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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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

April 25, 2023



Dear Church Family and Friends.

Does the book of Revelation intimidate you? The message seems scary and strange.

One key to understanding any part of the Bible is to know why and to whom Scriptures were written. Then, we can find principles that

apply today. Otherwise, you can read anything into Scripture.

The Apostle John wrote to the churches around 90 AD. He was imprisoned by the Romans because he taught churches to oppose worship of the emperor.

Persecution of believers by the Roman Empire was heating up. The believers to whom John was writing were terrified about their present and future.

Therefore, John wrote to encourage (not scare) them. Pictures of seals, trumpets, bowls and judgments repeated the main message. At the end, good wins over evil. The last two chapters about heaven reveal total and eternal victory.

Read the entire Book of Revelation in one sitting. See this larger, true story.

For now, the job is not finished. But be encouraged! We can experience some of the final victory right **now** as we trust in our Lord!

The Book of Revelation is not a puzzle to be solved about the future. It is about a life to be lived now.

"I am the Alpha and Omega", says the Lord, who is and was and is to come, the Almighty". (Rev. 1:8)

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
† 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 official membership

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. Fellowship Meal April 26, 6pm

Bible Study Wed. April 26, 7pm

Choir Practice Wed. April 26, 7:45pm

Carter Collins' Birthday Party Sat, April 29, 2-4pm

Diabetes Management Sign-Up & Screening Sun. April 30, 12-2pm

Ladies' Spring Retreat at Camp Bethel Friday & Saturday May 5-6

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DEACONS 202	22 - 2023
John Mark Adrian	328-5564
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jeff Cantrell	275-9427
Jim Collie	393-1710
Jorge Hersel	594-9077
Butch Hutchinson	393-5008
Stan Kunigelis	870-2227
David Mullins	870-0005
John Ponish	870-1593
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Deacon Emeritus: Bob Adkins

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Ladies' Spring Retreat "Gweeter Than Honey"



Women, teens and girls...join others for a refreshing and relaxing time of fun and fellowship! Enjoy worship, music, discussion, crafts, coffee, games, and a surprise activity! \*Register online: go to Programs at campbethel.com

> <u>Contact Terry Winters</u> for more information: (276-870-2712)

God's Words are sweeter "than honey dripping from the comb." ~ Psalm 19:10







We finished watching Season 3 of "The Chosen", & Season 4 is not yet available, so come out & join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday evening for a showing of "Risen"! Bring a snack & invite a friend!

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

Donnie & Courtney Jordan & family, Cheryl Henry & family, Kay Wright & family, Jim & Pam Huff, Eileen & Jeff Cantrell & family, Jean Aker, Lois Stallard, Aaron Lee, Brenda Lee, Artie Bailey,



Karen Ponish, Ruby Salyers, Gil & Martha Blackburn, Wanda Baird, Hannah Glass, family of Kelly Hammond (Beth Snodgrass' niece), Graham Hawes, Glenna Ruth Horne, Jeff Carty, Rachel Helton, Pat Boggs, Rowyn Renee Adkins (great-niece of Teresa & Billy Glines), Irene Humphries, John & Kathy Kennedy, Clyde Vance & family, David Dykes, Gigi & Scott Pippin, Harold Stallard, Paula Coffey, Butch Hutchinson, Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, Adele Plester (Brenda Kunigelis' sister-in-law), Roger Viers, Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Cooper Carlson, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, Phyllis Hatcher, 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) -Lakeland, FL, Jeanne Stallard

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



# Scripture for the Week: Revelation 1:8

" 'I am the Alpha and the Omega,' says the Lord God, 'the One who is, who was, and who is coming, the Almighty.'"



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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### STEWARDSHIP—Managing God-Given Resources for God's Work

Stewardship at Wise Baptist Church is utilizing and managing all resources that God provides to us, for the glory of God and the betterment of His creation. We, as Christian stewards, are not only responsible for the financial blessings provided by God, but also the spiritual gifts that are given to us through the Holy Spirit.

God wants us to be His stewards in His work at Wise Baptist Church. Thank you for your giving attitude, for yielding to God, and for expressing your love and gratitude for God ... all

through your stewardship.

\* For those who cannot physically attend Sunday morning worship services in the sanctuary, your tithes and offerings may still be mailed to <u>Wise Baptist Church,</u> <u>PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293,</u> or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.



# Diabetes Management Opportunity

Do you or someone you know have Type 2 Diabetes? Or have you been told you are borderline? Do you have a family history of Type 2 Diabetes? Are you interested in learning more about self-management?

University of KY "Faith Moves Mountains" diabetes study will be doing sign-ups for their project at Wise Baptist Church on SUNDAY, APRIL 30 from 12noon - 2pm.

The project will provide individual health coaching & group classes. The project is FREE & participants will be compensated.



\*For more information, call 606-634-8199



NHC Healthcare, Room 134 3209 Bristol Highway Johnson City, TN 37601

Visitation Hours: anytime



# Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions <u>April 2 - 30</u>

\*You can find special envelopes in the pew racks.



# **MUSIC, YOUTH, CHILDREN**



May

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Nappy Birthday!

	April 26	Carter Collins
	April 27	Linda Burgess
-		Reuben Swindall
	May 1	Brie Trick
		Mike Winters
	May 2	Ron Stephens
		Roger Viers
4	LaVont Calv	vert
6	Stacy Hopk	kins the
		Mr. Company

# Happy Anniversary!

April 24	Don & Cyndi Newlon
April 27	Stan & Brenda Kunigelis
May 5	Lloyd & Carlie Tomlinson



Each week...

Youth Leaders...

276-337-4997

<u>Sun.</u> – 7pm, Youth Gathering Youth Building

Lloyd & Carlie Tomlinson



JOY is a feeling that fills you up with a lightness of being, like a warm embrace on a chilly day. It is a feeling that can come from the simplest of things, like the laughter of a child or the sight of a blooming flower.

One day, Sarah woke up feeling particularly happy. She didn't know why, but she felt an overwhelming sense of joy that she couldn't shake off. As she walked outside, the sun shone down on her face and a gentle breeze blew through her hair. She felt alive, free, and happy.

As she walked down the street, she saw people rushing to work or school, some with a frown on their faces, while others looked lost in thought. But Sarah didn't let their mood affect her. Instead, she smiled at everyone she passed, spreading her joy to those around her.

She stopped at a café and ordered her favorite drink. As she sipped on her coffee, she noticed a group of friends laughing and chatting in the corner. Their laughter was infectious, and Sarah couldn't help but join in. They welcomed her with open arms, and she felt like she had found a new family.

That day, Sarah realized that joy is not just a feeling, but a state of mind. It is a CHOICE that you make every day, to see the good in everything, to appreciate the little things, and to spread positivity wherever you go. And as she walked away from the café, still smiling, she knew that she had found true happiness.

In 1 Peter 1:8-9 it says: "Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls."

God gives you a reason for JOY, but you must CHOOSE to feel it, to allow it to encompass all that you say and do. Let your faith shine with joy in your heart this week.

### **PHOTOS**

















Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Piecemakers, 9:30am	2	3	<b>4</b> 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall	5	6
	B. Brie Trick B. Mike Winters	2	<u>pm</u> - POTLUCK Meal 7 <u>pm</u> - Adult Bible Stu Youth meet 7:45pm - Choir Practio	dy,	A. Lloyd & Carlie Tom	B. Stacy Hopkins linson
7 8:30am - Deacons' Mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online	8 Caring Friends, 9:30am	<u>6</u>	<b>10</b> <u>pm</u> - Fellowship Mea <u>pm</u> - Adult Bible Stud Youth meet		12	13
- Holy Communion - Children's Church 6pm - Youth B. LinAllio	B. Susie Clasby B. Rachel Helton B. Sarah Helton B. Rudolfo Yanez	<u>7</u> B. Rosemarie Boyle	<u>:45pm</u> - Choir Practic B. Susan Duncan	e	B. Joe Powers B. Jack Tolbert	B. Dalton Hopkins
14 Sunday School I am - Sunday School I am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church 6pm - Youth	15 Piecemakers, 9:30am	<u>7pm</u> -	17 Fellowship Meal Adult Bible Study, Youth meet <u>n</u> - Choir Practice B. Celeste Smith	18 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall <i>Laurels</i> <i>Ministry</i> 1:30pm B. John Bridges	19 / B. Khaleesi Criswell	20
21 I0am - Sunday School I1am - Worship onsite/online - Graduate Recogniton - Children's Church 6pm - Youth	<ul> <li>22 Caring Friends, 9:30am</li> <li>B. Courtney Makris</li> <li>B. Christina Meade</li> <li>B. Jordan Owens</li> </ul>	23 B. John Thacker	24 <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Me <u>7pm</u> - Adult Bible Str Youth meet <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Pract B. Grace Allio B. Sarah Means	udy,	26 B. Charles Maine	27 B. Jorge Hersel B. Jeremiah Johnson
28 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church 6pm - Youth	29 Piecemakers, 9:30am	30	<b>3 I</b> <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship M <u>7pm</u> - Adult Bible St Youth meet <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Prac	udy,	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247	B = Birthday A = Anniv.
B. Susan Pharoan	B. Angel Cox	B. Josh Owens A. Bob & Teresa Adkins	A. Jim & Sherry Collie			

#### **Volunteers this Week**

Deacons On Call:	4/23 - 4/29	Jeff Cantrell, Butch Hutchinson	
	4/30 - 5/6	Jim Collie, Stan Kunigelis	K
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass	
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith	Г
Sound System:		Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile	
Children's Church	4/30	Vickie Swindall, Chloe Cantrell	
	5/7	Cyndi & Don Newlon	S
Offering Ushers	April	Jeff Dotson Team	
	May	Jeff Cantrell Team	
Tellers:	April	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth	Μ
	May	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson	v
Wed. Night Meals:	4/26 5/3	Fajitas, Rice, Beans, Chips, Salsa POTLUCK	
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Wed. Night Serving Teams:	4/26	<u>Deacon's Team</u> : Deacons + Kathy Dotson	Ľ
	5/3	Volunteers for set-up & clean-up	
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### A Place for Faith and Fellowship with Family and Friends



### WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School Worship Youth (Grades 7-12) Sunday Night at the Movies	10:00 am 11:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Bible Study onsite & via Fb Live Choir Practice	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:45 pm
Thursday	Men's Bible Study Laurels Ministry (3rd)	6:30 am 1:30pm

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### Thought for the Week:

The Book of Revelation is about a life to be lived **now**.