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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 14, 2018

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Stories...I love a good story...always have. The best stories teach; they tell about life. They equip us for life.

The Bible is a story, a true story, about God saving us from ourselves and from each other.

The Bible tells this story in many forms: sermons, parables, genealogies, prayers, poems, proverbs, etc. The Holy Spirit weaves them into God's story.

The Bible tells the human story as we all struggle, stumble and search to build a life. But, there is always something missing...God. We do not add God to our story. We step into His. Then we have a new direction and purpose. This is confirmed in Rev. 20:15, which says all who know God have their names written in the book of life.

Reflect on how God's story has been told and lived through Wise Baptist Church in the last church year (Sept. 2017 – Aug. 2018). God has been at work! God uses people. It cannot happen without you.

It is my privilege as pastor at Wise Baptist Church to thank you for being a part of that story. You helped make a difference this last year. To get a picture of what God has done, imagine all that would not have been done without Wise Baptist Church this last year!

The point is not to brag on ourselves, but on God and how He has worked through us. Our new church year begins on Sept. 1. Make a difference; invest your heart and life for God's glory through Wise Baptist Church! We have the greatest story of all to tell! Won't you help us tell it?

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

Education Committee
August 15, 5pm

Laurels Ministry
August 16, 1:30pm

Piecemakers
August 20, 9:30am

Adult II Outing to Natural Tunnel
August 25, 5-10pm

Ice Cream Social
August 26, 4pm

New Church Year Begins
September 2

Church Office CLOSED
September 3

5th & 6th Grade Recognition
September 16, 11am

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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

With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

We extend our deepest sympathy to Glenn Hill and family in the death of Bea last week. Please keep Glenn, Debbie, Judy, Matt, Mark and all of their family members in your prayers.

As you pray, please remember...

Glenn Hill & family, Ezra Harding, Bessie Vance, Kathy & John Kennedy, Donna Morton, Jonah Kelley, John & Kay Wright, Bonnie Rochford & Wanda Takahashi (sisters of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Jim & Sherry Collie, Shirley Willis (The Laurels), Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Pat and Fred Adkins, 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).



Wednesday Night Small Group Bible Studies, 7pm

- (1) Do you have questions about heaven and eternity? There are many different ideas floating around. What does the Bible actually say? Billy Graham speaks clearly and practically from the Bible in the Bible study, **“The Heaven Answer Book”**.
- (2) 2,000 year ago, Jesus’ last words commissioned all believers to take His love to the world. Step into the shoes of the early followers of Jesus, who launched out on a mission to heal a broken world. Feel the heartbeat of the early church. This same mission continues today! Join us for the Bible study on the book of Acts, called **“Going Viral, the Birth and Advance of the Church”**.
- (3) One out of 5 people will have a mental health issue every year. Still, there is an awkward silence or lack of understanding about mental health in many churches. Matthew Stanford writes a book on the subject, **“Grace for the Afflicted”**. He writes as a committed Christian, Deacon & professor at a medical college. Come and learn how we can bring the healing love of Jesus into the lives of people with mental health issues.



ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

*Sunday
August 26, 4pm*

WBC Fellowship Hall

Invite others & enjoy the fellowship!
Contact Susan Mullins (708-6221) if you would like to bring homemade ice cream or homemade cookies.



Scripture for the Week:

Luke 19:10

“For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT.



Ministries at WBC

Would you like to be involved on Sunday mornings?

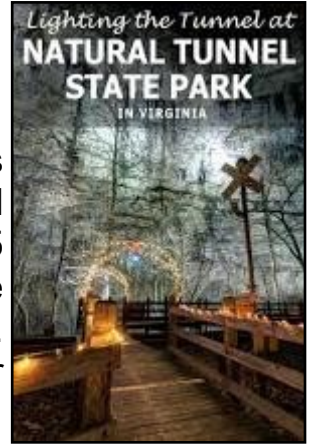
Each week, the newsletter will feature some of the ongoing ministries at Wise Baptist Church. We want you to know what is going on at WBC and how you can get "plugged in" where you would enjoy serving!

Our goal is for every person who comes to Wise Baptist to be warmly welcomed & provided directions as needed. If you would like to be a part of the Sunday School Greeter team or the Worship Greeter team, please contact Rebecca Osborne or Stephen Large.

If your interest is in technology, there is a place for you on the Sound System committee that runs the sound during Sunday morning worship & other special events. Please contact Mike Osborne.

Sunday School Fellowship

The Adult II Class is gathering at Natural Tunnel on Sat., Aug. 25 for a cookout & the Lighting of the Tunnel. Contact John Ponish for info (870-1593).



School Supplies Needed

Due to no Community Backpack Give-Away this year, the Family Involvement Committee at Wise Primary is requesting school supply donations from area churches. Our Missions Committee is asking that we donate notebook paper, pencils, large pink erasers and small eraser toppers. Donated items may be placed in a box in the hallway near the choir room or given to Debbie Collins by **August 29**.



Oct. 5-7 Mission Trip to WV

Looking for interest in going on a small mission trip to West Virginia the weekend of October 5-7. Need verbal commitments ASAP & solid commitments by Sept. 1

~ Bryon Burton (594-0025)



To all church email subscribers,

Sharing church news by email has evolved into a challenging array of problems. Certain domains are blocking almost all group emails while others have been very dependable. For the most part, the problem domains are Yahoo, Verizon and AOL. Comcast, Hotmail and Gmail have the best track record as far as delivery reliability. It may be a small hassle but I strongly recommend that all Yahoo, Verizon and AOL users setup a Hotmail or Gmail account in order to receive the church emails. After considerable troubleshooting, I am convinced that this is the only solution unless Yahoo or Verizon changes their criteria regarding group emails. ~ Jerry Baird

ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT.

Wednesday Night Fellowship

If you have not been attending the Wednesday night events, you are missing out on fun, fellowship, good food and Bible study!

Last week, we started our Wednesday activities (supper, Bible study, Children in Action & choir rehearsal). In order to cover the cost of the meal & allow us to continue this wonderful time together each week, we are recommending \$6 for adult meals and \$5 for children's meals.

We are also evaluating the feasibility of hiring someone to prep the food and help with dishes. It would really help to have additional help scheduled in the kitchen to allow everyone to attend the Bible studies.

Please sign up for the Wednesday evening meal by TUESDAY NOON of each week if you plan to attend. You may do this by using the Communication Card in your Sunday bulletin, by calling the church office (328-6247) or by texting our church secretary, Terry Winters (870-2712).

In summary, come enjoy the fellowship, food and Bible study!

- *Gary Smith*

Fellowship Dinner



MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY...

A group from Wise Baptist is going to the Laurels on Aug. 16 from 1:30-2:30pm to minister to the residents through music and a brief devotional.

Contact Sherlene Hall at 275-0059 if you would like to be a part of this ministry!



Carry-Out Meals

We would love to deliver a meal to our shut-ins or those unable to attend our Wednesday night services because of illness or other complications. We will, however, need family members to pick up these meals between 5:45pm & 6:00pm.

The suggested donation per carry-out meal is \$6. There will be *no* carry-outs available on Potluck nights, due to the unknown quantity of food on those nights.

Please call by 12pm on Tues:

Church office (328-6247)

Week of Prayer for
Alma Hunt Offering for
Virginia Missions
Sept. 17-23

*Special offering envelopes
will be available
in the pew racks.



The church office will be
CLOSED on Labor Day,
September 3.



Greetings everyone!

With a taste of fall in the air these past couple of days, we know that school, Friday night lights, and many other fall activities are in full swing!! With the changing of the season comes time for us to make changes in our wardrobe, trading in t-shirts and shorts for jeans and hoodies. Though this change is one of many that we face throughout the year and throughout our lives, the one constant is that God loves you more than anything!!

Don't forget that we have choir rehearsals on Wed. nights AFTER Bible study...you're already here so why not stay for a little while longer?! :)

I pray that you have a wonderful and blessed week!

God bless you, Ben

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



August 14 Austin Bordlee

August 15 Cub Mullins

August 16 Ann Culbertson



August 17 John Ponish

August 18 Kim Hall

August 19 Rose Kennedy



August 20 Teresa Adkins

Cindy Elkins

August 21 Suzanne Baird



Cindi Farmer

Sutton Polly

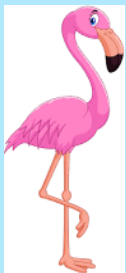
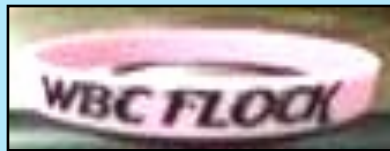
Betty Roberts



August 22 Alex Hall

August 23 Jeff Sturgill

WBC Youth Ministry



Sunday, August 19

- * Meet at the Youth Building at 6pm for Bible Study, food, fellowship & fun!
- * Thank you to Pam Hersel for providing the meal this week!

September 8-9

- * Nantahala River, near Bryson City, NC
- * Rafting, 1pm Sat.
- * Ziplining, 10am, Sun.

Questions?
Contact Lori Crisp
at 708-6221



Happy Anniversary

August 14 - Ron & Kathy Helton

August 14 - Stephen & Julie Large

August 16 - John & Toni Thacker

August 21 - Scott & Beth Snodgrass

WBC Children's Ministry



Upcoming Children's Ministry Events:

Aug. 26, 4pm - Ice Cream Social

Sept. 9, 11am - all children are invited to help hand out worship bulletins before the service

Sept. 16, 11am - 5th/6th Grade Recognition Service & Reception

WOW! Take a look at the facelift
that has been given to Wise Baptist Church!



Ron Helton captured David Mullins in action on one of the many days he has spent at church power-washing the sidewalks & wall: "The Mad Baptist Pressure Washer aka David Mullins ...his best side!"



THANK YOU to David & Sandy Mullins for having the parking lots resealed & restriped! They look brand new!

You can see yourself in our newly-waxed Fellowship Hall floors!

THANK YOU to Bryon Burton & Jessica Crutchfield for stripping & waxing the floors this past weekend!



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	8/12-8/18	Jeff Dotson, John Ponish
	8/19-8/25	Mike Osborne, Gil Blackburn
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome	8/19	Oscar Raile
	8/26	Oscar Raile
S.S. Greeters:	8/19	David & Sandy Mullins
	8/26	Bob & Teresa Adkins
Nursery:	8/19	John Mark & Wendy Adrian
	8/26	Abbie Crutchfield, Jessica Crutchfield
Children's Church:	8/19	John & Karen Ponish
	8/26	Debbie Collins, Pam Hersel
Sound System:	8/19	Oscar Raile
	8/26	Mike Strouth
Ushers:	8/19	Marty Adkins, Leton Harding, Ron Helton, Jorge Hersel, Jeff Kiser, John Ponish, Scott Snodgrass
	8/26	Dave Belcher, Bryon Burton, Jeff Dotson, Marty Kennedy, Stephen Large, Jack Tolbert
Tellers:	Aug.	Mike Strouth, Martha Blackburn
	Sept.	June Dotson, Edgar Owens
Youth Bible Study	8/19	Meal: Pam Hersel
	8/26	Meal: Carla McCoy
Wed. Serving Team	8/15	Sherry Collie, Brenda Kunigelis, Sandy Mullins, Toni Thacker
	8/22	Wanda Baird, Donna Hutchinson, Cyndi Newlon, Rebecca Osborne
Wed. Night Meal	8/15	Chicken Tenders, Baked Potatoes, Broccoli
	8/22	Hamburgers & French Fries
Children-in-Action:	8/15	Susie Clasby, Julie Large
	8/22	Susie Clasby, Julie Large

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
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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

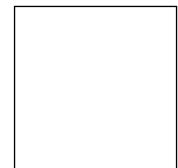
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at Wise Baptist Youth

Thought for the Week:
Help us BE the greatest story
ever told through Wise Baptist
Church!