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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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

December 9, 2025

GOD'S FAMILY, GROWING TOGETHER

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER

Dec. 17th, 6 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL

\$10 per person

\$5 for 12 yrs and under

Please sign up on the sheets in the fellowship hall, outside church office, or in the sanctuary foyer.

Please pre-pay by December 14th.

Please turn in cash or checks to Matt Collins.

Make checks payable to Wise Baptist Church.



How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

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

† Transfer of Letter † Baptism

† Watch Care

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

Fellowship Meal Wed, Dec. 10, 6 pm

Bible Study Wed, Dec. 10, 7 pm

Choir Practice Wed, Dec. 10, 7:30 pm

Christmas Cantata Sunday, December, 14 6:30 PM

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DEACONS 2025 - 2026

328-5564 John Mark Adrian **Debbie Collins** 393-3875 Jeff Elkins 393-5700 Ron Helton 393-6145 393-5370 Lewey Lee Matt Meade 393-9177 John Ponish 870-1593 **Ruby Salyers** 870-0590 639-2313 Ray Spenilla

Deacon Emeritus: **Bob Adkins**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THIS FALL, REMEMBER......





our Wise County Food Bank & WBC Grab-n-Go Ministries! Nonperishable items can be placed in the white containers by the elevator. If you would like to help in the delivery of these items, please contact Matt Collins in the church office at 328-6247 or 219-1046.

ITEMS IN NEED

Peanut butter and jelly
Canned tuna, salmon, etc.
Canned beans & veggies
Pop-top soups and stews
Pasta and Rice, Pasta
Breakfast cereal and Oatmeal
Pantry items such as flour, sugar, salt, pepper, garlic powder, etc.
Coffee and Tea

As you pray, please remember...

Leona & Jerry Jessee, John & Diana Roberts, Bella Sisson, Robert Raines & Family, Susan & Donnie Rose, Britney Edmiston, Greg, Kimberly Lyon, David & Sandy Mullins & family, Brenda Lee, Jerry & Wanda Baird,



Cecil & Glenna Mullins, Alan Adkins, David & Natalie Luther, Carlie Tomlinson, Irene Humphries, Mike Peak, Megan Moody, Mike & Terry Winters, Bonnie Aker, Jane Hughes, Grace Allio, Kathy Helton, Jim & Judy Sturgill, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Beth Snodgrass, doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men & women in the military.

Our Shut Ins: Andrew Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's dad) Appalachia, VA

Giving is an Act of Worship

Our stewardship of God's work at Wise Baptist Church is an opportunity of spiritual



sacrifice. Our stewardship is an opportunity for each of us to express our love and gratitude to the One who has given us everything. And our stewardship allows us to be a part of God changing lives and souls.

For those who cannot physically attend Sunday morning worship services in the sanctuary, your tithes and offerings may still be mailed to <u>Wise Baptist Church</u>, P.O. Box 777, <u>Wise</u>, <u>VA</u> 24293 or brought by the Church office anytime during open hours.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week's scripture:

Psalm 29:11

The Lord gives strength to His people, the Lord blesses His people with peace.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

DECEMBER 10th

@ 7 PM.

PETER YUN WILL BE TEACHING.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

6 PM

Chili Beans, Baked Potato, Salad



COLLEGE SUNDAY SCHOOL !!!

Our College Sunday School class will pause for winter break after the December 7th class, and resume Jan. 11th.

A huge thank you to Teresa Adkins, Donna Hutchinson, Virginia Ebert, and Jennifer Mullins for providing meals.

If interested in helping provide meals, contact

Diane Cornett @

276-210-3099

The <u>Caring Friends</u> quilting group is in need of volunteers. We meet at 9 a.m. Mondays in the fellowship hall. The group is open to everyone, not just members of our church, so please bring a friend. If you have a sewing machine and would like to piece a quilt you can do that at the church, or take a kit home to work on it. If you don't have a sewing machine, you could hem a quilt binding by hand. That's also very simple; if you've never done it we can teach you in a few minutes. We always have coffee and good conversation, and enjoy our time together while we work on this rewarding ministry.

Quilting Groups will break after the
 December 15th session and resume in January.





IF YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH COMPUTER CODE, KNOW HOW TO MAKE A WEBSITE, OR KNOW HOW TO USE WORDPRESS, WE NEED YOUR HELP TO UPDATE OUR CHURCH WEBSITE!!!

IF YOU ARE ABLE AND WILLING TO HELP, PLEASE CONTACT MATT IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.

328-6247 OR 219-1046

matt@wisebaptist.com

PECEMBER

D elight in the Lord, for He is near.

E mmanuel has come—God with us.

C hoose joy, even in the waiting.

E xtend kindness as a gift to others.

M editate on His promises of peace.

B elieve His love is greater than your fears.

E mbrace the stillness of His presence.

R ejoice—your Savior is born!

- MINDFUL CHRISTIANITY

Wise Men & Women Dinner Night @ Jim and June Dotson's House











CONGRATULATIONS





EASTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL ONE-ACT STATE CHAMPIONS



MADISON AND NATALIE LUTHER



ABBEY LANCASTER

GRADUATED WITH AN ASSOCIATES DEGREE IN PARALEGAL STUDIES
FROM
EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



December 9 Robert Baird

December 10 Penny Greenwood

Jane Hughes

December 11 Jessica Crutchfield

December 13 Damel Calvert

December 14 Jim Sturgill



Kappy Anniversary

December I Ith Wendy & John Mark Adrian



Our CANTATA will be held Sunday, December 14th, at 6:30 PM

RECEPTION IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL WILL FOLLOW.

IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO PREPARE A DISH FOR THE RECEPTION, PLEASE LET DONNA KNOW.

WE HOPE YOU PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THIS
WONDERFUL AND SPECIAL NIGHT OF GIVING
PRAISE TO OUR LORD AND SAVIOR!

WBC Music Ministry



During the four weeks leading up to Christmas, Christians reflect on themes represented by the Advent candles: hope, peace, joy, and love. The second candle, often called the Candle of Peace, is lit on the second Sunday of Advent. It recalls the angelic proclamation at Jesus' birth: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men" (Luke 2:14). This peace is not merely the absence of conflict, but the deep assurance that God is present and faithful.

Advent peace is especially powerful because it enters into the chaos of ordinary life. It is not reserved for calm moments but shines in times of uncertainty, reminding believers that Christ's light grows brighter even as darkness surrounds us. This peace is both internal—quieting anxious hearts—and external, quiding us to live in harmony with others.

Celebrating Advent peace encourages believers to rest in God's faithfulness, even when the world feels unstable. It calls us to mend broken relationships and extend forgiveness, mirroring Christ's gift of peace. Lighting the candle of peace, as Sandy and Peter did this past Sunday, is a ritual of readiness, preparing hearts to welcome the Prince of Peace at Christmas.

In our world, marked by division and unrest, Advent peace is a countercultural message. It reminds us that true peace is not achieved through human effort alone but through Christ's presence. By embracing this theme, believers are invited to become agents of peace, carrying the light of Christ into workplaces, families, and communities.

Advent peace is both a promise and a practice: a promise that Christ brings lasting peace, and a practice of living that peace daily as we await His coming.

I hope to see you all on Sunday evening at 6:30 pm for our Christmas Cantata, "Unto Us".

Peace, love & joy, Donna

Volunteers this Week Deacons On Call 12/7-12/13 Debbie Collins, Ray Spenilla Matt Meade, John Ponish 12/14-12/20 **Building Stewards** Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass Susan Mullins, Susan Smith Instrumentalists Sunday School Greeters December John Ponish Mike & Rebecca Osborne January Children's Church December 14 Caroline Jessee Offering Ushers December Jeff Dotson Team **Tellers** Matt Meade, Mike Strouth December Wed. Night Meals 12/10 Chili Beans, Baked Potato, Salad 12/17 **CHRISTMAS DINNER** Wed. Cook Teams 12/10 Teresa and Team **VOLUNTEERS** 12/17



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES		
Sunday	Sunday School Worship	10:00 am 11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st, 3rd, 5th) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:00 am
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Bible Study Choir Practice	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	7:00 am



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Thought for the Week:

COMMUNICATE!

DON'T SPECULATE