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Dr. Ray Jones, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

## WISE BAPTIST NEWS

#### A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF **WISE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**April 2, 2024** 



## Dear Church Family & Friends.

The ocean can be experienced in two ways. One, swimming on the surface. You might see some fish and plant life. Second, beneath the surface. Then you experience a new world, exploding with life and color!

Bible reading can be like that. Surface. You see some things. But below the surface, a whole new world opens up!

God speaks most consistently through the Bible. The problem with reading God's Word is that it can make you lazy. You can avoid making the time and effort to go deeply. Because you can always go back and read it again later.

Spiritual reading happens when your Bible reading becomes part of you. Then, God can keep speaking to you long after closing your Bible.

How can this happen? Have a Bible reading plan. Read a short passage (around 12 verses). Several times. Slowly. Ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

John says in Rev. 10:10, "I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour."

Love. Pastor Mike

#### How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

official membership

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

#### IMPORTANT DATES

**Deep Dive Bible Study Begins** Mon, April 1

**POTLUCK Meal** Wed, April 3, 6pm

Bible Study Wed, April 3, 7pm

**Deacons' Meeting** Sun, April 14, 8:30am

**Holy Comunion Sun, April 14, 11am** 

**Adult Paint Party** Sun, April 21, 4pm **Fellowship Hall** 

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#### **DEACONS 2023 - 2024**

John Mark Adrian 328-5564 leff Cantrell 275-9427 **Debbie Collins** 393-3875 leff Elkins 393-5700 393-5008 Butch Hutchinson 870-2227 Stan Kunigelis Lewey Lee 393-5370 870-0005 David Mullins John Ponish 870-1593

> Deacon Emeritus: **Bob Adkins**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Last year, we read the Bible through. This year, we will dive deep, by looking closely at smaller portions of scripture beginning with Genesis and going through Revelation.

Nope you can be a part of this journey! Please sign up on the Communication Card in your Sunday bulletin or let Pastor Mike know.

April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025



Sunday

April 21 4:00pm

WBC Fellowship Hall

Adults, if you are interested in painting an ocean scape & enjoying great fellowship and lasagna, contact Donna Hutchinson by April 14 at 393-5004. Cost is \$35 & also due by April 14.

## Scripture for the Week:



### Revelation 10:9-10

"Then I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It was as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I ate it, my stomach became bitter."

### As you pray, please remember...

Vicki Stephens, Jean Aker, Pastor Mike &

Family, Mary Beth Adkins, Matt Meade, Morgan & Brandon Osborne, Grace Allio & Family, Rebecca Osborne & Family, Martha Blackburn & Family, Emmett Kidd (Karen Ponish's dad), Paula Dobis' Family, Cyrus Jones, Chelsea & Sutton Polly, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lu Ellsworth & Family, Gene Bishop, Brian Plester (brother of Brenda Kunigelis), Kathy Osborne & Family, Susan Smith & Family, Jim Sturgill, Wanda Baird, Jim Dotson, John & Kathy Kennedy, Wendy Adrian & Family, Megan (Burton) Douglas, Rev. Michael Weller, Brenda Lee, Rowyn Malott (great-niece of Teresa & Billy Glines), Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, Adele Plester (Brenda Kunigelis' sister-in-law), Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, Ray Jones & family, 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).



## Faithful in Every Season

### **Camp Bethel spring women's retreat**

Women of all ages are invited!

Begins at 4pm Friday with check-out Saturday afternoon.

Worship, hands-on activities, teaching & small group discussion with time to rest & enjoy the camp setting

Includes dinner Friday evening, brunch Saturday morning & afternoon snack

The Outpost (our camp coffee shop) is open Saturday morning to purchase specialty coffee drinks & treats.

friday & saturday May 3 - 4, 2024

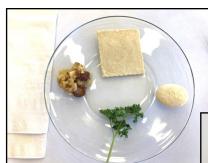
campbethel.com/spring-ladies-retreat

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Passover Seder Service - March 28, 2024

Many thanks!! to these special ladies who coordinated our Seder service this year: Sandy Mullins, Eileen Cantrell, Renee Robinson, Martha Blackburn









Seder plate with:
matzah (unleavened bread - "bread of affliction"),
horseradish ("bitter herbs") parsley (life, spring),
charoset (sweet mixture)

Four Cups of: Freedom, Deliverance, Redemption, and Thanksgiving



A few of our guests Thursday evening...



### BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

## Nappy Birthday!



April 2 Frank Bellamy

April 5 Holly Cline

April 6 Henley Greene

Don Newlon

April 7 Paul Maine

April 10 Sandy Mullins

April 11 Carol Miller

Karen Ponish

Ray Spenilla

April 12 Sunny Kennedy

April 13 Jeff Cantrell

Hollyn Mullins

Stan Kunigelis

## Happy Anniversary!

April 10 David & Sandy Mullins
April 13 Ron & Vicki Stephens

Thank you to our music director, Donna Hutchinson, our musicians Susan Mullins, Aaron Lee & Ben Bolling, and to our faithful choir members for the beautiful cantata on Easter morning!

Many thanks to Don & Cyndi Newlon for coordinating the Flowering of the Cross on Easter morning and to everyone who brought fresh flowers!

## WBC Music Ministry

I had such a great time finding, preparing and presenting the Easter Cantata RISEN yesterday. Pastor Mike referenced one of the songs, "Death Was Arrested". I want you to read some of the words to this song.

#### **Death Was Arrested**

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin;
Lost without hope and no place to begin.
Your love made a way to let mercy come in;
When death was arrested and my life began.
Ash was redeemed only beauty remains;

My orphan heart was given a name.

My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance;

When death was arrested and my life began.

O Your grace so free washes over me;

You have made me new now life begins with You!

Released from my chains I'm a prisoner no more;

My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore.

He canceled my debt and He called me His friend.

When death was arrested and my life began.

O Your grace so free washes over me;

You have made me new now life begins with You!

It's Your endless love pouring down on us;

You have made us new now life begins with You.

Joy, Peace and Love, Donna



# april 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	l Piecemakers, 9:30am DEEP DIVE Bible Study begins	2	<b>3</b> 6pm - POTLUCK 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Prac	4 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall tice	5	6
	B - Cory Farmer	B - Frank Bellamy	A - Marty & Mary Beth A	dkins	B - Holly Cline	B - Henley Greene B - Don Newlon
7 8:30am - Deacons' mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Chur - Communion  B - Alex Maine	8 Caring Friends, 9:30am	9	10  6pm - Fellowship Mo 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Prac B - Sandy Mullins A - David & Sandy Mullin	- B - Carol Miller B - Karen Ponish	I 2  B - Sunny Kennedy	B - Jeff Cantrell B - Stan Kunigelis B - Hollyn Mullins A - Ron & Vicki Stepl
4   10am - Sunday School   11am - Worship   onsite/online   - Children's Churc	15 Piecemakers, 9:30am	<u>7pr</u>	<b>I 7</b> <u>n</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>n</u> - Bible Study <u>Opm</u> - Choir Practice	18 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall 1:30am - Laurels Ministry	19	<b>20</b> Senior Ladies Tea Winters' Home 11:00am
B - Lillianah Sweeny				B - Kate Kunigelis		B - Billy Glines
2   10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Messa; Adult Paint Party 4:00pm	22 Caring Friends, 9:30am	23	24 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Mo <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:30pm</u> - Choir Prac			B - Linda Burgess
		B - Tyler Hopkins	A - Don & Cyndi Newlor	1	B - Carter Collins	B - Reuben Swindall A - Stan & Brenda Kun
28 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Chur	29 Piecemakers, 9:30am	30			If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247	B = Birthday A = Anniv.

Volunteers this Week						
Deacons On Call	3/31 - 4/6	John Mark Adrian, Jeff Cantrell				
	4/7 - 7/13	Butch Hutchinson, John Ponish				
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass				
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith				
Sunday School Greeters	April	John Mark Adrian				
	May	Matt Meade				
Children's Church	4/7	Jessica & Brandon Crutchfield				
	4/14	Cyndi & Don Newlon				
Offering Ushers	April	Jeff Dotson Team				
	May	Jerry Baird Team				
Tellers	April	Don Newlon, Oscar Raile				
	May	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth				
Wed. Night Meals	4/3	POTLUCK Meal				
	4/10	Hot Dogs w/Chili, Slaw, Baked				
		Beans, Chips				
Wed. Serving Teams:	4/3	Volunteers Needed for Set Up				
		& Clean Up				
	4/10	Teresa's Team: Linda Burgess,				
V Sheet		Eileen Cantrell, Susan Smith,				
		John Ponish				



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 7:30pm				
Thursday	Men's Bible Study Laurels Ministry (3rd)	6:30 am 1:30pm				

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### Thought for the Week:

Read the Bible so that it becomes a part of you.