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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 15, 2013

Important Dates:

Wed, January 16th

6:00 pm—Dinner

6:45 pm—Bible Study
for All Ages

7:50 pm—Sanctuary
Choir Rehearsal

Mon, January 21st

3:45 pm—Children's
Choirs Rehearse

7:00 pm—Martin Luther
King, Jr Remembrance
(Sanctuary)

Mon, February 4th

11:00 am—Serving
Lunch to College
Students

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*Our heartfelt
prayers and deepest
sympathies are
extended to Clyde
Vance in the death
of his sister, Norma
Jean Pennell, on
January 1st and to
Becky Curtis in the
death of her
mother, Merle
Mullins, on
January 9th.*



Dear church family,

Something important separates human beings from all of the rest of God's creation. Part of this separateness is about **pauses**. When animals are faced with a situation, they react. There is no pause

between the circumstance and the response. It is automatic. It is reflex.

Human beings are different. We have the ability to pause between the event or circumstance and our response to it. The power and potential in that pause is immeasurable. Instead of an unthinking, blind, automatic reaction, the pause allows for prayer, discernment, thought, and reflection before acting.

When there is no pause, the possibility for sin, bad decisions, and damaged relationships increases dramatically. The longer the pause, there is a greater possibility for faith to be expressed and good decisions to be made.

The capacity for this pause is part of what it means when the Bible says we are made in the image of God. We can meet and respond to God in the pause. Pauses create room for God.

My prayer is for each of you to have longer pauses in which we can hear from God and keep our bearings. Jesus was intentional about His pauses. In Mark 1:35 we learn this about Jesus. "A great while before day, he went to a lonely place and there He prayed."

Loving God and you in the pause,
Pastor Mike



Wednesday Evening Dinner and Bible Study

On **January 16th**, we will return to our normal Wednesday evening dinner and Bible study schedule. There are Bible study classes for all ages! The children are currently engaged in discovering God's tremendous love and the amazing promises He has given them through Summit Seekers. Adults will meet with Pastor Mike to study "The Greatest Week in History: Luke's Account of the Passion Week". Books for this study are available.

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Membership Class

The next Membership Class will be held on Sunday, January 20th beginning at 2:00 pm. If you are interested in exploring membership at Wise Baptist Church, contact the church office (328.6247 or wisebaptist@verizon.net) to reserve your place in the class.



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Remembrance

Monday, January 21st

5:30pm—Free dinner at First Church of God in Wise

6:30pm—Candlelight procession from First Church of God to Wise Baptist Church

7:00pm—Commemorative service including speakers and music in the Sanctuary of Wise Baptist Church



Lunch for College Students

Wise Baptist Church will provide lunch in support of the Collegiate Ministry at UVA-Wise on Monday, February 4th. The meal will be served between 11 am and 1 pm at the BCM building. If you can help by preparing food and/or serving on that day, please contact Donna Hutchinson (donna.hutchinson@usa.net or 393.5004).



Conversations with the Pastor

Conversations with the Pastor will begin again soon! These gatherings are held at the home of Pastor Mike and Terry Winters. Groups of 10—12 are invited to attend each time. Everyone is invited to participate. If you have not yet had the opportunity join in one of these gatherings, please contact the church office (328.6247).



Family Crisis Support Services Needs

The next time you make a trip to Wal-mart or K-Mart, please purchase an extra bottle of dishwashing soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, feminine hygiene products, shampoo, cleaning product, or detergent. Over the past six to eight months, the three homeless shelters have operated at 90 to 100% capacity. This has seriously diminished the supplies that are on hand. All donations can be placed in the designated boxes in the church.

GOOD NEWS



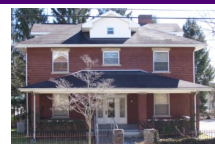
Congratulations to Conan and Christy Sherlin on the birth of their daughter, Adeline (Ada) Joy, on Thursday, January 10th. Ada weighed 8.3 lbs at birth. She has a big sister, Evie Grace.

Congratulations to Courtney Sturgill who was crowned Miss Virginia Association of Fairs on Sunday, January 6th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Getting To Know Your Church:



Building and Facilities Management Committee

The Building and Facilities Management Committee is responsible for the care and maintenance of all Church property, including the building, grounds, vehicles, equipment and furnishings. They also set priorities and schedules for major repairs and upkeep. Everyone can help this committee by volunteering to take on needed projects (see the list of projects on the bulletin board at the middle entrance to the church) and/or alerting committee members to items that need attention. The members of this committee are: Jerry Baird (chairperson—pictured at left), Jeff Elkins, John Hedden, Ron Helton, Matt Meade, David Mullins, Mike Osborne, John Ponish, Gary Smith, and Beverly Viers.



"A Time to Dance"



Mike and Terry Winters will lead a 10-week marriage enrichment Bible study (using Kevin Leman's "Becoming a Couple of Promise") which will also include introductory ballroom dancing lessons. The study will be held on **Sunday nights from 6 – 8 pm beginning February 17th** in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to sign-up for the class, please contact the church office (328.6247 or wisebaptist@verizon.net). ***If you signed up for the class held in the fall but were unable to attend, please confirm with the church office that you would like to attend the upcoming class.***



From Leigh

Have you ever considered being a part of the music ministry at Wise Baptist Church? There are a lot of opportunities—adult choir, TRUTH, soloist/small ensemble, hand bells, and/or children's choir volunteer! Now would be a great time to get involved! Please see me or give me a call if you would like more information about the music ministry.

The Singing Sunbeams and The Joyful Noise choirs will meet on Monday after school at the Rock. Please join us and feel free to invite others to join us as well.

Blessings, Leigh

TRUTH will meet at 9:15 on Sunday morning.

Southwest Virginia Partnership



Our thanks to Tony and Jan Johnson, who gave a presentation about the work and needs of the Southwest Virginia Partnership during Bible Study on Wednesday, January 9th. Tony and Jan are from Lynchburg, Virginia, and have served as Virginia Baptist Venturers for the past three years. They operate out of a former nursing home facility in Nicklesville that has been adapted to accommodate 56 volunteers comfortably with a full kitchen for meal preparation by missionaries during their visit.

"The Southwest Virginia Partnership" is a cooperative venture of the Clinch Valley Baptist Association, Powell River Baptist Association, Wise Baptist Association, and the Virginia Baptist Mission Board and emphasize missions projects in Lee, Scott and Wise counties of Southwest Virginia.

Since 2010, 78 teams consisting of 1,039 missionaries have severed in the partnership. Tony and Jan match projects that are requested with volunteers and include construction, social ministry, and backyard Bible clubs.

This Sunday, January 20th, a special offering will be collected to support the efforts of the partnership. Mission committee members will be at the exits after worship to accept all donations.



Everyone can view pictures of projects by going to <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Southwest-Virginia-Partnership/130942786922697?v=wall>.

As you pray, please remember...

Pat and Fred Adkins, George Barnette, Bill Horne, Jr, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Lynell Wells, Michelle Hunter, Jeff Adkins, and Roger Williams
All of the cancer patients in our area
Our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

Jewell Bradley, Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Jeanne and Debbie Stallard, Vernoy Bolling, and Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG)

If there are other known prayer concerns and/or shut-ins, please let us know.



January 16

Beth Snodgrass
Susan Mullins

January 17

Steve Collins

January 20

Sam Wharton



January 17

Ray & Carolyn Jones

January 18

Jeff & Eileen Cantrell

WINTER RETREAT



We are going to Winterplace in WV, Feb. 9-10, for a winter retreat and winter recreation (skiing/tubing!). A \$25 deposit is due by Wednesday, Jan. 23. Final costs will be determined by the total number of participants.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

The Adkins' will host our youth and their friends again this year at their home on Sunday, Feb. 3. We will have food, games, and giveaways...and we will watch some football, too! Great opportunity to invite your friends!

"Blessing" Sunday

Sunday, February 3rd is designated as "Blessing" Sunday. Our youth will collect and deliver hygiene items for the Family Crisis Center, i.e. shampoo, detergent, deodorant, toothpaste, etc. Please purchase an item or two and drop them in the boxes located near the elevator. Your gift will be a "blessing" to a family in need. Thank you.

Congratulations

Kristen Osborne and **Rachel Porchie** were named to the 2013 Senior High PACE Band and performed in their concert this past Saturday.

Rachel Porchie was selected to participate in the Virginia Tech Honor Band Clinic on January 25th—27th.

VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Deacons On Call	1/13-1/19	Jerry Baird; Gary Smith
	1/20-1/26	Edgar Owens; Gil Blackburn
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Jason Mullins, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, and Wendy Adrian
SS Greeters	1/20	Lewey & Brenda Lee
	1/27	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
Nursery	1/20	Jeff & Lee Ann Adkins; Anthony & Heather Wilson
	1/27	Pat Adkins; Pam Collie; Kathy Osborne; Kim Coomer
Children's Church	1/20	Tracy Wills
	1/27	Beth Snodgrass
PA	1/20	Oscar Raile
	1/27	Mike Strouth
Tellers	Jan	Kim Coomer and Kathy Helton
Ushers	1/20	Ron Helton*, Mark Clark, Jeff Adkins, Jeff Cantrell, John Ponish, Scott Snodgrass, and Dan Helton
	1/27	Beau Chisenhall* and Senior Youth *Offertory Prayer
Serving Team	1/16	Beverly V., Sandy M., Erra S., Sherry C., and Brenda K.
	1/23	Kim C., Kathy H., Martha B., and Donna H.
Menu	1/16	Grilled Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Rolls, and Salad
	1/23	Ribs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Rolls, and Salad (Children's Menu: PB & J Sandwiches)

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
	TRUTH	7:45 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd, 4th, & 5th)	9:00 am
	Children's Choirs	3:45 pm
Wednesday	Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bible Study (All Ages)	6:45 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women On Mission (2nd)	Noon

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NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY STARTS THIS WEEK!

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Thought For The Week:

"Teacher, what is the most important commandment in the Law?" Jesus answered: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. This is the first and most important commandment. The second most important commandment is like this one. And it is, Love others as much as you love yourself.' All the Law of Moses and the Books of the Prophets are based on these two commandments." ~ Matthew 22:36-40 (CEV)