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Music Director

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

June 16, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

Bible Study
Wed, June 18, 7pm

**No Wed. evening
meals or Choir Practice
during the summer**

Laurels Ministry
Thurs, June 19
1:30pm

WBC Hosting
Appalachian Service
Project Volunteers
June 22 - 28 &
June 29 - July 5

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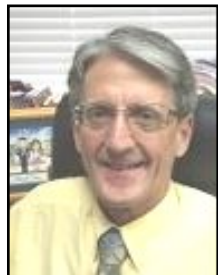
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DEACONS 2024 - 2025

Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
Ron Helton	393-6145
Stan Kunigelis	870-2227
Lewey Lee	393-5370
Matt Meade	393-9177
David Mullins	870-0005
Ruby Salyers	870-0590

Deacon Emeritus:
Bob Adkins

Dear Church Family & Friends,



"You are the spitting image of _____". You have heard that before, right? What a strange expression. Where did that begin?

Being compared to spit does not seem flattering. Spitting on someone is the ultimate disrespect. However, if you go all the way back to the 1500's, it was said that someone resembled someone else as if they were spit out of their mouth. That is a very different meaning.

Science actually backs that up. Some of your DNA is in your saliva. Your DNA ends up in your children. Therefore, you are the spitting image of someone.

The Bible says that you are made in the image of God. (Genesis 1:26). You are the "spitting image" of God. You have some of God's spiritual DNA. It means that you have a special, personal connection to God. It is already in place.

But you have to act on it. Invite Jesus into your life. Consciously put Him first and follow Him for the rest of your days.

Remember, you have a special relationship to God available to you. Every day. Make the most of 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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



(WEEK 1) June 22 - June 27
and
(WEEK 2) June 29 - July 5

warmer. safer. drier.

This summer, Wise Baptist will be housing 2 work teams of about 60 youth & leaders each for 2 weeks: June 22 - 28 and June 29 - July 5! They will be using our Fellowship Hall, kitchen, bathrooms & classrooms. You can be involved by letting Pastor Mike know you are available to help prepare welcome meals on June 22 & 29 and/or do some supplemental cleaning on June 28 & July 5. In addition, if you have any ideas for welcoming & hosting these folks, please share those with Pastor Mike!

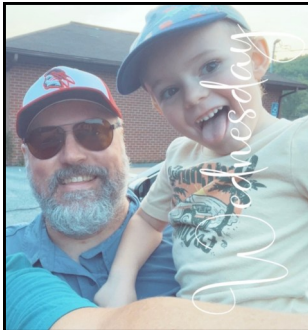
As you pray, please remember...



Frances Sturdavant, Judy Sturgill, Janes Hughes, Jerry Dew (Terry's mom), Grace Allio, Friends & Family of Ray Jones, Family of Raymond Dale, Brenda Lee, Lloyd & Carlie & Annie Tomlinson, Kathy Helton, Sandy & David Mullins, Jim Sturgill, Mike Strouth's sister Pat, Clyde Vance, Family of Frank Sexton, Billie Harris, Wanda Baird, Travis Dutton, Donna Raines, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), Natalie Luther, those affected by Hurricane Helene & Hurricane Milton, Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Donna Hutchinson & Family, Jane Hughes & Family, Matt Meade, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, 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) - Appalachia, VA

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



*Thank you to
Carter Collins
for telling us all about his
dad on Father's Day! We
appreciate mom,
Stephanie Collins,
for conducting the
interview Sunday morning!
We all enjoyed learning things about Matt that
we never knew!*



**This Week's
Scripture**

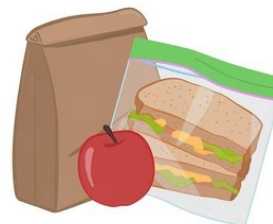
Genesis 1:26-27

"Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our own image, according to Our own likeness....So God created man in His own image; He created him in the image of God; He created them male and female.'"

Cookies Needed!

Becky Curtis (coordinator of the Fairgrounds Back to School Giveaway) is requesting donations of large packages of cookies by **JULY 28!**

Thank you for your generosity!!



**SAVE THE
DATES:
JULY 20 & 21!**

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

Happy Birthday!

June 17	Bryon Burton
June 18	Abi Maine
	Haden Ponish
	Michelle Sisson
	Mary Stuedemann
June 19	Elizabeth Wills
June 23	Landon Elkins
	Nathan Swindall
	John Thacker, Jr.
June 24	Avery Cox
June 25	Emma Katherine Hawkins
	Aaron Lee
June 26	Shirley Willis
June 27	Martha Blackburn



Happy Anniversary!

Mike & Carolyn Strouth	June 18
Dan & Debbie Helton	June 19
James & Susie Clasby	June 20
Dr. Peter & Sandy Yun	June 21
Mike & Rebecca Osborne	June 24



Being Faithful Stewards

Faithful stewards recognize that God owns it all. Once we accept & understand this foundation of stewardship, we can grow and mature in gratitude, contentment,

patience, generosity, & faith.

May we all long to grow to be faithful stewards of God's work here at Wise Baptist Church.

For those who cannot physically attend Sunday morning worship services in the sanctuary, your tithes & offerings may be mailed to Wise Baptist Church, PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293, or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.

"In all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight."

Proverbs 3:6

WBC Music Ministry



Life often feels like a winding road, full of unexpected turns and crossroads that leave us wondering which path to take. In these moments of uncertainty, seeking God's direction can bring clarity, peace, and purpose. Trusting in His guidance is not always easy, but it is a journey of faith that leads to profound growth and fulfillment.

God's direction is not always revealed in grand, unmistakable signs. Sometimes, it comes as a gentle whisper in our hearts, a sense of peace about a decision, or wisdom shared through scripture or trusted counsel. Proverbs 3:5-6 reminds us, *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight."* This verse encourages us to surrender our plans and trust that God's wisdom far surpasses our own. That's easy to say, but sometimes, it's really hard to DO!

In order to seek and hear His direction, we must establish a relationship with Him. Prayer, meditation on His Word, and quiet moments of reflection open our hearts to His voice. It's also important to remain patient, as God's timing is perfect, even when it doesn't align with our own. Delays or detours are frustrating, but they often prepare us for something greater than we could ever imagine.

When we follow God's direction, we may not always understand the journey, but we can trust the destination. His plans are rooted in love and designed for our ultimate good. As Jeremiah 29:11 assures us, *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

In moments of doubt, remember that God's direction is a gift, not a burden. It is an invitation to walk in step with Him, to trust His heart even when we cannot see His hand. By leaning on Him, we find not only the right path but also the peace and joy that come from knowing we are never walking alone.

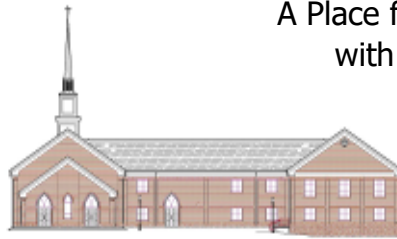
Peace, love & joy, Donna

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	6/15 - 6/21	Debbie Collins, Lewey Lee
	6/22 - 6/28	Matt Meade, Ruby Salyers
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	June	Debbie Collins
	July	Linda Burgess
Children's Message	June 22	Terry Winters
Offering Ushers	June	Jeff Dotson Team
	July	Ron Helton Team
Tellers	June	Martha Blackburn, Jessica Crutchfield
	July	Don Newlon, Oscar Raile
Wed. Night Meals		NO Fellowship Meals during the summer



A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal <i>(will resume in the fall)</i>	6:00 pm
	Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice <i>(will resume in the fall)</i>	7:30 pm
Thursday	Laurels Ministry (3rd)	1:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Bible Study <i>(will resume in the fall)</i>	7 - 8 am

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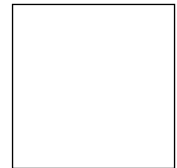
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Thought for the Week:

You have God's spiritual DNA.