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Dr. Ray Jones, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

February 15, 2022



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Have you felt overwhelmed with grief in the past year? Head spinning. Heart reeling. Grief is loss. Loss through death, illness, etc. The losses continue to mount.

Take out a piece of paper. This represents your life. Tear off a piece of it for each loss. Name it. Write it on that piece of paper. Name and tear off as many as you can. Look at what's left...

Loss is real. Acknowledge it. These losses cannot be replaced.

But is that all there is? Are there gains? What did you gain from these relationships? Name them.

Take out a second piece of paper. Tear off a piece. Name and write something that was added into your life. **Tape each piece on top of the first piece of paper**. Then another. Keep going. Take a long look at it...

The Apostle Paul says, "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed but not in despair, persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down but not destroyed." (II Cor. 4:8-9)

Love, Pastor Mike

How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

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

 \dagger 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

Book of James Bible Study Wed., Feb. 16, 7pm

Movie Night Sun., Feb. 20, 6pm Fellowship Hall

Fellowship Meal & Cake Walk Wed., Feb. 23, 6pm

> Children's Snack & Paint Sat., March 26 10am

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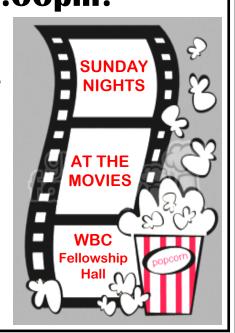
DEACONS 2021-22

John Mark Adrian	328-5564	
Jerry Baird	393-0923	
Gil Blackburn	328-0046	
Jim Collie	393-1710	
Ron Helton	393-6145	
Jorge Hersel	594-9077	
Butch Hutchinson	393-5008	
Lewey Lee	393-5370	
John Ponish	870-1593	

Deacon Emeritus: Bob Adkins

Next movie night: February 20 6:00pm!

Join us for Christian movies, fellowship & snacks!





Scripture for the Week ...

II Corinthians 4:8-9

"We are pressured in every way but not crushed; we are perplexed but not in despair; we are persecuted but not abandoned; we are struck down but not destroyed."

As you pray, please remember...

Butch Hutchinson, Harold Stallard, Rachel Burgess & Family, Scott Snodgrass & Family, Family of Harold Witt, Lewey Lee & Family, Carlie Tomlinson, Edgar Owens & Family, Jim Blanton, Cooper Carlson, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, David Luther, Lois Stallard, Hallie Chinault, Jim Dotson, Leigh Clark & Family, Jim Blanton, Brenda Lee, Dan Helton, Regina Cantrell, Gil Blackburn, Family of Steve Collins, Dalton, Kara and Halen Parker, Phyllis Hatcher, Bessie Vance, Jerry & Wanda Baird, Ben Bolling & family, Grace Allio, Vickie Swindall & Family, Seth Harding, Randy & Gwen Chisenhall & Family, Beth Snodgrass, Ray Jones & Family, Wesley Kennedy, Don & Gigi Pippin, Kathy & John Kennedy, John & Kay Wright, Wanda Takahashi (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, 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: Jeanne Stallard, Bobbie Farmer, Jean Forsythe (Sandy Yun's mother), Kingston Center Assisted Living in Duffield

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

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to

Rachel Burgess (daughter-in-law of Linda Burgess) in the death of her mother, Brenda Turner. Please remember Rachel & David & the family in your prayers.

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





READ Through the **Bible**

Take a deep dive into the Bible!

Beginning Monday, <u>March 21</u>, take up the challenge to read the Bible through in one year.

Our goal is to have at least **100** people participating!

- 1. Read, in order, Genesis to Revelation. A list of readings will be provided
- 2. Wednesday night Bible studies will cover readings before you get to them.
- 3. Some Sunday messages will enhance your readings.
- 4. You can "sign up" by contacting the church office or using your Communication card in your Sunday bulletin.

*As we get into the Word, pray the Word will get into us.

This past Sunday, during the worship welcome, Vickie Swindall shared this poem by Dorothy Witt, taken from her collection of poems, *Mountain Woman*.

YOURS BE THE HEART

Yours be the hand that will hold my own always......
Yours be the soul into which my soul shall blend...
Yours be the heart that will love me till life's end.





Wednesday February 23!

Pon't miss the fun!

6:00pm - Fellowship Meal (breakfast for supper, prepared by our very own WBC Deacons!)

6:30pm - Cakewalk (cakes & prizes!)

7:00pm - Bible study (Book of James) in sanctuary



*January cakewalk winners!

ANNOUNCEMENT



There is a TV on the porch at the Rock that we have been unable to sell. We ask that the owner remove it or possibly contact. Greg. Cross about recycling it.

Thank you!

Teresa Adkins



The Making of Authentic Faith:

A Study of the Book of James

A big breakdown for Christians is moving from spiritual information to practical Application. The Book of James is all about faith at work. We will continue our study the Book of lames on Wednesday evening, Feb. 16 at 7pm. If you can, join us in person at church. If not, you are welcome to join us on-line on the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page, via Facebook Live.

Study books are available in paperback form. You can order a digital copy by going to the website, www.gc2press.com. Then look for Bible study books for adults, then James, "The Making of Authentic Faith".

Being a Refreshed and Refreshing **Steward**



Your tithes & offerings allow our Church, & its programs, to be more effective. And through an effective Church, lives are changed.

Be a refreshing giver, resolving that the uncertainties of this old world cannot prevent God, through Wise Baptist Church, from changing hearts and souls.

Be a refreshed giver, joyfully allowing God to lead us together in His work. We are thankful for all the joyful stewards of God's work at Wise Baptist Church.

Your tithes and offerings may still be mailed to Wise Baptist Church, PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293, or brought by the Church anytime

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

The Children's Ministry Team would like very much to begin offering Children's Church again during Sunday morning worship for ages 5 - Grade 4!

If you are available to pair with someone else to lead this 45 minute time consisting of a Bible lesson, craft & optional snack &/or game, please contact Terry Winters at 276-870-2712.



Contact Information for Lois Stallard:

Cell: 345-7281

Address: The Laurels, Room 313

Norton.VA 24273

5635 BSG Drive

The Garden Club has put out a box for recycling in the Fellowship Hall. It is for clean plastic bags, etc.

Please bring your plastic bags & other plastic wrappings.

Thank you!

Happy Birthday! February 15 Megan Burton June Dotson Logan Stewart February 16 **Connor Browning** Bessie Vance February 17 Lily Elkins February 18 Addie Browning Brandi Cox Joshua Helton February 19 Nicolette Cox

Amy Yun

Juanita Wells

Mark Lardieri

James Clasby

Hunter Farmer

Amy Beth Bridges

Joanne Kennedy

February 21

February 22

February 24

February 25

February 26





** Spring Snack & Paint!
Saturday, March 26,
10am



"God Is So Good"

While this song is widely known, its origin tends to be less known. If you look in most hymnals, it will say either "Traditional Hymn" or "African Melody". Here is the story from the Child Evangelism Fellowship website of how this hymn came to be.

In 1961, Stephen Rutuna knew that God was calling him to work with children. He had been a government employee in Burundi, Africa for several years and had a very good life. His wife and three children lived comfortably in Bujumbura, the capital city. However, after a serious accident that left Stephen unsure if he'd ever walk again, he finally submitted to God's call.

Shortly after Stephen made his commitment to the Lord, the king of Burundi told Stephen that he wanted him to serve as Prime Minister. Stephen told the king that he would serve for one year to give the king time to find a replacement, but that God had called him to work with children, and he had to obey God. The king agreed to this arrangement. After serving a year, Stephen reminded the king of their agreement. The king told Stephen that he had two choices: Work for him or work for no one and be put to death. Stephen told the king that he had to obey God. As a result, Stephen was imprisoned.

That evening, all alone in his cell, Stephen began to reflect upon his life. He knew that God could rescue him, just like Peter, or He could allow the execution to take place. Stephen believed that God would somehow use either circumstance to bring glory to Himself. As he reflected on these things, he could only say, "God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, He's so good to me." God placed this simple song into Stephen's heart, and he sang it over and over that evening.

**This is Part 1. Look for Part 2 in next week's newsletter (Feb. 22, 2022).

Blessing, Joe

PHOTOS



Sunday Night Super Bowl Fun









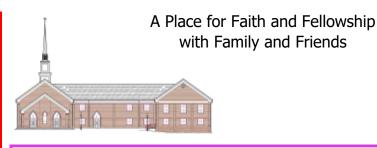




Many thanks to Gwyn Carlton,
Carlie & our youth for decorating
the hall bulletin board!

And thank you to Teresa Glines & Holly Meade for providing photos!

Volunteers this Week Deacons On Call: 2/13 - 2/19 Jerry Baird, John Mark Adrian 2/20 - 2/26 Ron Helton, Butch Hutchinson **Building Stewards:** Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass Instrumentalists: Susan Mullins, Susan Smith Sound System: 2/20 Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile 2/27 Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile Tellers: February Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson March Leton Harding, Jeff Kiser 2/16 Wed. Night Meal: Hamburgers, Fries, Baked Beans 2/23 Breakfast for Supper Wed. Night Serving Team: 2/16 **Education Team** 2/23 Deacons



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES			
Sunday	Worship Youth (Grades 7-12)	11:00 pm 6:00 pm	
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Bible Study onsite & via Fb Live Youth meet (Grades 7-12) Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	
Thursday	Men's Bible Study	6:30 am	

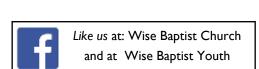
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Thought for the Week:

When losses come, what can God build into your life?