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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

April 25, 2017

IMPORTANT DATES

**Exam Stress-Buster
Boxes
April 26**

**Roofing the Rock
April 28-30**

**Children's Choir
April 30, 11am**

**Prom Attire Sunday
April 30, 11am**

**Mission Trip Yard Sale
May 4-5, 8am-5pm**

**WMU Spring Meeting
May 7, 3pm**

**Family Hike
May 20**

**Graduate Recognition
May 21, 11am**

**Cooking for the Cause
May 21, 12-2pm**

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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

Dear church family and friends,



"Doubting Thomas". He gets unfairly labeled. Because he wanted to touch the places where the nails pierced the Lord, he is forever labeled as a doubter. He might have been saying what other followers were thinking. They could have been relieved to know that someone else said it out loud.

Thomas did not have the benefit of being present when Jesus had appeared previously. When Jesus did appear to Thomas, He invited him to touch the nail prints. There is no indication that Thomas did so. Jesus' appearance was enough.

The empty tomb alone does not create faith. What seems to invite and encourage faith most are the appearances of the Risen Jesus. That still holds true today.

How can we meet the Risen Jesus today? Jesus helped the two men on the road to Emmaus see and meet Him by helping them understand what they already had - Jesus reviewed the great stories from the Old Testament. Jesus reviewed what He had prophesied. Ask the Risen Jesus (in the Person of the Holy Spirit), to help you understand and meet Him as you read the Bible.

Jesus met the two men on the road to Emmaus, as they traveled together. Christian fellowship, Christians seeking God together creates new opportunities to meet Jesus.

The disciples had a mission, together, to represent the grace, love, and forgiveness of God to the world. As they served together, Jesus remained in their presence.

How exciting it is to know that we can meet the Risen Lord today! Let's meet Him as we read the Bible, fellowship, and serve together!

He is risen and He is present!

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

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY!

WBC will be providing exam stress-buster bags for UVA-WISE students during exam week (the first week of May).

Your help is needed during the next few weeks in the following ways:

- 1) volunteer to coordinate the effort (Rebecca will help, too)
- 2) donate items for the bags (we have plenty of candy, but need individually wrapped packs of crackers, snack cakes, gum, mints, etc.)
- 3) distribute bags at the college through the BCM (at our monthly meal on May 1), Wesley Foundation, etc. and at the student center one day during exam week.

* If you would like to be involved, please contact Rebecca Osborne by April 26 at 276-365-0969 or Osbornes4God@aol.com

Thanks!
Rebecca



Cooking for the Cause

Becky Curtis has graciously offered to donate her time and talents to prepare a wonderful lunch for the community at Wise Baptist on Sunday, May 21 from 12 - 2pm. Tickets (\$10/adults, \$5/kids) will be pre-sold (see Sherlene or Teresa) & all proceeds will go towards the Nick England Scholarship Fund. Invite your friends and neighbors to enjoy pulled pork sandwiches, pasta salad, baked beans, cole slaw & assorted desserts. Kids' boxed meals will include a hot dog, chips, mac & cheese, fruit & drink. * Meals can be delivered to businesses, organizations & clubs with a minimum order of 25.

As you pray, please remember...

Alan Adkins, Sam Farmer, Ron Swindall, Robert & Jennifer England & family, Shirley Willis (The Laurels), Papa Joe Smiddy (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.



Hospitalized: Wesley Kennedy (Ridgecrest Manor, Duffield, VA)

Our Shut Ins: Elizabeth Davidson (Heritage Hall—Wise), Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, and Florine Pennington (The Laurels), Betty Easterling (The Laurels), Jeanne Stallard

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

WBC Couples Cruise

Feb. 18 - 25, 2018



Please contact Donna Hutchinson if you are interested in participating in a special Wise Baptist couples cruise next February! We will gather daily for a marriage enrichment Bible study. We will take the church bus to New Orleans where the Norwegian Pearl (Norwegian Cruise Lines) will set sail on Feb. 18, sailing down the Mississippi River & into the Caribbean. Ports of call will include Cozumel, Costa Maya, Belize and Roatan. The cost is \$1,693.28 per couple; a \$50 per person deposit is required, but is fully refundable up to 90 days before cruise. After April 30, the deposit will increase to \$250/person.

ROOFING THE ROCK: April 28-30

Please contact **John Ponish** (870-1593) if you are willing and interested in helping part or all of that weekend so the scheduling & details can be worked out. THANKS for all your help!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wise Baptist Association Women's Missionary Union Spring Meeting



The Wise Baptist Association WMU Spring Meeting will be held Sunday, May 7, 2017, at 3:00 P. M. at Hamlin Baptist Church. Wise Baptist's Mike Osborne will speak regarding Wise Baptist's mission trip to Gainesville, Florida, during the summer of 2016. All (women, men, teens, children) are cordially invited to attend. There will be a meal and a time of fellowship after the meeting. ~ Brenda Lee



NEW SPRING BIBLE STUDIES

WEDNESDAYS, 7PM
MAY 3—JUNE 14

Join us May 3 for a preview of our next series of Small Group Bible Studies! The next rotation will be May 10 - June 14.

Following our 6pm Fellowship Meal each Wed. evening, 3 small group Bible studies will be offered (6:45-7:45pm):

1) "The Power of God's Names", taught by Karen Ponish
Who is God? How can we trust him? Meet Elohim, our powerful creator; Jehovah, the self-revealing one; El Shaddai, the almighty sufficient one; and Immanuel, God with us; and gain a deeper understanding of God's identity.

2) "Leading Your Child to Jesus", taught by Terry Winters
What will you say when your child asks how Jesus can fit inside their heart? Here's help with responding in words your little one will understand. The enormity of leading your child to Christ doesn't have to leave you tongue-tied. You can help your little one make the most important decision of his or her life - the decision to follow Jesus.

3) "The Gospel of Matthew", taught by Pastor Mike
People often treat Jesus as their personal "concierge". The Gospel of Matthew declares that Jesus is not a concierge, but a King who deserves our loyalty and obedience. This study of Matthew will reawaken us to the majesty of King Jesus.

Children, ages K - 6 are invited to join Julie Large & Kathy Dotson for our children's mission program (Children in Action) during this same time.



May 4 - 5

The Mission Trip Yard Sale is scheduled for Thursday, May 4 & Friday, May 5 at the Rock! It's not too late to clean out your garage, attic, closets & drawers! You may bring your "treasures" to Rock at any time & leave them on the porch. All proceeds will go towards the Summer Mission Trip to Tarboro, NC where the team will be doing construction in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew. Contact Sherlene Hall at 328-9315 or sherlenehall@gmail.com if you have any questions.

FAMILY HIKE

Natural Tunnel
Saturday, May 20
11am - 1:30pm



The Children's Ministry Team is coordinating a Family Hike at Natural Tunnel on May 20. We will begin in the campground, have a picnic lunch (pack your lunch) along the way at the Carter Cabin & ride the chairlift (\$3) or walk down into the gorge. Please contact Donna Hutchinson or sign up on the Communication Card in your bulletin if you would like to join us. All are welcome!



Vacation Bible School 2017!!

June 5 - 9

"Created by God, Built for a Purpose"



Thank you to Misty Belcher and Canaan Campbell for special music on Sunday!



April 27

May 1

May 2

May 6

May 7

May 8

Linda Burgess
Reuben Swindall
Mike Winters
Roger Viers
Sharon Bradley
Stacy Hopkins
Lin Allio
Susie Clasby
Rachel Helton
Sarah Helton



April 27—Stan & Brenda Kunigelis

Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry

Prom Attire Sunday

April 30



Youth are invited to wear their prom attire this Sunday & help take up the offering.



GRADUATE RECOGNITION

MAY 21

On Sunday, May 21, we will recognize all of our high school and college graduates during our morning worship service. This is a highlight for our congregation every year! We rejoice in your accomplishments. Below is a list of graduates; if your name should be included, please call Kim Hall or the church office ASAP!

High School: Rachel Bailey, Austin Bordlee, Taylor Gardner, Noah Hall, Zoey Parrish, Rachel Porchie

(* Please wear your cap, gown, honors stole)

College: Caroline Greenwood, Kristen Osborne



Congratulations for a job well done, cast of "Mary Poppins"!! We are so proud of our Noah Hall, Caroline Mullins, Macey Sheppard, Emma Snodgrass & Mary Steudemann!

WBC Children's Ministry



Save the dates...

✂ April 30

- Children's Choir will sing & "ring" during morning worship

✂ May 1

- Children's Choir will be singing at Heritage Hall at 4pm

✂ May 10 - June 14

- Bible Study: How to Lead Your Child to Jesus

✂ May 20

- Family Hike at Natural Tunnel, 11am

✂ May 30

- Barter Theatre

✂ June 5—9

- Vacation Bible School:
"Maker Fun Factory"



*Children's Ministry Team Dinner Meeting
Sunday, May 7, 4pm
Winters' Home*

*More photos from our
Seder Service
April 13, 2017*



Place Setting:
4 cups, matzah,
charoset, parsley,
horseradish



Thank you to
Martha Blackburn for
taking care of so many
details!



Head Table



The Elijah Table



May 2017

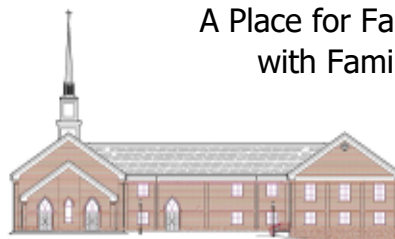


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 BCM Meal 11am - 1pm B. Mike Winters	2 B. Roger Viers	3	4 <div>YARD SALE....8am—5pm</div>	5	6 B. Sharon Bradley B. Stacy Hopkins
7 Deacons, 8:30am Communion, 11am WMU Spring Meeting, 3pm Children's Ministry Team Dinner Meeting, 4pm B. Lin Allio	8 B. Susie Clasby B. Rachel Helton B. Sarah Helton	9 B. Rosemarie Boyle	10 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Children-in-Action 6:45pm Choir 7:50 pm	11 Women on Mission, 2pm B. Ron Swindall	12 B. Joe Powers B. Jack Tolbert	13 B. Dalton Hopkins
14 Mothers' Day	15	16	17 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Children-in-Action 6:45pm Choir 7:50 pm	18 B. John Bridges	19	20 Family Hike at Natural Tunnel
21 Graduate Recognition Sunday Cooking for the Cause 12—2pm	22 B. Christina Meade B. Jordan Owens B. Courtney Coughlin	23 B. John Thacker	24 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Children-in-Action 6:45pm Choir 7:50 pm B. Grace Allio B. Sarah Means	25	26 B. Chuck Maine	27 B. Jorge Hersel B. Jeremiah Johnson
28	29 B. Angel Cox	30 Children's Barter Theater Trip, 8am B. Joshua Owens	31 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Children-in-Action 6:45pm Choir 7:50 pm		B = Birthday A = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	4/23-4/29	Matt Meade, Jeff Dotson
	4/30—5/6	John Kennedy, Mike Osborne
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:	4/30	David & Sandy Mullins
	5/07	Bob & Teresa Adkins
Nursery:	4/30	Linda Burgess, Johnny Robinson
	5/7	Don & Cyndi Newlon
Children's Church:	4/30	Dave & Misty Belcher
	5/07	Stephen & Julie Large
PA:	4/30	Noah Hall
	5/07	Marty Adkins
Tellers:	April	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson
	May	Martha Blackburn, Mike Strouth
Ushers:	4/30	Youth
	5/07	Clyde Vance*, Gil Blackburn^, Dave Belcher, Bryon Burton, Jeff Dotson, Marty Kennedy, Jack Tolbert *Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	4/26	Donna Hutchinson, Cyndi Newlon, Rebecca Osborne, Terry Winters
	5/03	Jessica Crutchfield, Kathy Dotson, Gail Kiser
Wed. Meals:	4/26	Breakfast for Supper
	5/03	Potluck
Children-in-Action:	4/26	Julie Large, Kathy Dotson
	5/03	Julie Large, Kathy Dotson

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	Missions Committee (1st)	5:00 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Adult Bible Study	6:45 pm
	Children-in-Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	2-4 pm

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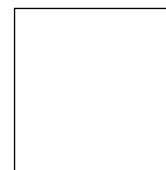
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Thought for the week:
Meet the risen Jesus
today!