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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 21, 2020



Dear Church Family and Friends.

Conventional wisdom. It explains how life works. Seems to make sense. Such as: people who live right (for God) are rewarded. People who do not are punished.

Most of us partly buy into this, consciously or unconsciously. Job did... until he didn't.

Job was upright in all his ways. He lived for God. All was well. He had a large, happy family. Prosperous farm. Nice house. Friends. Robust health.

One day, however, his life fell apart. He lost his family. His health. Wealth. Friends. Even his wife turned against him. Had God turned on him, too?

The Book of Job spends 42 chapters blowing up the conventional wisdom that says if we follow God we are rewarded in all areas of life. Learning this, we are relieved. Why? Because we know, from experience that life does not operate by conventional wisdom.

If the conventional wisdom is true? If we are not blessed, it is our fault. Every person who suffers...it is their fault.

The Bible presents real faith for the real world. Jesus lived a perfect life. His entire life was about showing God's love. Yet, He was savagely beaten and executed. Thankfully, the story did not end there. Jesus was raised from the dead.

Jesus says in John 16:33, "I have told you...in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

Love. Pastor Mike

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

† Transfer of Letter
† Baptism
† Statement of Faith
† Watch Care

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

IMPORTANT DATES

ON-SITE WORSHIP SERVICES every SUNDAY, <u>11:00 AM</u>

Wed. Bible Study July 22, 7pm (WBC Fb Live)

Sunday Message July 26, 11am (WBC Fb Live & on-site)

Bedtime Story w/ Miss Terry July 27, <u>9pm</u> (WBC Fb Live)

Men's Bible Study July 28, 6:30am (Zoom)

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DEACONS 2019-20				
John Mark Adrian	328-5564			
Jerry Baird	393-0923			
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				

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Sunday Morning Worship <u>On-Site</u> at Wise Baptist Church as well as on <u>Facebook Live</u>: 11am

Pastor Mike will be preaching on "Building Life on Solid Ground: God's Jealousy" (Exodus 34:12-14) this Sunday morning, July 26.

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



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...

Sharon & Donnie Bradley, Sandy Yun, Artie Bailey & Lisa Wolf, Dr. Peter Yun, Cassidy Hughes, Lee & Vonda Kidd, Ann Sturgill, Pat Boggs, Linda



Bailey, Nancy McDaniel (Marsha Tolbert's sister), family of Eddie Culbertson, doctors, nurses & all medical/ pharmaceutical personnel, Glenn Hill, Steve Collins, Grace Allio & family, family of Pam McKnight, 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, please contact the church office (328-6247).



Life After Death

This Wednesday (July 22), at <u>7pm</u>, join Pastor Mike on Facebook Live (the church Facebook page) as we continue a new 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 <u>only</u>. 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!

We extend our deepest sympathy to Sharon Bradley in the death of her mother, Martha Beverly, last Thursday· Please remember Sharon & Donnie 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





- On Sunday, <u>August 2</u>, we will collecting suggestions for <u>3</u> new deacons from the members of our congregation for the 2020-21 church year.
- <u>All suggestions will be received no later than 5pm on</u> <u>Sunday, August 2.</u>
- We are asking that each church member suggest three
 (3) qualified church members for this rotation.
- They will be received in one of three ways:
 - (1) For those in attendance for the live service <u>in the</u> <u>sanctuary</u> on August 2, Suggestion Slips as usual will be provided to all Church Members in attendance. Once completed, members will drop them into the offering plates at the end of the service at the exit doors.
 - (2) For those that are not yet ready to return to the live service, or cannot be in attendance on that Sunday, an email timely sent to the Chairman of Deacons, John Ponish (<u>jponish@atsone.com</u>) will be accepted.
 - (3) For those that cannot be in attendance on that Sunday, but would prefer a written Suggestion Slip within this time frame, please contact Chairman of Deacons, John Ponish (<u>jponish@atsone.com</u> / 276- 870-1593) and we will have a deacon personally visit you with a Suggestion Slip to be completed at that time.
- <u>Current Deacons are</u> John Ponish / <u>Gary Smith</u> / <u>John Mark Adrian</u> / Leton Harding / Ron Helton / Oscar Raille / Jerry Baird / Lewey Lee / David Mullins (<u>UNDERLINED</u> Deacons will be rotating off as of this year)
- Please be in prayer about those leaders in the church that you may wish to offer as suggestions for deacons.
- If you have any questions, please contact John Ponish (276-870-1593), current Deacon Chairman.

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"I DO BARBEQUE"

Due to unforeseen circumstances and the lingering of the coronavirus, the wedding of Katelyn McKenna and Haden Ponish has been postponed. The new date is September 24, 2021.

Please save this new date and join us in Telluride, Colorado for a destination wedding!

The wedding shower planned for August 1st will also be postponed. It's a scary time for all of us. We will plan to do a wedding shower in the spring.

~ John & Karen Ponish

Orphaned Dishes!

Doesn't anybody want us?

Do you recognize any of these dishes? Some have names on them. Please drop by the church and pick them up before <u>July 31</u>, or we will donate them to the church yard sale. Thank you!







John 16:33

"I have told you this so that you will have peace by being united to Me. The world will make you suffer. But be brave! I have defeated the world!"



Wise County Food Bank & Grab-n-Go

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!

These items are still needed:

crackers, Little Debbie cakes, nabs, snacks

*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

*<u>Grab-n-Go Drop Off:</u> white baskets near elevator at church

(Contact: Gary Smith or John Ponish)

MUSIC * YOUTH * CHILDREN'S NEWS



July 22	Dave Belcher		
July 24	Debbie Collins		
	Bonnie Owens		
July 25	Oscar Raile		
July 26	Davis Allio		
	Peggy Yanez		
July 27	Allen Cantrell		
	Angela Gervais		
	Vickie Rasnick		
July 28	Ron Helton		
	Oliver Ray		
July 30	Melissa Blackburn		



July 25

July 29

Kenny & Peggy Bowling Matt & Sara Johnson John & Diana Roberts Shaun & Sara Lane

On Sunday, The K-1 class learned about King Solomon



during their Facebook Live Sunday School Class!









This hymn, written by William J. Reynolds, was added to our hymnals in the 1970's...

Share His Love

The love of God is broader than earth's vast expanse, "Tis deeper and wider than the sea. Love reaches out to all to bring abundant life, For God so loved the world His only Son He gave.

Share His love by telling what the Lord has done for you, Share His love by sharing of your faith, and show the world that Jesus Christ is real to you every moment, every day.



WBC Children's Ministry Continues!



<u>Sunday School on</u> <u>Facebook Live at</u> <u>10am each Sunday!</u>

<u>Mondays</u> – Bedtime Story with Miss Terry at 9pm (Facebook Live on WBC Fb page) Wear your pj's!



SOCIAL DISTANCING SURVIVAL PAGE

Flower Photos



Susie Powers says, "I love hydrangeas!"



Scriptures

Many thanks to **Ron Helton** for sharing a favorite scripture with us: **Phílíppíans 4:4-7**

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."



Thank you to **Kathy Dotson** for sharing these thoughts with us this week!

This crisis has given me joy, hope and a closer relationship with my Savior. These blessings are not what I would have had. I have time to praise Him, talk to Him and learn more about Him. God does give us good from everything! I am blessed!

I have learned we HAVE been made more than conquerors! The experiences of life, whether they are everyday events or terrifying ones, are powerless to separate us from the love of God. The things we try to avoid or fight against, like this crisis, are the very things that produce

abundant joy. We do not know the joy of the Lord in *spite* of tribulation, but *because* of it! I have found joy in this awful time!

"I am exceedingly joyful in all tribulations." 2 Corinthians 7:4



**This is a reprint, as the most important ingredient (peanut butter) was absent from last week's recipe!!

Shirley Willis' Peanut Butter Pie

8 oz. cream cheese, softened

1 cup milk

1 cup powdered sugar

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 8 oz. Cool Whip
- 9-inch graham cracker crust

1) Whip cream cheese with mixer.

- 2) Blend in sugar, milk & peanut butter.
- 3) Fold in Cool Whip
- 4) Pour into pie shell & refrigerate until chilled.



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:		Oscar Raile & Leton Harding
	7/26 - 8/1	John Mark Adrian, Lewey Lee
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Dan Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Worship Welcome:	7/26	Pastor Mike Winters
	8/2	Pastor Mike Winters
Sound System:	7/26	Mike Osborne
	8/2	Oscar Raile
Ushers:	7/26	Dave Belcher, Bryon Burton, Jeff Dotson,
		Marty Kennedy, Stephen Large, Jack Tolbert
	8/2	Youth
Tellers:	July	Martha Blackburn, Stephen Large
	August	Jessica Crutchfield, Jeff Kiser



A Place for Faith and Fellowship with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES (<u>These</u> activities are postponed until further notice)

Sunday	Truth Rehearsal Youth (Grades 7-12) Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	4:45 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Children's Choir (Ages 3 - Grade 6) Fellowship Meal Youth Hand Chimes Children in Action (Ages 5 - Grade 6) Nursery (Birth - Age 4)	4:45 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm

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Thought for the Week:

Jesus brings us peace in spite of this world.