

Rev. Mike Winters  
Pastor  
Leigh Clark  
Minister of Music & Youth  
Dr. Ray Jones, Jr.  
Pastor Emeritus

# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 27, 2016

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



*Dear church family and friends,*

The first debate between presidential candidates, Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton, has taken place. Two more are to come. The news media covers it extensively before, during and after the debates. It is as if our whole future depends entirely upon the next president of the United States. Does it, really?

Thousands of years ago, the prophet Samuel warned that the people were putting more trust in their political leader (the new king) than in God. In 1 Samuel 8:7 God says the people of Israel “rejected me as their king.” These are prophetic words that still apply today.

There is a pattern in the United States that happens every four years and even during the years in between. We deify the president. We expect things of the candidate that only God is capable of doing. We have god-like expectations.

Then, predictably, the new president cannot deliver the promises made. The next step is to “crucify”. The president is mercilessly criticized from all directions.

This reveals to me a spiritual hunger in all of us. At some deep level (maybe even unconsciously), we recognize a need for God to lead us. It also reveals the resistance that we have to God and His influence in our lives.

We need to be informed as voters. Study the candidates, their beliefs, and their practices. Pray. Vote. Be a part of the solutions wherever possible. It is easy to criticize from afar.

Then, the day after the election, remember who the real King is.

*Love, Pastor Mike*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Bridal Shower  
for Kaitlin Ponish  
October 1**

**Deacons' Meeting  
October 2**

**Holy Communion  
October 2**

**Youth Hiking trip  
October 2**

**BCM Meal  
October 3**

**Missions Team Meeting  
October 5**

**Deacon Ordination  
October 23**

**A Night of Music  
October 23, 7 pm**

## INSIDE

Announcements	Pages 2-3
From Leigh	Page 4
BDays/Anniv.	Page 4
Youth News	Page 4
Photos	Page 5
Calendar	Page 6
Opportunities	Page 7

## DEACONS 2016-17

Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jeff Dotson	393-8417
Ron Helton	393-6145
John Kennedy	328-5013
Matt Meade	393-9177
Mike Osborne	365-0968
Edgar Owens	328-6129
Daniel Ray	328-2483

### 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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Children-in-Action Mission Project

Our Children-in-Action, led by Julie Large & Kathy Dotson, are sending a package to missionary David Parsons who works with children in Winston-Salem, NC. You are invited to contribute items to their "Care Package"! Any of the following items would be appreciated:

- Coloring books*
- 8-pack crayons*
- Jump ropes*
- Puzzles*
- Small toy cars, trucks*
- Sidewalk chalk*
- Socks (girls & boys aged 2 - 18)*
- Individually wrapped snack foods*
- Gently used children's books (elementary level)*
- NIV Bibles*



\*Please place items in the box in the hall by the elevator by October 9.

*As you pray, please remember...*

Kara Kennedy, Wanda Baird, Tony Hill, Irene Black, Papa Joe Smiddy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Archie and Joanne Kennedy, Elizabeth and Susan Davidson, 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.



**Hospitalized:** Gil Blackburn, Holston Valley; Joe Smiddy, Holston Valley

**Our Shut Ins:** Susan Davidson (Heritage Hall—BSG), Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Archie Kennedy (Heritage Hall—BSG), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG), and Florine Pennington (The Laurels).

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

### CHRISTMAS CANTATA CHOIR



*Have you ever wanted to sing with the choir at Christmas? Here is your chance! Our 20th annual cantata will be held on December 4 at 7:00 pm. Rehearsals are held each Wednesday evening at 8:15pm. Contact Leigh if you are interested!*

### Wednesday Night Program

*Join us on Wed. nights for a time of fellowship and spiritual renewal!*

**\*SEPTEMBER 28, 2016\***

- 6:00 pm Fellowship Meal
- 6:45 pm Small Group Bible Studies
- Children-in-Action
- Nursery
- 7:45 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 8:15 pm Cantata Rehearsal



### The Singing Sunbeams



Singers & bell ringers needed (grades K—5)! The Singing Sunbeams choir is practicing for their Christmas program, "God's Christmas Rainbow" every Monday afternoon from 4 - 5pm at the Rock. Friends are welcome!



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** WBC has 15 slots for the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Boone, NC on the afternoon of Friday, December 9 AND in the morning of Saturday, December 10th. We will plan to leave about noon on Friday, to begin at 4 pm and it is estimated that we will return to Wise on Saturday right about dinnertime. Our Saturday shift will probably be 10 am - 2 pm.

We have had 12 people already express interest in going for both days, so we have a few slots still open. If you are interested in filling one of these slots for both days, please let me know as soon as possible. If you are interested in going for either Friday or Saturday, but not both, please let me know that, also.

As with any planned trip, we will more than likely have a few people that find that they are not able to attend, so we would like to have a waitlist.

Please call or text Donna Hutchinson at 276-393-5004 or email at [donnahutchinson@usa.net](mailto:donnahutchinson@usa.net)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY LUNCHEON

BCM Building at UVA-Wise  
OCTOBER 3, 11am

*If you would like to participate by donating food, money or helping to serve, please sign up on your Communication Card in your bulletin or contact Donna Hutchinson.*

Missions Team Meeting  
5pm  
Wednesday, October 5  
Conference Room

Ladies -

*Are you looking for a Sunday School class? Do you want to study your Bible, but don't know where to start? Do you want a relationship with God and His Word?*

*Then, consider joining the new study in the Spiritual Blessings class on Sunday mornings at 10am. Contact Karen Ponish (276-870-6665) for more details.*



You are cordially invited to attend a drop-in Bridal Shower for Kaitlin Ponish and Joseph Collins on Saturday, October 1 from 12–2 pm. The shower will be held in the Wise Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Kaitlin and Joseph are registered at Walmart, Bed Bath and Beyond and Target.

## Children's "Snack-n-Paint"!

Saturday, November 5  
10am - 12pm

Tricia Cahoon will be leading a Snack-n-Paint activity for all children up through Grade 6 in the Fellowship Hall on Nov. 5.

It is requested that children be accompanied by a parent for this activity. We will also have a painting activity available for babies & toddlers, so all are welcome! To help with planning, we ask that you sign up ahead of time by calling the church office, contacting Susan Mullins or indicating so on your Communication Card in your Sunday Bulletin.



**\*SIGN UP by October 23**

Please in prayer for several folks from Wise Baptist who are traveling to Spain and Italy. Mike & Carolyn Strouth, Lewey & Brenda Lee, Susie Clasby, Stephanie Wilson, Ruby Salyers and Linda Burgess will be departing on Wednesday morning, September 28.



## TASTE OF HOME COOKING SCHOOL / SHOW

Tuesday, October 11  
7pm

Prior Center, UVA-Wise

General Admission tickets are \$12.35 (\$10 + \$2.35 service fee)  
Tickets will be sold in the Prior Center, but if you would like to join a group that is going, please turn in your ticket money to Teresa Adkins by Sunday, October 2.

## "Raise the Roof!" Project

October 28 - 30  
See John Ponish for details.



## WED. NIGHT SERVING TEAMS...

- ⇒ Please plan for 3 desserts.
- ⇒ Arrive about 5:30pm to assist with setting up (desserts, salt & peppers, boxing up meals to be delivered, serving the meal)
- ⇒ After the meal, help with clearing the serving tables & washing dishes.
- ⇒ If it is a Potluck Night, please bring 1 dessert & 1 other dish (meal, casserole, or side dish)
- ⇒ Serving Team Lists are available in the hall by the elevator.



*From Leigh*

Worship was so uplifting yesterday! And I'm not just talking about the 11:00 hour! No, some of us got started at 9 singing praises to God. We sang and laughed and encouraged one another as we prepared to lead through music in worship. All of our notes weren't perfect—they never are! But, our purpose was genuine—"to make a joyful noise unto the Lord". And that, my friends, we did! From the Call to Worship of "I'll Fly Away", to the special music ("Amazing Love" and "10,000 Reasons") the hymn ("Come, Thou Fount") and Susan's offertory ("Down to the River to Pray") we lifted our voices and instruments to honor and praise Our God and it was wonderful. Thank you Jim, Judy and Lori Sturgill, Noah Hall, Bruce Cahoon, sanctuary choir and Susan Mullins for your gifts and for your willingness to use them! AMEN!

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, October 23. I am working with the many musicians of our church to have a "Night of Music". The Sanctuary choir, TRUTH, our Bluegrass group, and the Swindall's—among others—will all participate in the program. We will also have some instrumental music. It promises to be an uplifting, fun night. You are encouraged to come and to bring with you some personal items for our Grab-n-Go ministry. This is a great opportunity to invite neighbors and co-workers to a church event.

I am privileged to travel with Mark this week to San Diego. We are excited for a few days away. Misty Belcher will be leading worship on Sunday.

I give thanks for each of you and for this church. I am praying for you this week; pray for each other, too.

Blessings, Leigh

The Jubilation Ringers will rehearse on Sunday, October 9



September 27	Kristen Osborne
September 28	Jonathan Whittaker
October 1	Misty Belcher
	Gloria Raile
October 2	Ann Wade
	Averia Stalnaker
October 4	Brandon Winters
October 5	Susan Davidson
	Tony Harris



October 3	Donnie & Sharon Bradley
October 5	Rick & Holly Meade

## Gideon Small Group Bible Study

Join us for a Bible study by Priscilla Shirer on "Gideon. Our next session will be on October 6 at 7pm in the youth building. The cost is \$15. Please see Leigh.

### COLLEGE STUDENTS' ADDRESSES

**Kristen Osborne**  
289 Ambling Way  
Apt 1120B  
Boone, NC 28607  
24142

**Lily Snodgrass**  
201 Echols  
Charlottesville, VA  
22904-2011

**Rachel Lyall**  
POBox8552  
Radford, VA

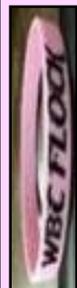
**Reagan Elkins**  
PO Box 6853  
Radford, VA  
24142

**Melissa Blackburn**  
200 Kelso Way #122  
Knoxville, TN  
37923



**Claire Cahoon** (ccahoon@ithaca.edu)  
c/o Ithaca College  
London Centre  
35 Harrington Gardens  
London SW7 4JU UK

**Chelsea Polly**  
1533 Ellis Rd-H208  
Durham, NC 27703



Thank you, Hersel family, for the wonderful dinner on Sunday evening! The cookies were awesome! We had a great time of fellowship and Bible study. We continued our study of the "Dirty Dozen" with a look at Simon, the Zealot, an unlikely Disciple. It is encouraging to know that Jesus called someone who was so different from Him. He helped Simon refocus his zeal for Godly purposes—to love your enemy, to forgive others, to serve. What are we zealous about? Can we use our zeal to promote Christ? What is stopping us?

This Sunday, all youth and friends are invited to join Bryon Burton for a trip to Laurel Falls in Elizabethton, TN. Bring a change of clothes with you to church on Sunday. We will leave from the youth building following worship. Bring some money for food. Wear good shoes for the hike. You may want to bring a small backpack for your phone and a bottle of water.

On Sunday, October 9, we will serve water and cups of ice at the Fall Fling after church.

Several Pennsylvania volunteers with the Long Term Recovery Coalition joined us for our Wednesday night Fellowship dinner last week. We are thankful for volunteers such as these good folks led by Lyon Jim Groff!



Matt Collins, Pastor Mike, John Ponish & Mark Collins posing with the Hokie Bird after Saturday's Virginia Tech game!



Morning Worship,  
September 25





# October 2016

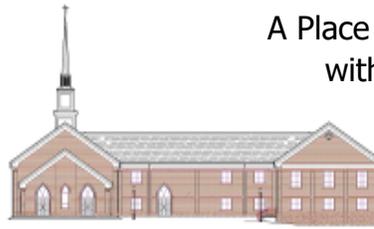


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>B</b> = Birthday <b>A</b> = Anniversary</p>	<p>If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office 276-328-6247</p>					<p><b>1</b> BRIDAL SHOWER For Kaitlin Ponish 12—2 pm</p> <p>B. Misty Belcher B. Gloria Raile</p>
<p><b>2</b> Deacons-8:30 am Communion- 11am</p> <p><b>YOUTH HIKING TRIP</b></p> <p>B. Ann Wade</p>	<p><b>3</b> Piecemakers 9:30am BCM Meal- 11am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm B. Averia Stalnaker A. Donnie &amp; Sharon Bradley</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>B. Brandon Winters</p>	<p><b>5</b> Mission Team 5pm Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:50 pm</p> <p>B. Susan Davidson B. Tony Harris A. Rick &amp; Holly Meade</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Women on Mission 2pm</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Servant Evangelism Project: helping vendors set up for Fall Fling</p> <p>B. Debbie Caudill</p>	<p><b>8</b></p>
<p><b>9</b> Flock serves ice and water at Fall Fling</p> <p>Servant Evangelism Project: helping Fall Fling vendors pack up</p> <p>Jubilation Ringers rehearsal</p>	<p><b>10</b> Caring Friends - 9:30am Singing Sunbeams - 4-5 pm</p> <p>A. Butch &amp; Donna Hutchinson</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>B. Chelsea Polly A. Cliff &amp; Regina Carson</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>B. Liz Brown A. Buster &amp; Liz Brown</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>B. Margie Horton A. Bill &amp; Erra Sutherland</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>B. Elizabeth Smith A. Brian &amp; Elizabeth Wills</p>
<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Piecemakers 9:30am</p> <p>Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>B. Edna Hedden</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm</p> <p>B. Mike Osborne</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>B. Carla Sheppard</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>B. Debra Wharton</p>
<p><b>23</b> Deacon Ordination- 11am Children's Ministry Team Mtg - 4pm A NIGHT OF MUSIC, 7 pm</p> <p>B. Sherry Collie</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Caring Friends 9:30am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm B. Katie Carson</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b> Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm TRUNK or TREAT 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm</p> <p>B. Jean Aker B. Emma Snodgrass</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>B. Canaan Godsey B. Kimberly Lyons</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>"Raise the Roof!" Project October 28, 29, 30</p> </div>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>B. Judy Sturgill</p>
<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p>Piecemakers 9:30am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm Halloween</p>	<p>October Prayer Calendars are now available in the church foyer, as well as in the hall by the elevator.</p>				

## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	9/25-10/1	Mike Osborne, Gil Blackburn
	10/2-10/8	Daniel Ray, Edgar Owens
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Dave Belcher, Misty Belcher, Jeff Kiser, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray
S.S. Greeters:	10/2	David & Sandy Mullins
	10/9	Bob & Teresa Adkins
Nursery:	10/2	Landon Elkins, Bonnie Owens
	10/9	Sandy Mullins, Mary Stuedemann
Children's Church:	10/2	Joe & Susie Powers
	10/9	Stephen & Julie Large
PA:	10/2	Marty Adkins
	10/9	Mike Osborne
Tellers:	October	Stephen Large, Oscar Raile
	November	Jeff Dotson, Leton Harding
Ushers:	10/2	Youth
	10/9	Roger Viers*, Bob Adkins^, Donnie Bradley^, Jerry Baird, Kenny Bowling, Matt Meade, Harold Witt (*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	9/28	Sherry Collie, Brenda Kunigelis, Sandy Mullins, Beverly Viers
	10/5	Donna Hutchinson, Cyndi Newlon, Rebecca Osborne, Terry Winters
Wed. Meals:	9/28	Mexican (Fajitas &/or Tacos & the works)
	10/5	Potluck
Children-in-Action:	9/28	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large
	10/5	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large

A Place for Faith and Fellowship  
with Family and Friends



## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
	Singing Sunbeams	4-5 pm
Wednesday	Mission Team Meets (1st)	5:00 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Adult Bible Study	6:45 pm
	Youth Bible Study	
	Children-in-Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	2--4 pm
	Gideon Bible Study	7:00 pm

## Rev. Mike Winters Contact Information

**Mailing Address:** 8915 Red Maple Dr., Wise, VA 24293  
**E-mail:** MikeWinters@wisebaptist.com  
**Phone:** 276.328.6247 **Cell:** 540.280.5598

Phone: (276) 328-6247 Website: [www.wisebaptist.com](http://www.wisebaptist.com) Email: [wisebaptist@verizon.net](mailto:wisebaptist@verizon.net) Fax: 276-328-6204

**Wise Baptist Church**

**P.O. Box 777**

**Wise, VA 24293**



Like us at: Wise Baptist Church and at  
Wise Baptist Youth

**Thought for the week:  
There is no debate about  
Who our real King is!**