

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family & Friends,

Do you remember when the worst of Covid was over? Everyone had “cabin fever”. Needed to get out, to go anywhere as long as it was out and about.

In Australia, the Qantas Airline capitalized on this idea. They offered a mystery flight to “anywhere”. It filled up almost immediately. It was their most popular flight.

People boarded the plane with anticipation. They took off. The flight lasted seven hours. Where did they go? They circled Australia for seven hours and landed right where they started.

Ever feel that way? Many do across our land. Going anywhere, but no place in particular. This is not a new issue. It has been with us since Adam and Eve.

The Bible has a clear answer to that issue. The first Christians were called people “who belonged to the Way” (Acts 9:2). There is a way in and through life. A life that matters and makes a difference. Now and forever.

It is no accident that Jesus says, “I am the Way...” (John 14:6). The way is about a Person and following Him.

Have you found and are you following the Way?

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. Fellowship Meal
Wed, Nov. 13, 6:00pm

Choir Practice
Wed, Nov. 13, 7:30pm

Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
Sun, Nov. 17, 6:30pm

No Activities
Wed, Nov. 27

Advent begins!
Sun, Dec. 1, 11:00am

Town Tree Lighting
Mon, Dec. 2, 6:00pm
(WBC Handbells will be playing)

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DEACONS 2024 - 2025

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|----------------|----------|
| 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

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

Now through Mar. 31, 2025

Last year, we read the Bible through. This year, we are diving 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...



Jamie Hopkins, Hallie Chinault, Ray Jones, Donna Raines, Phil Henry, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), Jim Sturgill, Natalie Luther, Billie Harris, Bella Sisson, Paula Dobis & Family, Vicki Stephens, Lala Baylor & Family, Robert Price & Family, Brandon Winters, Rachel Weller & Family, Rick Meade, those affected by Hurricane Helene & Hurricane Milton, Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Karen Ponish & Family, Wanda Baird, Donna Hutchinson & Family, Jane Hughes & Family, Matt Meade, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Brenda Lee, 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).



Eight of our college students

Had a great time learning glass etching with Stan Kunigelis on Sunday afternoon!

Many thanks to Stan & his 2 assistants (Brenda & Ruby), and thank you to John Ponish's Sunday School class for providing lunch!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

...every Sunday, during worship!



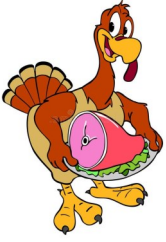
Scripture for the Week: *John 14:5-6*

“Lord,” Thomas said, “we don’t know where You’re going. How can we know the way?” Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”



Now showing in Norton!
Directed by Dallas Jenkins
of “The Chosen”

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



Happy Birthday!

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| November 12 | Peter Jung Yun |
| November 16 | Luke Collie |
| November 18 | Gwyn Carlton |
| November 20 | Caitlin Rousseau |
| November 21 | Dwight Jones |
| November 22 | Daniel Ray |
| November 23 | Dan Helton |



What a great photo
of Wise Baptist!
Thank you to Ron
Helton!



*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*



The holiday season is quickly approaching. I have been busy with getting our cantata together and it has been a whirlwind, but it has been a good one. I am so in love with the songs from the cantata that I find myself waking in the morning singing one of them. One particular song has me filled with wonder and awe. It is called "Who Would Have Dreamed" and the words are:

*On a starlit hillside, shepherds watched their sheep;
Slowly David's city drifted off to sleep. But to this little town of no
great renown, the Lord had a promise to keep.*

*Prophets had foretold it a mighty King would come.
Long awaited Ruler, God's Anointed One.*

*But the Sovereign of all looked helpless and small as God gave the
world His own Son. And who would have dreamed or ever
foreseen that we could hold God in our hands? The Giver of Life is
born in the night, revealing God's glorious plan...TO SAVE THE
WORLD!*

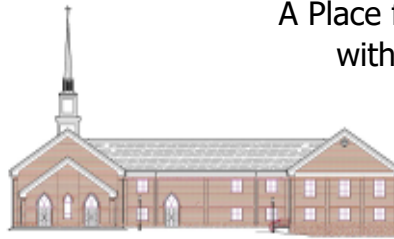
Isn't that amazing to think about? While Jesus was a baby, I'm sure many aunts, uncles, cousins and even neighbors were able to hold God! They were holding God! Did they know that something was special about Him even when He was a tiny babe?

The story of His birth is in and of itself a miracle. A young girl with no life experience, but faithfulness to God, was chosen to be the Mother of God. The man who was supposed to become her husband, but knew he hadn't fathered a child, went ahead and married her and just as they were at the end of her maternity, they had to travel to Bethlehem because that's where his family was from. There was no other reason for Jesus to have been born there except that is what the prophets from many years back had written....the Savior would come from Bethlehem. The story is so strange and convoluted that it had to be God's hands to have all fallen into place.

While the Christmas season is in full swing, keep Jesus first in your heart and mind to get the very most out of the season.

Joy, peace & love, Donna

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



Volunteers this Week

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| Deacons On Call | 11/10 - 11/16 | Matt Meade, Ruby Salyers |
| | 11/17 - 11/23 | Ron Helton, Stan Kunigelis |
| Building Stewards | | Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass |
| Instrumentalists | | Susan Mullins, Susan Smith |
| Sunday School Greeters | November | David & Sandy Mullins |
| | December | Ashlee Taylor |
| Children's Church | 11/17 | Martha Blackburn, Abbey Lancaster |
| Children's Message | 11/24 | Terry Winters |
| Offering Ushers | November | Ron Helton Team |
| | December | Jeff Dotson Team |
| Tellers | November | Don Newlon, Oscar Raile |
| | December | Matt Meade, Mike Strouth |
| Wed. Night Meals | 11/13 | Chicken Tenders, Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad |
| | 11/20 | Soups, Sandwiches, Salad |
| Wed. Night Cook Teams | 11/13 | <u>Teresa's Team</u> : Linda Burgess, Susan Smith, Toni Thacker, Ann Wade, Terry Winters |
| | 11/20 | <u>Donna's Team</u> : Debbie Collins, Trish Folds-Bennett, Susan Mullins, Karen Ponish |



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

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| Sunday | Sunday School | 10:00 am |
| | Worship | 11:00 am |
| | Christmas Cantata Rehearsal | 6:30 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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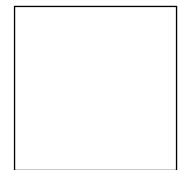
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Thought for the Week:

*The way through life is a path
and a Person.*