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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 9, 2018

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



Dear church family and friends,

A theme for 2018 is outreach. **Outreach is reaching out to unchurched people who might attend our church.** Missions is, normally, sharing God's love to those who are unlikely to attend our church.

We need outreach and missions. However, we will have an extra focus on outreach this year. Outreach can be built into every church event. Outreach is more than inviting someone to attend a church service or event. We can also invite unchurched folks to help carry out an event.

- Worship services
- Bible studies
- Service projects
- Night in Bethlehem
- Vacation Bible School
- Brown Bag Ministry
- Operation Christmas Child
- Fellowship activities (such as a Sunday School class going to supper)
- Many other examples...

Therefore, outreach is inviting people to attend and/or help carry out a church event or project. This allows us to build relationships. It is those relationships that form a bridge for the unchurched to attend, become involved and invested in the life of the church.

Outreach is a priority to our Lord. It is evident in His Great Commission. The Bible records Jesus giving the Great Commission five times. Acts 1:8 expresses it this way...“you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.”

My challenge to the Wise Baptist Church family is to pray for God to give you a list of five unchurched people for whom you can pray and then reach out (outreach). I look forward to seeing what God will do through us!

*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

**Leadership Team Meeting**  
January 11, 6pm

**Children's Ministry Team**  
January 12

**Church Directory Meeting**  
January 14, 12 pm

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Meal**  
January 15, 5:30pm

**Laurels Ministry**  
January 18, 1:30pm

**Church-Wide Birthday Party**  
January 28, 12pm

**Senior Adult Valentine Banquet**  
February 17, 5pm

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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



### WINTER BIBLE STUDY!

Wednesdays, Jan. 3 - Feb. 7, 6:45pm

**"First Peter:**

#### **Living as Strangers in a Secular World"**

Sometimes, we expect more support for our Christian faith from our government and culture. If so, we will be constantly disappointed, or even angry. This attitude can cause us to get "stuck" in our faith journey.

On the other hand, resistance to our faith can cause us to rely on God even more. After all, God is bigger than anyone or anything.

The Book of I Peter speaks directly to these issues. Join me & others as we explore how our faith can thrive despite resistance from the world in which we live. ~ Blessings, Pastor Mike

*As you pray, please remember...*



Family of Elizabeth Davidson, Randy Chisenhall & family, Donna Morton & family, David Mullins, Bonnie Rochford (sister 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

**Hospitalized:** Peggy Yanez

**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).*



WBC

February 1, 2018

*Many grieving people find that they are only beginning the work of healing when friends & family have returned to their daily life routines. Whether your bereavement experience is recent or not so recent, you will find encouragement, comfort & help in being around others who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck in grief, & that you do not need to live in bondage to certain emotions. You will learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life & renewing your hope for the future.*

*GriefShare is a Biblically-based program that offers Christ-centered teaching focusing on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts & the real-life stories of real people, followed by a small group discussion.*

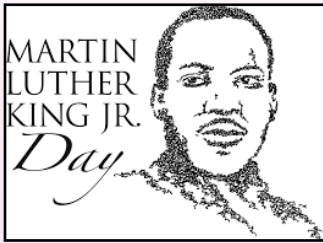
Happy Birthday to  
Everyone!



#### **3rd Annual Church-Wide Birthday Party!**

We will celebrate everyone's birthday at once on Sunday, January 28! Following morning worship, The Missions Committee will be serving a pasta meal (lasagna, baked spaghetti, salad, breadsticks) prior to our birthday celebration. Donations towards the meal will be used for future the Southwest VA Partnership. BE SURE to sign up on the Communication Card in your bulletin or call the church office & tell us your birthday (month & day only!). Join others that share your birthday month at decorated tables & enjoy tasting 12 different birthday cakes!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Monday,  
January 15

This year, due to the water damage in the sanctuary, the plans for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration have been altered a bit.

\* Wise Baptist will be hosting the free dinner at 5:30pm, followed by a candlelight march to the First Church of God, where the celebration service will be held at 7pm. Please make plans to participate in this special event.

### Sanctuary Repairs Update

Join us as we worship in the Fellowship Hall on January 14 & 21! We should be back in the sanctuary by January 28.



### MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY...

A group from Wise Baptist is going over to the Laurels on Jan. 18 at 1:30pm to minister to the residents through music and a brief devotional. Contact Sherlene Hall at 275-0059 or [sherlenehall@gmail.com](mailto:sherlenehall@gmail.com) if you would like to be a part of this ministry!

### Guest Speakers

Tony & Jan Johnson will share about the ministry of the Southwest Virginia Partnership during our morning worship service on January 28.



**Saturday, February 17, 5pm**

*We would like to honor our Senior Adults in a special way this February by inviting you to a special dinner, complete with entertainment!*

*\* We ask those who are 70 and older & would like to attend & be hosted, to please R.S.V.P. by Jan. 28 in one of 3 ways:*

- 1) Contact the church office (328-6247)*
- 2) Fill out the insert in your Sunday bulletin*
- 3) Contact John Ponish (870-1593 or [jponish@atsone.com](mailto:jponish@atsone.com))*

*\* If you are under 70 & would like to host/treat a special guest or couple, we ask that you also R.S.V.P.*



### Train Display

Jim & Sherry Collie invite you to come anytime from now through the end of January to see their train displays. Just give them a call at 393-1710 or 393-3788 to make sure they are at home.

# MUSIC \* YOUTH \* CHILDREN NEWS



**Thank you to Donna Hutchinson** for leading the choir on Sunday morning due to Ben being ill. The choir adapted beautifully to singing in the fellowship hall.

The special music that the choir sang, **"The Heart of Worship"** (written by Matt Redman) has an interesting story behind it...

The song dates back to the late 1990's when Redman's church in Watford, England was struggling to find meaning in its worship through song. Redman describes it this way: "There was a dynamic missing, so the pastor did a pretty brave thing...He decided to get rid of the sound system and band for a season, and we gathered together with just our voices. His point was that we'd lost our way in worship, and the way to get back to the heart would be to strip everything away." The pastor asked the church family, "When you come through the doors on a Sunday, what are you bringing as your offering to God?"

Redman shares that after an embarrassing silence, "eventually people broke into a cappella songs and heartfelt prayers, encountering God in a fresh way...Before long, we reintroduced the musicians and sound system, as we'd gained a new perspective that worship is all about Jesus, and He commands a response in the depths of our souls no matter what the circumstance and setting. 'The Heart of Worship' simply describes what occurred."



January 10	Ruby Salyers
January 12	Eden Mullins
January 13	John Mark Adrian
	Joyce Horne
January 15	Mingkwan Collins
January 16	Susan Mullins
	Beth Snodgrass
January 17	Steve Collins
	Russell Wampler



January 17	Ray & Carolyn Jones
January 18	Jeff & Eileen Cantrell



## Wise Baptist Children's Ministry

*Children's Ministry Team  
2018 Planning Meeting!*

Friday, January 12 \* 6pm til ? \* Winters' home

## Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry



Join us each Sunday evening at 6pm at the Youth Building for Bible Study, games, and supper!



## CHRISTMAS CANTATA DVD'S

ARC TV filmed our December 10 Christmas cantata & has DVD's available for \$20 each or \$35 for two DVD's.

If interested in purchasing videos, you may bring a check made out to ARC TV to the church office or contact ARC TV at: [arctelevision@gmail.com](mailto:arctelevision@gmail.com)

**Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions**  
**\$ 590 collected to date**



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

# SUNDAY, JANUARY 7...



Cold outside (14 degrees!!),  
but warm inside!



Worshipping in the Fellowship Hall



Rachel Lyall shared about her experience of working at the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Boone, NC on Dec. 27.



Donna Hutchinson led the music, and Jessica Crutchfield shared about chaperoning the youth lock-in on New Year's Eve.



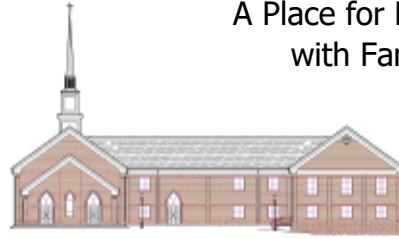
Repairs are underway in the foyer and sanctuary after water damage occurred on Jan. 2



## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	1/7-1/13	John Ponish, Mike Osborne
	1/14-1/20	Gil Blackburn, Gary Smith
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome:	1/14	Misty Belcher
	1/21	Misty Belcher
S.S. Greeters:	1/14	David & Sandy Mullins
	1/21	Bob & Teresa Adkins
Nursery:	1/14	Noah Hall, Caroline Mullins
	1/21	Linda Burgess, Ruby Salyers
Children's Church:	1/14	Kathy Dotson, Elora Hutchinson
	1/21	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
Sound System:	1/14	Marty Adkins
	1/21	Mike Osborn
Tellers:	January	Leton Harding, Oscar Raile
	February	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson
Ushers:	1/14	Leton Harding*, Ron Helton^, Jorge Hersel, Jeff Kiser, John Ponish, Scott Snodgrass, Marty Adkins
	1/21	Dave Belcher*, Bryon Burton^, Jeff Dotson, Marty Kennedy, Stephen Large, Jack Tolbert Gil Blackburn (*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	1/10	Sherry Collie, Brenda Kunigelis, Sandy Mullins, Toni Thacker
	1/17	Donna Hutchinson, Cyndi Newlon, Rebecca Osborne
Wed. Meals	1/10	Pork Tenderloin, Potatoes, Carrots, Cornbread
	1/17	Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Salad
Children-in-Action:	1/10	Julie Large, Kathy Dotson

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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	6:45 pm
	Children in Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth - Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm

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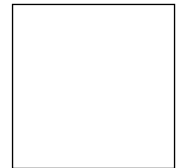
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**Thought for the Week:**  
**Outreach is inviting unchurched  
people to attend and/or help with  
church events.**