

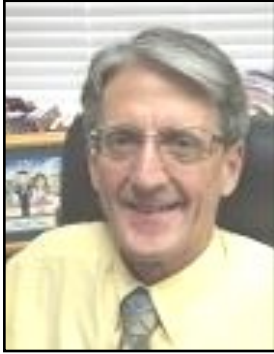
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
 WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 19, 2023

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Swimming lessons. Remember when you learned?

When I was taking swimming lessons, the instructor taught me how to float on my back. "Lie back in the water and arch your back." he said. But I kept sinking. My instructor told me it was because my muscles were tense. "Relax. Trust the water to support you". And it worked!

Floating on my back was so relaxing. If the water was not smooth, I bobbed on the surface. The water did the work. I just had to allow it to support me.

Faith is like that. Relax in faith. It's not easy, because we want to manage and control things. Trust Jesus to support you. Then do it!

Where do you need to apply this?

Jesus said, "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest." (Matt. 11:28)

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

Fellowship Meal
Wed, September 20
6:00pm

Choir Practice
Wed, September 20
7:45pm

Men's Bible Study
Thursday, September 21
6:30am

Laurels Ministry
Thursday, September 21
1:30pm

Feast of Tabernacles
Saturday, September 30
WBC Courtyard
4 - 8pm

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DEACONS 2023 - 2024

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

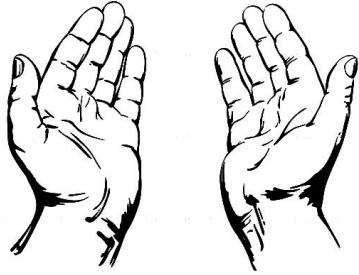
Deacon Emeritus:
 Bob Adkins

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 |

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 Wise Baptist Church, PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293, or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.

PRAISE *God* FROM WHOM
all blessings flow

As you pray, please remember...



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)

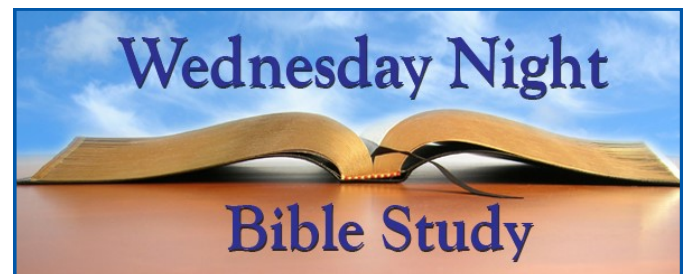
**If you know of other prayer concerns, please contact the church office (328-6247).*



**Scripture
for the Week:**

Matthew 11:28

“Come to Me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”



Invite a friend & join us for supper & Bible Study each Wednesday evening at 7pm!

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You 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, beginning October 8.

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 6-7pm!

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

Hope you can join us!

Love, Mike & Terry

With sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jeff & Eileen Cantrell in the death of Jeff's father, J.D. Cantrell on September 18. Please remember Jeff's family in your prayers.

Fall Bazaar

QUILTING BAZAAR!
OCT. 8-9

The Piecemakers & Caring Friends will be holding a small bazaar at church on October 8-9 to raise funds for making quilts for the cancer center.

What a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping while helping to sustain this wonderful ministry!

Sunday School

Our Sunday School teachers for the new church year (Sept. 2023 - Aug. 2024) are:

Nursery: Debbie Collins, Jane Hughes, Caroline Jessee, Sandy Mullins, Ann Wade

Grades 2-4: Terry Winters

Grades 5-8: Kathy Dotson

Adults...

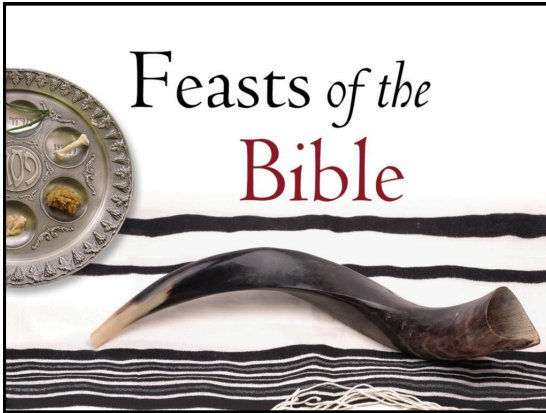
The Truth Seekers: John Ponish, Oscar Raile

Wise Men & Women: Matt Meade, Mike Strouth

The Friendship Class: Billie Harris

Please be in prayer about teachers for our K-1 Class, as well as our Grades 9-12 Class. God may be calling you!

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*Come & celebrate the
Feast of Tabernacles with us
at Wise Baptist on
Saturday, September 30!*

This year, we are celebrating 3 of the most important Jewish feasts that Jesus faithfully participated in while on earth. You may remember that in May, we celebrated the Feast of Weeks with a meal of traditional Jewish dishes, music & even dancing!

You will not want to miss our next feast—the Feast of Tabernacles!

How can YOU participate in our celebration at Wise Baptist?

- (1) Invite others - this is for ALL ages!*
- (2) Bring nonperishable foods for a special offering.*
- (3) You will also need to bring your Bible.*
- (4) Bring chair(s).*
- (5) Please bring a canopy or tent if you have one.*
- (6) If you have access to leafy branches, please bring those also.*



BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



Happy Birthday!

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| September 19 | Bob Adkins |
| September 21 | Marty Adkins |
| September 22 | Ashlee Taylor |
| September 23 | Vickie Swindall Terry Winters |
| September 27 | Kristen Phillips |
| September 28 | Jonathan Whittaker |
| September 30 | Lloyd Cantrell |



WBC Music Ministry

Through the years, the famous hymn “Amazing Grace” has continued to speak to all generations. Many artists have recorded it & many composers have set the lyrics to new melodies.

Recently, at the Celebration of Life service for Lois Stallard, Chris Tomlin’s version of “Amazing Grace” was used. If you are unfamiliar with this version, you can find it on iTunes.

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I’m found,
Was blind, but now I see.*

*‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.*

CHORUS

*My chains are gone, I’ve been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood, His mercy reigns
Unending love
Amazing grace.*

*The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.*

CHORUS

CHORUS

*The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.*

Happy Anniversary!

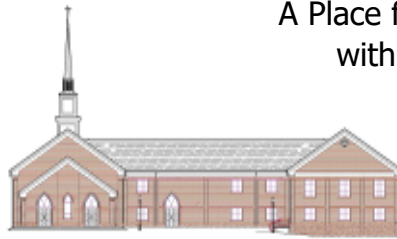
September 20 Tim & Kathy Osborne

CHILDREN'S Ministry

CHILDREN! You are invited to participate in our Feast of Tabernacles celebration on Sat. Sept. 30 in the Wise Baptist courtyard!

Children have always been an important part of God’s people’s feasts & celebrations. As families gathered in tents & temporary shelters, the children helped gather leafy branches for the “roof”. Each year, older family members would gather the children together & retell the stories of God’s goodness & provision for His people as they escaped slavery in Egypt & made their way to the Promised Land.

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



Volunteers this Week

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Deacons On Call: | 9/17 - 9/23 | John Ponish, Debbie Collins |
| | 9/24 - 9/30 | Jeff Cantrell, John Mark Adrian |
| Building Stewards: | | Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass |
| Instrumentalists: | | Susan Mullins, Susan Smith |
| Children's Church | 9/24 | Chad & Susie Blanton |
| | 10/1 | Carlie & Lloyd Tomlinson |
| Offering Ushers | September | Ron Helton Team |
| | October Team | Jeff Dotson Team |
| Tellers: | September | Matt Meade, Mike Strouth |
| | October Team | Jeff Kiser, Martha Blackburn |
| Wed. Night Meals: | 9/20 | Parmesan Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Roasted Veggies |
| | 9/27 | Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread |
| Wed. Serving Teams | 9/20 | <u>Donna's Team:</u> Debbie Collins, Susan Mullins, Rebecca Osborne, Terry Winters |
| | 9/27 | <u>Don's Team:</u> Jeff Kiser, Sherry & Jim Collie, Sandy & David Mullins, Cyndi Newlon, John Ponsih, Vicki Stephens |



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

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| 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 |

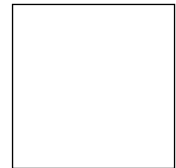
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Like us at: Wise Baptist Church
and at Wise Baptist Youth

Thought for the Week:

Relax in faith.