



The SPARK

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

June 24, 2026

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IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, June 28

Sunday School
10 AM

Worship Service
11 AM

Next
Choir Practice

Wednesday
July 1
6:30 PM



Choir Practice Wed., July 1, 6:30 PM

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DEACONS 2025 - 2026

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| 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

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

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

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...



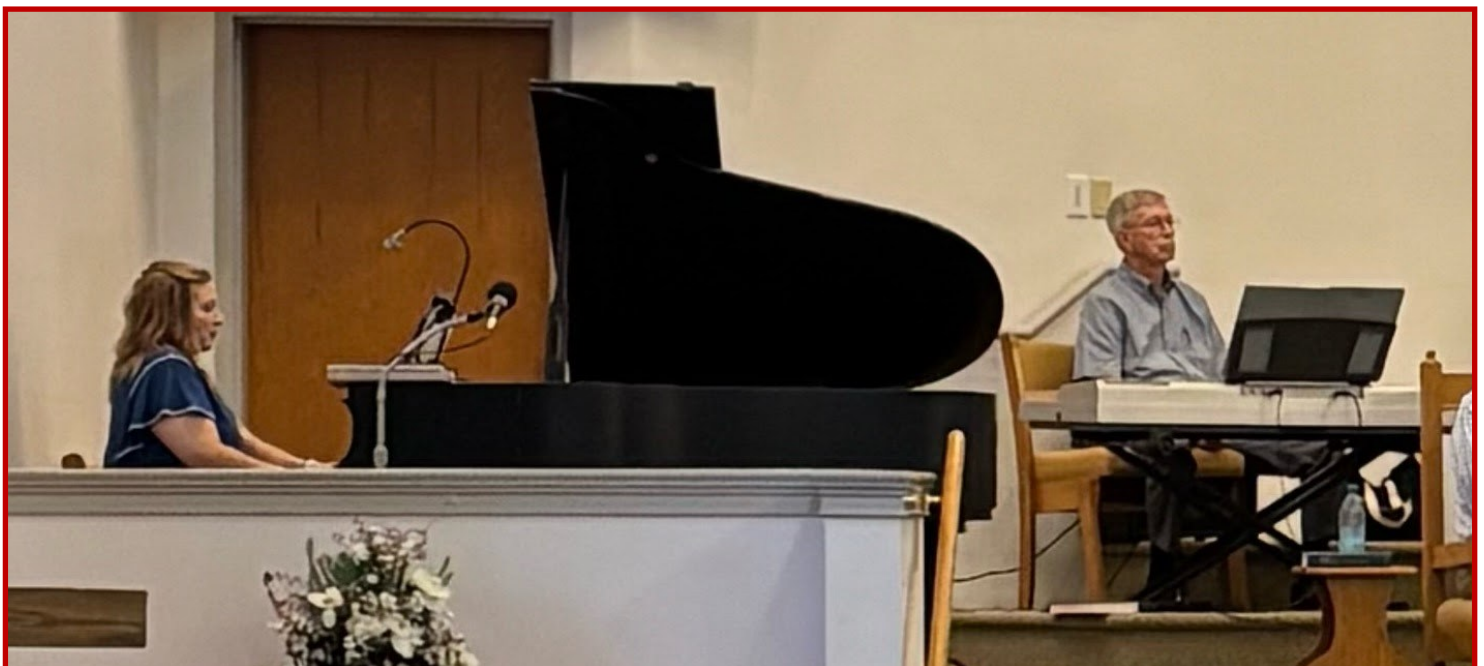
Leona & Jerry Jessee, Annie Tomlinson, Diane Cornett, Laquata Land, Linda Bailey & Family, The Edmiston Family, David & Sandy Mullins, Pauletta Hubbard, Janet Hensen, Stephanie Dellinger & Baby, Kathleen Rasnick, Peggy Stillwell, Deanna Adkins, The Family of Aaron Collier, Vicki Stephens, the family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



Many thanks to our multi-faceted and uber talented Susan Mullins and her father, Roger Taylor, for blessing us immensely with the sweet sounds of the organ and keyboard on Father's Day!!!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week's Scripture:

1 Corinthians 3:9

**For we are God's
fellow workers;
you are God's field,
you are God's building.**

Ephesians 2:4-10



But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

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.

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.



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| June 23 | Landon Elkins |
| | Nathan Swindall |
| | John Thacker, Jr. |
| June 24 | Avery Cox |
| June 25 | Emma Hawkins |
| | Aaron Lee |
| June 26 | Shirley Willis |
| June 27 | Martha Blackburn |
| June 28 | Holly Meade |
| June 30 | Steve Horton |



Happy Anniversary

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| June 24 | Mike & Rebecca Osborne |
| June 27 | Jerry & Wanda Baird |
| June 30 | Lloyd & Regina Cantrell |

*The Most Beautiful Music
Is played by the heart.....*

*Tuned to the
Will of God*



WBC Music Ministry

With us celebrating Father's Day yesterday, I was consumed with thoughts of my Dad, Don Farmer. He was extremely mellow, loving, supportive, and all those things a father is supposed to be, but he could also be stern. I grew up in the 60s and early 70s, so he parented with the values of a Christian, but he also parented with "spare the rod, spoil the child" mentality. He worked outside the home (on the railroad), and Mom stayed at home with the four of us kids. When we were "bad", she would usually take care of it, but if we were "really bad", she would say – Wait until your Dad gets home! This terrified us! She would spank us, and a flip-flop was her paddle of choice, or even worse, she would make us go get our own switch from the weeping willow tree (those hurt!).

I was the oldest, and I felt that I was Dad's favorite, but my sister felt the same way. My brothers were 8 and 10 years younger than I was, so they were not really of the age to be "bad" when my sister and I were. I didn't want to disappoint him, so "waiting until he got home" was the worst type of dread.

Don Farmer was the epitome of a Christian father and he understood that love not as a feeling that comes and goes, but as a commitment modeled after Jesus. Scripture calls husbands to "love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her." That single command becomes the blueprint for how he leads, serves, and protects his family

My dad was humble and he put our needs above his own. He would have "play day" on Saturdays to give my Mom a break from "wrangling children". Sometimes, we would play baseball in our yard for hours with the other children in our neighborhood. Mom would fix us all a picnic (so she wasn't really getting a break), but we had a blast.

We were REQUIRED to go to church. Even as a teenager, I was not given the option to not attend church. We were involved in most all of the programs that were offered from Acteens, Sunday School, Bible study, Sunday worship, Sunday night singing programs, etc.

Like other Christian fathers, he lead by example, not by force. He was active in most of these programs that were offered and he held friendships with the other men in our congregation.

I had several men that were friends of his that were also father figures for me. Lawrence Black, Russ Collins, Daymon Haynes, just to name a few. All of these men were great Christian fathers, who loved their families and it showed.

My dad wasn't perfect and he made mistakes, but he loved us thoroughly and he lead us at home and through our church.

Peace, love & joy, Donna

Volunteers this Week

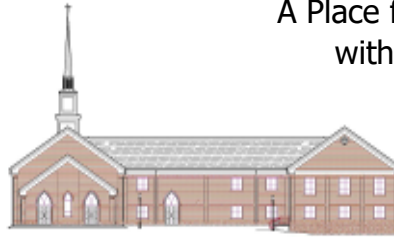
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| Deacons On Call | 6/21-6/27 | Matt Meade, John Ponish |
| | 6/28-7/4 | Ron Helton, Jeff Elkins |
| Building Stewards | | Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass |
| Instrumentalists | | Susan Mullins, Susan Smith |
| Sunday School Greeters | June | Jeff & Cindy 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

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



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Like us at:
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Thought for the Week:

Seven days without prayer
makes one weak.

