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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

April 3, 2018

*A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.*



*Dear Church Family and Friends,*

Jesus is risen! So...now...what exactly does that mean to me? What do I do about that? John's Gospel can help us.

The last few days of Jesus' life as recorded in Matthew, Mark and Luke are like riding a raft on whitewater. Things happen so fast. Hang on tightly.

John's Gospel, however, is more like a canoe on a calm lake. John spends five chapters (chapters 13-17) on the last night Jesus had with His disciples. John brings out another side of the story. Jesus talks about His leaving and then about His coming back (through the Holy Spirit).

When Jesus died on the cross, all they remembered was Jesus' leaving and the grief that goes with it. Death seemed to have the last word. Jesus talked about His leaving (death) 16 times on that last night with the disciples. However, He spoke about His coming back (resurrection) 26 times. Jesus says in John 16:7 – "It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor [Holy Spirit] will not come."

When the big and little deaths (grief and loss) come, it seems to be the end of our story. Remember that God can resurrect new life out of any grief. That is the last word. Jesus' resurrection is proof.

We want our loss to be restored exactly as it was before. The resurrected Jesus was different. Soon He was transformed into a Spirit. He was not the same, but was still a marvelous Gift. God resurrects something new and different out of our losses.

Grieve, but...grieve with the knowledge that God has not abandoned us. God is working. Anticipate that God will resurrect, bring new life, in a surprising way!

*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

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Church Directory Mtg**  
April 4, 4:30pm

**Mission Committee**  
April 4, 5pm

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

**Holy Communion**  
April 8, 11am

**Children's Snack & Paint**  
April 21, 10am-12pm

**Summer Mission Trip**  
**Interest Meeting**  
April 22, 12pm

**Laurels Ministry**  
April 26, 1:30pm

**Hot Dog Luncheon**  
April 29, 12pm

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**DEACONS 2017-18**

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jim Collie	393-1710
Jeff Dotson	393-8417
Ron Helton	393-6145
Mike Osborne	365-0968
John Ponish	870-1593
Gary Smith	870-1579

Deacons Emeritus:  
Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,  
Harold Witt

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Children's Snack & Paint!



**\*\* Sign up by APRIL 8 \*\***

All children (ages birth—Grade 6) are invited to a fun morning of painting & snacking in the WBC Fellowship Hall on  
**Saturday, April 21**  
10am-12pm

Please contact Susan Mullins:  
(708-6221) (stpsych@gmail.com)  
or sign up on the Communication Card in your bulletin.

*As you pray, please remember...*



Ken Price & family, Kiera Harding, Jerry Baird, Kenny Bowling, Pat Boggs, Izzy Shackelford & family, Sherlene Hall, Noah Hall & family, Billie Sue Harris, Donna Morton, Bonnie Rochford & Wanda Takahashi (sisters of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Jim & Sherry Collie, Ron Swindall, Robert & Jennifer England & family, Shirley Willis (The Laurels), Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, John and Kay Wright, Pat and Fred Adkins, Bea and Glenn Hill, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military

**Our Shut Ins:** Susan Davidson (Heritage Hall), Eddie Culbertson, Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Betty Easterling (The Laurels), Florine Pennington (The Laurels), Jeanne Stallard

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



### SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Tarboro, NC ~ June 23-30

**\*\*Interest Meeting\*\***

**Sunday, April 22, 12pm**

(We will meet in the church library following worship.)



With Heartfelt  
*Sympathy*

We extend our deepest sympathy to Ken Price and his family in the loss of his wife, Mary Ann Price on March 24. Mary Ann was a former member of Wise Baptist. A memorial service for Mary Ann is being held at the Church of the City in Franklin, TN on Friday, April 13. If you would like to send a card to Ken, his address is: 1085 Watkins Creek Drive, Franklin, TN 37067. Please keep this family in your prayers.



### Wed. Night Bible Study

**April 4, 7pm**

Our current Bible studies pick up on the theme of the movie "Risen". We are exploring the importance, meaning, and application of the most important events of all time...the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus!

Make plans now to be a part of this important study! A good way to start is with our fellowship meal at 6:00pm.

Scripture for the Week:

*John 16:7*

"Nevertheless, I am telling you the truth. It is for your benefit that I go away, because if I don't go away the Counselor will not come to you.

If I go, I will send Him to you."



## ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT.



### MISSION TRIP YARD SALE MAY 3-4

It's time to clean out closets, drawers, attics, basements & garages! Your unwanted "treasures" can help fund this summer's mission trip to Tarboro, NC to help flood victims of Hurricane Matthew. Please bring your yard sale items to the Rock as soon as possible, but no later than April 30.



### Church Directory Committee

will meet on

Wednesday, April 4 at 4:30pm

Ladies' Sunday School Classroom / Library

*Thank you*

Thank you to Ron, Kathy, Rachel & Sarah Helton for coordinating the flowering of the cross each year! Thank

you also to everyone who contributed flowers on Easter morning.

The cross processional is one of the highlights of our Easter celebration at Wise Baptist!



Operation Christmas Child  
YEAR-ROUND  
Gift Ideas!

#OCCitemofthemoth

**APRIL:**  
stuffed  
animals

The **Children's Ministry** is collecting items each month this year for our 2018 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. You can be a part of this monthly mission project by checking the newsletter & bulletin for the "Item of the Month"! Donated items may be placed in a box in the foyer or the hall. This month, the children are collecting new small stuffed animals.



We are no longer providing meals for students at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry

building, as the Monday lunches have been discontinued. The students are meeting, however, for a meal & Bible Study each Tuesday evening at 6pm. We can continue to be involved in student ministry at UVA-Wise by providing desserts to accompany their Tuesday dinners. If you would like to contribute a dessert on any Tuesday, please contact Mark Dixon who is the Baptist Campus Minister at UVA-Wise at 393-9882 or [mjd8f@uvawise.edu](mailto:mjd8f@uvawise.edu)



### Hot Dog Lunch

Mark your calendar—you don't have to prepare lunch on Sunday, April 29! Instead, plan to stay after worship & join us for lunch & fellowship. The Missions Committee will be preparing lunch, and all donations towards the meal will go towards funding our summer mission trip to Tarboro, NC.



Greetings Everyone!

As we proclaim His resurrection to the world, let us also pray that we can show the light of Christ through our actions, as well. More is spoken through how we treat others, so let us show everyone His love while only using words when necessary. But when you need to use words, why not sing them??

Choir meets on Wednesday night's at 7:50. Why not join us?

God bless you all!! Ben

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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| April 5  | Holly Cline                                                     |
| April 6  | Don Newlon                                                      |
| April 7  | Alex Maine                                                      |
| April 10 | Bruce Cahoon<br>Sandy Mullins                                   |
| April 11 | Sue Kennedy<br>Karen Ponish                                     |
| April 12 | Sunny Kennedy                                                   |
| April 13 | Jeff Cantrell<br>Stan Kunigelis<br>Sarah Lane<br>Hollyn Mullins |

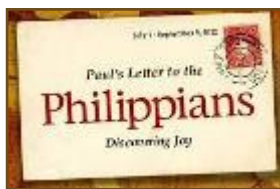


## Wise Baptist Church

Youth  
Ministry



Join "The Flock" on April 8 at 6pm at the Youth Building for Bible study & a meal! Kim Hall will be



leading a Bible Study on Philippians, Bryon Burton will be leading games & Lori Crisp will be providing dinner.

Recent weekend mission trip to WV.



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|----------|------------------------|
| April 10 | David & Sandy Mullins  |
| April 13 | Steve & Debbie Collins |

## WBC Children's Ministry



### Coming up...

- 🕊 April 8
  - Children's Ministry Team lunch meeting at Winters' home, following morning worship.
- 🕊 April 21
  - Snack & Paint from 10am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall
- 🕊 May
  - Trip to Creation Kingdom Zoo in Gate City & picnic
  - Date to be determined
- 🕊 May 13 (Mothers' Day)
  - Children will do the welcome & announcements during morning worship.



He is  
**RISEN**

*He is risen indeed!*  
*April 1, 2018*





# Resurrection Eggs

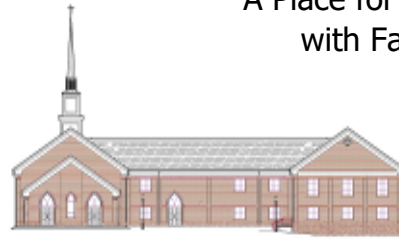


*Thank you to our children and parents for presenting the story of Easter through Resurrection Eggs! And thank you to James Clasby for creating the special cross to hold the eggs!*

## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	4/1 - 4/7	Jerry Barid, Jim Collie
	4/8 - 4/14	Jeff Dotson, John Ponish
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome	4/8	Misty Belcher
	4/15	Misty Belcher
S.S. Greeters:	4/8	David & Sandy Mullins
	4/15	Bob & Teresa Adkins
Nursery:	4/8	Kathy Osborne, Ali Stuedemann
	4/15	Noah Hall, Caroline Mullins
Children's Church:	4/8	Scott & Beth Snodgrass
	4/15	Charles & Lulia Maine
Sound System:	4/8	Mike Strouth
	4/15	Marty Adkins
Ushers:	4/8	Dave Belcher, Bryon Burton, Jeff Dotson, Marty Kennedy, Stephen Large, Jack Tolbert
	4/15	Bob Adkins, Kenny Bowling, Jeff Cantrell, Dan Helton, Matt Meade, Johnny Robinson, Jim Sturgill
Tellers:	April	Mike Strouth, June Dotson
	May	Stephen Large, Teresa Adkins
Wed. Serving Teams:	4/4	Linda Bailey, Karen Ponish, Ruby Salyers
	4/11	Teresa Adkins, Jean Aker, Bonnie Owens
Wed. Meals	4/4	Potluck
	4/11	Soup Beans, Corn Bread, Mac & Cheese, Kraut & Weiners
Children-in-Action:	4/4	Julie Large
	4/11	Terry Winters

A Place for Faith and Fellowship  
with Family and Friends



## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth (Grades 7-12)	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Adult Bible Studies	7:00 pm
	Children in Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth - Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm

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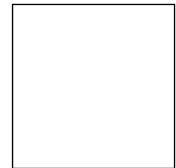
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Like us at: Wise Baptist Church  
and at Wise Baptist Youth

**Thought for the Week:**  
**God wants to resurrect**  
**something new in your life!**