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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 19, 2022



Dear Church Family and Friends.

Wolves changed a river. What?! How?

Yellowstone National Park was established in 1872. Was our first national park, covering 3,468 square miles in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

In the early 1900's, wolves were eliminated. The deer population exploded. Deer grazed away much vegetation. Had a catastrophic effect on the ecosystem.

In 1995 wolves were re-introduced. Effects showed up quickly. Just a few wolves caused the deer population to decrease. More importantly, it changed where the deer gathered. Valleys and gorges were favorite places for the wolves to hunt. Then deer avoided those places. Plant life made a huge comeback there.

As plants and trees grew, flocks of birds came. Beavers arrived. Built dams, allowing fish and otters to gather.

The wolves also killed coyotes, who lived off of rabbits and mice. As rabbits and mice increased, hawks, foxes, ravens and bald eagles showed up.

There's more! New vegetation stabilized the riverbanks. The river no longer wandered back and forth. It straightened and created a deeper channel.

So, wolves did change the course of a river!

What difference can a few wolves make?

What difference can a few Christians, who love God and people well, make on the spiritual ecosystem around you?

Jesus said, "By this will all men know that you are My disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:35)

Love. Pastor Mike

How to Join Wise Baptist Church: Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

† Transfer of Letter † Baptism

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Reading the Bible Through Mar. 21, 2022 - Mar. 20, 2023

Old Testament Bible Study (Hebrew Bible) Wed., July 20, 7pm

Men's Bible Study Thurs., July 21, 6:30am

Laurel's Ministry Thurs., July 21, 1:30pm

Deacon Nominations Sun., August 7, 11am

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| DEACONS 2021-22 | | | |
|------------------|----------|--|--|
| John Mark Adrian | 328-5564 | | |
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| Lewey Lee | 393-5370 | | |
| John Ponish | 870-1593 | | |
| Deacon Emeritus: | | | |

Jeacon Emeritus Bob Adkins

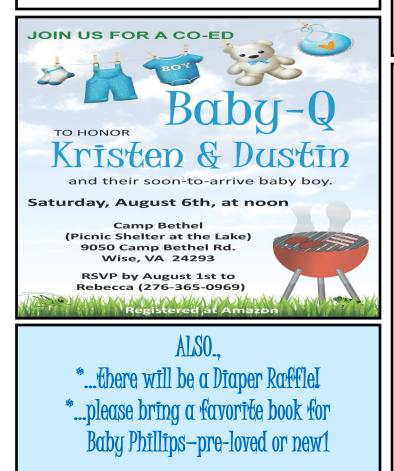
ANNOUNCEMENTS



On Sunday, <u>August 7</u>, the Church will submit suggestions for 3 new deacons for the 2022-2023 church year.

More information about the selection process will be forthcoming. In the meantime, please be in prayer about the leaders of our Church that you may wish to offer as suggestions at that time.

If you have any questions, please contact John Ponish at jponish@atsone.com.



As you pray, please remember... 🕅 Judy Sturgill, P.K. Fields-Helms, Jim Blanton, Roger Viers & family, Stephanie Collins & family, Danny & Phyllis Wood, Bob Trick, Leigh Clark, Edgar Owens & family, Butch Hutchinson, David Baird, Kathy Kennedy & family, Jim & June Dotson, Cari Mooney & family, Bobbie Farmer, Ruth Lee, Eden Mullins, Anthony Dale, Lois Bailey, Jayda Hutchinson, Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Regina Cantrell, Harold Stallard, Lewey Lee & family, Cooper Carlson, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, Lois Stallard, Brenda Lee, Dalton, Kara and Halen Parker, Phyllis Hatcher, Bessie Vance, Jerry & Wanda Baird, Seth Harding, Beth Snodgrass, Ray Jones & family, Wesley Kennedy, Don & Gigi Pippin, Kathy & John Kennedy, John & Kay Wright, 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) -Lakeland, FL, Jeanne Stallard, Bobbie Farmer, Jean Forsythe, (Sandy Yun's mother) - Kingston Center Assisted Living in Duffield

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



Scripture for the Week

John 13:34-35

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

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Stewardship at Wise Baptist Church is about God's work. It's about heart. And it's ongoing.

Your tithes and offerings allow our Church and its programs to be more effective. Through an

effective Church, lives are changed. We are thankful for all the joyful stewards of God's work at Wise Baptist Church.

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, PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293,</u> or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it." (Gen 2:15)





Wednesday, July 20...

7:00 pm - Bible Study (sanctuary) Youth Group (Youth Bldg.)

* Join us in the sanctuary for a weekly study of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) for the next 6 months to coincide with our Reading Through the Bible emphasis.



Thurs. July 21, 1:30pm Meet at the Laurels

How many saloon girls could you identify?

Brenda Collins, Teresa Adkins, Celeste Smith, Beverly Viers, June Dotson, Sue Kennedy, Sandy Mullins, Susan Smith, Artie Bailey!

(top to bottom, L-R)

MUSIC, YOUTH, CHILDREN

| t | tappy Bi | irthday! |
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| | | |
| | July 19 | Wayne Isaac |
| | July 20 | Ashton Taylor |
| | July 22 | Dave Belcher |
| | July 24 | Debbie Collins |
| | | Bonnie Owens |
| | July 25 | Oscar Raile |
| | July 26 | David Allio |
| | July 27 | AllenCantrell |
| July 28 | Ron He | elton |
| | Oliver F | Ray |
| July 30 | Melissa | a Blackburn |

Happy Anniversary!

July 18 July 25 Ethan & Lily Elkins Kenny & Peggy Bowling Matt & Sara Johnson John & Diana Roberts

Stay tuned... AUGUST ~ CAMPING



Each week...

Flock News (WBC Youth

<u>Wednesdays</u> - 7pm Youth Gathering <u>Sundays</u> - 6pm Youth Bible Study + Supper



Dear Church Family and Friends,

It has been a pleasure working with all of you all over the past almost year and a half, but I feel like it is best for me to step down as music director here at Wise Baptist Church. Working with you all as well as for the church has been more than a blessing. As much as I hate to step down, I will continue to attend Wise Baptist whenever possible.

I hope the best for the church and I am excited to see all of the wonderful things that will be happening at the church in the coming years.

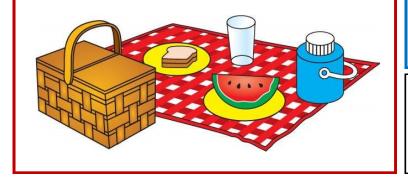
Blessings, Joe



We have a place for you each SUNDAY MORNING! Join us for Sunday School each week at 10am. And then, once a month, Miss Terry will be having a <u>special</u> <u>children's time</u> for you at the front of the sanctuary during worship. All other Sundays, there will be <u>Children's Church</u> upstairs!

Volunteers this Week

| Deacons On Call: | 7/17 - 7/23 | Gil Blackburn, Jim Collie | |
|--------------------|-------------|---|--|
| | 7/24 - 7/30 | Lewey Lee & Jorge Hersel | |
| Building Stewards: | | Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass | |
| Instrumentalists: | | Susan Mullins, Susan Smith | |
| Sound System: | | Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile | |
| Children's Church | 7/24 | Karen & John Ponish | |
| | 7/31 | Jennifer & Cub Mullins | |
| Tellers: | July | Martha Blackburn | |
| | August | Jeff Kiser, David Mullins | |
| Wed. Night Meal: | | Fellowship Meals will begin again on September 7 | |



A Place for Faith and Fellowship with Family and Friends



| WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES | | | |
|----------------------|---|--|--|
| Sunday | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Sunday School Worship Youth (Grades 7-12) | 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 pm 6:00 pm | |
| Monday | Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th) | 9:30 am | |
| Wednesday 6:00 pm | Fellowship Meal (Aug May) Bible Study onsite & via Fb Live Youth meet (Grades 7-12) | 7:00 pm 7:00 pm | |
| Thursday | Men's Bible Study Laurels Ministry (3rd) | 6:30 am 1:30pm | |
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Thought for the Week:

Love God and people well.