

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

Rev. Mike Winters, Pastor
Donna Hutchinson, Music Director
Dr. Ray Jones, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 9, 2024



Dear Church Family & Friends,

The famous Serenity Prayer was probably composed by Rev. Reinhold Niebuhr during World War II. People in his church were serving in the armed forces.

During this time, he composed this prayer. The first part is recited at every 12-Step Alcoholics Anonymous meeting. The second part has been overlooked and is a beautiful addition.

*God grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can,
And the wisdom to know the difference.
Living one day at a time,
Enjoying one moment at a time.
Accepting hardship as a pathway to peace,
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is,
Not as I would like it.
Trusting that He will make all things right,
If I surrender to His will.
That I may be reasonably happy in this world
And supremely happy in the next.*

Isaiah 40:31 says, "but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, will walk and not faint."

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

**Wednesday Night
Bible Study
July 10
7:00pm**

**Summer Choir Practice
Wed, July 10
6-7pm**

**Men's Bible Study
Sat, July 13
7 - 8am**

**Mon, July 29
Deadline for Chips &
Cookies Donations**

INSIDE

| | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Announcements | Pages 2-4 |
| Ministry Oppor. | Page 3 |
| BDays/Anniv. | Page 4 |
| Coloring Page | Page 5 |
| Opportunities | Page 6 |

DEACONS 2023 - 2024

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| John Mark Adrian | 328-5564 |
| Jeff Cantrell | 275-9427 |
| Debbie Collins | 393-3875 |
| Jeff Elkins | 393-5700 |
| Stan Kunigelis | 870-2227 |
| Lewey Lee | 393-5370 |
| David Mullins | 870-0005 |
| John Ponish | 870-1593 |

Deacon Emeritus:
Bob Adkins

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deep Dive

Into Scripture



April 1, 2024 -
March 31, 2025

Last year, we read the Bible through. This year, we will dive deep, by looking closely at smaller portions of scripture beginning with Genesis and going through Revelation.

Hope you can be a part of this journey! Please sign up on the Communication Card in your Sun. bulletin or let Pastor Mike know.

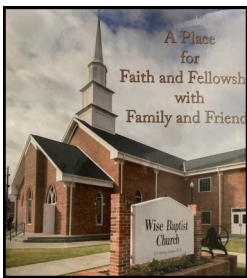
As you pray, please remember...



Shirley Willis, Billy & Teresa Glines & Family, Baby Fleenor, Cyrus Jones, Vicki Stephens, Donna Hutchinson & Family, Family & Friends of Nell Asbury, Jane Hughes & Family, Susan Aker, Amanda Aker, Mary Beth Adkins, Matt Meade, Morgan & Brandon Osborne, Martha Blackburn & Family, Emmett Kidd (Karen Ponish's dad), Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Brian Plester (brother of Brenda Kunigelis), Jim Sturgill, Wanda Baird, Jim Dotson, John & Kathy Kennedy, Rev. Michael Weller, Brenda Lee, Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, Adele Plester (Brenda Kunigelis' sister-in-law), Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, Ray Jones, 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

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WISE BAPTIST!

*Save the date!
OCTOBER 27

Not only is the Town of Wise celebrating its 100th Anniversary this year...

**Wise Baptist is celebrating its
125th Anniversary!!**

Activities will culminate with a special worship service on **OCTOBER 27**. More details to follow!



Scripture for the Week:

Isaiah 40:31

“but those who trust in the LORD will renew their strength; they will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint.”

Many hands make light work! Brown Bag boxes were filled & taped in no time at all as over 20 folks gathered in the Fellowship Hall yesterday!

Many thanks to Debbie Collins for coordinating **Brown Bag Ministry** for our church this year, and to everyone who helped!



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

THREE great opportunities to be involved in local ministry this summer!

- (1) Back-to-School - bring donations to church by July 29
- (2) Camp Bethel Workday Project - contact Donna or Mike
- (3) Community Give-Away - volunteers needed to give items away & to help clean up.

Contact Mary Beth Adkins:275-0441

Back-to-School Back Pack Giveaway

Aug
1

Thurs, Aug. 1
4 - 8pm
VA-KY District
Fairgrounds



How WE can help:

Becky Curtis (this year's coordinator) is requesting 100 bags of chips (small lunch size) + 25 packages of cookies from Wise Baptist.

*Donations can be placed in a box in the hall no later than **July 29**.*

Aug
17



CAMP BETHEL WORKDAY PROJECT

You are invited to participate in a workday at Camp Bethel on Sat, August 17! We will begin working on remodeling one of the cabins there. There will be big jobs & little jobs, so all skill levels are welcome!

Join us for great fellowship anytime that day : 8am - 4pm

Aug
24

Home Sweet Home Community Outreach

COMMUNITY Giveaway

Live Music on the Glades Stage | Resource and Info Booths | Food Trucks All Day

Saturday August 24th, 2024
Starting at 1 pm - 6pm
The Glades in Downtown Wise

Gates & Food Trucks Open at 1pm
Giveaway Begins at 1:30pm
Resources Tables Available

On the Glades Stage:
Soul's Journey 1-2pm
Brad Lee Music 2:30 - 4:30pm
The Craig Street Ramblers 4:30pm

Items For Giveaway To Include:
Bedding • Nike Shoes • Clothing • Household Items • School Supplies and Much, Much More!!

Items will be given on a first come-first serve basis.
Must be able to carry and load items.
Bring your own bag.

HOSTED BY:
FAMILY CRISIS SUPPORT SERVICES, INC.

Virginia Housing | Family Crisis Support Services | WISE

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

Happy Birthday!

| | | |
|---------|---------------------------|---|
| July 9 | Wilma Graham |  |
| July 10 | Mary Beth Adkins | |
| | Robert Chappell | |
| | Jennifer Spenilla | |
| | Erra Sutherland | |
| July 11 | Kenny Bowling | |
| | Sandy Yun | |
| July 12 | Braden Hall | |
| July 15 | Ayden Browning | |
| | Lily Sexton | |
| July 16 | Cheryl Estep |  |
| | Elora Hutchinson Thompson | |
| | Elisha Oaks | |
| | Landon Whittaker | |

Happy Anniversary!

| | |
|---------|-----------------------|
| July 11 | Jeff & Kathy Dotson |
| July 14 | Steve & Margie Horton |
| July 16 | Adam & Nicole Sexton |
| July 18 | Ethan & Lily Elkins |



Stewardship, A Divine Responsibility

God is the Owner. We are the managers. We must oversee His assets for His benefit. Our prayer is for discernment of what God wants done with His assets and then carry out His will. May we all at Wise Baptist Church give abundantly, sacrificially, and joyfully.

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.

*"For everything comes from You, and we have given
You only what comes from Your own hand."*

1 Chronicles 29:14

WBC Music Ministry



I am asked several times each day how I am. Well, I don't really know how I am, but I guess I'm doing okay. Most days, I'm busy, so that is a good thing. Some days, I'm just so sad and am not sure what I'm doing. That's normal....right?

I am a "doer". I like to stay busy. Sitting around feeling sorry for myself and my children just isn't in my DNA. If something isn't right or doesn't feel right, I set about doing something about it and that's what I keep trying to do now.

BUT.....is what I'm doing the right thing? Am I spending the quality time with Jayda since she has a "fella"? Am I doing the things God wants me to do or are the things I'm doing not in His plan? Am I just making up things to do to keep busy?

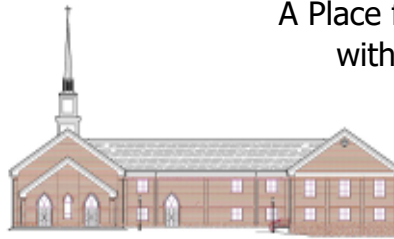
This prayer was in a devotional this past week and it spoke to me in a way that it couldn't have spoken to me in the past. I hope it speaks to you and you can gather strength and purpose from it.

Let's pray:

Heavenly Father, thank you for the opportunity to gather, celebrate, work, and serve. We know that having the option to choose where we spend our time is a luxury; let us never take that for granted. Guide us as we make our plans, holding them loosely and leaving room for rest. We ask for discernment, prioritizing the eternal over the earthly. We love you, Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen.

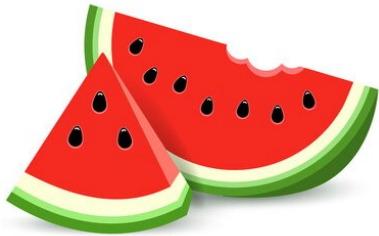
Joy, peace & love, Donna

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



Volunteers this Week

| | | |
|------------------------|-------------|--|
| Deacons On Call | 7/7 - 7/13 | Jeff Elkins, David Mullins |
| | 7/14 - 7/20 | Debbie Collins, Stan Kunigelis |
| Building Stewards | | Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass |
| Instrumentalists | | Susan Mullins, Susan Smith |
| Sunday School Greeters | July | Linda Bailey, Ruby Salyers |
| Children's Church | 7/14 | Renee & Johnny Robinson |
| | 7/21 | Holly Meade, Ava Mullins |
| Offering Ushers | July | Jeff Dotson Team |
| | August | Jerry Baird Team |
| Tellers | July | Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson |
| | August | Martha Blackburn, Jeff Kiser |
| Wed. Night Meals | ---- | Fellowship Meals will resume when school begins in August |



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

| | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|----------|
| Sunday | Sunday School | 10:00 am |
| | Worship | 11:00 pm |
| Monday | Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) | 9:30 am |
| | Caring Friends (2nd & 4th) | |
| Wednesday | Fellowship Meal | 6:00 pm |
| | Bible Study | 7:00 pm |
| | Choir Practice (July) | 6:00 pm |
| Thursday | Laurels Ministry (3rd) | 1:30 pm |
| Saturday | Men's Bible Study | 7 - 8 am |

Rev. Mike Winters Contact Information

Mailing Address: 8915 Red Maple Dr.,
Wise, VA 24293

E-mail: mikewinters@wisebaptist.com

Phone: 276.328.6247 **Cell:** 540.280.5598

Phone: (276) 328-6247 Website: www.wisebaptist.com Email: tllwinters@gmail.com Fax: 276-328-6204

Wise Baptist Church
P.O. Box 777
Wise, VA 24293



Like us at:
Wise Baptist Church

Thought for the Week:

Surrender to Christ is a victory!