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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
 WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 8, 2023

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



*Dear Church Family and Friends,*

Are you tired? Worn out? You are not alone.

It is like squeezing an orange. The first time you squeeze it, you get a lot of juice. What happens each time you squeeze? You reach a point where it takes a lot of energy to get a few drops of juice.

That is what we do. Every day. We try to squeeze more and more energy from our bodies. Until...there is little left. You think that if you just try harder, you can find the energy that is needed.

It is such a simple picture. Trying harder does not always make things better.

The solution? Every day, renew your energy. You may think you can get by without doing that.

Jesus had a physical body. He needed to eat and drink. Sleep. Rest.

God gave you a physical body. You are responsible for taking care of it. Paul says in 1 Cor. 6:19 that "your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit". Since the physical body of each believer houses the Spirit of God, you should take care of your body.

How can you renew your body? Daily. Through sleep? What you eat and drink? Exercise?

Do it all to the glory of God!

*Love, Pastor Mike*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**PICNIC / POTLUCK**  
**Wed, August 9**  
**6:00pm**

**Men's Bible Study**  
**Thursday, August 10**  
**6:30am**

**Deacon Suggestions**  
**Sunday, August 13**  
**11:00am**

**Laurels Ministry**  
**Thursday, August 17**  
**1:30pm**

**Annual Church Business Meeting**  
**Wed, August 30**  
**7:00pm**

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## DEACONS 2022 - 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

Deacon Emeritus:  
 Bob Adkins

### 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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



- On **Sunday, August 13**, the Church will submit suggestions for 3 new deacons for the 2023-2024 church year.
- All suggestions will be received until 2pm on August 13.
- We are asking that each church member suggest 3 qualified church members as new deacons.
- Suggestions will be received in 1 of 3 ways:
  - 1) Suggestion Slips will be provided to all *church members* in attendance at the live service in the sanctuary on August 13.
  - 2) For members who are not in attendance at the live service in the sanctuary on Aug. 13, an email may be sent to John Ponish (jponish@atsone.com) with your 3 suggestions for new deacons.
  - 3) For those who cannot be in attendance on Aug. 13, but would prefer to use a written Suggestion Slip, please contact John Ponish (jponish@atsone.com) or 276-870-1593, and a deacon will deliver a Suggestion Slip to you to be completed at that time.

The following members are not eligible to be nominated as they are either already serving or are rotating off:

- Current deacons who are rotating off this year:  
Gil Blackburn, Jim Collie, Jorge Hersel
- The remaining active deacons are:  
Bob Adkins, John Mark Adrian, Jeff Cantrell, Butch Hutchinson, Stan Kunigelis, David Mullins, John Ponish

*Please be in prayer about the leaders of our church that you may wish to offer as suggestions for deacons.*

*If you have any questions, please contact John Ponish (jponish@atsone.com)*

*As you pray, please remember...*



Gladys Maxwell, Dan Helton, Artie Bailey, Jayda Hutchinson, Family of Pat Boggs, Cliff Bowman & Family, Brenda & Stan Kunigelis & Family, Butch Hutchinson, Clyde Vance, Jean Aker, Lois Stallard, Gil & Martha Blackburn, Brenda Lee, Wanda Baird, Edgar Mullins (Grace's brother), Haley & Cody Lambert, Donnie & Courtney Jordan & family, Mike Smith, Rowyn Renee Adkins (great-niece of Teresa & Billy Glines), Irene Humphries, John & Kathy Kennedy, Harold Stallard, 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 (NC)

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



**WEDDING  
CONGRATULATIONS  
TO  
JAKE & CAROLINE  
JESSEE!!  
8-5-23**

**THIS  
SUMMER...**



**Remember our Wise  
County Food Bank &  
WBC Grab-n-Go Ministries!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Wednesday Evenings in the SUMMER...

On Aug. 9, there will be no Bible Study due to the Picnic/Potluck at Arrowhead Park.

But on Aug. 16, Bible Study will resume onsite, as well as online each Wednesday evening at 7pm.



### Scripture for the Week:

#### 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

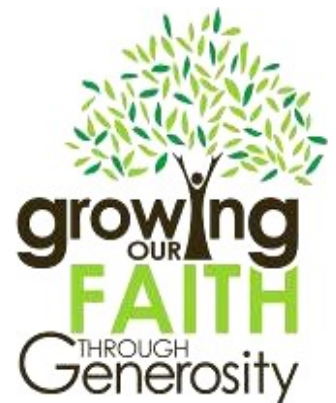
“Do you not know that your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body.”

### 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 Wise Baptist Church,  
PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293,  
or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.



### SAVE THE DATE! (& your money!)

The Piecemakers & Caring Friends will be holding a small bazaar on Oct. 8-9 to raise funds for making cancer quilts.



*Did you know...?*

*Our church library is the quite the underused treasure!*

*Check out some great finds on the 1st floor across from the nursery!*



## BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



### *Happy Birthday!*

August 7	Abbie Crutchfield
August 9	Lotta Stewart
August 10	Ben Duncan
	Macie Conway
	Lewey Lee
August 12	Tim Cox
August 13	Nathan Hersel
August 15	Cub Mullins
August 16	Ann Culbertson
August 17	John Ponish
August 18	Kim Hodges
August 19	Rose Kennedy



### *WBC Music Ministry*

Biblical taste is a term that refers to the experience of knowing God & His goodness through personal & intimate contact. It is not a mere intellectual knowledge, but a spiritual & emotional one that involves the senses & the heart. The Bible uses the word "taste" to describe this kind of experience in several passages, such as:

Psalm 34:8: "O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him." This verse invites us to try God's goodness for ourselves, & to enjoy His blessings & protection. It implies that God is not only a concept, but a reality that can be perceived and felt.

Hebrews 6:4-5: "For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come," This passage warns us about the danger of falling away from God after having experienced His grace & power. It suggests that God's gift, word, & Spirit are not only doctrines, but experiences that can transform our lives.

Hebrews 2:9: "But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man." This verse reveals the extent of Jesus' love and sacrifice for us. He did not only die physically, but also spiritually, experiencing the separation from God that sin causes. He tasted death for us, so that we may taste life in Him.

Biblical taste is a way of knowing God that goes beyond mere information or speculation. It is a way of relating to God that involves our **whole being, our senses, our emotions, our will, & our faith**. It is a way of tasting & seeing that God is good, & that He has given us His Son to taste death for us, so that we may have eternal life in Him.

*Joy, Peace and Love, Donna*

### *Happy Anniversary!*

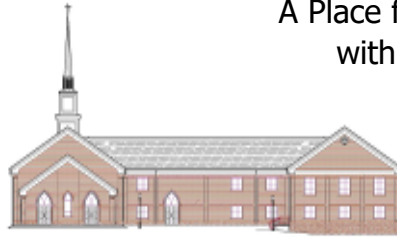
August 8	Matt & Stephanie Collins
August 11	Johnny & Renee Robinson
August 13	Lewey & Brenda Lee
August 14	Ron & Kathy Helton
August 16	John & Toni Thacker



*Choir Practice begins 7:45pm on Aug. 16!*

*Cantata Practice begins on Sept. 6!*

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### Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	8/6 - 8/12	John Mark Adrian, Jeff Cantrell
	8/13 - 8/19	Butch Hutchinson, John Ponish
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Children's Church	8/13	Karen & John Ponish
	8/20	Cyndi & Don Newlon
Offering Ushers	August	Jeff Cantrell Team
	September	Ron Helton Team
Tellers:	August	Teresa Adkins, Shirlee Barnette
	September	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth
Wed. Night Meals:	8/9	PICNIC / POTLUCK at Arrowhead Park
	8/16	Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad
Wed. Serving Teams	8/16	Donna's Team: Debbie Collins, Susan Mullins, Rebecca Osborne, Terry Winters



### WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School Worship	10:00 am 11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Bible Study via Fb Live Choir Practice	7:00 pm 7:45 pm
Thursday	Men's Bible Study Laurels Ministry (3rd)	6:30 am 1:30pm

### Rev. Mike Winters Contact Information

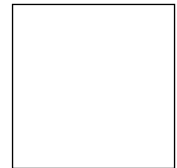
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### Thought for the Week:

*Be a good steward  
of your body.*