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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear church family and friends,

Nearly every time I look down and a little to the left, I see something that irritates me. On many of my shirt pockets, in exactly the same place, there is an ink spot. The ink pens I use seem to leak a little bit. There are red spots, blue spots, and black spots. Nothing I have tried seems to get out the stain.

The Bible says that our sins are like “scarlet”. Sin leaves a mark, a stain on us. Each sin is a statement that we are going to do or say something no matter what God wants. We cannot erase the mark it leaves or make up for it. There is no human solution. Thankfully, God does have a solution.

It underlines a very basic human need...forgiveness. God says in Isaiah 1:18—“Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.” What looks purer than a fresh, clean blanket of snow?

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, rejoice! We are forgiven! Though our sins are like scarlet, through the sacrifice of our Lord, Jesus Christ, they are as white as snow!

We can go out every day with the sure knowledge that God forgives. May that make a difference in your day and your life.

Love, Pastor Mike

OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE

The WBC Building and Grounds Committee will host a “landscaping” workday on Saturday, June 7 beginning around 7 am. But, you can come ANYTIME that works for you—even earlier in the week. Everyone is welcome!

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday Night Bible Studies

6:45 each week

The Daniel Plan

Thursdays at 6:30

Church-Wide Fellowship

Wednesday, June 18
6:00 pm

Youth Outing

Kingsport Aquatic Center
June 21, TBA

Mission Trip

July 4-12

Vacation Bible School

July 14-17

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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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

After-School Church-wide Fellowship

Wed., June 18, 6pm at the church.

Don't miss it! Grilled hot dogs, burgers, and home-made ice-cream.

It has been revealed that John Kennedy's favorite, peach ice cream, will be featured. Pastor Mike will make Chocolate Mandarin ice cream and provide a sneak preview sample after worship on June 15. There will be inflatables and games for all ages.

Plan to come. Invite and bring a friend.

Call the church office (328.6247) and let us know that you plan to attend!



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

This Wednesday, June 4, is the final night of our regularly scheduled Dinner and Bible study. We will have our annual church picnic in August. Stay tuned for details!

"Blocks" of Hope

Barbara Hastings, secretary and member of Union Church in Lavallette, NJ, lost her home in Super Storm Sandy. She has been without a home ever since. She currently lives in a one room apartment above the church sanctuary. Her home will need to be rebuilt to hurricane standards. One requirement is the foundation must be at least one story above sea level. To do this will require 1700 concrete blocks. Our mission team has decided to have a "block" party for Barbara and you are invited! Each block will cost \$2.50. Our hope is to purchase 1000 blocks for Barbara.

How can you participate? It is as simple as making a contribution as an individual or family. Or you could organize a project through your Sunday School Class or group. You could sell baked goods or invite your co-workers to contribute. There are many creative ways to be involved in a "concrete" way!

Every contribution will be recognized with a paper replica of a concrete block. For example, if you donate four blocks, your name or organization will go on four blocks. Gina Chisenhall has offered to help make a scrap book with pictures and names of everyone who contributes as a keepsake for Barbara.

We can build back hope for Barbara one "block" at a time. Please prayerfully consider how you will contribute. See Leigh or any member of our mission team for more information or to make a contribution.

As you pray, please remember...

Marty, Rose and Jon Kennedy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Kim Boggs, Pat Boggs, Archie and Joanne Kennedy, Billie Sue Harris, all of the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, and Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG)

If there are other known prayer concerns and/or shut-ins, please let us know.

VBS WORKSHOP OF WONDERS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

JULY 14—17, 6-8:30 pm

There are many ways you can help!

Help BEFORE VBS With: Prayers, Distribute/Coordinate publicity, preregistration, create decorations, make costumes, provide supplies, prepare craft packets, paint backdrops, make phone calls, gather donations, help with kickoff event

Help DURING VBS With: Prayers, Child care, take photos, registration, greeter, room set up, transportation, provide snacks for leaders

Help AFTER VBS With: Send thank you cards, take down decorations, return donated items

**Contact: Cindy Elkins at (276) 275-9675 or
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Worship on Sunday. Thank you to those who help prepare for Communion each month.

YOU'RE INVITED

On Saturday, June 7, from 5-7 pm you are invited to a farewell fellowship for Conan and Christy Sherlin—our UVA-Wise Campus Ministers. It will be held at the BCM building. They will be moving in June to Louisiana where Conan has accepted a new campus minister position so that they can be closer to family.

Items that have lost their way... If you can help any of these items return to their "home" in the church kitchen, it would be appreciated: various utensils, tablecloths, ladles, etc. Thank you.



From Leigh

What a great day of worship and fellowship and Bible study at Wise Baptist yesterday. It was a beautiful day to be in God's House to share in Holy Communion., to be lifted up in prayer, to hear God's Word proclaimed, to add our voices together in song, to hug one another, to laugh, to remember those we love who are hurting, to plan together future events, and to be reminded of the unrelenting never-changing love of Jesus.

Before worship, my dear friend, James Clasby, stopped by my office. He's been working in Columbia, SC for the past month or so building a house. So, he has been out of town a lot on the weekends. He shared with me that he had taken clothes for church to Columbia but that the family he's staying with don't have a church home. So, he stayed in and watched a couple of televised church services. James said that during the second program he began to feel a deep sadness and became emotional because he realized how much he missed Wise Baptist. He told me, "I enjoyed those services but I missed my church". James said he felt like that was God's way of reminding him to not take his church for granted – that he should appreciate WBC and it's people every single day. I asked James if he would mind me sharing his story and he said, "No. Tell everyone! We all need to know how fortunate we are to be a part of WBC". Thank you, James!

Blessings, Leigh

Have you ever considered singing in the choir? Summer is a great time! We will sing a lot of "favorites" this summer. On Wednesday, June 11 we will rehearse at 7. We will also rehearse each Sunday morning at 10:40 am before worship. Give me a call this week and let's talk about how you can serve through music!



Congratulations to Daniel England for qualifying for the State Track Championship in the discus. He will compete on Saturday, June 7. Good luck!

Congratulations to Alex Adkins and the Central Baseball team for your outstanding season. Central will compete in the Region tournament on Monday, June 2 against Grayson County. Play your best!

Congratulations to Emma Snodgrass for receiving the Coaches Achievement Award for the 7th/8th grade softball team.

Many of our youth were recognized for their Academic and Athletic achievements this year. We are proud of all of you!

June 21—trip to the Kingsport Aquatic Center and dinner.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS



June 4 Jack England
June 5 Jeanne Stallard
June 7 Dr. Peter Yun
Debbie Helton
June 8 Jennifer Mullins (Sturgill)
Kathy Osborne
June 10 Tammie Harding



June 8 Dr. Lester & Mary Jo Prince
June 10 David & Carla Sheppard



Mark and Brandon during "Craft" time on Wednesday night!!



YOUTH COOKOUT

WHEN: Sunday, June 8

TIME: 5:00 pm until?

WHERE: Snodgrass home

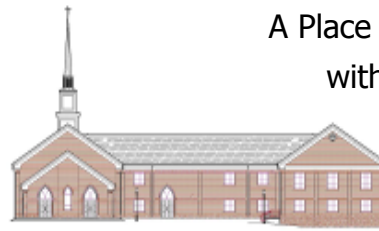
WHAT: hamburgers, hotdogs, games
(wear clothes you don't mind getting wet and bring a towel and some dry clothes!)

BRING: Yourself and a friend!

(A water gun if you have one!)

Volunteers this Week

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| Deacons On Call: | 06/01-06/07 | Jerry Baird, Dan Helton |
| | 06/08-06/14 | Lewey Lee, Mark Clark |
| Building Stewards: | | Ron, Dan, Scott S. |
| Instrumentalists: | | Susan M., Eva, Susan S. |
| Worship Welcome Team: | | Cindy E., Oscar R., Daniel R., Wendy A. |
| S.S Greeters: | 06/08 | Bill Harris |
| | 06/15 | David & Sandy Mullins |
| Nursery: | 06/08 | Donna & Butch Hutchinson, Rachel Bailey, Rachel Porchie |
| | 06/15 | Regina Carson, Susie Clasby, Brooklyn Kennedy, Mary Steudemann |
| Children's Church: | 06/08 | Vanessa Mullins |
| | 06/15 | Jill Jessee |
| PA: | 06/08 | Mike Osborne |
| | 06/15 | Bryan Crutchfield |
| Tellers: | June | Kathy Helton, Mike Strouth |
| Ushers: | 06/08 | Bob Adkins*, Gary Smith, Bill Sutherland, Mike Strouth, David Mullins, Matt Meade, Ron Swindall, Lewey Lee |
| | 06/15 | Jeff Elkins*, Bryon Burton, Robert England, Dwight Jessee, Daniel Ray, John Mark Adrian, Travis Jessee, Jason Mullins *Offertory Prayer |
| Serving Team: | 06/04 | Linda Bailey, Ruby Salyers, Rebecca Osborne, Artie Bailey |
| Wed meal: | 06/04 | Taco Bell |



A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

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| Sunday | Sunday School | 10:00 am |
| | Worship | 11:00 am |
| | Youth | 6:00 pm |
| Monday | Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) | 9:30 am |
| | Caring Friends (2nd) | 9:00 am |
| | Children's Choirs (in recess for summer) | 3:45 pm |
| Wednesday | Dinner | 6:00 pm |
| | Bible Study (All Ages) | 6:45 pm |
| | Choir Rehearsal | 7:50 pm |
| Thursday | Women On Mission (2nd) | Noon |
| | Daniel Plan Bible Study | 6:30 pm |

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Thought for the week:

**"The prayerless heart is
fleeing from God."**