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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

October 25, 2016



Dear church family and friends,

We had a great day of worship Sunday as our church ordained Jeff Dotson as a Deacon. Serving alongside Jeff will be his dear wife, Kathy. We also welcome previously ordained Mike Osborne as a new Deacon at Wise Baptist. Further, we affirmed our other deacons as they serve our church: Jerry Baird, Gil Blackburn, Ron Helton, John Kennedy, Matt Meade, Ed Owens, and Daniel Ray.

Sunday night was a special "Night of Music" as the gospel was conveyed in so many ways through handbells, piano, other instruments, vocals, band and choir. Thank you to each involved, and especially to Leigh, and Susan Mullins.

Had the Apostle Paul stayed in his comfort zone, he never would have set out on his three missionary journeys, which changed the world. He stepped out literally into personally uncharted waters and lands. He stepped out in faith and God blessed him and our world through him.

Our human tendency is to want to stay in the comfort zone. What is our comfort zone? It is being with people we already know and doing things we have already done. It is safe and predictable. We are less likely to make a mistake or be embarrassed.

Where would we be today if we never left our comfort zones? We would have been dying little by little each day, each week, each month, and each year. The growth comes when we step out of the comfort zone. All the while something inside says, "No, don't do it!"

We do not need God if we stay in the comfort zone. We can do everything without Him. But, when we step into the faith zone, uncharted waters and lands, we depend on God more. There is challenge. To be truly alive means to face challenge; otherwise, we shrivel up on the inside.

The early church had Jesus' Great Commission (given five times) to take the gospel to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. When Paul came along, the church was still stuck in Jerusalem. They were stuck in their comfort zone. The pain of persecution scattered the church like seeds.

In what ways do we need to step out of the comfort zone into the faith zone? It means to do new things with new people. Think about it. Pray about it. God will bless you and others through you.

Love, Pastor Mike

How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

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

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| † 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

Trunk or Treat
October 26, 7:15pm

Soup & Cornbread Lunch
for Missions
October 30

Children's Snack-n-Paint
November 5

"Fall-Back" Time Change
November 6

BCM Meal
November 7

Thanksgiving S.O.A.P.
Bible Study
November 10 - 24

OCC Relay Center
Nov. 14 - 21

Kindred Spirits
November 15

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DEACONS 2016-17

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Daniel Ray	328-2483

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Don't miss
Trunk or Treat 2016!

CHILDREN...wear your costumes, bring your treat bag & invite a friend to Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, **October 26** at 7:15pm!

ADULTS...decorate your trunk & bring lots of treats for our trunk-or-treaters! We will meet briefly for a prayer time in the sanctuary following our fellowship meal, and then go out to the parking lot for Trunk or Treat.

NEW Church Wide S.O.A.P. Study!



Join us as we study scriptures of praise & thanksgiving in preparation for celebrating **Thanksgiving Day 2016** - much like we prepare for Christmas each year, by observing Advent.

This 2-week S.O.A.P. Bible study will be Nov. 10 - 24. Each participant will receive a notebook listing the scriptures for each day. If you prefer, the notebook can be emailed to you. We will not be meeting as a group—this Bible study is designed in such a way that each of us will study the same scripture passage on our own on each of the 15 days leading up to Thanksgiving: (S - scripture, O - observations, A - application, P - prayer).

You will also have the option of sharing any insights God has shown you on a special closed facebook page for our group. Sign up on your communication card or contact Diana Roberts, Margie Horton or Terry Winters.

As you pray, please remember...

Beth Snodgrass, Papa Joe Smiddy, Kara Kennedy, Tony Hill, 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.

Hospitalized: Wesley Kennedy (Florida), Irene Black (NCH Rehab)

Our Shut Ins: Elizabeth Davidson (Heritage Hall - Wise), Susan Davidson (Heritage Hall—Wise), Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Archie Kennedy (Heritage Hall—BSG), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG), and Florine Pennington (The Laurels).

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



Raising the Roof! **Project**

We will be roofing the Rock
on October 28 - 30.

See John Ponish for details.



SOUP & CORNBREAD MEAL

The Missions Team is sponsoring a soup & cornbread meal on Sunday, October 30. Plan to join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship that day. All donations for lunch will go towards Wise Baptist Church Missions projects. Please contact Donna Hutchinson (393-5004) or Sherlene Hall (328-9315) if you can help or make your favorite soup to share that day!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

WBC RELAY CENTER

NOVEMBER 14—21

Wise Baptist will again set up the OCC Relay Center at the Rock according to the following schedule. If you are available to help, please contact Rebecca Osborne or sign up on the Communication Card in your bulletin:

Nov. 14—4-7pm

Nov. 16—3-6pm

Nov. 18—4-7pm

Nov. 20—2-5pm

Nov. 15—4-7 pm

Nov. 17—4-7pm

Nov. 19—2-5pm

Nov. 21—9am—noon

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Children's Ministry

Wise Baptist offers lots of opportunities for children to have fun together & to learn about God's love for them! Be sure to pick up a copy of the Children's Ministry Calendar as well as a brochure in the foyer or the hall by the elevator & share it with someone you know!

BCM MEAL

We will be serving lunch for UVA-Wise students at the BCM Building on Monday, November 7. Please contact Donna Hutchinson if you would like to help this month!



ATTENTION

ALL 2nd, 3rd, 4th GRADERS!

You are invited to join me for Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10:00 am! We have fun learning about God's love through reading the Bible, playing games, & making crafts. Our classroom is upstairs. I look forward to seeing you on Sunday morning—you can always bring friends! :)

Love,

Miss Terry



Share God's Word



Kindred Spirits

We had such a great time painting pottery at Tricia Cahoon's house last spring, that she has graciously agreed to do another Kindred Spirits pottery night! We will meet on Tuesday, November 15. Stay tuned for more details.



NEW WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES!

Max on Life

This Max Lucado study addresses questions about illness, death and eternity. Teresa Adkins will be teaching this Bible study.

The Little Book of Biblical Justice

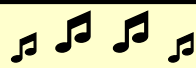
Everyone has their own ideas of what is just & fair. Mark Clark will explore the more important question of what the Bible teaches about justice & how we can apply that today.

I & II Samuel

Join Pastor Mike as we learn timely lessons from the problems with political leaders in the Bible that apply to us today.

OCTOBER 26, 6:45pm - Brief time of Prayer before Trunk or Treat

NOVEMBER, 2, 6:45 PM - 6-Week Bible Studies BEGIN



From Leigh

There are not enough words to express my joy and excitement following the Night of Music! It was amazing. I am grateful to the many, many musicians who participated. The purpose of the concert was to showcase the many aspects of the music ministry at Wise Baptist Church through songs of praise for Our God and Savior. We had a great variety of musical styles, instruments, and ages scheduled for the program. Several people commented to me afterwards that the program was "just right".

So many people were in attendance! We had a few people trickling in around 6:30. I went back to the choir room around 6:45 for a last minute run-through. At the last minute, I realized I still had on my tennis shoes so I ran back to my office. When I returned to the sanctuary, I was amazed at the crowd of people who were gathered to rejoice and praise God through music.

The performing groups included the Jubilation Ringers, the Singing Sunbeams, the Bluegrass Baptists, TRUTH, and the Sanctuary Choir. Susan Mullins and Georgia Horne performed piano solos. Susan and I also played an organ/piano duet. Mike Osborne graciously donated his time as our sound engineer.

What a night! WBC is blessed beyond measure.

This Sunday, my sisters from Georgia will be in Wise. They will join us in worship and provide some music for the service. We will also hear from the Jubilation Ringers and the Sanctuary Choir.



On Saturday, Mark and I had the privilege of attending the wedding of Kaitlin Ponish to Joseph Collins. Anna was asked to sing for the ceremony. So she flew in from Memphis and was in Wise briefly. It was a beautiful day and an even more beautiful occasion. Kaitlin holds a special place in my heart as my first "second daughter". I am grateful for the friendship that

was forged many years ago between the Clark and Ponish families.

I give thanks for each of you and for this church. I am praying for you this week; pray for each other, too.

Blessings, Leigh



October 26

Jean Aker

Emma Snodgrass

October 27

Canaan Godsey

Kimberly Lyons

October 29

Judy Sturgill

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Special thanks to the Building and Grounds committee for getting our church steeple cleaned on Monday. David Mullins spent a lot of time in the lift scrubbing and washing. Other helpers included Ron Helton, Bryon Burton, Jerry Baird, and Jeff Dotson. We are very appreciative to the Town of Wise and Ball

Construction for their help with this project, as well.



The Flock will meet on Wednesday and Sunday for

Bible study and fellowship. Dinner begins at 6 both evenings. Lori Sturgill Crisp will provide our meal. Friends are always welcome!

We appreciate the ministry of our deacons at Wise Baptist!



Affirmation of our Deacons



Testimony by Mike Osborne



Ordination of Jeff Dotson to the Deacon Ministry



Laying on of Hands



On Monday, our steeple got a make-over as it was power-washed.



October 23 - *A Night of Music!*

Many thanks to the Leigh Clark for organizing a wonderful night of praise music this past Sunday night!! Thank you to the Jubilation Ringers, the Singing Sunbeams, the Bluegrass Baptists, TRUTH, the Sanctuary Choir, and to Susan Mullins, Georgia Horne and Leigh Clark for leading in worship through music!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
B = Birthday A = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office 276-328-6247	1	2	3	4	5 CHILDREN'S SNACK-n-PAINT 10am—12 pm B. Whitney Bender B. Leton Harding
6 Deacons-8:30 am Communion- 11am TIME CHANGE ("Fall" Back) B. Donna Hutchinson B. John Kennedy B. Loretta Williams	7 Piecemakers 9:30am BCM Meal—11am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm B. Forrest Stalnaker	8 B. Reagan Elkins	9 <i>Mission Team 5pm</i> <i>Dinner 6pm</i> <i>Bible Study 6:45pm</i> <i>Choir 7:50 pm</i> B. Rachel Lyall	10 Women on Mission 2pm Thanksgiving S.O.A.P. Bible Study begins (Nov. 10-24) B. Judy Combs	11 A. Edgar & Bonnie Owens	12 B. Peter Jung Yun
13 B. Olivia Collins B. Harold Witt	14 Caring Friends - 9:30am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm Operation Christmas Child Relay Center at Rock 	15 KINDRED SPIRITS 6 pm— Cahoon's B. Donnie Bradley B. Leigh Clark	16 <i>Dinner 6pm</i> <i>Bible Study 6:45pm</i> <i>Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm</i> B. Luke Collie	17	18	19
20 B. Caitlin Adkins OCC Relay Center at Rock	21 Piecemakers 9:30am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm B. Dwight Jones	22 B. Rick Collie B. Jakeb Harden	23 <i>Dinner 6pm</i> <i>Bible Study 6:45pm</i> <i>Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm</i> B. Dan Helton	24 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	25	26
27	28 Caring Friends 9:30am Singing Sunbeams 4-5 pm B. T. Ray Maine	29 <i>Town Tree Lighting 7 pm</i> B. Josh Chisenhall	30 <i>Dinner 6pm</i> <i>Bible Study 6:45pm</i> <i>Sanctuary Choir 7:50 pm</i>			
November Prayer Calendars are now available in the church foyer, as well as in the hall by the elevator.						

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	10/23-10/29	John Kennedy, Mike Osborne
	10/30-11/5	Gil Blackburn, Daniel Ray
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:	10/30	John Ponish
	11/6	David & Sandy Mullins
Nursery:	10/30	Cari Braddock, Caroline Mullins
	11/6	Linda Burgess, Johnny Robinson
Children's Church:	10/30	Beverly Viers
PA:	10/30	Noah Hall
	11/6	Marty Adkins
Tellers:	October	Stephen Large, Oscar Raile
	November	Jeff Dotson, Leton Harding
Ushers:	10/30	Gil Blackburn*, Jeff Dotson^, Steve Horton^, Marty Kennedy, Jack Tolbert, Clyde Vance
	11/6	Children & Youth (*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	10/26	Brenda Lee, Susan Smith, Ann Wade, Vickie Wells
	11/2	Linda Bailey, Karen Ponish, Ruby Salyers
Wed. Meals:	10/26	Breakfast for Supper
	11/2	Potluck
Children-in-Action:	10/26	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large
	11/2	Kathy Dotson, Terry Winters

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

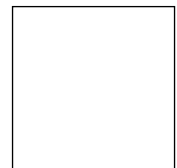
Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
	Singing Sunbeams	4-5 pm
Wednesday	Mission Team Meets (1st)	5:00 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Adult Bible Study	6:45 pm
	Youth Bible Study	
	Children-in-Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	2--4 pm
	Gideon Bible Study	7:00 pm

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Thought for the week:
**Growth is outside of the
 comfort zone.**