

### 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



*Let Us  
watch the kids  
for awhile!*

The Children's Ministry Team of Wise Baptist Church would like to extend a "gift" to parents of children ages 0—Grade 6!

On Saturday September 17, from 10am—3pm, there will be activities planned at the church for the children, including lunch, games, recreation & crafts. Plenty of adult supervision will be provided.

If your child(ren) would like to participate, please sign them up on the Communication Card in your bulletin. You may also contact Donna Hutchinson (donnahutchinson@usa.net) or call the church office at 276-328-6247.



## NEW FALL BIBLE STUDIES!

### ◆ The Little Book of Biblical Justice

Everyone has their own ideas of what is just & fair. Mark Clark will explore the more important question of what the Bible teaches about justice & how we can apply that today.

### ◆ The Gospel of Mark: "People Responding To Jesus"

Join Pastor Mike as he guides us through the Gospel of Mark where we will see Jesus through the eyes of the people Jesus met. Then we will be invited to meet Jesus & walk with Him daily.

### ◆ Overload

"Nobody is immune to stress..." but "God's not going to let you sink, and He is going to see you safely to the other side." Teresa Adkins will be teaching the second half of Joyce Meyer's book on coping with stress.

Preview of new Bible Studies - Wed., Aug. 31, 6:45pm

6-Week Bible Studies - Wednesdays, Sept. 7 - Oct. 12, 6:45pm

*As you pray, please remember...*

Kara Kennedy and family, Wanda Baird, Tony Hill, Irene Black, Papa Joe Smiddy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Archie and Joanne Kennedy, Elizabeth and Susan Davidson, John and Kay Wright, Pat and Fred Adkins, Bea Hill, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military.



*Hospitalized:* Clifford Bailey, Mountain View

*Our Shut Ins:* Susan Davidson (Heritage Hall—BSG), Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Archie Kennedy (Heritage Hall—BSG), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG), and Florine Pennington (The Laurels).

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

## Wednesday Night Program

*Join us on Wed. nights for a time of fellowship and spiritual renewal!*

### \*August 31, 2016\*

6:00 pm Fellowship Meal  
6:45 pm Bible Study Previews  
Children-in-Action  
Nursery  
7:45 pm Sanctuary Choir  
8:15 pm Cantata Practice



The Children's Ministry Team will meet at 4pm on Sunday, September 11 at Terry Winters' home.



## COLLEGE STUDENTS' ADDRESSES

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## From Leigh

What a great day of worship! It was affirming, challenging, encouraging, and uplifting—all things that worship should be each and every week. We had some folks back who have been gone most of the summer (Pat and Fred Adkins, and Susie and Joe Powers) and we had college students and other visitors.

The sanctuary choir anthem accompanied by Susan (piano) and Susan (organ) was WOW! And the message of the song from 2 Chronicles 7:14 is what we all need to do more of—PRAY! And Susan's offertory...can I get an "AMEN"?! :) :)

Many kind words, cards, hugs, etc. have been shared with me over the past week or so. I am so grateful and touched. My friend, Bruce Cahoon, said something to me on Wednesday night that I really appreciated. He said he wasn't going to start missing me yet because I am still here. YES! I am still here until the end of December and I am going to continue to work, lead, teach, pray, serve and minister each day. Leigh has not "left the building"!

Mark your calendars for a special "Night of Music" on Sunday, October 23. Stay tuned for more info soon!

A cantata has been chosen—"Let There Be Christmas" by Joseph Martin. It is going to be challenging! But, it is going to be good. Many of our orchestra members have already committed to our special night (some of them contacted me first!). So, I am excited. You are invited to be a part of the cantata choir—no audition required. Just a commitment to rehearsals. We will get started this Wednesday evening around 8:15 in the sanctuary. Join us!

I give thanks for each of you and for this church. I am praying for you this week; pray for each other, too.

Blessings, Leigh



- September 3 Renze Robinson
- September 4 Johnny Robinson
- September 7 Gwen Chisenhall
- Rathy Helton
- September 8 Scott Hall
- Butch Hutchinson
- Marty Kennedy
- Nicole Sexton
- September 9 Stephanie Wilson



- September 7 Roger & Beverly Viers

### Small Group Bible Study

Join us for a Bible study by Priscilla Shirer called "Gideon—Your Weakness. God's Strength". We will begin on Thursday, September 22 at 7pm in the youth building. The cost for your book is \$15. Please see Leigh if you have questions and to order your book.



Look who stopped by for a quick visit last night at the end of youth—Ms. Andi Kilgore! We're going to miss you!



Thank you, Kim, for the great tacos last night! Next Sunday we will have chicken alfredo!

Thank you, FLOCK members, for coming out to the Ice Cream Social last night to help and support our Children's Ministry Team. The event was awesome!

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** Tuesday, August 30, the bus will pull out around 4:15/30 headed to see "The Insanity of God" at Tinseltown in Bristol. The movie is about missionaries who lost their son while serving in Somalia. This devastating event sent them on a journey around the world to ask many who are persecuted for their faith, "Is Jesus worth it?" I am certain it will be a powerful message and I am excited to take our youth to see it!

Our Fall Youth Retreat will be **September 17-18**. We will leave early on Saturday and return on Sunday evening. It will be a time of spiritual growth and worship and we will also enjoy whitewater rafting on the Ocoee river. **A \$15 deposit is due on Sunday, September 4.**

Our lesson last night focused on "expectations". What are they? Why do we have them? Who do we expect things from? What do we expect from ourselves? From God? What happens when we are disappointed? There was a lot of discussion. Our youth (and all of us) are under a lot of pressure from the expectations of the world and from ourselves. Knowing how to keep those expectations separate from our true identity in Christ takes effort. The scriptures give us pretty good guidance—Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you...plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." and Philippians 1:6 "Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Jesus Christ." We can expect God to continue His faithfulness to us. He expects us to recognize our need for Him and to trust Him in all things.

# Once upon a time...there was an Ice Cream Social at Wise Baptist Church (imagine that!)



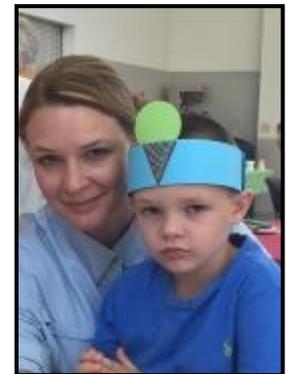
There were millions of flavors of ice cream & delightful cookies—all **HOMEMADE**, of course by the most talented chefs in the kingdom!



There were able-bodied servers!



And there were expert judges & taste-testers!



There were ice cream cones & ice cream sundaes everywhere!



People came from miles around to eat, play & fellowship together!



There were games & relays, such as “Pin the Cherry on the Cone” and “Race With the Tennis Ball in the Waffle Cone”!



There were lots of photo-ops!





Clean-up was a snap!



A good time was had by all...



...and every kid got a balloon!

...the End.



# September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>B</b> = Birthday <b>A</b> = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247		1	2	3  B. Renee Robinson
<b>4</b> Deacons-8:30 am Communion- 11am  B. Johnny Robinson	<b>5</b> Piecemakers 9:30am  BCM Meal 11:00 am	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Mission Team 5pm Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:50 pm  B. Gwen Chisenhall Kathy Helton A. Roger & Beverly Viers	<b>8</b> Women on Mission 2pm  B. Scott Hall B. Butch Hutchinson B. Marty Kennedy B. Nicole Sexton	<b>9</b>  B. Stephanie Wilson	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> Children's Ministry Team Meeting 4:00pm (Winters' home)	<b>12</b> Caring Friends 9:30am	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm  B. Cliff Carson	<b>15</b>  B. Kathy Dotson	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> PARENTS' DAY <sup>OUT</sup> (10 am—3 pm)  YOUTH RETREAT (Sept. 17-18)  B. Wendy Adrian
<i>Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions Emphasis --- Sept. 11-18</i>						
<b>18</b> YOUTH RETREAT (Sept. 17-18)	<b>19</b> Piecemakers 9:30am  B. Bob Adkins	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm  A. Tim & Kathy Osborne	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>  B. Vickie Swindall B. Terry Winters	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>  B. Peggy Tolbert	<b>26</b> Caring Friends 9:30am	<b>27</b>  B. Kristen Osborne	<b>28</b> Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:50pm  B. Jonathan Whittaker	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	

The **Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions** makes it possible to Virginia Baptists to respond to victims of disasters, support new church starts, provide leadership development for women and girls, provide mental health education & support for our churches and more!

## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	8/28-9/3	Gil Blackburn, Daniel Ray
	9/4-/-10	Edgar Owens, Ron Helton
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Dave Belcher, Misty Belcher, Jeff Kiser, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray
S.S. Greeters:	09/04	David & Sandy Mullins
	09/11	John Ponish
Nursery:	09/04	John Mark & Wendy Adrian
	09/11	Butch & Donna Hutchinson
Children's Church:	09/04	Donna Hutchinson
	09/11	Debbie Collins, Nancy Stalnaker
PA:	09/04	Mike Osborne
	09/11	Oscar Raile
Tellers:	September	June Dotson, David Mullins
	October	Stephen Large, Oscar Raile
Ushers:	09/04	Daniel Ray*, Donnie Bradley^, David Sheppard^, David Belcher, Kenny Bowling, Bryon Burton, Jeff Elkins, Roger Williams
	09/11	Edgar Owens*, Jerry Baird^, Roger Viers^, Dan Helton, Ron Helton, John Ponish, Snodgrass (*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	08/31	Martha Blackburn, Linda Burgess, Kathy Helton, Susie Powers
	09/07	Brenda Lee, Susan Smith, Ann Wade, Vickie Wells
Wed. Meals:	08/31	Italian (Chicken Alfredo, Garlic Bread)
	09/07	Potluck
Children-in-Action:	08/31	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large
	09/07	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large

## Wise Baptist Church General Fund Giving Summary 9/6/15 - 7/31/16

General Fund Receipts To Date	\$ 288,455
<u>General Fund Needed To Date</u>	<u>\$ 304,032</u>
Variance	(\$ 15,577)
Average Weekly Variance	(\$ 300)
Weekly General Fund Budget	\$ 5,847

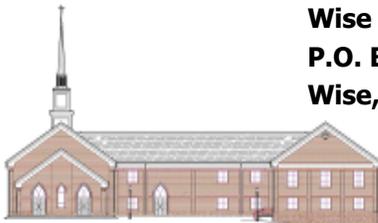
## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Mission Team Meets (1st) Fellowship Meal Adult Bible Study Youth Bible Study Children-in-Action (Grades K-6) Nursery (Birth-Preschool) Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	5:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:45 pm  7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	2--4 pm

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**Thought for the week:**  
**Find your passion & serve**  
**with joy!**