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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
 WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 5, 2023

*A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.*



*Dear Church Family and Friends,*

Imagine you are on the roof of your home, inspecting it. You walk from edge to edge. But you are not paying attention. You forget where you are. And walk off the edge...

We do that all the time.

We are afraid we do not have enough. It's harder to be generous.

We are afraid others might "get away" with something. It's harder to forgive.

We focus on what we can't do. Instead of what we can.

We are aware of what divides us. Instead of what unifies us.

How do we stop "falling off the roof"?

The answer lies in the 4<sup>th</sup> Commandment. The first through the third are about our relationship with God. The fifth through the tenth are about our relationships with each other.

The bridge is the 4<sup>th</sup> (and longest) commandment. It is about regular worship. What does "sabbath" mean? Stop. Breathe. Rest. Receive (from God).

How do we build a better life and a better world? Start with the Sabbath. "Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh is a Sabbath to the Lord your God".

*Love, Pastor Mike*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**POTLUCK Meal**  
**Wed, September 6**  
**6:00pm**

**Choir Practice**  
**Wed, September 6**  
**7:45pm**

**Men's Bible Study**  
**Thursday, September 7**  
**6:30am**

**Wedding Shower**  
**for Elora Hutchinson**  
**Saturday, September 9**  
**Winters' Home**  
**2-4pm**

**Construct shelter in**  
**courtyard for Feast of**  
**Tabernacles**  
**Wed, September 13**

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## DEACONS 2023 - 2024

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
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Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
Butch Hutchinson	393-5008
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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:*

† <b>Transfer of Letter</b>	Transfer membership to Wise Baptist Church
† <b>Baptism</b>	Desire to express faith in Christ through baptism
† <b>Statement of Faith</b>	Baptized believer not on a membership roll
† <b>Watch Care</b>	Desire to be connected to our Church family without official membership

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

*We extend our deepest sympathy to the family & friends of Artie Bailey, who passed away last Wednesday, August 30. Please keep Artie's daughter Lisa, family, & friends in your prayers.*

### With *Sympathy*

*We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family & friends of Lois Stallard, who passed away last Saturday, September 2. Lois was very proud to be our oldest living church member!*



**"You see, unlike in the movies, there is no THE END sign flashing at the end of books. When I've read a book, I don't feel like I've finished anything. So I start a new one."  
- Elif Shafak**

*If you like to "binge-read", check out all of the great series in our church library!*

*As you pray, please remember...*



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, J.D. Cantrell, 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).**

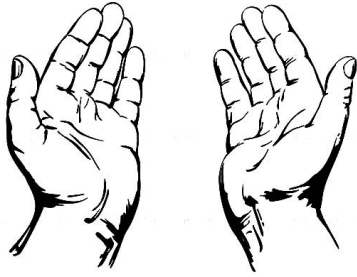


### Scripture for the Week:

### Exodus 20:8-11

"Remember to dedicate the Sabbath day: You are to labor six days and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. You must not do any work - you, your son or daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock or the foreigner who is within your gates. For the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and everything in them in six days; then He rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and declared it holy."

## 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

### Drop-In Wedding Shower



for  
Elora Hutchinson  
Saturday, September 9  
2 - 4pm  
Winters’ Home  
8915 Red Maple Drive  
Wise, VA

*\*Elora & Jake are  
registered at Walmart.*

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.

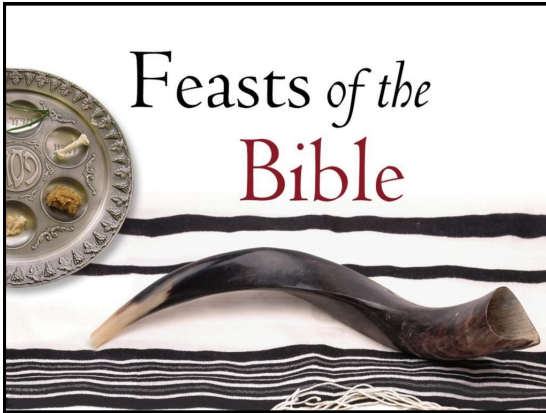


With Covid, it’s been awhile since we have had folks over, & we would love to be able to just visit & fellowship together on Sunday evenings from 6-7pm!

There will be sign-up sheets in the foyer & fellowship hall. Hope you can join us!

Love, Mike & Terry

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



*Come & celebrate the  
Feast of Tabernacles with us  
at Wise Baptist on  
**Friday, September 29!***

**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!**

### ***Can Christians celebrate the Jewish Feasts?***

*These feasts (Passover, the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the Feast of First Fruits, the Feast of Weeks or Pentecost, the Feast of Trumpets or Rosh HaShanah, the Day of Atonement or Yom Kippur, and the Feast of Tabernacles) are not just “Jewish feasts”, but “the feasts of the Lord” (Leviticus 23:2), so God extends an invitation to us & it is a privilege to participate in these feasts! Jesus and His disciples did, as well as the early church.*

### ***How will we celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles at Wise Baptist?***

*On Sept. 13, you are invited to bring leafy branches to the courtyard where we will construct a simple shelter, following our fellowship meal. This shelter will remain in the courtyard until Sept. 29 when we gather that evening to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles with scripture readings, singing and a devotional.*





## BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC



### *Happy Birthday!*

September 7	Gwen Chisenhall Kathy Helton
September 8	Scott Hall Butch Hutchinson Marty Kennedy Nicole Sexton
September 9	Stephanie Wilson
September 13	Cordell Higgins
September 14	Cliff Carson Jeremy Dotson Pam Hersel
September 15	Kathy Dotson



### *WBC Music Ministry*

Dear friend,

Church is not just a place where we go to worship God on Sundays. It is also a community of people who love and support each other. It allows you to interact with others who share your faith and values.

Being involved in church has given me a sense of purpose and joy. Others have helped me grow spiritually and emotionally. They have also encouraged me to use my gifts and talents to serve others. I have learned more about God's love and grace. I have experienced His presence and power in my life. I have also discovered His plan and will for me.

He has called me to be His witness and disciple in the world. I invite you to join me in this journey of faith. I would love for you to become more involved with your church family and to show you what God is doing in our midst. I believe that He has something special for you too. He wants to bless you and use you for His glory. Come and participate in as many activities as you can work into your schedule: Sunday School, Wednesday night Bible study, Sunday night movies, choir, Christmas Cantata, etc. There is a place and purpose for everyone.

You will be glad you did.

*Joy, Peace and Love,  
Donna*

## *Fall* Bazaar

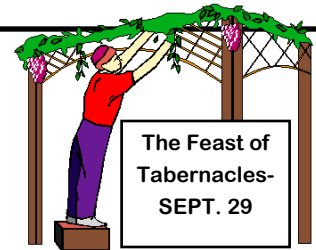
### QUILTING BAZAAR!

**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.

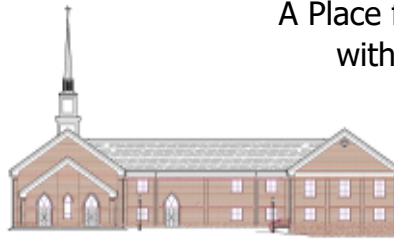
What a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping while helping to sustain this wonderful ministry!

# September 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>B</b> = Birthday <b>A</b> = Anniv.</p>	<p>If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247</p>				1	2
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>8:30am - Deacons' mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Message - Communion</p> <p>B - Renee Robinson</p>	<p><b>4</b> Piecemakers, 9:30am</p> <p>B - Johnny Robinson</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><u>6pm</u> - POTLUCK <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>7</b> 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>B - Gwen Chisenhall B - Kathy Helton</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>B - Scott Hall B - Butch Hutchinson B - Marty Kennedy B - Nicole Sexton</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><i>Bridal Shower for Elora Hutchinson 2 - 4 pm Winters' Home</i></p> </div> <p>B - Stephanie Wilson</p>
<p><b>10</b></p> <p>10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church</p>	<p><b>11</b> Caring Friends, 9:30am</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b> <u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>7pm</u> - build shelter for Feast of Tabernacles <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><b>BRING LEAFY BRANCHES!</b></p> </div>	<p><b>14</b> 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>B - Cliff Carson B - Jeremy Dotson B - Pam Hersel</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>B - Kathy Dotson</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
<p><b>17</b></p> <p>10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church</p> <p>B - Wendy Adrian B - Charley Gardner A - Sam &amp; Cindi Farmer A - Randy &amp; Carol Miller</p>	<p><b>18</b> Piecemakers, 9:30am</p> <p>B - Shane Mullins</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>B - Bob Adkins</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p><u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice</p> <p>A - Tim &amp; Kathy Osborne</p>	<p><b>21</b> 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>B - Marty Adkins</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>B - Ashlee Taylor</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>B - Vickie Swindall B - Terry Winters</p>
<p><b>24</b></p> <p>10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church</p>	<p><b>25</b> Caring Friends, 9:30am</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p><u>6pm</u> - Fellowship Meal <u>7pm</u> - Bible Study <u>7:45pm</u> - Choir Practice</p> <p>B - Kristen Phillips</p>	<p><b>28</b> 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship</p> <p>B - Jonathan Whittaker</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FEAST OF TABERNACLES</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>B - Lloyd Cantrell</p>

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## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	9/3 - 9/9	John Mark Adrian, Gil Blackburn
	9/10 - 9/16	Jeff Cantrell, John Ponish
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Children's Church	9/10	Ann Wade
	9/17	Holly Meade, Ava Mullins
Offering Ushers	September	Ron Helton Team
	October	Jeff Dotson Team
Tellers:	September	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth
	October Team	Jeff Kiser, Martha Blackburn
Wed. Night Meals:	9/6	POTLUCK
	9/13	Soup Bean, Cornbread, Fried Potatoes, Kraut, Weiners
Wed. Serving Teams	9/6	Volunteers needed for set up & clean up
	9/13	<u>Teresa's Team</u> : Pat Adkins, Linda Burgess, Eileen Cantrell, Susan Smith



## 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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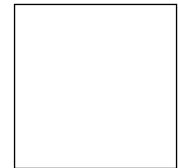
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## Thought for the Week:

*Want to build a better life?  
Start with worship of God.*