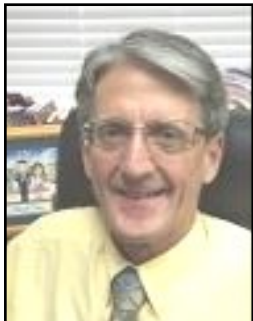


Rev. Mike Winters, Pastor
Donna Hutchinson, Music Director
Dr. Ray Jones, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

May 14, 2024



Dear Church Family & Friends,

“Mental illness is a lie”.

Said a prominent pastor recently. His comments spread quickly through social media. He also said, there is “no such thing as PTSD” (Post-traumatic Stress Syndrome). Both statements would be news to many suffering individuals, war veterans, law enforcement and fire officials!

The problem here? These statements do not recognize how God made us. Each human being is a combination of body, mind, and spirit. Each area affects each other, but each is also different.

Suppose there is a problem with part of your body, the thyroid gland. It is not releasing enough hormones. Your metabolism slows, decreasing your energy level. This spills over to affect your mind and spirit.

Therefore, you start with the body. Proper medication fixes it. This is Biology 101. This solution also has a positive effect on your mind and spirit.

Problems with the mind or body or spirit are all real. Any solutions must take this into account. By doing so, we recognize how God made us.

A pretty smart and spiritual guy (Paul) had something to say about this. “May your whole spirit, soul [mind] and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.” (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

Love, Pastor Mike

P.S. I will say more about this next week.)

IMPORTANT DATES

Fellowship Meal
Wed, May 15, 6pm

Bible Study
Wed, May 15, 7pm

Choir Practice
Wed, May 15
7:45pm

Men’s Bible Study
Sat, May 18, 7-8am

Graduate Recognition
Sunday
May 19, 11am

Feast of Weeks
Wed, May 29, 6pm

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DEACONS 2023 - 2024

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
Jeff Cantrell	275-9427
Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
Butch Hutchinson	393-5008
Stan Kunigelis	870-2227
Lewey Lee	393-5370
David Mullins	870-0005
John Ponish	870-1593

Deacon Emeritus:
Bob Adkins

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

Deep Dive Into Scripture

April 1, 2024
- March 31,
2025

Last year, we read the Bible through. This year, we will dive deep, by looking closely at smaller portions of scripture beginning with Genesis and going through Revelation.

Hope you can be a part of this journey! Please sign up on the Communication Card in your Sun. bulletin or let Pastor Mike know.

As you pray, please remember...



2024 graduates, **Elora Hutchinson**, Caitlin & Ethan Rousseau, Jane Hughes & Family, Emily Hersel, Susan Aker, Amanda Aker, Vicki Stephens, Mary Beth Adkins, Matt Meade, Morgan & Brandon Osborne, Martha Blackburn & Family, Emmett Kidd (Karen Ponish's dad), Cyrus Jones, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Brian Plester (brother of Brenda Kunigelis), Jim Sturgill, Wanda Baird, Jim Dotson, John & Kathy Kennedy, Wendy Adrian & Family, Rev. Michael Weller, Brenda Lee, Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, Adele Plester (Brenda Kunigelis' sister-in-law), Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, Ray Jones, 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) - Appalachia, VA

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



May 31 & June 1

DONATIONS accepted each Sunday (through May 26) immediately following worship.

You may also arrange to drop off items at another time by appointment: contact Teresa Adkins (276-393-0977) or Donna Hutchinson (276-393-5004).

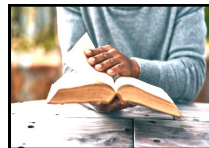
**Mens
Bible
Study**

Men of all ages are invited to join in an informal time of Bible Study & Coffee each Saturday morning...our next Bible Study is...

May 18
Fellowship Hall
7 - 8 am



Wednesday ~ May 29 ~ 6:00pm
Feast of Weeks Celebration
Fellowship Hall



Scripture for the Week:
1 Thessalonians 5:23

"Now may the peace of God Himself sanctify you completely. And may your spirit, soul, and body be kept sound and blameless for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Feast of Weeks

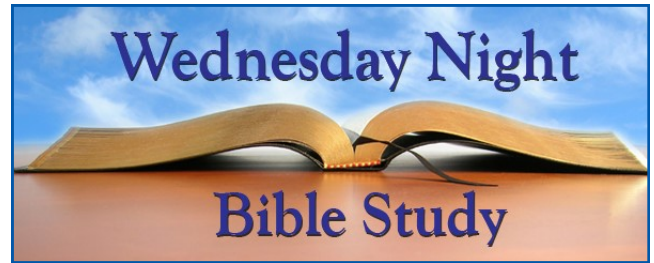
Join us on **Wednesday, May 29 at 6pm** as we once again celebrate the Feast of Weeks, which was celebrated by Jesus and is also referred to as the Feast of Pentecost.

Instead of our usual Wed. night fellowship meal & Bible study, we will be sharing a meal similar to the one prepared by the Israelites in the Old Testament & is still prepared by Jewish families today to celebrate one of their three most holy festivals of the year.

The meal will be followed by a devotional time about the Feast of Weeks & its significance for us as Christians today.

* *It is very important to sign up as soon as possible for this event as it affects food preparation! You can sign up by notifying Donna Hutchinson or Terry Winters, or by using the Communication Card in your bulletin.*

* *We can still use a few more cheesecakes or cream cheese pound cakes. Please let Donna know if you can make one of these for May 29.*



...always a mid-week pick-me-up!

Join us each Wednesday evening for supper at 6pm & informal Bible Study with Pastor Mike at 7pm.



Thursday, May 16

1:30pm

*Meet at the Laurels



**THIS
SUMMER,
REMEMBER...**

our Wise County Food Bank & WBC Grab-n-Go Ministries! Nonperishable items can be placed in the white containers by the elevator.



Thursday MAY 16

6:00pm

Mt View Freewill Baptist Church

For info, contact Jim Collie:

276-393-1710

The Garden Club has placed a box for recycling in the Fellowship Hall

for clean plastic bags, etc.

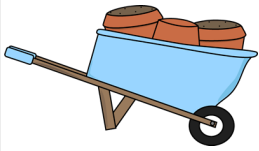
Please bring your plastic bags & other plastic wrappings.

Thank you!



BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

Happy Birthday!



	May 16	Virginia Ebert
	May 17	Celeste Smith
	May 18	John Bridges
May 19	Khaleesi Criswell	
May 22	Jordan Owens	
	Courtney Makris	
	Ron Stephens	
May 23	John Thacker	
May 24	Grace Allio	
	Sarah Means	



Happy Anniversary!

May 21 Josh & Virginia Ebert

WBC Music Ministry



I have been camp-hosting at Natural Tunnel for the last couple of weeks, since May 2 and it has been rejuvenating and refreshing for me. I've gotten a little bit lonely, but it's still been good. I think a little bit of loneliness is good for you, for you appreciate your loved ones more. With that being said, a bit of alone time gives you time to really think, ponder and wonder.

I have taken the time to "BE STILL" and let God speak to me, work on me and prepare me for what He has planned in my life. I have communed with nature while sitting out watching for the aurora borealis. It was AMAZING! Just sitting and watching the sky and being so struck by the awe of the heavens. My God made that! I was hearing the night animals, seeing bats flying and an owl, hearing the wind blowing through the new leaves. Last Tuesday night, I sat and watched a pretty powerful thunderstorm move in, first seeing the clouds, then seeing the leaves moving in the trees and then the clouds, rain and lightning...what magnificent lightning it was! Streaky lightning, cloud lightning, thunder rolling in a distance and the smack of thunder when the lightning hit close by. It was a joy to see and experience it all.

I hope you take a few minutes this week to just BE STILL and let God move however He sees fit in your life.

Joy, Peace and Love, Donna



Stewardship, A Divine Responsibility

God is the Owner. We are the managers. We must over-

see His assets for His benefit. Our prayer is for discernment of what God wants done with His assets and then carry out His will. May we all at Wise Baptist Church give abundantly, sacrificially, and joyfully.

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

"For everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your own hand." 1 Chronicles 29:14



Congratulations Graduates!!

High School



Angelina Hughes

Angelina is the daughter of James & Amanda Hughes and the granddaughter of Jim & Jane Hughes. Angelina graduated this year from Central High School where she has been a member of the Girls Varsity Tennis Team for the past 3 years. This year, Angelina competed strongly as the #1 seed.

During high school, Angelina was President of Mu Alpha Theta (the math honor society), SCA Secretary, a member of the National Honor Society, Central Stitches and the Central High School Book Club. She was also a member of the 2023 State Championship One Act Team. Angelina was awarded the AIMS Scholarship, as well as the Chancellor's scholarship.

In the fall, Angelina plans to attend UVA-WISE, double-majoring in Accounting and Business, and hopes to become a CPA.

College

Canaan Godsey

Canaan is the great-grandson of Richard & Joanne Kennedy. Canaan graduated from UVA-WISE with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music on May 11. During his time at UVA-WISE, Canaan was the lead tenor in the Honors Choir as well as the Concert Choir and the Madrigal Singers.

While in college, Canaan had opportunities to sing at various schools and colleges, including trips to New York, New Orleans and Puerto Rico.



2024 GRADUATES! (CONT.)

College



Tyler Hopkins

Tyler Hopkins is the son of Jamie & Stacy Hopkins. Tyler graduated from Mountain Empire Community College in 2021 with an Associate Degree in Applied Science, and a major in Police Science. Afterwards, Tyler attended Eastern Kentucky University where he graduated Cum Laude in 2022 with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Police Studies.

In 2023, Tyler was hired by the Wise County Sheriff's Office. That same year, he completed the Southwest Virginia Criminal Justice Academy training. For the past 17 months, Tyler has been working as a Sheriff Officer.

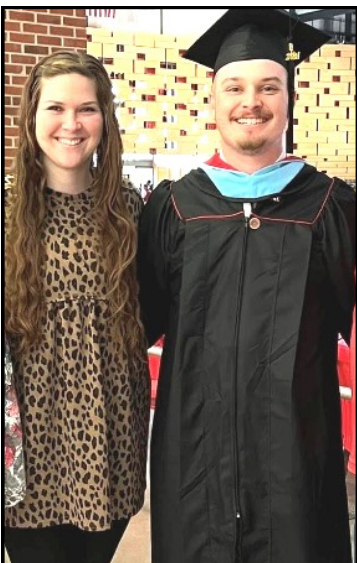
Ali Stuedemann

Ali Stuedemann is the daughter of Lori Trimble and Jim Stuedemann & is the granddaughter of Jim & Judy Sturgill. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from Radford University, earning a Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in marketing.

Ali was the recipient of the Outstanding Student Award from the Davis College of Business, as well as the Beta Gamma Sigma Scholarship Key for achieving the highest GPA within the business college! Ali began an internship in Hilton Head Island, SC on May 13..



Advanced Degrees



Noah Hall

Noah Hall is the son of Kim Hodges and Scott Hall, and the grandson of Sherlene Hall. Noah will be receiving his Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from UVA WISE this summer.

He is currently working as a Special Education teacher at John I. Burton High School. For those of you who may not know, Noah is now married! Noah married Lucindy Lawson last May.

Advanced Degrees

Ben Harding

We are proud to celebrate our friend, Ben Harding, who served as our Music Director several years ago. Ben earned a Master of Divinity with an emphasis in Wesleyan Studies from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky.

Ben will be appointed to First United Methodist Church in Pennington Gap, VA on July 1. And in September, he will begin working on his Doctorate of Ministry degree.



Grant Lardieri

Grant Oliver Lardieri is the son of Mark & Christi Lardieri and the grandson of Roger & Beverly Viers. Grant will receive his M.D. degree from UVA's School of Medicine on May 19.

Grant and his wife Kari will be residing in Richmond, VA where he will be a resident at VCU Medical Center.

Carlie Tomlinson

Carlie Tomlinson received her Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from UVA WISE on May 11.

Carlie plans to continue teaching 7th Grade at Ridgeview Middle School, and begin work on a PhD in Teaching and Learning at Clemson University in the fall.



Lloyd Tomlinson

Lloyd Tomlinson received his PhD in History from West Virginia University on May 12.

Lloyd is currently employed as the Education Director of the West Virginia Mine Wars Museum in Matewan, West Virginia.

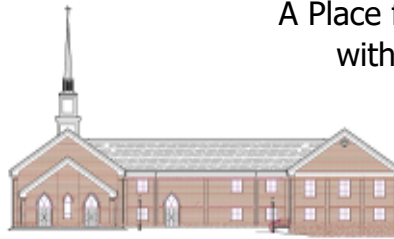


Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	5/12 - 5/18	Debbie Collins, Jeff Elkins
	5/19 - 5/25	Jeff Cantrell, Lewey Lee
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	May	Matt Meade
	June	Carolyn Strouth
Children's Church	5/19	Wendy & John Mark Adrian
	5/26	Susie & Chad Blanton
Offering Ushers	May	Jerry Baird Team
	June	Ron Helton Team
Tellers	May	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth
	June	Jessica Crutchfield, Ruby Salyers
Wed. Night Meals	5/15	Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread
	5/22	BBQ, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Chips
Wed. Serving Teams:	5/15	<u>Donna's Team:</u> Debbie Collins, Susan Mullins, Karen Ponish, Terry Winters
	5/22	Don's Team: John Mark Adrian, Sherry Collie, David & Sandy Mullins, Cyndi Newlon



A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Thursday	Laurels Ministry (3rd)	1:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	7 - 8 am

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Thought for the Week:

*Strive for health in body and
mind and spirit.*