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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

### A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

#### August 9, 2016



Dear church family and friends,

An important task in life is to figure out who we are. Who we are determines how we think and what we do. If we do not know, there is never a shortage of people to tell us who we are, what to think, and what to do.

We have a personal history that is helpful. Long before we showed up, our ancestors were trying to make their way in this world. Children, as they grow up, just by breathing the atmosphere, have "caught" more than they were taught about their families thought was important.

If we look carefully there are patterns of behavior passed on through the generations. There is sin and grace in each family. Our history does affect us. It is important to know our history.

What we don't know affects us also. Ask the passengers on the Titanic whether not knowing about the iceberg made a difference! Had they known, they would likely have completed their voyage safely.

Paul reminds us about our spiritual history in I Corinthians 15. He talks about the first Adam. The first Adam (and Eve) sinned in the Garden of Eden. That sin was passed on to the entire human family. Even in the midst of the sin of the first Adam and the following generations, God graciously provided for them. Jesus is the second Adam. God, in His grace, sends lesus to undo damage from the heritage of the first Adam and pass that on to us all.

Sin affects us, but does not have the final word. God's forgiveness is available. Also, as we grow in faith, sin loses some of its grip. Finally, we are granted the joy of eternal life with God.

Let's learn from our personal history and embrace our faith history.

# Love, Pastor Mike

† Transfer of Letter • Baptism † Watch Care

How to Join Wise Baptist Church: Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

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

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Deacon Election** August 14

Floor Project at BCM August 14

**Q & A with Leadership** Team August 17

> **Annual Business** Meetina August 24

Church-Wide Ice Cream Fellowship August 28

> Parents' Day Out September 17

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#### **DEACONS 2015-16**

Jerry Baird Gil Blackburn Dan Helton	393-0923 328-0046 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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Children's Ministry Team is sponsoring a

Church-Wide

Ice Cream Social

# Sunday, August 28, 4 pm

Bring your favorite homemade ice cream and/or homemade cookies-our CHILDREN will be the judges & prizes WILL be awarded! Please contact Wendy Adrian, call the church office or sign up on your Communication Card in Sunday's bulletin.

# WOM & BCM

Our local Women on Mission have raised money for a new floor at the Baptist Collegiate/Wise Baptist Association building on the campus of UVA-Wise.

The Wise Baptist Buildings and Facilities committee, have committed to installing the new floor.

Butch Hutchinson and John Ponish are the coordinators for this project. Work will begin on Friday evening and will continue on Sunday following worship.

If you are available, please contact Butch or John to offer your time. Everyone is welcome!

### "What would you like to learn more about?"

That is what the Education Team would like to know! In order to prepare a Wednesday night curriculum for our adults, the team is asking for your input via a brief survey. Your input is very important.

Please take a moment on Wednesday or next Sunday to share your thoughts. Thank you!



Last month Donna Hutchinson, James Clasby and John Ponish attended a Church Safety Seminar sponsored by the Virginia State Police in Abingdon, VA.

As you pray, please remember...

Bob Adkins & family, Kathy Helton and family, Kara Kennedy and family, Lance Collie, Bruce Rose, 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: Kara Kennedy, Pikeville

Our Shut Ins: 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).

With Heartfelt We extend our deepest love and Impathu sympathy to Bob Adkins at the loss of his sister, Joann Williams.

# Wednesday Night Program

Join us on Wednesday nights for a time of fellowship and spiritual renewal!

6:00 pm Fellowship Meal 6:45 pm Bible Study for all ages 7:45 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

This Wednesday, Pastor Mike will discuss what the Bible has to say about having a "Child-like Faith in a

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- Wed., August 17
  - Q & A with Leadership Team
- Wed., August 24
- Annual Business Meeting
- Wed., September 7 Special Called Meeting to vote on By-Laws changes

# Leadership Team

A letter to the church from the Leadership Team regarding recommendations for changes to the By -Laws was made available last Sunday. Copies are available at the church.





Thank you, Claire and Susan, for the beautiful offertory music yesterday during worship! It was lovely. The anthem by the choir was very uplifting..."Come down, Lord. Dwell among us today." A wonderful reminder of God's presence through the Holy Spirit.

It is a joy and privilege to see young people come to know the Lord as Savior. I love serving as the Youth Minister at WBC. We are blessed with caring, loving, faithful young people and parents. We are also blessed with a congregation who loves and supports the youth. Please continue to be prayer warriors for all of our youth and their parents.

Missions is an important part of the identity of Wise Baptist Church. That is why I am pleased, not surprised, that eight people have volunteered to go to West Virginia this weekend to aid the recent flood victims. We leave on the bus around 5:30 pm on Thursday and return on Saturday night. Your prayers are important and much needed! Thank you in advance.

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



Our meeting went well last night. We had a really good turn out and

some very delicious food! Our devotional was from James 4:11-12. It is easy to judge others and to speak quickly about others' shortcomings, etc. However, as Christians we should THINK before we speak and/or act.

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**Next Sunday, August 14,** following worship, the FLOCK and parents will help lay laminate flooring in the BCM building at the college. Bring a change of clothes. Lunch will be provided in the youth building.

We did a lot of brainstorming on ways that we can serve and enjoy fellowship. Stay tuned for more information.

LIGHT will present "We Believe" on Sunday, August 14. Meet Lily at 9:15 in the sanctuary.

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Anniversary	August 13 August 14 August 16	Lewey & Brenda Lee Ron & Kathy Helton John & Toni Thacker
Happy	August 18 August 9	Ann Culbertson John Ponish Kim Hall Alex & Deborah Knox
	August 10 August 12	Lewey Lee Macie Conway Tim Cox Stephen Large

We still have some #KARASTRONG bracelets available. They are \$3 each. See Leigh if you are interested. All proceeds go directly to the Kara Kennedy Fund. Thank you!





Train Wreck!

Jorge and Danny wrestling over a seat!

Rachel Bailey and Lori Sturgill Crisp got stuck without a seat and had to call others



It was a lot of fun!

Fellowship and fun are two important aspects of all youth gatherings!



Sunday Morning at Wise Baptist... truly "a place for faith and fellowship with family and friends"!



Susan Mullins, piano Claire Cahoon, violin



Sunday mornings at WBC are special and uplifting beginning with Sunday school and continuing through worship and even beyond. What a great place to serve and grow and love!



- Taylor and Rachel with their new Bibles!
- Isabella with Nana Martha!
- Linda Bailey teaching Sunday school!
- Pam, Nathan, and Benjamin Hersel leaving worship.
- Noah Hall and Chloe Cantrell and others signing the Baptism Certificates.









Mike and Rebecca Osborne











# Thank you!

As an act of kindness and service, our Wise Men and Women's Sunday School class held a cookout last Thursday for our local Law Enforcement personnel.









"We would like to thank Wise Baptist Church for the wonderful cookout they had for us today at Arrowhead Park in Wise, VA! We appreciate all they did for us and their support of all law enforcement!"

Sherriff Ronnie Oaks

#### Thank You!

Special thanks to John Mark and Wendy Adrian for the donation of the washer and dryer for the Rock.

Also, thank you to Mike Osborne and Scott Hall for helping to move it into the Rock. John Ponish coordinated this move and he will make sure they are hooked up properly.

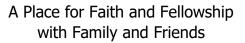
We look forward to the many ways having these machines will aide our ministry in the church and in the community.





#### **Volunteers this Week**

Deacons On Call:	8/07-8/13	Ron Helton, Jerry Baird
	8/14-8/20	Matt Meade, Lewey Lee
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:	08/14	Billie Harris
	08/21	John Kennedy
Nursery:	08/14	Cari Braddock, Caroline Mullins
	08/21	Susie Clasby, Bonnie Owens
Children's Church:	08/14	Kathy Dotson, Elora Hutchinson
	08/21	Karen & John Ponish
PA:	08/14	Mike Strouth
	08/21	Noah Hall
Tellers:	August	Jeff Dotson, Mike Strouth
	September	June Dotson, David Mullins
Ushers:	08/14	Jack Tolbert*, Gil Blackburn^,
		Marty Kennedy^, Jeff Dotson, Steve Horton,
		Daniel Ray, Jim Sturgill, Clyde Vance
	08/21	Youth
		(*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	08/10	Sherry Collie, Brenda Kunigelis, Sandy Mullins,
		Beverly Viers
	08/17	Donna Hutchinson, Cyndi Newlon,
		Rebecca Osborne
Wed. Meals:	08/10	BBQ, Baked Beans, Chips, Slaw
	08/17	Chicken Tenders, Baked Potatoes, Broccoli
Children-in-Action:	08/10	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large





# WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School Worship Youth	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Adult Bible Study Youth Bible Study Children-in-Action (Grades K-6) Nursery (Birth-Preschool) Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	24 pm

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Thought for the week: Learn from the sin and grace in your family.