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Donna Hutchinson Music Director

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

May 6, 2025

Dear Church Family & Friends.

Thank you for your kind birthday wishes that came in many forms! Cards, gifts, hugs, a very special song from the choir and the birthday event after church Sunday! I am truly blessed to serve as your pastor!

Several people asked me this guestion on Easter Sunday. "Jesus said he would be raised from the dead three days after His death. Then why was it actually only a day and half [Friday night to Sunday morning]?"

That's a contradiction to us, right? But Biblical writers did not mean three days as literal, twenty-four hour days. To them, Friday was day one. Saturday was day two. Sunday was day three.

What often seems like contradictions simply means that Biblical authors thought and wrote differently than us. Why? Thousands of years have passed since the New Testament and Hebrew Bible were written.

Most Bible misinterpretations, in my opinion, come from failure to learn what it meant to the original hearers. If you do learn it, you can find the basic principle, which is always true. Then you can apply it.

The Bible is always true, but you must find the principle. Be a student of the Bible. A good study Bible will help.

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness." (II Timothy 3:16)

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 † Watch Care

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Fellowship Meal Wed, May 7, 6pm

Bible Study Wed, May 7, 7pm

Choir Practice Wed, May 7, 7:30pm

Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall Sat, May 10 7-8am

Graduate Recognition Sundav May 18, 11am

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DEACONS 2024 - 2025

393-3875
393-5700
393-6145
870-2227
393-5370
393-9177
870-0005
870-0590

Deacon Emeritus: **Bob Adkins**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduate Recognition Sunday

May 18 11:00 am





Immediate need: sorters & pricers

Will need workers on June 6 & 7

Donations may be made on Sundays, right after worship at the Rock or contact Donna or Teresa.

*Please do not leave donations on the porch.



This Week's Scripture

2 Timothy 3:16

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness"

As you pray, please remember...

Grace Allio, Friends & Family of Ray Jones, Family of Raymond Dale, Brenda Lee, Lloyd & Carlie & Annie Tomlinson, Kathy Helton, Sandy & David Mullins, Jim Sturgill,



Mike Strouth's sister Pat, Clyde Vance, Family of Frank Sexton, Billie Harris, 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 & Family, Jane Hughes & Family, Matt Meade, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Mike Smith's sister Lynn, 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

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

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY...



to be thinking about the 2025 Brown Bag Ministry! WBC has been asked to pack 60 - 70 boxes to be delivered on <u>one Monday</u> (**JULY 21**). Please use the Communication Card in your bulletin to indicate your availability to help with this ministry this summer!

<u>Thank you</u> to Debbie Collins & Billie Harris for coordinating Brown Bag this year!

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

Nappy Birthday!

Lin Allio

May 6 May 7 May 8 May 9 May 10 May 12 Stacy Hopkins Susie Clasby **Rachel Helton**

Sarah Helton Rudolfo Yanez **Rosemarie Boyle** Susan Aker Joe Powers

Jack Tolbert

Pastor Mike's Surprise (or was it?) Birtholay Party!



Many thanks to Donna, the choir & everyone who helped make this a special birthday for Mike! ~ Terry

WBC Music Ministry

Yesterday, Mike's birthday celebration got me to thinking about age and what all I have experienced in my life as a "baby boomer" and how much things have changed since I was in my tweens. I experienced the first men in space, the vast popularity of "rock" music with the Beatles, Elvis Presley, then my favorite, The Moody Blues; automatic transmission cars, gasoline priced below \$.50 per gallon, playing outside all day with my friends and not having to be home until the street light came on, the first computers, and my list could go on and on.

Are these good things? Are our lives easier than our parents' lives or harder? I know that my parents both worked hard in their jobs, but also at home. Butch and I both worked hard, but we also played hard. We travelled, saw things that my parents had only seen in photographs. Was my life any better for those things? Maybe, maybe not.

I know that I have become dependent on my cell phone. I no longer know anyone's phone number and my brain used to be filled with those phone numbers. I use the calculator on my phone for most calculations beyond simple addition and subtraction. I used to do lots and lots of work on my computer and now, I use my phone. The voice texting is amazing! If I don't know information right off the bat, I can "Google" it in a matter of seconds. Social media (Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, etc.) has caused younger generations to have fewer social skills, a skewed view of the world and other issues that are just now coming to light. But, the Bible does warn us about some of these things in Romans 2.

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is-His good, pleasing and perfect will." - Romans 12:2

Let's grab hold of God in a way that will transform us all and not let our "world" rule our responses.

Love to you all, Donna



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			J B - Brie Trick B - Mike Winters A - Lloyd & Carlie Tomlir	2 son B - Roger Viers	3 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall
4 8:30am - Deacons' Mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Mess - Communion B - Lavont Calvert	5 Piecemakers, 9:30am	6 B - Stacy Hopkins	7 <u>6pm</u> - POTLUCK Me <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:30pm</u> - Choir Pract B - Lin Allio		9 B - Rosemarie Boyle	10 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Susan Aker
I I MOTHER'S DAY 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church - BABY DEDICATIO	D - IOE FOWERS	I 3 B - Dalton Hopkins	14 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Me <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:30pm</u> - Choir Pract		16 B - Virginia Ebert	17 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Celeste Smith
18 GRADUATE RECOGNITON SUNDAY 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church	19 _{Piecemakers,} 9:30am	20	2 I <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship M <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:30pm</u> - Choir Prac	22 eal	23	24 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall B - Grace Allio
B - John Bridges 25 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church	B - Khaleesi Criswell 26 MEMORIAL DAY Caring Friends, 9:30am	A - Chad & Susie Blanton	A - Josh & Virginia Ebe 28 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Me <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:30pm</u> - Choir Pract	rt B - Ron Stephens 29 eal	B - John Thacker	B - Sarah Means 31 7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall A - Jim & Sherry Collie
	B - Dr. Chuck Maine	B - Jorge Hersel	B - Susan Pharoan	B - Angel Cox	B - Josh Owens A - Bob & Teresa Adk A - Josh & Britney Edr	kins

Volunteers this Week			
Deacons On Call	5/4 - 5/10	David Mullins, Stan Kunigelis	
	5/11 - 5/17	Lewey Lee, David Mullins	
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass	F
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith	
Sunday School Greeters	May	David & Sandy Mullins	1
Children's Church	5/11	Lisa Blankenbeder, Betty Dotson	1
	5/18	Holly Meade, Ava Mullins	Sı
Offering Ushers	May	Ron Helton Team	1
	June	Jeff Dotson Team	Mo
Tellers	May June	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson Martha Blackburn, Jessica Crutchfield	w
Wed. Night Meals	5/7 5/14	POTLUCK Meal Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Tater Tots	Tł
Wed. Night Cook Teams	5/7 5/14	<u>Volunteers</u> : set up, clean up <u>Teresa's Team</u> : Linda Burgess, Susan Smith, Toni Thacker, Ann Wade, Terry Winters	Sa
SI	OK	18	

A Place for Faith and Fellowship with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School Worship	10:00 am 11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Bible Study Choir Practice	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 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:

Be a student of the Bible.