



WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH


May 13, 2026

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Wednesday
Night
Bible Study
7 pm
Donna Hutchinson

WEDNESDAY MEAL

Hot Dogs, Chili, Slaw, Tater Tots, Baked Beans

Our Church Yard Sale will be held on Friday, June 5, and Saturday, June 6, from 8:30 am - 2 pm. Please contact Donna or Teresa if you are willing to help sort and price items, or if you are willing to help work either of those two days. Also, if you have items to donate, contact Donna or Teresa to set up a time to bring them to the Rock. Please don't set items on the front porch. Thank you!

How to Join Wise Baptist Church:

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

- † **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

Wednesday, May 13,
6 PM Dinner

7 PM Bible Study

7:30 PM Choir Prac.

Sunday, May 17
Graduate Recognition

Sunday School
10 AM

Worship Service
11 AM

*******Yard Sale*******

June 5-6
8:30 am - 2 pm

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DEACONS 2025 - 2026

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
Ron Helton	393-6145
Lewey Lee	393-5370
Matt Meade	393-9177
John Ponish	870-1593
Ruby Salyers	870-0590
Ray Spenilla	639-2313

Deacon Emeritus:
Bob Adkins

ANNOUNCEMENTS



We will be honoring our graduates on May 17, 2026 during our worship service! Please plan to attend to celebrate their achievements and prayerfully uplift and support them and their future endeavors.

With Heartfelt
Sympathy 

We offer our deepest condolences to Britney, Josh, and Abigail Edmiston in the passing of Britney's father, Terry Thacker. Please keep the Edmiston family in your prayers.

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We offer our deepest condolences to Linda Bailey in the passing of her sister, Janeth Coleman. Please keep Linda and her family in your prayers.

As you pray, please remember...



Leona & Jerry Jessee, Linda Bailey & Family, The Edmiston Family, David & Sandy Mullins, Pauletta Hubbard, Janet Hensen, Stephanie Dellinger & Baby, Kathleen Rasnick, Peggy Stillwell, Deanna Adkins, Aaron Collier, Vicki Stephens, the family of Joe Bandy, Jeannie Knotts & Family, Terry Winters & Mom, Christy Kelley, Ann Wade, John & Diana Roberts, Dawn Hawes, Bella Sisson, Johnny & Renee Robinson, Robert Raines & Family, Family of Susan Rose, Gwyn Carlton, Lewey & Brenda Lee, Jerry & Wanda Baird, Cecil & Glenna Mullins, Alan Adkins, David & Natalie Luther, Irene Humphries, Mike Peak, Megan Moody, Jane Hughes, Grace Allio, Kathy Helton, Jim & Judy Sturgill, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Beth Snodgrass, doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, our men & women in the military, our college students' studies and jobs, and our pastor search committee.

Giving is an Act of Worship

Our stewardship of God's work at Wise Baptist Church is an opportunity of spiritual sacrifice. Our stewardship is an opportunity for each of us to express our love and gratitude to the One who has given us everything. And our stewardship allows us to be a part of God changing lives and souls.



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, P.O. Box 777, Wise, VA 24293 or brought by the Church office anytime during open hours.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC, ETC.



May 13	Dalton Hopkins
May 15	Josh Edmiston
May 16	Virginia Ebert
May 17	Celeste Smith
May 18	John Bridges
May 19	Khaleesi Criswell

This Week's Scripture:

1 Corinthians 15:21

**For since by man *came* death,
by Man also *came* the resurrection of
the dead.**



WBC Music Ministry



I have heard and been asked so many times lately about whether we have a pastor in mind for our church. I am not on the pastor search team, so I don't really know what is happening or who is being interviewed, etc. I do know that they have been interviewing through ZOOM frequently. I also know that it feels like we have been waiting forever! It's only been 9 months since Mike and Terry retired.

When Mike and Terry came to our church, we had been without a pastor for over 2 years. According to the BGAV, most churches take 1 month for each year the previous pastor had been at the church. The Winters' were here for 13 years. So, we may not be finished with "waiting".

Waiting on the right pastor is one of the most faith shaping seasons a church can experience. It's a time when the congregation must lean into prayer, unity, and trust—believing that Jesus Himself is guiding the process even when the timeline feels unclear.

A pastoral transition can stir many emotions: anticipation, grief, excitement, or even anxiety. But Scripture reminds us that Jesus is the head of the Church, and He cares more deeply about its future than we ever could. When we wait on Him, we're not waiting passively—we're waiting expectantly, knowing He is preparing both the shepherd and the flock for the next chapter.

This kind of waiting invites our church to slow down and listen. It creates space for God to refine vision, strengthen relationships, and heal anything that needs mending before a new leader arrives. It also reminds us that the pastor is not the source of the church's life—Jesus is. The right pastor will come at the right time, equipped with the right heart, because God is the one doing the appointing.

In the meantime, we can't just sit back and wait, we need to pray, deepen our unity, and stay faithful in the work already in front of us. Waiting becomes a season of preparation, not stagnation. Let's not stagnate!!!

And when Jesus brings the right pastor, the fit will be unmistakable. The timing will make sense. The church will be ready. And the new leader will step into a place that has been prayerfully prepared for them.

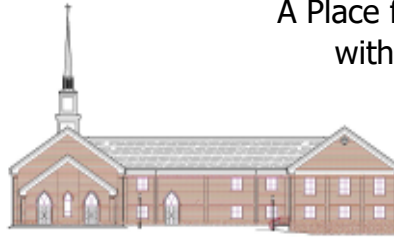
Waiting is not easy—but it is holy. And Jesus never wastes it.

Peace, love & joy, Donna

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	5/10-5/16	Ruby Salyers, Matt Meade
	5/17-5/23	John Mark Adrian, Ron Helton
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	May	David & Sandy Mullins
Children's Church	May 17	
Offering Ushers	May	Jeff Dotson Team
	June	Ron Helton Team
Tellers	May	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson
	June	Martha Blackburn, Jessica Crutchfield
Wed. Night Meals	5/13	Hot Dogs, Chili, Slaw, Tater Tots, Baked Beans Teresa & Team
	5/20	Chicken Fajitas, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice Donna & Team

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Graduate Recognition	
Monday	Piecemakers (1st, 3rd, 5th)	9:00 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	7:00 am

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Thought for the Week:

Unleash the Power
of the Resurrected Christ
inside yourself!

