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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

October 10, 2023

Dear Church Family and Friends,

Why can't people get along? We see others as being against us. Too often, we can't even talk to each other. There are many theories about why. Most throw lots of blame around. If only "they" would change, things would get better.

How do we begin to repair this situation?...

Recently our church celebrated the Feast of Tabernacles. Just as Jesus celebrated it with His family. And later with His disciples.

Each year, in Jesus' day, thousands traveled to Jerusalem. For one week, they lived in tents. It reminded them when God's people lived in tents for 40 years and how God provided for them. And how He still does.

Each year, all kinds of people gathered. Rich and poor. Young and old. Male and female. Healthy and sick. For one week, **all** lived in tents. In the open air. Experienced the wonder of God's creation. Ate out of the same pots.

When our church celebrated the Feast of Tabernacles, we gathered around a large tent. Outside in God's great creation. Ate out of the same pot. Had fellowship. And worshipped. Equals. In our need to eat. In our need for God. In our need for each other.

The hinge point in all history was when Jesus laid down His life for us all. The ground was level around the Cross. Still is. We are all equals in the most important way. In our need for God.

Maybe if we start there, we can look at others, eye to eye. Face to face. As human beings who need God.

"For he, himself, is our peace, who made us both one and has broken down, in His flesh the dividing wall of hostility." (Eph. 2:14)

Love. Pastor Mike

How to Join Wise Baptist Church: Express one of the following to the Pastor during the closing hymn:

† Transfer of Letter T † Baptism E † Statement of Faith B † Watch Care E

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

MPORTANT DATES

Fellowship Meal Wed, October 11 6:00pm

Bible Study Wed, October 11 7:00pm

Choir Practice Wed, October 11 7:45pm

Men's Bible Study Thursday, October 12 6:30am

Yard Sale for Missions Friday, October 13

Coffee & Friends Winters' Home Sunday, October 15

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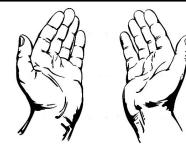
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DEACONS 2023 - 2024

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eff Elkins	393-5700
Butch Hutchinson	393-5008
Stan Kunigelis	870-2227
Lewey Lee	393-5370
David Mullins	870-0005
ohn Ponish	870-1593

Deacon Emeritus: Bob Adkins

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Stewardship — Bless and Be Blessed

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." ~ Proverbs 3:6

It is a privilege for us to be called as stewards of God's Work at Wise Baptist Church. We experience blessings, a special peace, and happiness through our pure motives and following God's example and instruction of giving.

May you be blessed, through your caring heart, your desire to reach the lost, your giving attitude ... all through being 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 and offerings may still be mailed to <u>Wise Baptist Church, PO</u> <u>Box 777, Wise VA 24293</u>, or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.



As you pray, please remember...

Phyllis Hatcher, Jeff & Eileen Cantrell & Family, Vicki Stephens, Jim Dotson, Gil Blackburn, Kathy Kennedy, Family of Lois Stallard, Family of Artie Bailey, Wendy Adrian & Family, Megan



(Burton) Douglas, Mike Strouth, Rev. Michael Weller, Robert Price, Gladys Maxwell, Dan Helton, Jean Aker, Butch Hutchinson, Brenda Lee, Wanda Baird, Edgar Mullins (Grace's brother), Rowyn Malott (great-niece of Teresa & Billy Glines), John & Kathy Kennedy, Harold Stallard, 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, 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 (NC)

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



Scripture for the Week:

Ephesians 2:14

"For He is our peace, who made both groups one and tore down the dividing wall of hostility."



Many thanks to David & Sandy Mullins for hosting our last few Sunday morning donut fellowships!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



are invited!

Dear friends,

We would like to invite you to come over to our house for dessert & coffee (apple cider, etc.) on a sunday evening of your choosing: <u>October 15, 29,</u> November 5, 12, 19, December 3, 10.

With Covid, it's been awhile since we have had folks over, & we would love to be able to just visit & fellowship together on Sunday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30pm

Feel free to call Terry (276-870-2712)or sign-up on the posters in the foyer, hall & fellowship hall.

Hope you can join us!

Love, Mike & Terry



Quilt Rapple!

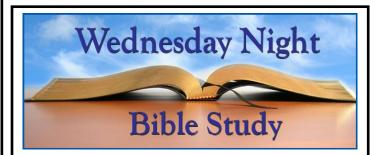
See Grace Allio or Toni Thacker for a chance to win this beautiful quilt made by Eileen Cantrell! Tickets are \$5 each. The drawing for the winner will take place in 2 weeks!



YARD SALE for MISSIONS!

WHERE: The Rock WHEN: Friday, Oct. 13, 9am - 3pm *Donations accepted;

contact Teresa Adkins at 393-0977



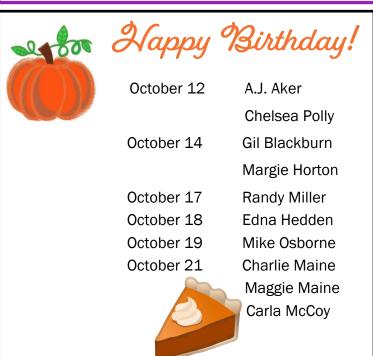
Invite a friend & join us for dinner & Bible Study tomorrow evening at 7pm!



Caring Friends of Wise deeply appreciate the generous support of Wise Baptist Church! Our work would not be possible without our Wise Baptist friends.

Thanks to you, we have been able to donate over 1,300 quilts to patients receiving chemotherapy at the SWVA Cancer Center. *Providing meeting space every week, use of the* kitchen, financial support of our annual bazaar and your prayers help us continue to bless others during a difficult time in their lives. Thank you for all you do!

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



Happy Anniversary!

October 10	Butch & Donna Hutchinson
October 11	Cliff & Regina Carson
October 14	Bill & Erra Sutherland
October 15	Billy & Teresa Glines
	Brian & Elizabeth Wills

Ministry *Save Nov. 4 these SNACK & PAINT dates! Dec. 2 BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS

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The Feast of Tabernacles was a marvelous experience and I hope we continue to celebrate some of the lewish traditions have been passed down for centuries and that marked Jesus' time here on earth. So many times, the feasts are mentioned in the Bible and I have had no idea what the feast was, what it celebrated and how it was done. I am getting a much better idea of them through my study and participation in them. Pastor Mike and I were discussing whether we should continue celebrating the feasts or whether our congregation would get tired of them. The Jewish people have celebrated these for thousands of years, so I think we can celebrate it for a few years. Jesus celebrated these holidays each year during His 30+ years on this earth. Isn't it wonderful that we are able to continue with those same celebrations?

As Jeff Cantrell stated yesterday, it was a wonderful time spent with our friends and family. We all brought some meat and vegetables that were added to our pot and we had about 8 gallons of stew/soup. All in attendance were able to eat from the same pot, just like family. We read scripture, had a fire, sang songs and just visited with each other. It was a wonderful night.

If you don't normally join in on our "extra" services throughout the year, please consider doing so when the next opportunity presents itself.

On another note, today is our 48th anniversary. I told Pastor Mike that it had been a long, but mostly wonderful 48 years. I'd still marry him again and Joy, Peace and Love, again. Donna

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	10/8 - 10/14	Stan Kunigelis, John Mark Adrian	
	10/15 - 10/21	John Ponish, Butch Hutchinson	
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass	
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith	
Children's Message	10/15	Terry Winters	
Children's Church	10/22	Chad & Susie Blanton	
Offering Ushers	October Team	Jeff Dotson Team	
	November Team	Jerry Baird Team	
Tellers:	October	Jeff Kiser, Martha Blackburn	
	November	Oscar Raile, Don Newlon	
Wed. Night Meals:	10/11	Chicken Casserole, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes	
	10/18	Hamburgers & Fries	
Wed. Serving Teams:	10/11	Donna's Team: Debbie Collins, Susan Mullins, Rebecca Osborne, Sherry Collie Don's Team: Cyndi Newlon, John Ponish, Vicki Stephens, Terry Winters	

A Place for Faith and Fellowship with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School Worship	10:00 am 11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd) Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	9:30 am
Wednesday	Bible Study via Fb Live Choir Practice	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:

The ground is level around the cross.