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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 6, 2016

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



Dear church family and friends,

“How do I apply Scripture to my life?” Before we answer that question, we need to ask, “How do I get more of the message of the Bible into my head and heart?” Until then, I will not apply it or live it.

**Listen.** The Bible was spoken before it was written down. God spoke, people heard and wrote it down. Come with an open heart. Read the Bible passage out loud and listen as if God is speaking directly to you, because He is...

**Write.** Write out the verses. It forces us to “sit with” the verses longer. It is easy to rush Bible reading. Allow time for God’s truth to seep into your heart.

**Pray.** Reflect on what God is saying and write your prayer. If my prayer is based on the message of the Scriptures I have just read, then it is in keeping with God’s will. The Bible says that if we pray according to God’s will, that prayer will be granted.

**Live it.** Now we are more ready to apply the message and better able to understand how to apply it.

My challenge to us all is to allow more of God’s truth to get into our hearts and minds. There are many ways to do so. Personal Bible study and prayer time are two ways. Another is Bible study with others...Sunday morning and Wednesday nights are two options.

Pray for our mission team in Gainesville, Florida. They are well-representing our Lord and you. I look forward to worshipping with you on Sunday. Invite a friend!

*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

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Deacons’ Meeting**  
July 10

**Communion**  
July 10

**S.O.A.P. Bible Study**  
through July 17

**Mission Team Returns**  
July 9

**IMPACT VA**  
July 17—23

**Brown Bag Ministry**  
July 24—29

**Back-to-School**  
**Goodie Bags Distributed**  
**by Children’s Ministry**  
**Team after Worship**  
July 31

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## DEACONS 2015-16

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Summer Bible Study

Join us on Wednesday nights  
(July 6, 13, 20, 27) at 7:00pm in  
the church library as Pastor Mike  
leads a 4-week Bible study on  
"What the Bible Speaks About  
Rest & Relaxation".



You can help support **R.A.M.** by donating assorted packages of crackers, cereal bars, or Little Debbie cakes for those waiting in line. Please bring all donations to the church by **July 14**.

In addition, desserts are needed for a dinner for the workers at R.A.M. If you are willing to provide a dessert (cake, pie, bars, etc.—no cobblers, please), contact Brenda Lee or the church office at 328-6247. Desserts in disposable containers should be dropped off at Wise Baptist on **July 19** between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m. Thank you so much.

The Children's Ministry Team will meet at 4pm on Sunday, July 24 at Terry Winters' home.

### WELCOME STEVEN & JULIE LARGE!



We welcome Steven & Julie Large to our church family! Steven & Julie moved their membership from First Baptist Church in St. Paul to Wise Baptist this past Sunday. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Steven & Julie if you have not already met them.

*As you pray, please remember...*

Family of Jenny Connor, Bob Breeding, Tony Hill, Irene Black, Papa Joe Smiddy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Kim Boggs, Pat Boggs, Archie and Joanne Kennedy, Elizabeth and Susan Davidson, Hubert Breeding, 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.



*Our Shut Ins:* Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Archie Kennedy, 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).

**The Children's Ministry Team** is putting together 25 "Back-to-School Goodie Bags" for our children at WBC. If you would like to be a part of this project, we will be collecting pocket folders, pencils, glue sticks, large erasers, water bottles, crayons, colored pencils, candy, teddy grahams, individual hand sanitizer, & individual sized tissue packets through July 24. Please see Susie Clasby if you have any questions.



### BROWN BAG MINISTRY

Wise Baptist will be participating in our community's Brown Bag Ministry JULY 24-29. Please contact Kathy Dotson if you would like to help pack lunches each evening (Sunday—Thursday) or help deliver lunches (Monday—Friday).



*Our S.O.A.P. Bible study is going well with 64 participants! Thank you to everyone for sharing what God is showing you in His Word each day. If you would still like to participate in this 28-day online summer Bible study, please contact Margie Horton, Diana Roberts or Terry Winters.*



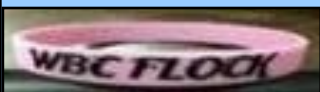
## ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ *From Leigh*

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the mission trip through your prayers, your time, and your financial donations. It has truly been a group effort!

Our theme for this trip is "Fruit of the Spirit". We have used the oranges as a visible symbol of fruit because our destination is Florida. But the real idea is the fruit that Paul talks about in Galatians—love, joy peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Our hope is that we will be in step with God's Spirit this week as we minister to the community in Gainesville. The song—*They will know we are Christians by our love* comes to mind when I consider our purpose and mission for this trip.

I will try to keep you updated with our progress through Facebook and the church email during the week. I will definitely have some pictures for the newsletter.

The Prayer Guide is included in the newsletter. We need your prayers. The Greater Faith Baptist Fellowship and the Thrive Life church also need your prayers. They are new church plants striving to meet the many needs of their communities. Pray also for the North Central Florida Baptist Association and all of their mission efforts.



I am so proud of Lily Snodgrass and her work with The Light. She has prepared a beautiful interpretation of "We Believe" for us to share at

the Greater Faith Church on Sunday morning. It is powerful. We will share it at WBC one Sunday later this summer.

I would also like to commend The FLOCK on their hospitality to the Mission Team that arrived on Sunday night. We were having our Dinner and a Movie night when they realized the team had arrived. They wanted to know if they could go meet them and help them unload. So, off we went to the fellowship hall. Our kids jumped right in to help. We then went outside to play some games and the youth from Lynchburg and some of their adults jumped right in with us! It was a lot of fun and actually quite rewarding as a youth minister to see our kids so welcoming.

Let me give a great shout out to Bryon Burton, John Ponish and our Building and Grounds committee for their work this week with the mission team here from the Lynchburg Baptist Association. The team has been awesome! Their work has been great. We will have some pictures and more details in a future newsletter.

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

Blessings, Leigh



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|---------|------------------|
| July 6  | Jayda Hutchinson |
|         | Riley Smith      |
| July 8  | Rick Meade       |
|         | Andrew Sexton    |
|         | Beverly Viers    |
| July 10 | Erra Sutherland  |
| July 11 | Kenny Bowling    |
|         | Anna Clark       |
|         | Sandy Yun        |



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| July 6  | John & Kathy Kennedy   |
| July 9  | Leton & Tammie Harding |
| July 11 | Jeff & Kathy Dotson    |
| July 14 | Steve & Margie Horton  |

*Mission Trip pics are coming in...*

John Ponish & the Lowe's receipt!



...hard at work!

## **FRUIT of the SPIRIT**

THANK YOU to everyone who helped us grow Florida oranges! We exceeded our goal of raising \$1,000!! All proceeds went towards purchasing building materials for the Mission Trip to Greater Faith Baptist Fellowship in Gainesville, Florida.





## Wise Baptist Church Summer Missionaries

We have been preparing for a long time to send our summer missionaries to Gainesville, Florida. Many of you have helped with our finances through the yard sale, the bake sale, the car wash and/or the “Fruit of the Spirit” campaign. All of you have been praying. The missionaries need your continued prayers for our work, our travel, our health, and our spiritual growth as a team.

Our work will be with the Greater Faith Baptist Fellowship and the North Central Baptist Association. We will do a lot of renovations to the church—new floor, new entry, painting, ceilings, plumbing, etc. We will also lead two Community Block parties to help with Outreach for the Greater Faith church and another church plant, Thrive Life at Lamplighter Trailer Park.

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|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Rachel Bailey   | Abbie Crutchfield   | Jayda Hutchinson | Daniel Ray      |
| Misty Belcher   | Jessica Crutchfield | Kathy Kennedy    | Tabitha Ray     |
| Austin Bordlee  | Landon Elkins       | Rachel Lyall     | Beth Snodgrass  |
| Bryon Burton    | Taylor Gardner      | Caroline Mullins | Emma Snodgrass  |
| Chloe Cantrell  | Noah Hall           | Susan Mullins    | Lily Snodgrass  |
| Regina Cantrell | Butch Hutchinson    | Mike Osborne     | Scott Snodgrass |
| Leigh Clark     | Donna Hutchinson    | Rebecca Osborne  |                 |
| Debbie Collins  | Elora Hutchinson    | John Ponish      |                 |

### PRAYER GUIDE FOR OUR SUMMER MISSIONARIES



JUNE 26—JULY 1



Pray for our preparations and our health. Pray for wisdom for our leaders as they prepare the projects for the team and the devotionals and team building activities. Begin praying for all those we will meet and work with during our time in Gainesville, FL.

#### JULY 2-9

**Saturday:** Pray for our safety as we travel. Join us at the youth building at 5:30 am for a time of prayer and encouragement for our missionaries. Feel free to write cards or to bring goodies for the team.

**Sunday:** Pray for our time of worship at Greater Faith Baptist Fellowship. Lift up Pastor Dixon and his congregation. Our team will take part in the music portion of worship. **Light** will participate in worship as well. We will spend the afternoon preparing the building for renovations, gathering materials, etc.

**Monday:** Our first day of work. It takes a lot to get started. So, please pray for patience. Ask God to sustain us—especially with the heat. Pray that we will connect as a team and connect with the people in the neighborhood. How will God use us today?

**Tuesday:** Pray that God will use us as we visit the Lamplighter trailer park to invite people to the Block party. Give us a heart for people—regardless of their circumstances. The “Fruit of the Spirit” is...what *fruit* will our lives produce today and every day?

**Wednesday:** Pray for the success of the Block party—that many will attend and that the Pastor of Lamplighter will have the opportunity to make great connections. “He is the vine; we are the branches”. Ask God to bless this new church plant, their pastor, their leaders.

**Thursday:** “My God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” (Phil. 4:19) This will be an extra long work day. Lift us up because we are growing weary—physically, emotionally, and mentally.

**Friday:** We will wrap up all of our renovation projects and prepare the church for a Community Block party. Pray that the community will respond and that connections will be made.

**Saturday:** Pray for our safe travel home. Give thanks to God for all that He has accomplished through us this week. Continue to pray for the congregations and the communities we have impacted this week. *To God Be ALL glory; great things He hath done.*



Thank you Lynchburg Baptist Association & Eileen Cantrell for hosting a Community Block Party at Wise Baptist Church parking lot on June 29. Nearly 120 people gathered to enjoy food, fellowship, music & games!



What joy to be on the receiving end of mission work...



Mission Team from Lynchburg  
Baptist Association in Wise County  
June 26– July 2



...and then to go in the name of Christ to help others!



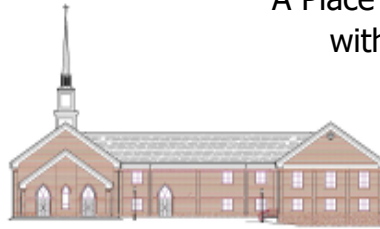
Mission Team from Wise Baptist Church in  
Gainesville, FL July 2—9



## Volunteers this Week

|                       |  |  |
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| Deacons On Call:      | 7/03-7/09                                    | Edgar Owens, Ron Helton  |
|                       | 7/10-7/16                                    | Jerry Baird, Matt Meade  |
| 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:        | 07/10  | David & Sandy Mullins  |
|                       | 07/17  | John Kennedy   |
| Nursery:              | 07/10  | Don & Cyndi Newlon   |
|                       | 07/17  | Sandy Mullins, Emma Snodgrass  |
| Children's Church:    | 07/10  | Kathy Dotson   |
|                       | 07/17  | Beth Snodgrass   |
| PA:                   | 07/10  | Oscar Raile  |
|                       | 07/17  | Mike Osborne   |
| Tellers:              | July   | Edgar Owens, Oscar Raile   |
|                       | August                                       | Jeff Dotson, Mike Strouth  |
| Ushers:               | 07/10  | Youth  |
|                       | 07/17  | Ron Swindall*, Bob Adkins^, Lewey Lee^,<br>Matt Meade, David Mullins, John Ponish,<br>Gary Smith, Mike Strouth<br>(*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers) |
| Wed. Meals:           | *Fellowship Meals will begin again in August |  |
| Children-in-Action    | *C.I.A. will begin again in August           |  |

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## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

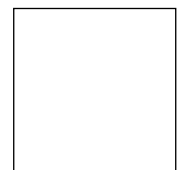
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| Sunday    | Sunday School                       | 10:00 am |
|           | Worship                             | 11:00 am |
| Monday    | Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)             | 9:30 am  |
| Wednesday | Bible Study<br>(July 6, 13, 20, 27) | 7:00 pm  |
| Thursday  | Women on Mission (2nd)              | 2--4 pm  |
| Saturday  | Mission Team returns                |          |

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**Thought for the week:**  
**Your Word is a lamp for my**  
**feet, a light on my path.**