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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF **WISE BAPTIST CHURCH** 

October 21, 2025

## **GOD'S FAMILY, GROWING TOGETHER**

# Wednesday Night Bible Study

Don't forget, Bible Study Sept. 24 at 7 PM (following dinner at 6 PM)

 $^st$ WE CURRENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS TO TEACH BIBLE STUDY EACH WEEK! YOU MAY CHOOSE A CHARACTER OR TOPIC. SIGN UP SHEETS ARE LOCATED IN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS, OUTSIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE, AND IN THE FOYER OF THE SANCTUARY.

**SCHEDULE OF PRESENTERS / TOPICS** 

October 22

Oscar Raile

Ruth

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Fellowship Meal Wed, Oct. 22, 6 pm

Bible Study Wed, Oct. 22, 7 pm

**Choir Practice** Wed, Oct. 22, 7:30 pm

Christmas Cantata Rehearsals Sun, Oct. 26, 6:30 pm

#### INSIDE

Living for the King

There will be an autumn women's retreat at Camp Bethel in Wise, VA, on Friday and Saturday, October 31-November 1, 2025. The retreat begins on Fri. at 4 PM with check-out Sat. afternoon. Meals include dinner on Fri. evening, Sat. morning brunch and afternoon snack. The coffee shop will also be open Sat. morning. Worship and many activities, including time for rest, will be available. Open to women of ALL ages. For more information, visit campbethel.com/autumn-womens-retreat

#### How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

† Transfer of Letter

† Baptism

† Watch Care

Transfer membership to Wise Baptist Church Desire to express faith in Christ through baptism † Statement of Faith Baptized believer not on a membership roll Desire to be connected to our Church family without

official membership

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#### **DEACONS 2025 - 2026**

John Mark Adrian 328-5564 **Debbie Collins** 393-3875 Jeff Elkins 393-5700 Ron Helton 393-6145 Lewey Lee 393-5370 Matt Meade 393-9177 John Ponish 870-1593 **Ruby Salyers** 870-0590 248-5652 Ray Spenilla

> Deacon Emeritus: **Bob Adkins**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



#### COLLEGE

## SUNDAY SCHOOL !!!

A college Sunday School class will be offered soon here at Wise Baptist Church! If interested, contact the church office at 276-328-6247 or Cindy Elkins at 276-870-4523.

## THIS FALL, REMEMBER......





our Wise County Food Bank & WBC Grab-n-Go Ministries! Nonperishable items can be placed in the white containers by the elevator. If you would like to help in the delivery of these items, please contact Matt Collins.

### The Great Physician

**Ailment**: Anxiety

**Definition**: Apprehension, uneasiness, or nervousness, usually over an

impending or anticipated trouble.

**Symptom**: Looking toward the future without Jesus at the center of your thoughts.

Preventative Care: Staying in constant communication with Jesus, resulting in positive thinking. As you speak in dialogue with Jesus, don't forget to LISTEN. His presence, now and forever, will outshine any fear or worry that your mind can dream up.

### As you pray, please remember... {

Leona & Jerry Jessee, Bella Sisson, Robert Raines & Family, Susan & Donnie Rose, Nancy Stallard, Britney Edmiston, Greg, Kimberly Lyon, David & Sandy Mullins & family, Brenda Lee, Jerry & Wanda Baird,



Cecil & Glenna Mullins, Alan Adkins, David & Natalie Luther, Carlie Tomlinson, Irene Humphries, Mike Peak, Megan Moody, Mike & Terry Winters, Bonnie Aker, Frances Sturdavant, Jane Hughes, Grace Allio, Kathy Helton, Jim & Judy Sturgill, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), those affected by Hurricane Helene & Hurricane Milton, Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Beth Snodgrass, 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)

# Giving is an Act of Worship

Our stewardship of God's work at Wise Baptist Church is an opportunity of spiritual



sacrifice. Our stewardship is an opportunity for each of us to express our love and gratitude to the One who has given us everything. And our stewardship allows us to be a part of God changing lives and souls.

For those who cannot physically attend Sunday morning worship services in the sanctuary, your tithes and offerings may still be mailed to <u>Wise Baptist Church</u>, P.O. Box 777, <u>Wise VA 24293</u> or brought by the Church office anytime during open hours.

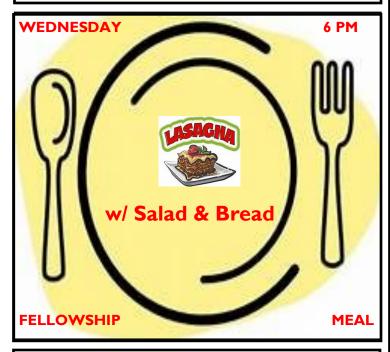
"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

# This Week's scripture:

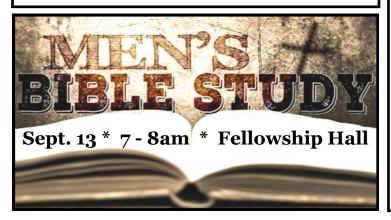
Luke 15:20

...But while the son was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion. He ran, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him.





Ages 5 - Grade 4
Every Sunday, during Worship!





# BGAV

202nd BGAV Annual Meeting November 10-12, 2025 Abingdon, VA

Each year, pastors, church staffers, lay leaders, and guests gather at our annual conference for fellowship, networking, and learning opportunities.

This fall, we are gathering in Abingdon, VA, for our annual meeting. This year's theme is Mission Forward based on Philippians 4:13:

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Join us as we Decide, Worship, Learn, and Gather around God's mission for our lives, churches, and communities.

If you would more information or would like to sign up to attend, please see Donna or Matt.

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Church Office 276-328-6247



Make new friends & join old friends for Bible study & fellowship each Sunday morning at 10am!

## BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



October 21 Maggie Maine

October 21 Charlie Maine

October 23 Sherry Collie

**Hadley Smith** 

Kinley Smith

October 24 Katie Carson

October 25 Shanna Parrish

October 26 Emma Snodgrass

October 27 Paula Dobis

**Canaan Godsey** 

Kimberly Lyon

It's not too late to be a part of our 2025 Christmas Cantata!



Join us for Rehearsals each Gunday at 6:30 pm!

# WBC Music Ministry



We are getting into the "thanksgiving" season and I have been thinking about being more grateful to God for what I have been given. I think that gratitude is one of the most powerful ways to deepen our relationship with God. It shifts our focus from what we lack to the countless blessings already present in our lives. Being grateful to God is not just about words—it's about cultivating a heart posture that recognizes His goodness in every circumstance.

Every good thing we enjoy—life, health, family, opportunities—comes from God. Taking time each day to reflect on these gifts helps us see His hand at work. A simple prayer of thanks in the morning or before bed can transform our outlook.

Prayer is more than asking; it's also thanking. When we worship, we glorify God not only for what He has done but for who He is. Singing, journaling, or even silent reflection can be powerful ways to express gratitude.

True gratitude is shown in how we live. Helping others, practicing kindness, and serving with humility are ways to honor God with our lives. As Scripture reminds us, "Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

It's easy to be thankful when life is smooth, but gratitude becomes even more meaningful in times of struggle. Choosing to trust God's plan, even when it's unclear, is a profound act of faith and thanksgiving.

Noting even the smallest blessings each day, can train our hearts to see God's goodness everywhere. Over time, this habit builds resilience, joy, and deeper faith.

Being grateful to God is about living with awareness, humility, and joy. Gratitude glorifies Him, strengthens our faith, and fills our lives with peace.

Let's remind ourselves each and every day that even though we may be facing sickness, uncertainty in our lives and other "worldly woes", we still have God to strengthen us.

Peace, love & joy, Donna

#### **Volunteers this Week**

Deacons On Call	10/19-10/25	Ron Helton, Jeff Elkins	
	10/26-11/1	Lewey Lee, Debbie Collins	
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass	
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith	
Sunday School Greeters	October	Matt Meade	
Children's Church	October 26	Debbie Collins, Vickie Swindall	
Offering Ushers	October	Jeff Dotson Team	
Tellers	October	Martha Blackburn	
		Jessica Crutchfield	
Wed. Night Meals	10/22 10/29	Lasagna, Salad, Bread Pizza, Salad	



10/22

10/29



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES			
Sunday	Sunday School Worship	10:00 am 11:00 pm	
	Christmas Cantata Rehearsals	6:30 pm	
Monday	Piecemakers (1st, 3rd, 5th) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Bible Study Choir Practice	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	7:00 am	



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Don, Jeff Kiser, Deacons

Volunteers

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

Wed. Cook Teams





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# Thought for the Week:

.....Lord, help me be
A little more like mercy, a little more like grace
A little more like kindness, goodness, love, and faith
A little more like patience, a little more like peace
A little more like Jesus, a little less like me

Zach Williams - "Less Like Me"