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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 11, 2017

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

Dear church family and friends,



How do we discern God's will? His will is not a mysterious plan to decipher. It means keeping a close relationship with Him.

Compare God's will to riding a canoe down a river. The goal is to **ride with the current** to a destination. We must **navigate past obstacles**, such as rocks, tree limbs, and white water. There is **room to navigate** from side to side.

Traveling with the flow of God's will is more efficient than going upstream. This does not mean there are no obstacles. Also, there is room for our free will to operate within this "river".

Obstacles sometimes confuse us about God's will. Joshua knew that God's will was to lead the Hebrews into the Promised Land, but he encountered obstacles. How could an untrained, unequipped, people conquer a powerful, walled city?

Joshua absorbed the words of Joshua 1:8 – "Do not let the Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."

Absorbing God's Word helps us to know and do God's will. Meditation means to make the Scripture a part of us. It means to keep Scriptures we read in our hearts, minds, and mouths.

What is God's will for you as we prepare to enter a new church year, beginning September 1, 2017?

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

SON Golf Tournament
July 15, 8am

Free Lemonade Stand
July 15, 11am-12:30pm

Brown Bag Ministry
July 24-28

Youth Christmas- Lock-In
July 26

Church Dinner & Bible Studies begin
August 2

Deacon Nominations
August 6

Annual Church Business Meeting
August 23

Church-Wide Ice Cream Social
August 27

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DEACONS 2016-17

Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jeff Dotson	393-8417
Ron Helton	393-6145
John Kennedy	328-5013
Matt Meade	393-9177
Mike Osborne	365-0968
Edgar Owens	328-6129
Daniel Ray	328-2483

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With Heartfelt
Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to family and friends of Martha Gilliam.

Martha passed away at the age of 96 on June 29. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers.



Bookbag Collection

Wise Baptist is continuing to collect bookbags to donate to the Back-to-School Community Kick-Off Event to be held on Saturday, July 15, 10am-1pm at Carroll Dale Stadium (old J.J. Kelly High School). Each year, this event is sponsored by Cavalier Pharmacy. There is a box in the foyer for donations.

RAM 2017

The Wise Baptist Association Churches are asked to assist with RAM as they have in the past. Two items are needed: packages of snack crackers (for those waiting to get medical help) and store-bought cakes (for the meal for workers). Health Department regulations require store-bought items only in original packaging, nothing homemade.

If you can provide one or both of the requested items, please bring those to the Wise Baptist Church kitchen by 11am on **Wednesday, July 19**.

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this important event for our community.

~ Brenda Lee

As you pray, please remember...



Beverly Viers, Dennis Lee & family, Spencer Mullins, Jim & Sherry Collie, family of Papa Joe Smiddy, Wesley Kennedy, 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: Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, Elizabeth Davidson (Heritage Hall—Wise), 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).

Brown Bag Ministry

Wise Baptist will be participating in our community's Brown Bag Ministry JULY

24-28. Please contact Kathy

Dotson if you would like to help pack or deliver lunches.



SON GOLF LEAGUE

Next tournament: July 15

Graysburg Hills, 8:00 am

Calling all golfers! Contact Stephen Large at 393-0433 if you would like to participate!



GRAB-N-GO MINISTRY

The Grab-N-Go Ministry is a year-round ministry to help the Department of Social Service Adult Protection Services. Non-perishable food items & other items (see list on table by elevator) help bridge the gap at the end of the month, when supplies run low. You can also donate small gift cards to Food City or Payless for the Social Workers to buy perishable food items for those in need. At the Social Service office, bags are filled & social workers take the bags with them while out on their home visits. Twice a month, Sherlene Hall gathers the items you place in the white baskets & takes them to Social Services. Thank you for giving. Thank you for your prayers.



Greetings!!

I pray that your summer has provided you with the needed rest that we all require periodically throughout our lives. I can assure you that rest is absent from my household at this time :)

For those that are interested, our Wednesday night rehearsals will start again on Aug 2nd at 7:45. At this rehearsal we will begin looking at our Christmas cantata for this year. The Cantata will be on Dec. 10. Mark it down!! I promise it'll be an emotional experience.

Bless you all,
Ben Harding

Church-Wide Ice Cream Social!

Sunday, August 27

Sponsored by the
Children's Ministry Team



*The children will once again be judging the homemade ice cream & cookies and prizes will be awarded!



July 11	Jeff & Kathy Dotson
July 14	Steve & Margie Horton
July 15	Eric & Elizabeth Smith
July 16	Adam & Nicole Sexton

WBC Children's Ministry



Thank you to Chloe Cantrell for reading scripture during morning worship on July 9!



Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry

Get ready for a
Super Summer Lock-In
JULY 26!



Plans are being made for a "Christmas in July" Youth Lock-In that will include going to Just Jump! as well as the Escape Room in Bristol. Invite your friends—sign up on your Communication Card in your Sunday bulletin or contact Mark Collins or Bryon Burton.



FREE Lemonade Stand!

Saturday, July 15

11am - 12:30pm

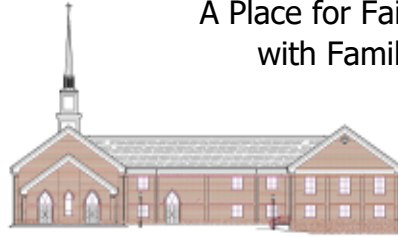
At the Corner of the Rock

Our Children in Action will be serving free lemonade to the community during Chillin' & Grillin' as a way of sharing God's love. All children are welcome to help with this activity! Come & support our children, bring your family & friends, & have a cup of ice cold lemonade!

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	7/09 - 7/15	Gil Blackburn, Daniel Ray
	7/16-7/22	Edgar Owens, Ron Helton
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Dave Belcher, Misty Belcher, Jeff Kiser, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray
S.S. Greeters:	7/16	Bob & Teresa Adkins
	7/23	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
Nursery:	7/16	Cari Braddock, Caroline Mullins
	7/23	Linda Burgess, Johnny Robinson
Children's Church:	7/16	John & Karen Ponish
	7/23	Butch & Donna Hutchinson
PA:	7/16	Marty Adkins
	7/23	Oscar Raile
Tellers:	July	Stephen Large, David Mullins
	August	Leton Harding, Oscar Raile
Ushers:	7/16	Dave Belcher*, Bryon Burton^, Jeff Dotson, Marty Kennedy, Jack Tolbert, Clyde Vance
	7/23	Matt Meade*, Daniel Ray^, Johnny Robinson, Jim Sturgill, Bob Adkins, Kenny Bowling
		(*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Night Fellowship Meal		*Fellowship Meals will begin again in August.
Children-in-Action:		* CIA will begin again in August.

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

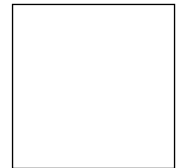
Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (in recess during summer)	
	Singing Sunbeams	4-5 pm
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal, Bible Study, CIA (in recess during summer)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:45 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	2-4 pm

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Thought for the Week:
We can better know and
do God's will as we absorb
the Scriptures.