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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

November 14, 2017

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



Dear church family and friends,

The Houston Astros baseball team recently won the World Series. During their victory parade in Houston on Nov. 3, something extraordinary happened.

Fans lined levels of a parking garage overlooking the street. A woman on the seventh level dropped her Houston Astros baseball cap to the ground level. Then someone on the ground level threw it up to level two. Immediately, the crowd noticed. As the hat made its way back up, the crowd cheered. When the woman got her hat, she waved to the crowd and they exploded into a lengthy cheer.

Why did such a little thing command such attention? Perhaps, because we tend to be drawn to the negative, we **hunger** for the positive. When there is so much heartache and pain in the world, we need to know that good is at work.

I believe that the crowd in Houston celebrated the simple kindness of returning a hat, partly because of the tremendous suffering caused by Hurricane Harvey. This little sign of good gave them hope. We cannot live without hope. This hope points to a deeper good.

The prophet Jeremiah speaks his people in exile. They lost their homes and country. They were in danger of their identity, culture, and faith being swallowed up by their conquerors.

Jeremiah offers words of hope to his people (and to us) in Jeremiah 29:11-13. God has plans of hope and a future for the people. God also says that people will find Him when they seek Him with all their hearts.

Look for God this week. He is here. He is alive. He is at work. Embrace this hope and spread the word.

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

**Shoebox Drop-Off Center at the Rock**  
November 13-20

**Shoebox Dedication Sunday**  
November 19, 11am

**Town of Wise Tree Lighting**  
November 27, 7pm

**A Night in Bethlehem**  
December 2, 4pm

**Deacons' Meeting**  
December 3, 8:30am

**BCM Meal**  
December 4, 11:30-1:30pm

**Trip to Boone OCC Processing Center**  
December 8

**Christmas Cantata & Reception**  
December 10, 7pm

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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

### Welcome to Sam & Cindi Farmer!



We warmly welcome Sam & Cindi Farmer to our church family! Sam & Cindi moved their church membership to Wise Baptist this past Sunday. Sam & Cindi are Donna Hutchinson's brother & sister-in-law, as well as Bobbie Farmer's son & daughter-in-law.

If you did not have a chance to greet them on Sunday, please introduce yourself to them.

As you pray, please remember...



Christina Meade & family, Randy Chisenhall & family, Donna Morton & family, Rev. Ben Murphy, David Mullins, Bonnie Rochford (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Jim & Sherry Collie, Wesley Kennedy, 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

**Our Shut Ins:** Elizabeth Davidson, (Heritage Hall), 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).



### November 19 is **Dedication Sunday** for Shoeboxes!

Please bring your packed shoeboxes to the sanctuary by Nov. 19. We will dedicate our boxes during morning worship that day.

\* Brochures for how to pack your shoeboxes are in the church foyer. You will not need to pay the \$1 to cover the cost of your shoebox this year, as this has graciously been taken care of!

### With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

We extend our deepest sympathy to several families this week.

Please remember Donna Morton in your prayers in the loss of her sister, Pam Baker.

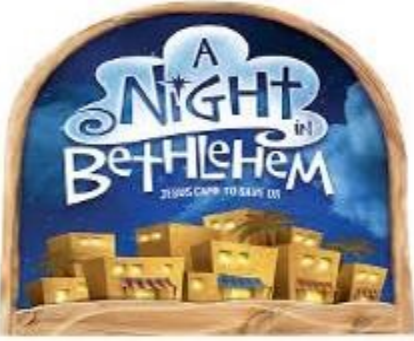
We also want to lift up Christina Meade in the loss of her grandfather, William Large.

Randy Chisenhall's mother died Sunday evening. Please keep Randy & Gwen and their family in your prayers.

Wise Baptist received a very kind note from one of the Fall Fling vendors...

*"When setting up or taking down our tents, the vendors from the Fall Fling thank all the volunteers of the Wise Baptist Church. Also for delivering the gift bags. Thank you for the "Devotional Thought". I have it in my Bible so I can see it everyday. It is so encouraging to have God's Word in this activity. Also, we wish to thank all those who supported the vendors! God bless the Wise Baptist Church and this mission. This act of love & kindness says a lot about your love for the Lord! God bless the Wise Baptist Church."* ~ John & Gay Jenkins, Nora, Virginia

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



*Begin now  
to invite  
your  
friends!*

**Saturday, December 2  
(4 pm)**

*WBC will be transformed into the town of Bethlehem where you can walk through the village, visit the local shops, meet Mary, Joseph, & the newborn Jesus, & talk with the shepherds & angels! You will be greeted outside by local residents of Bethlehem & there will be hands-on activities at each of the village shops.*

*This church-wide event is for ALL AGES, families, friends & neighbors! If you would like to help or be involved, please contact Terry Winters at 276-870-2712 or [tllwinters@gmail.com](mailto:tllwinters@gmail.com)*

***Come & experience Bethlehem on the night that Jesus was born!***



**Friday, Dec. 1**

Town Caroling at The Inn at Wise, 6pm

**Sunday, Dec. 10**

Wise Baptist Christmas Cantata, 7pm

**Sunday, Dec. 17**

Wise Baptist Handbells  
at The Inn at Wise, 5pm



**Wise Baptist is the  
NOVEMBER 15**

**Place to Be!**

Join us for...

Dinner at 6:00pm

Bible Studies at 6:45pm

Cantata Rehearsal at 7:50pm

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 8:20pm

\* There will be no  
Wednesday evening activities  
on November 22.

It's time for  
an update!!

Interested in helping with a  
**2018 Church Directory?**  
Contact Teresa Adkins at  
276-393-0097!



**Thank  
You!**

MANY THANKS to our Sunday  
School Director, Teresa Adkins for  
the delicious Pancake Breakfast  
this past Sunday morning before  
Sunday School!



The church office will be  
closed on Thursday, Nov. 23  
and Friday, Nov. 24.

\*There will be no church newsletter on Nov. 21.

Wednesday, November 15

Education Committee  
Meeting, 5pm

6:30pm, Youth Building





## 21st Annual Christmas Cantata!

You will not want to miss our 21st annual WBC Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 10! The Sanctuary choir and orchestra will present "The First Noel" at 7:00 pm. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Deacons will be available to provide transportation for those unable to drive at night.

Your help with the reception is always appreciated! A food list will soon be available and help with set up/clean up would be awesome! Please contact Teresa Adkins.



November 15	Donnie Bradley
	Leigh Clark
November 16	Robbin Arnold
	Luke Collie
November 18	Noah Gervais
November 20	Caitlin Adkins
November 21	Dwight Jones
November 22	Jakeb Harden
	Daniel Ray
November 23	Dan Helton
November 28	T. Ray Maine

## Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry



- \* Be sure to join us on Sunday evenings at 6pm in the Youth Building for Bible Study!
- \* November 17—movie, "Justice League" in Norton
- \* December (date TBA) - Bristol Speedway in Lights + Ice Skating

## Wise Baptist Children's Ministry



MANY THANKS to Tricia Cahoon for leading our 3rd Children's Snack & Paint this past Saturday! 18 kids & 24 adults had a lot of fun! What amazing artists we have in our midst!



## Kitchenware Sign - Out

So that we may better keep track of kitchenware & linens as used by our congregation for various needs & events throughout the week, the Fellowship Ministry Committee is asking that we sign out items whenever we may temporarily borrow them. Upon returning items, please cross these out on the Sign-Out Sheet in the kitchen. This will let the Fellowship Ministry Committee know that items have been returned & placed back in their proper storage spaces.

Thank you! Teresa Adkins, Sherlene Hall, Linda Burgess, Susan Smith



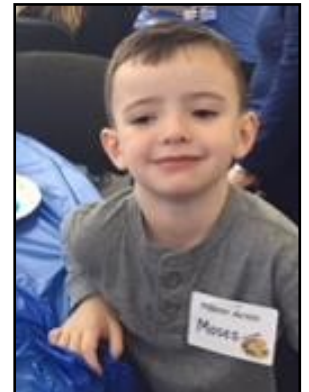
## IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO VOLUNTEER!

If you are available to help at the OCC Drop-Off Center at the Rock, please contact Rebecca Osborne at 365-0969.

### MONDAY, NOV. 13 - MONDAY, NOV. 20

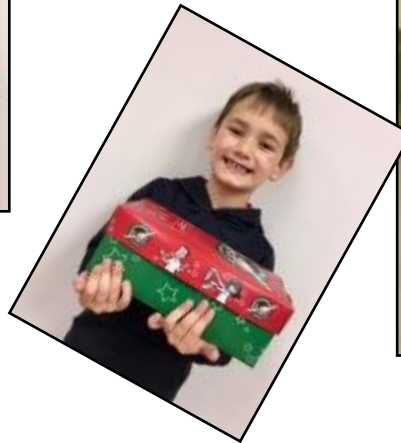
<b>Nov. 13</b> - 4-7pm	<b>Nov. 17</b> - 4-7pm
<b>Nov. 14</b> - 4-7pm	<b>Nov. 18</b> - 12-3pm
<b>Nov. 15</b> - 3-6pm	<b>Nov. 19</b> - 2-5pm
<b>Nov. 16</b> - 4-7pm	<b>Nov. 20</b> - 9am-12pm

Children's Snack & Paint November 11, 2017



**A week in the life of  
Wise Baptist!**

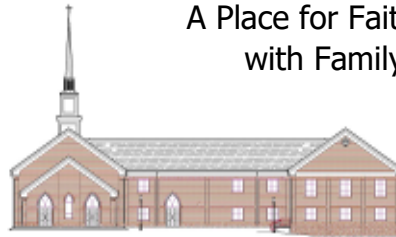
Baby dedication, scripture reading by Isabella & Wendy, an announcement by an angel, greetings from Sharra Kegan, packing shoeboxes, trip to Noah's Ark!



## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	11/12-11/18	Gil Blackburn, Gary Smith
	11/19-11/25	John Mark Adrian, Ron Helton
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome:	11/19	Beth Snodgrass
	11/26	Beth Snodgrass
S.S. Greeters:	11/19	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
	11/26	Joh Kennedy
Nursery:	11/19	Stephen & Julie Large
	11/26	Abbie Crutchfield, Jessica Crutchfield
Children's Church:	11/19	Dave & Misty Belcher
	11/26	Stephen & Julie Large
Sound System:	11/19	Marty Adkins
	11/26	Mike Strouth
Tellers:	November	June Dotson, Edgar Owens
	December	Teresa Adkins, Stephen Large
Ushers:	11/19	Stan Kunigelis*, Edgar Owens^, Gary Smith, John Thacker, Roger Viers, Harold Witt, Jerry Baird
	11/26	Marty Adkins*, Leton Harding^, Ron Helton, Jorge Hersel, Jeff Kiser, John Ponish, Scott Snodgrass (*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	11/15	Jessica Crutchfield, Kathy Dotson, Gail Kiser
Wed. Meals:	11/15	Soups, Baked Potatoes, Combread, Salad
	11/22	No Wednesday Evening Activities
Children-in-Action:	11/15	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large
	11/22	No Wednesday Evening Activities

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## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth (Grades 7-12)	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Adult Bible Studies	6:45 pm
	Children in Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth - Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm

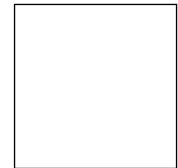
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**Thought for the Week:**  
**The good points to God!**