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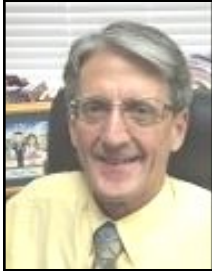
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 5, 2021

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

We all have mountains in front of us. We wonder how we will get over them.

Our world defines reality as what you can see, touch, understand and control. That is where we live.

The Bible challenges that reality. Introduces a greater Reality.

Mark 6:35-44 describes the clash of human and spiritual realities. The disciples faced a mountain. Five thousand men (fifteen thousand people). All hungry. Only twelve disciples to feed them...with five loaves and two fish.

Reality is 15,000 hungry people. Five loaves. Two fish. End of story?

Jesus brings a greater Reality. All fifteen thousand were fed. End of story.

Two gifts. Fifteen thousand people fed. The disciples' faith was stretched exponentially by their mountain.

Now, back to your mountains. Name them. Are you facing them based on earthly realities? Or, with the greater Reality of Jesus?

Love, Pastor Mike

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

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Genesis Bible Study
January 6, 7pm
WBC Fb Live only

Sunday Message
January 10, 11am
in SANCTUARY &
WBC Fb Live

Children's
Bedtime Story
January 11, 8:30pm

Men's Bible Study
January 12, 6:30am
Via Zoom

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DEACONS 2020-21

Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jim Collie	393-1710
Leton Harding	346-6039
Ron Helton	393-6145
Jorge Hersel	594-9077
Lewey Lee	393-5370
David Mullins	870-0005
Oscar Raile	870-0131

Deacons Emeritus:
Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,
Harold Witt

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pastor Mike's message this
Sunday morning, January 10 -
"Make 2021 Extraordinary:
Detours"
(Genesis 13:1-8)

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

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

SANCTUARY WORSHIP



We have re-opened our sanctuary at 11:00am on
Sundays 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!

As you pray, please remember...



Jo Nelle Perry, Gerry O'Bryan, Family of Betty
Roberts, Lois Lawson, Joe Powers, Carolyn
Strouth & Family, Cyndi Newlon, Wesley
Kennedy, Vickie Rasnick, Gloria & Oscar Raile, Rudolfo Yanez
& family, Pat Boggs, Don & Gigi Pippin, Lois Stallard, Sandy
& David Mullins, Ron & Vickie Swindall, doctors, nurses & all
medical/pharmaceutical personnel, Glenn Hill, Steve Collins,
Royce McNeal, Bessie Vance, Kathy & John Kennedy, John &
Kay Wright, Wanda Takahashi (sister of Brenda Kunigelis),
Beverly Viers, 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, Bobbie Farmer, Jean
Forsythe (Sandy Yun's mother), Kingston Center Assisted
Living in Duffield

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

With Heartfelt Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of
Betty Roberts who passed away this past weekend.
Betty was 95 years old and was living in Fair Oaks,
California in a retirement home. Her burial will be
here, but the arrangements are not yet available.



Scripture for the Week

Mark 6:39-44

*"Then He instructed them to have all the people sit down
in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in ranks
of hundreds and fifties. Then He took the five loaves and
the two fish, and looking up to heaven He blessed and
broke the loaves. He kept giving them to His disciples to
set before the people. He also divided the two fish
among them all. Everyone ate and was filled. Then they
picked up 12 baskets full of pieces of bread and fish.
Now those who ate the loaves were 5,000 men."*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joy

The Joy of Stewardship

Stewardship expresses our obedience and commitment of our self and possessions to God's service.

While God has entrusted us with the care, development, and enjoyment of everything He owns, as His stewards, we are responsible to manage according to His desires and purposes.

We are called to administer our time, money, abilities, information, wisdom, relationships, and authority.

We are ALL called to be joyful stewards.

We are thankful for everyone's faithful, joyful stewardship of Wise Baptist Church. Through your giving, Wise Baptist Church continues to be used by God to change lives.

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

Thank you all for being joyful stewards of God's work at Wise Baptist Church.

Ron Helton & Leton Harding

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." ~ Psalm 24:1



Everyone is invited to "submit" your favorite Psalm to Terry for the newsletter each week!

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Transplant House

Attn: Mrs. Vickie Swindall #10

2029 East 115th Street

Cleveland, Ohio 44106



The Wise County Food Bank & the Wise County Social Service Adult Protective Services are always very appreciative of our help. Thank you to Sherlene Hall for continuing to coordinate with Social Services and to our deacons for collecting & delivering items to the Food Bank. Thank you also to the Ladies' Friendship Sunday School class for their ongoing collection of funds for both of these ministries!

*You may also make a monetary donation by writing a check to Wise Baptist Church, designating it to be used for the Food Bank or Grab-n-Go.

***Food Bank Drop Off:** by the "offering" table outside the church office (Contact: Gary Smith or John Ponish)

***Grab-n-Go Drop Off:** white baskets near the elevator at church (Contact: Sherlene Hall)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Among the Lord's blessings in 2020 were several precious **babies** that entered our world!

Zinnia Sue Cantrell (Jan. 19)

Penelope Sky Yun (Mar. 4)

Isla Kambreigh Dutton (Mar. 19)

George Alfred Flynn Chappell (Mar. 30)

Zella Ruth Owens (May 25)

Kyle Brielle Roberts (June 26)

Emma Jade Hughes (June 30)

Caroline Lily Wilson (Aug. 3)

Lily Katherine Carlson (Sept. 23)



**“Power
& Purpose: God
Unveils the
Universe”**

(A Study of the Genesis 1-11)

Join us on Wednesday evening at 7:00pm as we continue our Bible study on Genesis on January 6.

Tune in on the Wise Baptist Facebook page, Facebook Live at 7:00pm! See you there.



Love, Pastor Mike

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 jponish@atsone.com



We also celebrate with these couples who got married in 2020!

Matt & Stephanie Collins

Ethan & Lily Elkins

Dalton & Kara Parker

Dustin & Kristen Phillips

Matthew & Andi Sweeny

Lloyd & Carlie Tomlinson

MUSIC * YOUTH * CHILDREN'S NEWS

Happy Birthday!

January 7	Reid Mullins
	Brian Wills
January 8	Bret Chisenhall
	Seth Harding
January 10	Ruby Salyers
January 12	Eden Mullins
January 13	John Mark Adrian
	Joyce Horne
January 15	Mingkwan Collins
January 16	Susan Mullins
	Beth Snodgrass



WBC Children's Ministry

MANY THANKS to Susan Mullins for coordinating our first ever **Christmas VBS!**

From Nov. 29 - Jan. 9, we have had 24 children participate in a series of Advent lessons through Facebook Live!

Each week, Susan prepared activity bags for each child to pick up. Each bag contained a snack & craft supplies.

During each VBS lesson, children watched Susan light the Advent candles, viewed a monologue from a costumed Bethlehem visitor, heard a Bible story from Mike & Terry, learned to sign & sing a Christmas carol, and made a craft with Susan.

Happy Anniversary!

January 5	Mike & Terry Winters
January 7	Jack & Marsha Tolbert



WBC Music Ministry

For the past 10 days, my family +1 have been on the road, seeing new places and having new adventures. We have had lots of fun and togetherness. Togetherness is a good thing until it's NOT, but these will be memories for a lifetime.

While we are still being safe and staying in our bubble, we will try to make this new year a year filled with adventure and memories. Hoping to see you soon.

~ Donna

(Martha Blackburn & Sherry Collie both agree that Psalm 100 is their favorite Psalm!) →

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD,
all ye lands.

Serve the LORD with gladness: come
before His presence with singing.

Know ye that the LORD He is God: it is He
that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are His people, and the sheep of His
pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and
into His courts with praise: be thankful
unto Him, and bless His name.

For the LORD is good; His mercy is
everlasting; and His truth endureth to all
generations.

A CELEBRATION OF GOD'S MANY BLESSINGS IN 2020!

JANUARY...Meal served at WBC before Martin Luther King, Jr. Service, Laurels Ministry, Guest Speakers: Tony & Jan Johnson (SW VA Partnership), 5th Annual Church-Wide Birthday Party, Winter Bible Study on Gospel of Luke, Wedding of Kara Kennedy & Dalton Parker, Youth Bible Studies with Hannah Grace.

FEBRUARY...Children/Parents Soup Mix Mission Project, Ash Wednesday Service, Laurels Ministry, One Call Now System Implemented, Guest Speaker Jason Pritchard invited by WBC Drug Task Force to share about his addiction recovery & faith, Jordan Hughes called as Youth Director, Deacons cooked & served breakfast for dinner one Wednesday evening.

MARCH...Onsite worship services & other activities were canceled beginning March 15 due to the coronavirus; Pastor Mike learned how to preach via Facebook Live! John Ponish's adult Sunday School class began meeting via Zoom & Terry Winters' children's class began meeting via Facebook Live each week, Pastor Mike began teaching a Bible Study on the Book of Revelation via Facebook Live on Wednesday evenings, a handicap ramp for Glenn Hill was built by our men, Men's Bible Study met weekly via Zoom, Pastor Mike began writing a daily pastoral letter to all.

APRIL...Palm Sunday: everyone was invited to place a green branch on their front door; Easter Sunday: everyone was invited to send a photo of a cross or flowers for the newsletter, everyone contributed "Jesus is..." statements to be published in the newsletter, the youth sponsored a night to feed the nurses at a local hospital, youth met for Bible Study via Zoom, Terry began reading a weekly bedtime story to the children via Fb Live, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Revelation Study, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes continued to take place virtually, 90 folks contributed recipes, blessings, scriptures, funnies & nature photos to the "Social Distancing Survival Page" in the newsletter each week from April 21 - November 10.

MAY...Children's first virtual Snack & Paint, Mission Trip Yard Sale, Graduate Recognition Slideshow posted on church Fb page, Children's Mother's Day videos posted on church Fb page, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Revelation Study, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually, Wise Co. Food Bank & Grab-n-Go ministries continued.

JUNE...Mission Trip Yard Sale (Part 2), 78 team members + 68 prayer partners involved in the Summer Mission Trip in Wise County, Children's Father's Day video posted on church's Fb page, children's drawings of dads printed in newsletter, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Revelation Study, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually.

JULY...Onsite Sunday morning worship began, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Life After Death Study, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually, Glenn Hill turned 101, new ministry (Tender Loving Care casserole ministry) began.

AUGUST...school supplies collected for Family Crisis Support Services, onsite worship suspended temporarily, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Study on Book of Philippians, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually, Kids' Kindness Challenge.

SEPTEMBER...6th Annual Senior Ladies' Tea Party via home delivery, Annual Business Meeting held virtually, onsite worship suspended temporarily, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Study on Book of Philippians, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually.

OCTOBER...Piecemakers Quilting Group celebrated making over 800 quilts for the cancer center, onsite worship began again, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Study on Book of Philippians, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually, Fall church Service Project Day, Fall Fling Church Yard Sale.

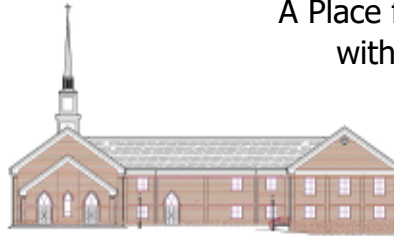
NOVEMBER...Fire Pit Fellowship, Children's 2nd virtual Snack-n-Paint, many shared blessings that were printed in the newsletter in celebration of Thanksgiving, Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Study on Book of Genesis, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually,

DECEMBER...Jesse Tree, Advent Candles, Christmas VBS, special music from Kristen & Distin Phillips (virtually!), Mens' Bible Study, Wed. Night Study on Book of Genesis, Sun. morning worship & Sunday School classes, & bedtime stories continued virtually,

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	01/03 - 01/09	Lewey Lee, Ron Helton
	01/10 - 01/16	Lewey Lee, Jerry Baird
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Dan Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sound System:	01/10	Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile
	01/17	Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile
Tellers:	January	Martha Blackburn, Stephen Large
	February	Jessica Crutchfield, Jeff Kiser
Benediction	01/10	Lewey Lee

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)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
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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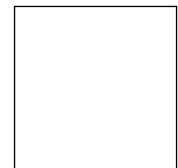
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Thought for the Week:

Jesus can help us climb
any mountain!