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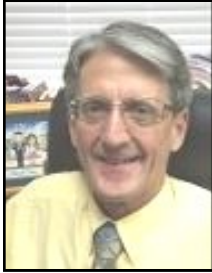
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 15, 2020

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Questions. Ask the right questions, you can get the right answers. Ask the wrong questions, you can get the wrong answers.

Now about COVID-19...the wrong question? “Whose fault is it or who is making it worse?” If it is somebody else’s fault, I’m off the hook. Keeps me stuck.

A better question? “How can I help?” Jesus says, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart...and love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matt. 22:37-40) Now, how can I represent Jesus in a way that loves my neighbor?

This changes my focus from what others are doing to what God wants me to do. How does God want me to help my neighbor? It changes my focus. Sidesteps politics. Sets me free...to help.

What does that look like?

Don’t feed the beast of negativity. It can eat us alive. And it spreads. Choose joy. The Apostle Paul wrote from prison, “rejoice in the Lord always.” (Phil. 4:4)

Pray. For national, state, and local leaders. Medical personnel. The sick. The lonely. School administrators, teachers, and students. Churches. The unemployed. Family. Friends. Yourself. Prayer changes us first.

Notice people who are struggling. (see above). Reach out. Supply a gift card. Deliver a meal. Make front porch visits.

Add your own ideas...

Help and love your neighbor in Jesus’ name, today!

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

Wed. Bible Study
September 16, 7pm
(WBC Fb Live)

Sunday Message
September 20, 11am
(WBC Fb Live)

Bedtime Story
September 21, 9pm
(WBC Fb Live)

Men’s Bible Study
September 22, 6:30am
(Zoom)

Annual Business Meeting
SUNDAY, Sept. 27
(after worship)

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DEACONS 2019-20

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Ron Helton	393-6145
Lewey Lee	393-5370
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John Ponish	870-1593
Oscar Raile	870-0131
Gary Smith	870-1579

Deacons Emeritus:
Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,
Harold Witt

ANNOUNCEMENTS



With the consensus and recommendation of the Leadership Team and the Deacons, a decision has been made to postpone congregational worship in the sanctuary for the time being.

We will continue to broadcast (Livestream) the service from the sanctuary.



Sunday Morning Worship at Wise Baptist Church on Facebook Live: 11:00 am

Pastor Mike will be preaching this Sunday morning, **September 20**, on “Second Chances: Judas” (Matthew 26:20-29).

There are 3 ways that you can be a part of WBC’s Sunday worship service each week:

- (1) View the service on Facebook Live at 11am go to the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page
- (2) View the service after it has “aired” - go to <https://www.facebook.com/WiseBaptistChurch/videos/246055226605395>

** (This does not require Facebook!)

- (3) Share the service with others by clicking the “share” button.

As you pray, please remember...



Lois Stallard, Donna Hutchinson, Family of Anne Sturgill, Sandy & David Mullins, Ron & Vickie Swindall, Alan & Martha Seidel, Phyllis Hatcher, Peter & Sandy Yun, Peggy & Rudolfo Yanez, Peggy Bowling & family, Lewey Lee & family, Artie Bailey & Lisa Wolf, Pat Boggs, Nancy McDaniel (Marsha Tolbert’s sister), doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, Glenn Hill, Steve Collins, Pat Adkins & family, Gerry O’Bryan, Royce McNeal, Bessie Vance, Kathy & John Kennedy, John & Kay Wright, Wanda Takahashi (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Ray & Carolyn Jones, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military.

Our Shut Ins: Jeanne Stallard

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

CHOOSE JOY

Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 16! Join us for Bible Study!

Do your circumstances determine the level of your joy? If so, you are in trouble. Join us Sept. 16 at 7:00pm as we continue a study of the Book of Philippians and learn how to find joy in any circumstance.

Pastor Mike will be teaching via Facebook Live (on the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page) each Wednesday evening.

* If you would a study book, please contact Terry Winters or the church office. The suggested cost is \$5.00.

*If you would like to order a digital book, the link is: <https://baptistwaypress.org/adults>

Click on the digital copy of “Pure Joy: a Choice to Rejoice”.

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The **Friendship Sunday School Class** will begin meeting each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am. Social distancing will be observed. Sunday School literature is available in the hall by the church office. Please contact Billie Harris if you have any questions.



Due to these extraordinary times, the Leadership Team has decided that Wise Baptist Church will continue with the previous budget, leaders and officers until **September 27**, when we

have our Annual Church Business Meeting. Normally, we vote on our annual church budget and list of officers and leaders on the last Wednesday of August. However, extra time is needed this year in order to set up the Business Meeting through Facebook Live. Watch for more details.

Guys, grab your breakfast & your Bible and join in the Men's Bible Study **EACH Tuesday morning** at 6:30am via Zoom.

Mens
Bible
Study

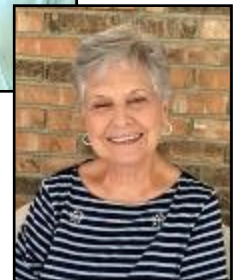


Simply send your email address to John Ponish:
*text 276-870-1593 or
email jponish@atsone.com



Senior Ladies Tea 2020

...all boxed up & hand-delivered!



Many thanks to Billie Harris & Pastor Mike for helping deliver "tea party boxes" to these special ladies! We hope that our 2021 Tea Party will be back at the Winters' home!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



**RESCHEDULED:
September 27**

Our Annual Church Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, Sept. 27 following the morning worship time. This will not be an "in-person" meeting. We will use Facebook Live and try to involve as many people as possible.

We will be voting on the annual budget as well as leaders, teachers and volunteers for the coming church year. This information will be made available soon for your review.

If you would like to take part in this Business Meeting, please notify the church secretary (Terry Winters) at 276-870-2712 or tllwinters@gmail.com

Greetings

...from Ron & Vickie Swindall:

*"Hi Church Family,
Stay safe. I love you!
Vickie"*



Scripture for the Week

Philippians 4:4

"Rejoice in the Lord always.

I will say it again:

Rejoice!"

T.L.C. Tender Loving Care

Sharing a simple meal can be such a comfort & a blessing!

Join WBC as we start **a new ministry**, the TLC Group... There will be no meetings, just providing one of your delicious meals to those within our church family who may be in need of a little Tender Loving Care from time to time—such as a birth, illness, surgery, loss of a loved one, etc.

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact
Tammie Harding
(276-608-6196) or
Beth Snodgrass
(276-870-9585).



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE?

There are so many great ways to plug into Wise Baptist Church & to be a part of reaching our community with Jesus' love. We welcome & encourage EVERYONE to share your gifts & passion through one of the many ministries at Wise Baptist! Also, if you have an idea for a new ministry, please share that with Pastor Mike!

Youth Ministry * Children's Ministry
Music Ministry * Missions
Laurels Ministry * Live Streaming Ministry
Worship Committee * Sound System Ministry
Education / Discipleship
Church Library Ministry
Building & Facilities Committee
Bereavement Ministry
Baptism Committee * Communion Preparation

Please contact

Gary Smith (Personnel Committee)
at 276-870-1579 or gsmith@pmgllc.biz
to volunteer!

Happy Birthday!

- September 15 Kathy Dotson
- September 17 Wendy Adrian
Charley Gardner
- September 18 Shane Mullins
- September 19 Bob Adkins
- September 23 Vickie Swindall
Terry Winters
- September 27 Kristen Osborne Phillips
- September 28 Jonathan Whittaker
- September 30 Lloyd Cantrell



WBC Music Ministry

On Wednesday evenings, Pastor Mike has been teaching about joy in the book of Philippians. Consider the lyrics to the familiar Christmas carol "Joy to the World" & its words of hope & joy for all seasons, not just Christmas.

"Joy to the World!"

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

...verses 2, 3 & 4

Happy Anniversary!

- September 17 Sam & Cindi Farmer
- September 20 Tim & Kathy Osborne



WBC Children's Ministry Continues!



Sunday School on Facebook Live at 10am each Sun.!

Mondays – Bedtime Story at 9pm (Facebook Live on WBC Fb page) Wear your pj's!



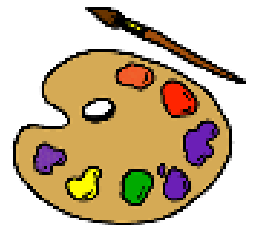
Sat., Nov. 7 – Virtual Snack & Paint! Save the Date!!



Let's Paint!!

Children's Fall
Snack & Paint

Saturday, Nov. 7



Once again, Miss Joni (Coleman) will be leading our Snack & Paint via Fb Live! Stay tuned for sign-up details!

SOCIAL DISTANCING SURVIVAL PAGE



We appreciate **June Dotson** sharing a blessing she has experienced during the pandemic...

"I have appreciated having noninterrupted time to do things I enjoy. I have sewed and read more than ever in my life."

Flower Photos

Thank you to **Kathy Dotson** for sharing this beautiful photo from her yard!



Thank you to **Carolyn Strouth** for sharing this quick and easy recipe with us!

EASY PECAN PIE (recipe makes 2 pies)

Preheat oven to 325 degrees

- 2 1/2 cups Sugar
- 1 cup light Karo syrup
- 1 stick of butter or margarine
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 6 eggs beaten
- 2 cups pecans
- 2 pie crusts

Combine first 3 ingredients in pan on low until butter melts.

Add vanilla; beat in eggs.

Set two unbaked crusts on a large cookie sheet.

Put 1 cup pecans in each crust .

Pour half of the mixed ingredients over the pecans in each crust.

Place in oven and bake 45 min. until golden brown .

*Check before 45 min to make sure it doesn't get too brown.

Funnies



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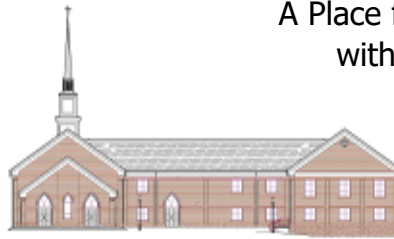
Scriptures

Thank you to **Juanita Wells** for sharing this scripture with us this week!

John 3:16—*"My favorite verse in the Bible"*

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	9/13 - 9/19	David Mullins, Lewey Lee
	9/20 - 9/26	Oscar Raile, Jerry Baird
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Dan Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sound System:	9/20	Oscar Raile
Tellers:	September	June Dotson, Mike Strouth
	October	Teresa Adkins, Shirlee Barnette
Benediction	9/20	Oscar Raile
	9/27	Jorge Hersel



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

*(These activities are POSTPONED
until further notice)*

Sunday	Truth Rehearsal	4:45 pm
	Youth (Grades 7-12)	6:00 pm
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Children's Choir (Ages 3 - Grade 6)	4:45 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Youth Hand Chimes	7:00 pm
	Children in Action (Ages 5 - Grade 6)	
	Nursery (Birth - Age 4)	

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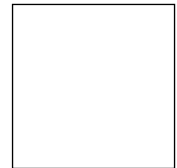
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Thought for the Week:

Joy is a choice,
not a feeling.