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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 5, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

POTLUCK Meal
Wed, Aug. 6, 6pm

Bible Study
Wed, August 6, 7pm

Deacon Suggestions
Sunday, August 10
11:00 am

Annual Church Business Meeting
Wed, August 27, 7pm

Christmas Cantata Rehearsals Begin
Wed, Sept. 10, 7:45pm

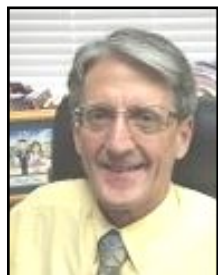
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DEACONS 2024 - 2025

Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
Ron Helton	393-6145
Stan Kunigelis	870-2227
Lewey Lee	393-5370
Matt Meade	393-9177
David Mullins	870-0005
Ruby Salyers	870-0590

Deacon Emeritus:
Bob Adkins



Dear Church Family & Friends,

What you do with strange verses in the Old Testament (Hebrew Bible)? For example, Deuteronomy 14:21 says, "Do not cook a young goat in its mother's milk."

How does this fit with Jesus saying He has not come to abolish the Law, but fulfill it? (Matthew 5:17)

The answer? Look for the principle. First, find out what the verse meant to the original hearer.

God's people were preparing to enter the Promised Land. A big challenge was a multitude of gods competing for their hearts and minds.

People in the land believed certain gods gave them prosperous crops and thriving flocks. If given the right offerings, these gods would do what they wanted. One offering involved cooking a young goat in the milk of its mother.

Therefore, cooking the young goat, meant to trust these (false) gods to supply their needs.

Now we can find the principle that is always true. Trust God to supply your basic needs. Now, it is between you and the Holy Spirit to work out how that applies to you. Therefore...

- Find out what the verses meant to the original hearers.
- Tease out the principle.
- Apply it.

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 |

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacon Ministry

On Sunday, August 10, the Church will submit suggestions for 3 new deacons for the 2025-2026 church year.

- All suggestions will be received until 12:30pm on August 10.
- We are asking that each church member suggest 3 qualified Church members as new deacons.
- Suggestions will be received in 1 of 3 ways:

1) Suggestion Slips will be provided to all Church members in attendance at the live service in the sanctuary on August 10.

2) For members who are not in attendance at the live service in the sanctuary on August 10, an email may be sent to Ron Helton (rhelton@t-l.com) with your 3 suggestions for new deacons.

3) For those who cannot be in attendance on Aug. 10, but would prefer to use a written Suggestion Slip, please contact Ron Helton (rhelton@t-l.com) or 276-393-6145, and a deacon will deliver a Suggestion Slip to you to be completed at that time.

The following members are not eligible to be nominated as they are either already serving or are rotating off:

- **Current deacons who are rotating off this year:**

Stan Kunigelis, David Mullins

- **The remaining active deacons are:**

Bob Adkins, Debbie Collins, Jeff Elkins, Ron Helton, Lewey Lee, Matt Meade, Ruby Salyers

Please be in prayer about the leaders of our church that you may wish to offer as suggestions for deacons.

If you have any questions, please contact Ron Helton (rhelton@t-l.com).

As you pray, please remember...



Alan Adkins, David Luther, Carlie Tomlinson, Irene Humphries, Mike Smith, Megan Moody, Wendy Adrian, Terry Winters, Skip Dobis, Bonnie Aker, David & Sandy Mullins, Frances Sturdavant, Judy Sturgill, Janes Hughes, Grace Allio, Brenda Lee, Kathy Helton, Jim Sturgill, Wanda Baird, Travis Dutton, Donna Raines, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), Natalie Luther, those affected by Hurricane Helene & Hurricane Milton, Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Donna Hutchinson, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Beth Snodgrass, 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

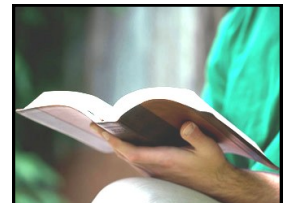


WELCOME to Abbey Lancaster!

We are so happy to welcome Abbey Lancaster as a member of Wise Baptist Church!

Abbey is the granddaughter of Martha & Gil Blackburn and has been a part of church family for several years now. Please introduce yourself if you have not met Abbey yet!

This Week's Scripture:
Deuteronomy 14:21



"For you are a holy people belonging to the Lord your God. You must not boil a young goat in its mother's milk."

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

Happy Birthday!

August 5	Maci Cantrell Morgan Meade
August 7	Abbie Crutchfield
August 9	Lotta Stewart
August 10	Ben Duncan Macie Conway Lewey Lee
August 12	Tim Cox
August 15	Cub Mullins
August 16	Ann Culbertson



Happy Anniversary!

Jake & Caroline Jessee	August 5
Chuck & Lulia Maine	August 5
Matt & Stephanie Collins	August 8
Johnny & Renee Robinson	August 11
Lewey & Brenda Lee	August 13
John & Toni Thacker	August 16

It's not too late to be a part of our 2025 Christmas Cantata!



WBC Music Ministry



I learned a new word this past Sunday that I had not heard, or had never REALLY heard in church and it is "SHEMA". "Shema Yisrael (Shema Israel or Sh'ma Yisrael); is a Jewish prayer (known as the Shema) that serves as a centerpiece of the morning and evening prayers in a practicing Jewish family. Its first verse encapsulates the essence of Judaism. "Hear, O Israel: YHWH our God, YHWH is one, found in Deuteronomy 6:4.

The term Shema is used by extension to refer to the whole part of the daily prayers that commences with Shema Yisrael and comprises Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 11:13-21 and Numbers 15:37-41.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 ⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.^[a] ⁵Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

How often in our daily lives do we talk about the commandments that God gave Israel to our children, to our neighbors, to our friends? In doing some research, the Shema Yisrael is how parents kiss their children and tuck them in for the night. This is the last thing they say and have their children say with them.

This is the foundation of Judaism and of Christianity.


When Jesus was speaking with the Jewish leaders and was asked about the LAW, He spoke and said the first law is to "Love your God with all your soul and all your strength" (quoting the Shema) and the second was to "Love your neighbor as yourself."

What a better world we would live in if we were all doing this.

Peace, love & joy, Donna

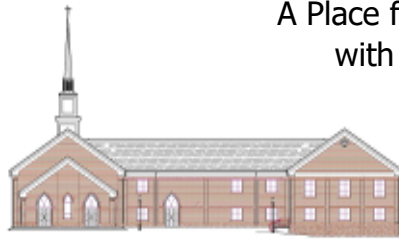
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
B = Birthday A = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247				1 B - Angie Brady B - Greg Hutchinson B - Matt Meade	2 A - Jamie & Stacy Hopkins
3 8:30am - Deacons' mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church - Holy Communion 12nn - Children's Team Mtg. B - Caroline Wilson	4 Piecemakers, 9:30am	5 B - Maci Cantrell B - Morgan Meade A - Jake & Caroline Jesse A - Chuck & Lulia Maine	6 6pm - POTLUCK Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice Norton City Schools Start	7 Wise County Schools Start B - Abbie Crutchfield	8 A - Matt & Stephanie Collins	9 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Lotta Stewart
10 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church - Deacon Suggestions B - Ben Duncan B - Macie Conway B - Lewey Lee	11 Caring Friends, 9:30am A - Johnny & Renee Robinson	12 B - Tim Cox	13 6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice A - Lewey & Brenda lee	14 A - Ron & Kathy Helton	15 B - Cub Mullins	16 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Ann Culbertson A - John & ToniThacker
17 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church DEACON ORDINATION B - John Ponish	18 Piecemakers, 9:30am B - Kim Hodges	19 B - Rose Kennedy	20 6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice B - Teresa Adkins B - Cindy Elkins B - Holden Osborne	21 Laurels Ministry 1:30pm B - Suzanne Baird B - Cindy Farmer B - Sutton Polly A - Scott & Beth Snodgrass	22 B - Alex Hall	23 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Jeff Sturgill
24 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church RETIREMENT MEAL for PASTOR MIKE B - Jerry Baird	25 Caring Friends, 9:30am B - Linda Bailey B - Brenda Lee	26	27 6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - ANNUAL CHURCH BUSINESS MTG. 7:30pm - Choir Practice B - Megan Moody B - Lisa Blankenbecler	28	29	30 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall
31 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church	Sept. 1 	Sept. 2	Sept. 3 6pm - POTLUCK Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice	Sept. 4	Sept. 5	Sept. 6 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	8/3 - 8/9	Jeff Elkins, Ron Helton
	8/10 - 8/16	Debbie Collins, Lewey Lee
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	August	John Mark & Isabella Adrian
	September	David & Sandy Mullins
Children's Message	August 10	Holly Meade, Ava Mullins
	August 17	Susie & Chad Blanton
Offering Ushers	August	Jeff Dotson Team
Tellers	August	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth
Wed. Night Meals	8/6	POTLUCK Meal
	8/13	Chicken Tenders, Potatoes, Salad
Wed. Cook Teams	8/6	Diane Cornett + volunteers for set up & clean up
	8/13	Teresa's Team: Linda Burgess, Susan Smith, Toni Thacker, Terry Winters



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 <i>(will resume in the fall)</i>	7:45 pm
Thursday	Laurels Ministry (3rd)	1:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Bible Study <i>(will resume in the fall)</i>	7 - 8 am

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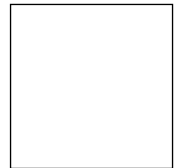
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Thought for the Week:

*Trust God to supply
all your needs.*