

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Donna Hutchinson, Music Director
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October 8, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. Fellowship Meal
Wed, Oct. 9

Christmas Cantata
Rehearsal
Sun, Oct. 13, 6:30pm

Camp Bethel Workday
Sat, Oct. 19
8am-4pm

Old Fashioned Day
Sun, Oct. 20

125th Church
Anniversary Celebration
Sun, October 27

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DEACONS 2024 - 2025

Jeff Cantrell	275-9427
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,

Why doesn't the Bible just get right to the point? Wouldn't that speed up the learning process?

That's not how Jesus usually taught. For good reason. After all, He was (is) the Master Teacher. He taught through stories, illustrations, figures of speech and parables.

Jesus was not interested in just passing on information. He was interested in transformation. Changed hearts and lives.

That kind of learning takes time. A deep look in the mirror. It means to ask the hard questions. What cause, bigger than myself, do I give myself to? Where do I get hope when the world does not give it? How do I keep going when life is hard? How can I exhibit joy that does not depend solely on what happens to me? How can I make the world a better place?

Answers to those questions take time. But those answers can change our lives. Forever.

Jesus "taught them many things by parables". (Mark 4:2)

Love, Pastor Mike

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

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

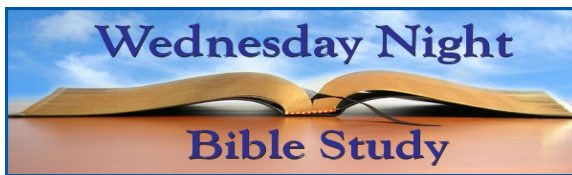
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CAMP BETHEL WORKDAY OCTOBER 19



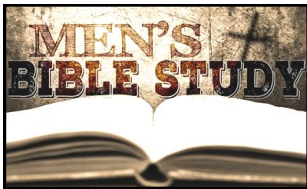
You are invited to participate in a workday at Camp Bethel on Sat, October 19! This will be a roofing only day, but we do need workers on the ground to help with clean up!

Join us for great fellowship anytime that day from 8am - 4pm.



...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.



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

our next Bible Study is October 12.

**Oct. 12, Fellowship Hall
7 - 8 am**

Laurels Ministry

Thursday, October 17

1:30pm

*Meet at the Laurels

As you pray, please remember...



Those affected by Hurricane Helene, Ray Jones, Jim & June Dotson, Jim Sturgill, Carlie Tomlinson, Cyrus Jones, Karen Ponish & Family, Natalie Luther, Vicki Stephens, Wanda Baird, Donna Hutchinson & Family, Jane Hughes & Family, Matt Meade, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), John & Kathy Kennedy, Rev. Michael Weller, 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).

Church Trivia...

How well do you know Wise Baptist?

- ✂ *When was the cornerstone laid for our present building?*
- ✂ *What was the first service held in our current building?*
- ✂ *Who ate the most corn on our mission trip to Gautier, Mississippi ?*
- ✂ *Which WBC member was also a chancellor at the college?*
- ✂ *Who were the main 2 "supervisors" who were on site every day during the construction of our present building?*

***ANSWERS on p. 3**

125th Anniversary

***OCTOBER 27!**



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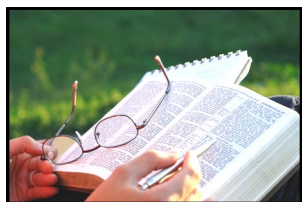


Hearing Assist Devices

Available for Worship

We now have new Hearing Assist Devices available for anyone that has need - everyone will be able to have their own unit. If you would like to use a Hearing Assist Device during worship, just come to the sound booth before worship.

Kind Regards, David Mullins



Scripture for the Week:

Mark 4:1-2

“Again He began to teach by the sea, and a very large crowd gathered around Him. So He got into a boat on the sea and sat down, while the whole crowd was on the shore facing the sea. He taught them many things in parables...”

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.

Old Fashioned Day

October 20



Wise Baptist Church was organized 125 years ago, so on October 20, men, don your suspenders, bowler hats & Norfolk jackets! Women, show off your leg-o-mutton sleeves, long skirts & straw boater hats!

We're going to...

DRESS LIKE IT'S 1899!

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.

ANSWERS to Church Trivia Questions on p. 2...

- 1) 2003
- 2) Christmas Cantata 2004
- 3) Jim Collie! (He stole Elora's ear of corn to beat Josh Prior)
- 4) Papa Joe Smiddy
- 5) Roy Dixon & Harold Witt



BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



Happy Birthday!

October 12	Adrianna Aker Chelsea Polly
October 14	Margie Horton
October 17	Randy Miller
October 18	Edna Hedden
October 19	Mike Osborne

Happy Anniversary!

October 11	Cliff & Regina Carson
October 14	Bill & Erra Sutherland
October 15	Billy & Teresa Glines Brian & Elizabeth Wills



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



What an exciting, but probably terrifying time to have been alive when Jesus came into this world. A young mother, a new father, just trying to make sure their child is welcomed into this world when they have nothing! They weren't firmly entrenched at their home, they were in another town because their were FORCED to go when Mary was just weeks from giving birth. Then, when they get to this new place, they can't find anywhere to stay that is comfortable....they end up in some barn with livestock! You know it had to be smelly and damp and not really a place that someone wants to birth their newborn baby.

Mary didn't even have her mom or cousin or other "knowing" female around her to guide and comfort her and tell her she was doing a good job. It was just her and Joseph and some cows, sheep, goats or donkeys there to welcome the Son of God into this world. But, things were happening that she knew nothing about....angels were spreading the word to others.

Another song in our cantata is "You're Still Lord" . The words are:

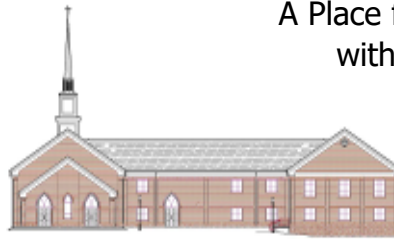
"Behold the Child, lying in a manger, The Word of God, long awaited Savior; The King in all His glory, come to seek and save, Redeemer wrapped in swaddling clothes, worthy of our praise. We lift the name of Jesus, we bow before Your throne. Yesterday, today, forever more;"

I'm sure it was a scary, but glorious time for the new parents when they are holding their new baby in this new town when shepherds, began arriving to worship their little baby and then spreading the word to others that they met. But, they knew that this baby was God's son and that others would also worship Him. They knew He was sent to earth to become our Savior.

During this Christmas season, which is about to be taken over by the shopping, wrapping and gifting season, let's keep Jesus and His entry into this world in the forefront of our minds, that Jesus is still Lord and Savior of the world and He deserves our worship.

Joy, peace & love, Donna

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	10/6 - 10/12	Ruby Salyers, Jeff Elkins
	10/13 - 10/19	Stan Kunigelis, Debbie Collins
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	October	Matt Meade
Children's Church	10/13	Cyndi & Don Newlon
	10/20	Holly Meade, Ava Mullins
Offering Ushers	October	Jeff Dotson Team
	November	Ron Helton Team
Tellers	October	Jessica Crutchfield, Mike Strouth
	November	Don Newlon, Oscar Raile
Wed. Night Meals	10/9	Soup Beans, Cornbread, Kraut with wieners
	10/16	Chicken Casserole, Roasted Veggies, Mac-n-Cheese, Salad
Wed. Night Cook Teams	10/9	<u>Teresa's Team</u> : Linda Burgess, Susan Smith, Toni Thacker, Ann Wade, Terry Winters
	10/16	<u>Donna's Team</u> : Debbie Collins, Trish Folds-Bennett, Susan Mullins, Karen Ponish



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 pm
	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

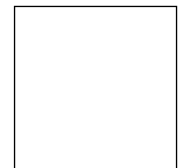
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Thought for the Week:

*Hearing Jesus means
obeying Jesus.*