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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

# A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

March 13, 2018



Dear church family and friends,

"All war wounds are not visible". This quote came from a presentation from the Chaplains' Office of the Veterans Administration out of Johnson City, TN. Military veterans in our country deserve not only our appreciation, but understanding, too.

The future veteran goes through a "Deployment Cycle". First, there is preparation and training. Next comes lengthy separation from family and friends. Afterwards, there is the return home. Last, the veteran tries to fit back into the world they left. This process may be repeated several times.

One problem is that the military and civilian cultures are so different. Close bonds form during training and facing danger. When deployment ends, veterans no longer fit into the military world. Nor do they fit into the civilian world because they have changed.

The military culture has a strict chain-of-command and is a very structured world. It values aggressiveness and keeping a lid on emotions. Lives depend on teamwork. The threat of danger is constant. This can forever change a combat veteran as they re-enter a civilian world that is set up differently.

Other issues include: continuing health problems, traumatic brain injury, trauma from what they have seen or have been commanded to do.

The next time you see a veteran, try to go beyond saying "Thank you for your service." If you can, get to know them. Listen to their story. Build a relationship bridge. Then, may the love and grace of our Lord walk across that bridge with His forgiving, healing love.

## 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

Faith

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** 

Laurels Ministry March 15, 1:30pm

Leadership Team March 15, 6:30pm

Craft Day for OCC March 24, 2-4pm

Resurrection Eggs Presentation April 1, 11am

Church Directory Meeting April 4, 4:30pm

Children's Snack & Paint April 21, 10am-12pm

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#### **DEACONS 2017-18**

John Mark Adrian	328-5564			
Jerry Baird	393-0923			
Gil Blackburn	328-0046			
Jim Collie	393-1710			
Jeff Dotson	393-8417			
Ron Helton	393-6145			
Mike Osborne	365-0968			
John Ponish	870-1593			
Gary Smith	870-1579			
Deacons Emeritus:				

Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,
Harold Witt

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please be in prayer for those who are participating in the Mission Trip this weekend ( to Greenbrier County, WV:



Michael Applewhite

Caroline Mullins

Bryon Burton

Kristen Osborne

Kim Hall

Mike Osborne

Noah Hall

**JohnPonish** 

Jorge Hersel

Daniel Ray



Beth Snodgrass Emma Snodgrass Scott Snodgrass

#### MISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES...

⇒ <u>Laurels Ministry</u>...Mar. 15, 1:30pm



Contact Sherlene Hall at 275-0059

 $\Rightarrow$  Summer Trip...June 23-30 in Tarboro, NC



Contact John Ponish at 870-1593

# Wed. Night Bible Studies Mar. 14, 21, 28 7pm

Our current Bible studies pick up on the theme of the movie "Risen". We are exploring the importance, meaning, and application of the most important events of all time...the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus!

Make plans now to be a part of this important study! A good way to start is with our fellowship meal at 6:00pm.

As you pray, please remember...

Pat Boggs, Beckett Owens & parents, Josh & Kristen Owens, Izzy Shackelford & family, Sherlene Hall, Noah Hall & family, Jerry Dew (Terry Winters' mother), Billie

Sue Harris, Donna Morton, Bonnie Rochford (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Jim & Sherry Collie, Ron Swindall, Robert & Jennifer England & family, Shirley Willis (The Laurels), Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, John and Kay Wright, Pat and Fred Adkins, Bea and Glenn Hill, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military

Hospital: Kenny Bowling (Cleveland Clinic)

**Our Shut Ins:** Susan Davidson (Heritage Hall), Eddie Culbertson, Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Betty Easterling (The Laurels), Florine Pennington (The Laurels), Jeanne Stallard

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



## Congratulations!

to Josh & Kristen Owens and to grandparents,

Edgar & Bonnie Owens on the birth of

Evan Beckett Owens March 4, 2018 6 lbs. 10 oz. 20 inches

### Scripture for the Week: John 15:10-11

"If you keep My commands you will remain in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commands and remain in



His love. I have spoken these things to you so that My joy may be in you and your joy may be complete."

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT.



# DAY TRIP to PIGEON FORGE QUILTING SHOW

Thursday, March 22

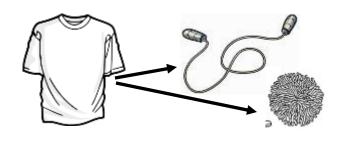
If you would like to attend, please contact Grace Allio at 328-6530.

The group will be taking the church bus & leaving at 8:00am.

# **T-Shirts Needed!**

for Craft Day on Saturday, March 24

Please give your used t-shirts to Tabitha Ray or leave them in the church office. Join us for fun making jump ropes & koosh balls from used t-shirts for this year's OCC shoeboxes! Bring a snack as well as lots of t-shirts.



### Children's Ministry



Wise Baptist offers lots of opportunities for children to

have fun together & to learn about God's love for them! Be sure to pick up a copy of the Children's Ministry brochure in the foyer or the hall by the elevator & share it with someone you know!

# Church

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#### **Church Directory Committee**

will meet on

Wednesday, April 4 at 4:30pm

Ladies' Sunday School Classroom / Library

Operation Christmas Child
YEAR-ROUND
Gift Ideas!

#OCCitemofthemonth

### MARCH: high quality crafts

The **Children's Ministry** is collecting items each month this year for our 2018 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. You can be a part of this monthly mission project by checking the newsletter & bulletin for the "Item of the Month"! Donated items may be placed in a box in the foyer or the hall. This month, the children are collecting "high quality craft items". This would include any of the following: hats, scarves, gloves/mittens, knitted or crocheted wash cloths, handmade stuffed animals or dolls, wooden toys, handmade games such as tic-tac-toe or



checkers, accessories, sewing kits, fishing kits...anything you have made that a child could use or play with!



Wise Baptist Church Feb. 1- May 10, 2018

This program is taking place on Thursday evenings, Feb. 1 - May 10 in the WBC Fellowship Hall. For more information, please contact Gail Bryant at 275-6002.

#### **MUSIC \* YOUTH \* CHILDREN NEWS**

### Greetings Everyone!

Music Isn't it wonderful that it seemed Ministry like spring was just starting to show itself, and then all of a sudden we get hit with a wet and heavy snow? As it is stated in the book of Ephesians, we know that there is a time and a season for everything, but it seems as if winter is not ready to give up just yet. As we reflect upon this weather, however, let us use it as a moment to remind ourselves that Christ's love for us washes us white as snow.

Truth will be having its next practice this upcoming Sunday at 5 p.m., and our choir will be having its next practice this upcoming Wednesday starting around 7:50 p.m.

I look forward to seeing you this week!!

God bless you all!!

Ben

# Wise Baptist Church

Youth Ministry



Thank you to our youth who will be participating in the West Virginia mission trip this weekend! Our youth are an

invaluable part of our church!

There will be no youth meeting this

Sunday night (March 18), but plan to join us next week at 6pm on March 25 for Bible study, games & dinner!

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March 18 Aaron Clark

March 19 Betty Easterling

March 21 Pat Adkins

Cameron Curtis

March 23

Rick Johnson

March 26

Chloe Cantrell





March 13
Oscar & Gloria Raile

# Wise Baptist Children's Ministry



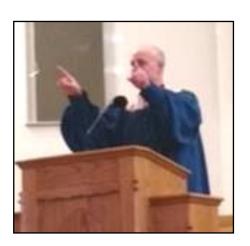
Mark your calendars for <u>Sat., Mar. 24!</u> A craft day for Operation Christmas Child is being planned from 2-4pm at the Youth Building. Thank you to Tabitha Ray for being the coordinator for this event!

If you are interested in participating, please sign up on the Communication Card in your Sunday bulletin or contact Tabitha Ray at <a href="mailto:through: 11th-12">through: 11th-12</a> (a) Tabith

Each person needs to bring a snack & several old t-shirts—we will learn how to make jump ropes & koosh balls!







Thank you to the many folks who take part in worship each week!





	Volunteers this Week				
Deacons On Call:	3/11-3/17	John Ponish, Mike Osborne			
	3/18 - 3/24	Gil Blackburn, Gary Smith			
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S			
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.			
Worship Welcome	3/18	Jeff Kiser			
	3/25	Jeff Kiser			
S.S. Greeters:	3/18	Mike & Rebecca Osborne			
	3/25	John Kennedy			
Nursery:	3/18	Kim Hall, Mary Stuedemann			
	3/25	Regina Carson, Rachel Lyall			
Children's Church:	3/18	Rebecca Osborne			
	3/25	Regina Cantrell, Caroline Mullins			
Sound System:	3/18	Marty Adkins			
	3/25	Mike Osborne			
Ushers:	3/18	Jerry Baird, Stan Kunigelis, Edgar Owens,			
		Gary Smith, John Thacker, Roger Viers,			
		Harold Witt			
	3/25	Marty Adkins, Leton Harding, Ron Helton,			
		Jorge Hersel, Jeff Kiser, John Ponish,			
		Scott Snodgrass			
Tellers:	March	Edgar Owens, Martha Blackburn			
	April	Mike Strouth, June Dotson			
Wed. Serving Teams:	3/14	Jessica Crutchfield, Kathy Dotson, Gail Kiser			
	3/21	Martha Blackburn, Linda Burgess, Kathy Helton			
Wed. Meals	3/14	Hamburgers & Fries			
	3/21	Baked Chicken, Veggies, Rice, Rolls			
Children-in-Action:	3/14	Tabitha Ray			

Wise Baptist Church	
General Fund Giving Summa	ary
9/1/17 - 2/25/18	
General Fund Receipts To Date	\$125,877
General Fund Needed To Date	\$145,910
Variance	(\$ 20,034)
Average Weekly Variance	(\$ 771)
Weekly General Fund Budget	\$ 5,612

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES					
Sunday	Sunday School Worship Youth (Grades 7-12)	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm			
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am			
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Adult Bible Studies Children in Action (Grades K-6) Nursery (Birth - Preschool)	6:00 pm 7:00 pm			
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm			

#### **Rev. Mike Winters Contact Information**

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Thought for the Week: Let Jesus' joy live in you!