

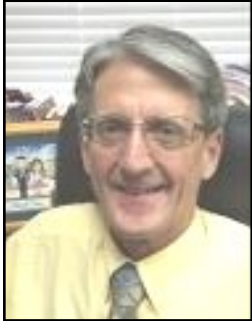
WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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

August 27, 2024

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



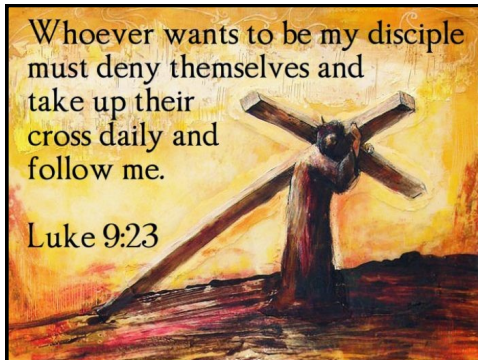
Dear Church Family & Friends,

Salvation comes **through** us, not to us. It's not an end. It's a beginning. A lifetime of steps follow the first one.

Sometimes the Christian life is divided into two steps: Salvation. Then discipleship (following Jesus daily). This approach shows up when evangelism begins with the question, "Do you know for certain that you will go to heaven when you die?" That might lead you to believe that going to heaven is the real goal. And that this question must be settled as soon as possible.

The two are baked into the cake. *There is no true salvation disconnected from discipleship.* When they are separated, it can prevent or stunt spiritual growth for years.

Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow Me" (Luke 9:23)



Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

Fellowship Meal
Wed, August 28
6:00pm

Annual Church Business Meeting
Wed, Aug. 28
7pm

DONUT FELLOWSHIP!
Sun, Sept. 1
9:30am

Holy Communion
Sun, Sept. 8
11am

Christmas Cantata Practice Begins
Sun, Sept. 8
6:00pm

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DEACONS 2023 - 2024

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
Jeff Cantrell	275-9427
Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
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

welcome
LITTLE BOY



Congratulations to Kristen & Dustin Phillips & big brother, Nathanael, on the birth of Paul Simon Phillips on August 21! Proud grandparents are Mike & Rebecca Osborne!



New Hearing Assist Devices Available for Worship!

We now have new Hearing Assist Devices available for anyone that has need. We have ordered 12 devices so everyone will be able to have their own unit. If you are presently are wearing hearing aids as I do, but still have difficulty hearing, we will have headsets that will go over your hearing aids that provide an additional sound boost.

If you would like to use a Hearing Assist Device during worship, please let me or Oscar Raile know, or just come to the sound booth before worship.

Kind Regards, David Mullins

NEW ADDRESS:

Shirley Willis
330 Clairemont Lane
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Crozet, VA 22932



As you pray, please remember...



Cyrus Jones, Karen Ponish & Family, Natalie Luther, Jim Collie, Vicki Stephens, Wanda Baird, John & Amy Bridges & Family, Donna Hutchinson & Family, Martha Blackburn, Family of Nancy Baugh, Shirley Willis, Billy & Teresa Glines & Family, Jane Hughes & Family, Matt Meade, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Jim Sturgill, Jim Dotson, John & Kathy Kennedy, Rev. Michael Weller, Brenda Lee, Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, 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).*

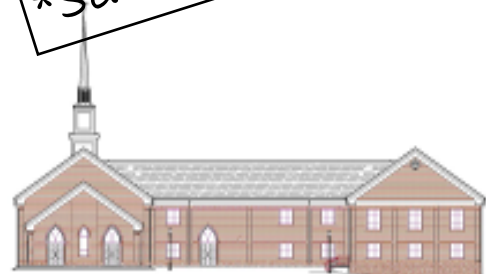
OCTOBER 27

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
WISE BAPTIST!**

**WISE BAPTIST is celebrating its
125th Anniversary!!**

Activities will culminate with a special worship service on **OCTOBER 27**. More details to follow!

***Save the date!**



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Annual Church Business Meeting

Wed., August 28, 7pm

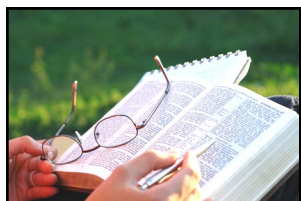
Join us as we celebrate what God has in store for us in 2024-25!

*Copies of the proposed 2024-25 budget are available in the church foyer, as well as on the hall table near the church offices.



Many thanks to everyone who helped with the Community Giveaway this past Saturday afternoon!

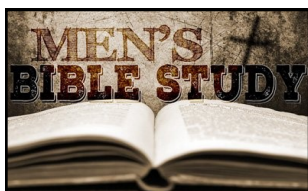
Scripture for the Week:



Luke 9:23

“Then He said to them all, ‘If anyone wants to come with Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Me.’”

Lots of Bible Study opportunities!



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

our next Bible Study is August 24!

**Aug. 31, Fellowship Hall
7 - 8 am**



DO-NUT MISS OUT!

You are invited to a **DONUT FELLOWSHIP** on Sunday, September 1 at 9:30am as we begin a new church year! Bring a friend & join us in the Fellowship Hall.

Thank you to Billie Harris, Ann Wade & The Friendship Sunday School Class for sponsoring our Donut Fellowship this time!

We also invite you to join us for Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10am! Sunday School is more than Bible Study - it is also a great time of fellowship & prayer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Growing in Christ
Together

Join us each Sunday morning at 10am as we study Scripture, share prayer requests, encourage each other & laugh together.

Wednesday Night

Bible Study

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

Come on out on Wednesday evenings for supper at 6pm & an informal Bible Study with Pastor Mike at 7pm.

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

BACK
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Happy Birthday!

August 28 Lisa Blankenbecler
Megan Moody
September 2 Abigail Edmiston
September 3 Renee Robinson
September 4 Johnny Robinson
September 7 Gwen Chisenhall
Kathy Helton
September 8 Scott Hall
Marty Kennedy
Nicole Sexton



*Stewardship,
A Divine
Responsibility*

God is the Owner. We are the managers. We must oversee 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

*WBC
Music Ministry*



Continuing from last week on how to help a grieving friend:

This is not about YOU. The pain and grief that others are going through may cause them to not be a good friend to you, but they must work through it themselves. Don't take their time to appease you.

Anticipate, don't ask. Call me if you need anything is a great thing to say, but the griever WILL NOT call. They may not even know what they need. Instead, make concrete offers of assistance, like "I'll be there Wednesday to put out your trash" or "I'll take Fido for a walk every other morning" or whatever you feel your friend just doesn't have the strength or energy to do. Grief is a strength killer.

Do the recurring things. Again, grief is a strength killer, so doing recurring things for a friend such as picking up meds at the pharmacy, bringing in the mail, taking the kids to school, etc. Don't do anything that is irreversible, though.

Tackle projects together. My brothers went to the funeral home with me and helped with those decisions. They didn't make them, but they prompted me to make them.

Run interference. There are just SO MANY people that are there for you, but after a while, it's just too much. Try to shield the griever from such an influx of people who are well-meaning, but can become a burden if the griever feels they must visit with them.

Educate and advocate. Your grieving friend will have good days and bad days and they need to know that this is normal. It may last a long time.

Love. Show up, say something, do something. Stand by your friend although the deep well of grief is right there beside you. Listen, be there, be a friend, be loving.


Love is the thing that lasts.

I hope these will help you to love your grieving friend. It has helped me in understanding my grief, but also how to help someone else grieving.

Joy, peace & love, Donna

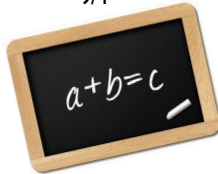
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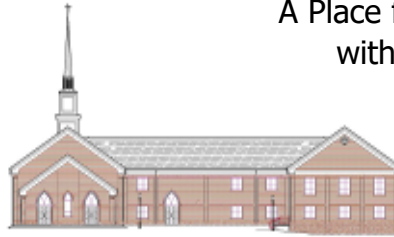
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church - Holy Communion	2  B - Abigail Edmiston	3 B - Renee Robinson	4 <u>6pm</u> - POTLUCK Meal <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice B - Johnny Robinson	5	6	7 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Gwen Chisenhall B - Kathy Helton
8 8:30am - Deacons' mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church - Communion <u>6pm</u> - FIRST Cantata Practice	9 Caring Friends, 9:30am SEPT. 8: B - Scott Hall B - Marty Kennedy SEPT. 9: B - Stephanie Wilson	10	11 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice	12	13	14 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Cliff Carson B - Jeremy Dotson B - Pam Hersel
15 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church <u>6:30pm</u> - Cantata Practice B - Kathy Dotson	16 Piecemakers, 9:30am	17 B - Wendy Adrian A - Sam & Cindi Farmer A - Randy & Carol Miller	18 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice B - Shane Mullins	19 <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <i>Laurels Ministry</i> 1:30pm </div> B - Bob Adkins	20 A - Tim & Kathy Osborne	21 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Marty Adkins
22 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church <u>6:30pm</u> - Cantata Practice B - Ashlee Taylor	23 Caring Friends, 9:30am B - Vickie Swindall B - Terry Winters	24	25 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice	26	27 B - Kristen Phillips	28 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Jonathan Whittaker
29 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - 5th, 6th, 7th Grade Bible Ceremony <u>6:30pm</u> - Cantata Practice	30 Piecemakers, 9:30am				B = Birthday A = Anniv.	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	8/25 - 8/31	David Mullins, Jeff Cantrell
	9/1 - 9/7	Jeff Elkins, Lewey Lee
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	September	Billy & Teresa Glines
Children's Church	9/1	Karen & John Ponish
	9/8	Martha Blackburn, Abbey Lancaster
Offering Ushers	September	Ron Helton Team
	October	Jeff Dotson Team
Tellers	September	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson
	October	Martha Blackburn, Jessica Crutchfield
Wed. Night Meals	8/28	Hamburger, Fries, Salad
	9/4	POTLUCK Meal
Wed. Night Cook Teams	8/28	<u>Don's Team</u> : Deacons
	9/4	VOLUNTEERS needed for set up & cleanup



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:

*Salvation does not come to
you, but through you.*