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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

May 9, 2023



Dear Church Family and Friends.

Hospitality. When did you experience true hospitality? It could have been that you were made to feel important because of the way you were treated by a family member or friend. Welcomed in a special way. Your

needs got special attention. You were valued.

A particular restaurant in New York City had a great reputation. But they did something that separated them from all the rest. An example of this happened at the end of a meal. The food and service were tremendous. The customer said that everything had been great, but they had a desire for a hot dog from a street vendor. The waiter rushed out to get it.

The customer gushed with praise. Why? Because of a \$2 hot dog? No, it was because of the restaurant's "unreasonable hospitality". It was this "unreasonable hospitality" that set this restaurant apart from all the rest.

I believe that Christians (and the church) are called to demonstrate "unreasonable hospitality" in Jesus' name. Doesn't cost much. What are those little things that make a difference? These set us apart from all of the other organizations in our world.

"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing, some people have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:2)

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

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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, May 10, 6pm

Bible Study Wed, May 10, 7pm

Choir Practice Wed, May 10, 7:45pm

Laurels Ministry Thurs, May 18, 1:30pm

Graduate Recognition Sunday May 21, 11am

Movie Night Sun, May 21, 6pm Fellowship Hall

Feast of Pentecost Wed, May 24, 6pm

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DEACONS 2022 - 2023

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> Deacon Emeritus: Bob Adkins

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sunday MAY 21

6pm

We will show one more movie on May 21 before taking a break for the summer. Come out & join us in the Fellowship Hall this Sunday on May 21 for a showing of "The Ultimate Gift"! Bring a snack & invite a friend!

A deceased billionaire leaves his spoiled adult grandson a series of odd tasks to complete in order to receive "the ultimate gift" - a journey of discovery, having to answer the ultimate question: What is the relationship between wealth & happiness?



Congratulations

to Don Newlon!

Grandson, Grant James Newlon made his appearance on May 4, weighing 5 lbs, 11 oz

NEW Contact information for Lois Stallard:

> NHC Healthcare, Room 134 3209 Bristol Highway Johnson City, TN 37601

As you pray, please remember...

Michael & Amber Hersel, Edgar Mullins (Grace's brother), Haley & Cody Lambert, Donnie & Courtney Jordan & family, Cheryl Henry & family, Kay Wright & family, Jim & Pam Huff, Eileen & Jeff Cantrell & family, Jean Aker, Lois Stallard, Mike Smith, Aaron Lee, Brenda Lee, Artie Bailey, Karen Ponish, Ruby Salyers, Gil & Martha Blackburn, Wanda Baird, Hannah Glass, family of Kelly Hammond (Beth Snodgrass' niece), Graham Hawes, Glenna Ruth Horne, Jeff Carty, Rachel Helton, Pat Boggs, Rowyn Renee Adkins (great-niece of Teresa & Billy Glines), Irene Humphries, John & Kathy Kennedy, Clyde Vance & family, David Dykes, Gigi & Scott Pippin, Harold Stallard, Paula Coffey, Butch Hutchinson, Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, Adele Plester (Brenda Kunigelis' sister-in-law), Roger Viers, Lorna Wherry & family, (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Natalie Luther, Cooper Carlson, Russell, Miles & Mason Wampler, Phyllis Hatcher, 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) Lakeland, FL, Jeanne Stallard

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



Scripture for the Week: Hebrews 13:2

"Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it."



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Feast of Weeks

Join us on <u>Wednesday, May 24 at 6pm</u> for a celebration of the Feast of Weeks, which was celebrated by Jesus and is also referred to as the Feast of Pentecost.

Instead of our usual Wed. night fellowship meal & Bible study, we will be sharing a meal like the one prepared by the Israelites in the Old Testament & is still prepared today by Jewish families to celebrate one of their 3 most holy festivals of the year.

The meal will be followed by music & dancing & a devotional time about the Feast of Weeks & its significance for us as Christians today.

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jorge & Pam Hersel in the loss of Jorge's infant grandchild last week. Please remember Jorge, Pam & parents, Michael & Amber Hersel in your prayers.

Wissions Yard Sale! YARD June 2-3 SALE

- * Please contact Teresa Adkins or Donna Hutchinson if you have donations.
- * Please do not leave items on the porch of the Rock.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SERVICE

Sunday, May 21



Menu for Feast of Weeks

Appetizers Basil Garlic Crisps

Cheese, Spinach & Quinoa Bites

Salad Peach Caprese Salad with Pistachio

Vinaigrette

Entrees Sweet Noodle Kugel

Cheese Blintzes

Ricotta Gnocchi

Cheese & Cauliflower Fritters

Bake Feta & Cheddar Frittata

Bread Assorted Yeast Breads

Desserts Chocolate Peanut Butter Pretzel Tart

Blueberry Crumble



MUSIC, YOUTH, CHILDREN



May 10 Susan Duncan

May 12 Joe Powers

Jack Tolbert

May 13 Dalton Hopkins

May 17 Celeste Smith

May 18 John Bridges

May 19 Khaleesi Criswell

May 22 Christina Meade

Jordan Owens

Courtney Makris



Nappy anniversary!

May 30 Bob & Teresa Adkins

Flock News (WBC Youth)

Each week...

Sun. - 6pm, Youth Gathering Youth Building



Lloyd & Carlie Tomlinson 276-337-4997





WBC Music Ministry

This will be my first Mother's Days without my Mom. My Mom lost herself the last few years of her life. I can't imagine not knowing who I am or who the other persons around me are, like being in a foreign country without anyone you know.

Her death affected me in many ways, but relief was probably the greatest of these. She is no longer suffering, hurting or mostly, scared, but I miss her. I miss her more than I can adequately explain, but I know that my Mom, even in her dementia, leaned on Jesus. I am sure He has welcomed her into His loving arms, but that has left me and my siblings without our Mother.

I read this prayer earlier this week and thought I would share it with you.

"Father, I thank you for this grieving heart. I thank you that you are not far from my grief, near to my grief, but that You, Jesus, experience every ounce of pain and sadness that I feel with me. I thank you that I have a God who chooses to commune with me in my suffering. I pray that You would reveal Yourself as One who doesn't spiritually bypass pain but chooses to experience it with me. And I pray that this revelation would weave such a deep intimacy into my heart that it would embolden me to continue courageously moving forward in my healing journey. Thank you, Jesus, that when my life feels formless and void like creation at its dawn. You reveal Yourself as One who hovers over my chaos like a mama bird brooding over her young. I thank You that You are a wonderful Father whose heart is compassionate and longs to hold me while I weep. Heal the hearts of those who are hurting and reveal to us the reality of the Kingdom and the true hope of Heaven. Reveal your blessed tenderness to this precious, grieving soul.

Joy, Peace and Love, Donna

Amen.

Volunteers this Week			
Deacons On Call:	5/7 - 5/13	David Mullins, Jorge Hersel	
	5/14 - 5/20	Gil Blackburn, Jim Collie	
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass	
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith	
Children's Church	5/14	Jennifer & Cub Mullins	
	5/21	Holly Meade, Ava Mullins	
Offering Ushers	May	Jeff DotsonTeam	
	June	Ron Helton Team	
Tellers:	May	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson	
	June	Jeff Kiser, Ruby Salyers	
Wed. Night Meals:	5/10	BBQ Chicken & Pork, Slaw, Baked Beans	
	5/17	Breakfast for Dinner	
Wed. Night Serving Teams:	5/10	Teresa's Team: Teresa Adkins, Linda Burgess, Eileen Cantrell, Sandy Mullins, Diana Roberts. Susan Smith	
	5/17	Deacons + Edgar Owens, Ron Helton	



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES			
Sunday	Sunday School Worship Youth (Grades 7-12) Sunday Night at the Movies	10:00 am 11:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal Bible Study onsite & via Fb Live Choir Practice	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:45 pm	
Thursday	Men's Bible Study Laurels Ministry (3rd)	6:30 am 1:30pm	

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Thought for the Week:

How can you show "unreasonable hospitality" in Jesus' name?