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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

March 12, 2024



Dear Church Family and Friends,

My mother is dying. Sometimes death happens a long time before the funeral. I am expecting "the phone call" any time.

I have been reflecting about her life. One quality helps define her. It is represented by a **suitcase**. Knowing what it means helps you know her better.

Mom loved to travel. All over the world. North and South America. Africa. Europe. Asia. Experiencing different cultures. Speaking or learning to speak the languages. Trying different foods.

A defining quality of God is the **Ten Commandments**. Because they explain Who He is. The Ten Commandments are more than rules you must obey to avoid getting in trouble with God. Understanding their meaning helps you know Him better.

They teach us what matters to Him. How to keep a good relationship with Him and our fellow man.

Jesus summarized the Ten Commandments when He said to love God with all your heart, mind and strength and love your neighbor as yourself. (Matthew 22:37-40)

Next time you read the Ten Commandments, see them as God revealing Himself. So you can know Him better.

Love, Pastor Mike

How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

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

- † 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

Fellowship Meal Wed, Mar. 13, 6pm

Bible Study Wed, Mar. 13, 7pm

Choir Practice Wed, Mar. 13, 7:30pm

Men's Bible Study Thurs, Mar. 14, 6:30am

"He's ALIVE!" Event Sat, Mar. 23, 2-4pm

Palm Sunday Service March 24, 11am

Passover Seder Service Thurs, Mar. 28, 7pm

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DEACONS 2023 - 2024

John Mark Adrian 328-5564 leff Cantrell 275-9427 **Debbie Collins** 393-3875 leff Elkins 393-5700 Butch Hutchinson 393-5008 870-2227 Stan Kunigelis Lewey Lee 393-5370 870-0005 David Mullins John Ponish 870-1593

> Deacon Emeritus: Bob Adkins

ANNOUNCEMENTS



He's ALIVE!
SATURDAY, MARCH 23
FELLOWSHIP HALL
2:00 PM

If you enjoyed Night in Bethlehem,
you will not want to miss the
"He's ALIVE!"
interactive Easter event this year!
An event for all ages - please invite

your friends & neighbors!



Sundays 10:00 am

As you pray, please remember...

Morgan & Brandon Osborne, Pat Winters

(Pastor Mike's mom), Jean Aker, Grace Allio & Family, Rebecca Osborne & Family, Martha Blackburn & Family, Emmett Kidd (Karen Ponish's dad), Paula Dobis' Family, Cyrus Jones, Chelsea & Sutton Polly, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lu Ellsworth & Family, Gene Bishop, Brian Plester (brother of Brenda Kunigelis), Kathy Osborne & Family, Susan Smith & Family, Jim Sturgill, Wanda Baird, Jim Dotson, John & Kathy Kennedy, Wendy Adrian & Family, Megan (Burton) Douglas, Rev. Michael Weller, Brenda Lee, Rowyn Malott (great-niece of Teresa & Billy Glines), Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, Adele Plester (Brenda Kunigelis' sister-in-law), Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, 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) -Appalachia, VA

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





Stewardship, A Divine Responsibility

God is the Owner. We are the managers. We must oversee <u>His</u> assets for <u>His</u> benefit. Our prayer is for discernment of what God wants done with <u>His</u> assets and then carry out <u>His</u> will. May we all at Wise Baptist Church give abundantly, sacrificially, and joyfully.

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.

"For everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your own hand." 1 Chronicles 29:14

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Passover Seder Service

Thursday ~ March 28 7-8pm

Join us for a special time of worship as we reflect on the meaning of Passover and how Jesus fulfilled God's promises through His death and resurrection. We will observe a Passover meal from a New Testament point of view.

The Passover celebration was an anchor that helped hold the people of God together throughout their history. Every object in the service: the candles, yeast, bitter herbs, unleavened bread, and the four cups are loaded with meaning that beautifully tells the story of God and His people. When Jesus came, He became the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" and thus fulfilled the promises and hope of Passover. We will need to know by Sunday, March 24 if you plan to attend, so that adequate preparations can be made. You can contact the church office or indicate this on the Communication Card in your bulletin.



Scripture for the Week:

Matthew 22:37-40

"He said to him, 'Love the Lord you God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and most important commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commandments.'"



...**Easter** comes early this year - MARCH 31!

Sat, March 23

"He's Alive!" Interactive Event (similar to Night in Bethlehem)

Sun, March 24

Palm Sunday

Thurs, March 28

Seder (Passover) Celebration

Sun, March 31

Flowering the Cross
Easter Cantata



Thursday, March 14
Mt View Freewill Baptist Church
6:00 pm

New Materials!

"Everyone experiences grief differently. Grief cannot be rushed. Finding support is crucial"

- Join a Griefshare Group
- Sign up for daily encouraging emails
 - Check out the online bookstore

For more info, contact Jim Collie

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



Nappy Birthday!

March 12 Amanda Aker

March 15 Josh Ebert

March 18 Dylan Luther

March 21 Pat Adkins



Nappy anniversary!

March 13 Oscar & Gloria Raile

March 14 Dustin & Kristen Phillips

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Needed!

Osborne are leaving the area at the end of March, so we are needing someone to help CREATE the slideshows for morning worship & for special occasions such as Graduate Recognition, etc.

Training will be provided!

Please contact Rebecca at 276-365-0969 or Terry Winters at 276-870-2712 if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity!







WBC Music Ministry

Today, I'd like to share some thoughts on the importance of keeping Christian values at the heart of our daily lives. These values, such as love, compassion, forgiveness, and integrity, are more than just ideals; they are the guiding principles that Jesus Christ exemplified in His life and teachings.

In a world that is constantly changing and presenting us with new challenges, it can be easy to lose sight of these core values. However, I believe that by holding fast to these, we can navigate life's trials with grace and strength.

Love, the greatest of these values, calls us to care for one another, to serve without expecting anything in return, and to forgive as we have been forgiven. Jesus said the greatest two commandments are to LOVE GOD and LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. By keeping these two commandments, we keep all ten.

Let us strive to be a light in the darkness, to offer hope where there is despair, and to extend a hand of friendship to those in need. By doing so, we not only honor our faith but also contribute to a kinder, more compassionate world.

May we continue to walk in faith, uphold the values we cherish, and inspire others to do the same.

Joy, Peace and Love, Donna



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B - Michael Allio B - Regina Cantrell B - Britney Edmiston		B - Susan Smith	B - Katherine Winters		B - Asheton Godsey B - Heather Kunigelis	
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17 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church	18 Piecemakers, 9:30am	19	20 6pm - Fellowship Me 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Pract	Study	22	23 "He's ALIVE!" Event 2:00 pm
24 Palm Sunday	25 Caring Friends, 9:30am	26	27 NO Wed. Night activities	28 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall	29	30
10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church		B - Chloe Cantrell	MARCH 28: B - Ashley Farmer B - Deborah Knox B - Christi Lardieri B - Isabella Lardieri	Passover Seder	B - Matt Collins B - Matthew Mullins	B - George Chappell
I0:00am - Flowering the Clo:00am - Sunday School Ilam - Worship (onsite/or - EASTER CANTAT - Children's Messag	nline) [*] A				B = Birthday A = Anniv.	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247

Volunteers this Week						
Deacons On Call	3/10 - 3/16	Debbie Collins, Jeff Elkins				
	3/17 - 3/23	Jeff Cantrell, Lewey Lee				
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass				
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith				
Sunday School Greeters	March	Mike & Rebecca Osborne				
	April	John Mark Adrian				
Children's Church	3/10	Sandy & David Mullins				
	3/17	Susie & Chad Blanton				
Offering Ushers	March	Ron Helton Team				
	April	Jeff Dotson Team				
Tellers	March	Jeff Kiser, Martha Blackburn				
	April	Don Newlon, Oscar Raile				
Wed. Night Meals	3/13	Chili Beans, Grilled Cheese,				
		Salad				
	3/20	Chicken Casserole, Veggies &				
		Potatoes, Salad				
Wed. Serving Teams:	3/13	Teresa's Team: Linda Burgess,				
		Eileen Cantrell, Susan Smith,				
*		John Ponish				
	3/20	Donna's Team: Debbie				
	1	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	Fellowship Meal Bible Study Choir Practice	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30pm				
Thursday	Men's Bible Study Laurels Ministry (3rd)	6:30 am 1:30pm				

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Thought for the Week:

The Ten Commandments are God's invitation to know Him better.