



The SPARK

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

June 16, 2026

Supply Pastor
Andy Barnes
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Music Director
Donna Hutchinson
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IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, June 21

Sunday School
10 AM

Worship Service
11 AM

Next
Choir Practice

Wednesday
July 1
6:30 PM

Our Spring Yard Sale netted around \$1,300 !!

Next Yard Sale will be October 9, during the
Fall Fling.

Please contact Donna, Teresa, or Sherlene to donate
items or volunteer to sort/sell.

Choir Practice Wed., July 1, 6:30 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

SUMMER FUN

WBC wants to see YOU !!!

Whatever you are doing over the
summer, from vacations, to camping
and hiking, to working in your flower
beds/gardens, etc., send us some
pictures and information, and we will
put them in the Newsletter!

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

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

As you pray, please remember...



Leona & Jerry Jessee, Annie Tomlinson, Diane Cornett, Laquata Land, Linda Bailey & Family, The Edmiston Family, David & Sandy Mullins, Pauletta Hubbard, Janet Hensen, Stephanie Dellinger & Baby, Kathleen Rasnick, Peggy Stillwell, Deanna Adkins, The Family of 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.

Our Shut Ins: Andrew Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's dad)
Appalachia, VA

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

Remember...

Don't be discouraged by slow progress.

God often works quietly before He works visibly.

Keep trusting Him!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week's Scripture:

Deuteronomy 32:4
(The Song of Moses)

He is the Rock,
His work *is* perfect;
For all His ways *are* justice,
A God of truth and without injustice;
Righteous and upright *is* He.

BIBLE STUDY

All of our Bible Study groups, which include Wednesday night, Men's Saturday morning, and Working Women's, will break for the summer and resume in August near the beginning of school.



**“What, then,
shall we say in
response to
these things? If
God is for us,
who can be
against us?
Romans 8:31**

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday Mornings @ 10 A.M.

DO YOU WANT TO....

LEARN MORE ABOUT JESUS?

GROW IN YOUR FAITH?

FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER BELIEVERS?

JOIN ONE OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL

CLASSES HERE AT WBC, AND EXPERIENCE

THE WORD OF GOD COME TO LIFE IN YOUR

OWN !!

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC, ETC.



June 17 Bryon Burton
June 18 Abi Maine
Haden Ponish
Michelle Sisson
Mary Stuedemann
June 19 Elizabeth Wills
June 23 Landon Elkins
Nathan Swindall
John Thacker, Jr.
June 24 Avery Cox



Happy Anniversary

June 18 Mike & Carolyn Strouth
June 19 Dan & Debbie Helton
June 20 James & Susie Clasby
June 21 Dr. Peter & Sandy Yun
June 24 Mike & Rebecca Osborne

WBC Music Ministry



I am becoming anxious about us finding a pastor for WBC. Are you? I am not going to complain a bit about Andy and Doug... because I do like them, but I want OUR OWN pastor who's going to be here every day, serving amongst us. I know that we must wait on God, but that is not easy and we, as a church, need to grasp that "waiting" fully. It sure isn't easy, but we need to embrace the waiting, as hard as it is.

Waiting for God is not a passive pause; it is an active posture of trust. Scripture often ties waiting to watching—a readiness of the heart that leans forward with expectation rather than slumping back in resignation. When the psalmist says, "My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning," he paints a picture of someone who knows dawn will come, even if the night feels long.

To wait for God is to acknowledge that His timing is wiser than our urgency. It means resisting the impulse to force outcomes, fix everything ourselves, or sprint ahead of His leading. Yet waiting is not idleness. It is prayerful attentiveness—listening, discerning, and staying spiritually awake. Watching is the discipline of looking for God's fingerprints in the ordinary, the unexpected, and even the painful.

In seasons of uncertainty, waiting and watching become acts of faith that reshape us. They teach patience, deepen dependence, and sharpen our vision for God's movement in our lives. When we wait with expectation, we begin to notice small mercies, quiet answers, and gentle nudges that we might have missed in our hurry.

Ultimately, waiting and watching for God is a declaration: He is at work, even when I cannot see it yet. It is choosing hope over haste, trust over anxiety, and surrender over striving. And in that posture, we often discover that God has been closer—and more active—than we ever imagined.

Peace, love & joy, Donna

MY SOUL IS QUIET AND
WAITS FOR God ALONE
He IS THE ONE
WHO SAVES me
Psalm 62:1

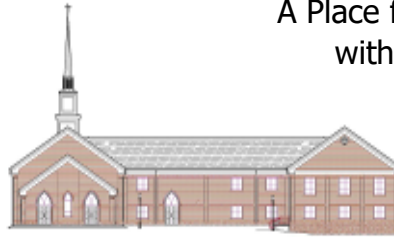
Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	6/14-6/20	Debbie Collins, Ray Spenilla
	6/21-6/27	Matt Meade, John Ponish
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	June	Jeff & Cindy Elkins
Children's Church	June 21	TBA
Offering Ushers	June	Ron Helton Team
	July	Matt Meade Team
Tellers	June	Martha Blackburn, Jessica Crutchfield
	July	Don Newlon, Oscar Raile

Wed. Night Meals

No Dinners or Bible Study until August

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
Monday	Piecemakers (1st, 3rd, 5th)	9:00 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	

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Thought for the Week:

*If Jesus is all you have,
you have all you need!!*

