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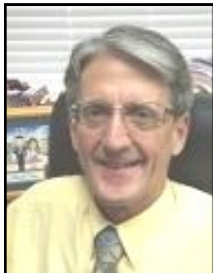
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 22, 2020



Dear Church Family and Friends,

When Tony Dungy became coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 1996, the team had 13 losing seasons behind them. Explanations given?

Poor facilities.

Low ticket sales meant they could not afford top players.

Cold weather.

The Doug Williams curse. He was a former quarterback at Tampa Bay.

When he left, a fan who liked him cast a Voodoo curse on the team.

[This one is my personal favorite!]

Tony Dungy decided these “reasons” were beyond his (or the players’) control. Instead, he focused on what he could control.

Lower turnovers (fumbles, interceptions).

Lower penalties.

Improving special teams.

The result? The Tampa Bay Buccaneers went to the Super Bowl.

We are living in times where more things are beyond our control than ever before. This can be depressing. The list includes finding a vaccine, the economy, job market, social isolation, school schedules, government restrictions, politics, demonstrations, etc.

Pick one thing you can control and concentrate on that. **How we respond to the social isolation.** Find more ways to be connected to others. Don’t expect it to look just like it did in the past. It will take thought, creativity, and effort. The result? You get some of your life back!

Paul says this about relationships, “encourage one another and build one another up.” (1 Thess. 5:11)

Take control of how you can be connected with others. You will be glad you did!

Love, Pastor Mike

How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

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| † 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 23, 7pm
(WBC Fb Live)

Sunday Message
September 27, 11am
(WBC Fb Live)

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

Bedtime Story
September 28, 9pm
(WBC Fb Live)

Men’s Bible Study
September 29, 6:30am
(Zoom)

Children’s Ministry Team
Meeting via Zoom
October 6, 7pm

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DEACONS 2019-20

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|------------------|----------|
| John Mark Adrian | 328-5564 |
| Jerry Baird | 393-0923 |
| Leton Harding | 346-6039 |
| Ron Helton | 393-6145 |
| Lewey Lee | 393-5370 |
| David Mullins | 870-0005 |
| 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.



ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING: 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

If you need a copy of the budget or the officers & leaders we will be voting on, please contact Gary Smith: 276-870-1579.

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, 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).



Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 23! Join us for Bible Study!

Do your circumstances determine the level of your joy? If so, you are in trouble. Join us Sept. 23 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.



Children's Ministry Team Meeting
Tuesday, Oct. 6
7pm



Wise County Food Bank & Grab-n-Go

The Wise County Food Bank & the Wise County Social Service Adult Protective Services are always very appreciative of our help. Thank you to Sherlene Hall for continuing to coordinate with Social Services and to our deacons for collecting & delivering items to the Food Bank. Thank you also to the Ladies Friendship Sunday School class for their ongoing collection of funds for both of these ministries!

*You may also make a monetary donation by writing a check to Wise Baptist Church, designating it to be used for the Food Bank or Grab-n-Go.

***Food Bank Drop Off:** by the "offering" table outside the church office (Contact: Gary Smith or John Ponish)

***Grab-n-Go Drop Off:** white baskets near elevator at church (Contact: Sherlene Hall)



Guys, grab your breakfast & your Bible and join in the Men's Bible Study

EACH Tuesday morning
at 6:30am via Zoom.

Simply send your email address to John Ponish:

*text 276-870-1593 or
email jponish@atsone.com



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

Pastor Mike will be preaching this Sunday morning, **September 27**, on “Second Chances: Paul” (Acts 9:1-9).

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.



Scripture for the Week

Philippians 4:12

*“I know both how to have a little,
and I know how to have a lot.*

*In any and all circumstances I have learned
the secret of being content—whether well-fed
or hungry, whether in abundance or in need.”*

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).



*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!

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|--------------|--------------------------|
| September 23 | Vickie Swindall |
| | Terry Winters |
| September 27 | Kristen Osborne Phillips |
| September 28 | Jonathan Whittaker |
| September 30 | Lloyd Cantrell |
| October 1 | Misty Belcher |
| | Gloria Raile |
| October 2 | Annika Addington |
| | Ann Wade |
| October 4 | Brandon Winters |



WBC Music Ministry



Do you remember this well-loved campfire / youth retreat song?

"Pass It On"

It only takes a spark to get a fire going.
And soon all those around
Can warm up in its glowing;
That's how it is with God's love,
Once you've experienced it:
You spread His love to everyone,
You want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring
When all the trees are budding,
The birds begin to sing,
the flowers start their blooming;
That's how it is with God's love,
Once you've experienced it:
You want to sing, it's fresh like spring,
You want to pass it on.

I wish for you my friend,
This happiness that I've found.
You can depend on Him,
It matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountaintop,
I want my world to know:
The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.



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



Many thanks to **Juanita Wells** for sharing this poem that captures the blessings of friendship.

"Threads of a Friendship That Will Never Break"

*Thank you for the laughter,
For the good times we share.
Thank you for always listening,
For trying to be fair.
Thank you for the comfort
When things are going bad.
Thank you for the shoulder
To cry on when I'm sad.*

Flower Photos

Thank you to **Gwyn Carlton** for sharing this beautiful photo!



"Last blooms of summer..."

Funnies



Thank you to **Kaitlin Ponish Collins** for sharing this laugh with us!



**"THROUGHOUT COVID,
WE ALL WANT TO BE
LIKE SAUL...
ON THE WAY TO
DE-MASK-US!"**



A most favorite & easiest recipe!

CHOCOLATE MOUSSE PIE

- 1 Baker's German's Sweet Chocolate Bar
- 1/3 cup milk
- 3 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 8 oz. Cool Whip
- 1 graham crust

1. Melt chocolate bar + 2 Tablespoons of the milk over low heat.
 2. Mix cream cheese + remaining milk in mixer until smooth.
 3. Add chocolate mixture & mix well.
 4. Add Cool Whip & mix on low.
 5. Pour into graham crust & freeze 4 hours.
 6. Set pie out 15-20 min. to soften before cutting.
- ~submitted by Terry Winters



Scriptures

Thank you to **Harold Witt** for sharing this "new privilege in prayer"...

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in My name, I will do it."

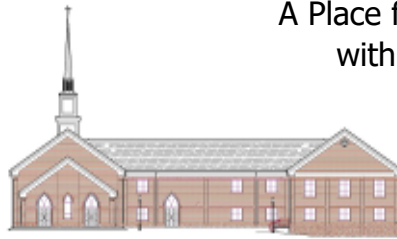
John 14:13-14

Volunteers this Week

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| Deacons On Call: | 9/20 - 9/26 | Oscar Raile, Jerry Baird |
| | 9/27 - 10/3 | Jorge Hersel, Leton Harding |
| Building Stewards: | | Ron Helton, Dan Helton, |
| | | Scott Snodgrass |
| Instrumentalists: | | Susan Mullins, Susan Smith |
| Sound System: | 9/27 | Oscar Raile |
| Tellers: | September | June Dotson, Mike Strouth |
| | October | Teresa Adkins, Shirlee Barnette |
| Benediction | 9/27 | Jorge Hersel |
| | 10/4 | David Mullins |



A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

*(These activities are POSTPONED
until further notice)*

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

Thought for the Week:

You have control over your
response to any circumstance.