

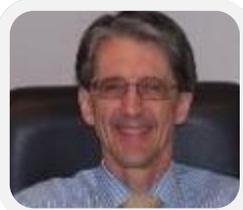
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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 WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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“The Discipline of Spiritual Reading” – Part 2

II Corinthians 3:6 states that “the letter kills”. Paul says that God’s law, if separated from His intention and purpose, can become a deadening force. The Bible has a long history of being mis-used and mis-represented.

Reading the Bible, according to Eugene Peterson, can become a “devout stroll through a cemetery taking rubbings from ancient tombstones.” Without the inspiration and energizing of the Holy Spirit, the Bible can become mere dead words.

The words of the Bible were spoken and heard before they were written and read. Many generations of believers never had a written Bible, yet they heard, and believed and obeyed.

Listening is something we do when someone speaks to us; reading is something we do when someone writes to us. **Speaking comes first.** Writing is based on previous speaking. To get the full force of God’s Word, we need to recover the atmosphere of “spokenness”.

The next time you open and read the Bible, see yourself as listening instead of just reading. See it as a more immediate and direct encounter with the Living Lord Who loves us so!

Love in Christ, Pastor Mike

Important Dates:

- Wed, August 22nd**
6:00 pm—Dinner
6:45 pm—Bible Study for All Ages
7:50 pm—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Sun, August 26th**
6:00 pm—Youth/Parent Night

Mark Your Calendars

- Wed, August 29th**
6:00 pm—Dinner
7:00 pm—Annual Business Meeting
- Sun, September 9th**
6:00 pm—“A Time to Dance” - Marriage Enrichment Bible Study and Introductory Ballroom Dancing Lessons

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Brandon Heath in Concert

Brandon Heath will be in concert on **Thursday, November 8th at the Convocation Center at UVA-Wise. Tickets are \$12.** “This tour is full of familiar songs and faces, with music reflecting life-changing truth,” shares Heath. “Plus, it’s all got a new sound, some new faces and a few surprises. We’ve got great things planned, I think you’re going to love it, so come on up to Blue Mountain.” **If you would like to purchase tickets, please see Leigh by Sunday, September 2nd.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Studies

Wednesday Night Dinner and Bible Study

Wednesday night Dinner and Bible Study resumes **TONIGHT**. Dinner begins at 6:00 pm. **Suggested donations for dinner are: Adult: \$5; Child: \$3; Family Max: \$15.** Bible Study begins at 6:45 pm. There are three adult Bible studies to choose from and each will last for 6 weeks:

"Becoming a Contagious Christian" - In this study, Pastor Mike will help you learn how to share your faith more effectively in a way that is both natural and personal. The study book for this class costs \$5.

"Habitudes: Images That Form Leadership Habits and Attitudes" - Jim Collie will help you learn to let the Lord Jesus Christ lead you. Only then can you begin to lead others. Each week will focus on an image that fixes the lesson in your mind. Book orders will be taken on August 15th.

"The Andy Griffith Show" Bible Study Series- Teresa Adkins will lead a series using "The Andy Griffith Show" as background. The episodes, characters and by-lines have become part of our culture. Although the show was secular, there are many moral and spiritual applications that can challenge us to become more like the example of Christ that we should be to the world.

Wednesday Night Activities for Children



A nursery is available for children under the age of 3.



Children Age 3 through Grade 6 will lace up their hiking boots, grab their backpacks and get ready for an adventure at "Rock Solid Followers"! Join in for fun, Bible lessons, games, crafts and more!



Youth (Grades 7—12) will meet with Leigh each week in the Youth Building for time in the Word!

Senior Adult Retreat

"The Gospel-Centered Life," a senior adult retreat will be held **October 22nd—24th** at Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center. There will be opportunities for personal interest including Bible study, strength and mobility exercises, learning to use Facebook and Skype, navigating the waters of Medicare as well as opportunities for recreation including disc golf, fly fishing, water color painting. There is also a hands-on mission activity planned. The all-inclusive cost per person is \$169 (Voight or Hotel) or \$133 (Lodges). For more information, please visit:

www.eagleeyrie.org/events/senior-adult-retreat-2012.
Please see Leigh if you would like to register.

GOOD NEWS



Thank you to Jennifer England for your testimony from the Beth Moore Living Proof Live Conference in Knoxville, TN. Accompanying Jennifer on this trip were Jill Jessee, Pat Mullins, and Terry Winters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Business Meeting

 Wise Baptist Church will hold its Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, August 29th at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. The agenda includes the proposed budget, ministry volunteers for the 2012—2013 church year, and proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws as discussed below.

Proposed Changes to the Constitution and Bylaws

 Proposed changes to the Wise Baptist Church Constitution and Bylaws (pages 10-13) were emailed. **Copies of the changes are also available in the church office.** The underlined sentences represent additions and the marked-through words and/or sentences are to be omitted. Please carefully read these changes and be prepared to ask questions and vote at the business meeting.

Women's Praise and Worship Conference

You're invited to a special day of worship, praise, music, and speakers who will address the question, "Why do bad things happen to good people?" Broken and Spilled Out will be held on Saturday, September 22nd from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm at Thomas Village Baptist Church in Duffield. The cost for the day is \$20. **If you would like to attend, please see Billie Sue Harris by September 17th.**

New Sunday School Class Bible Study

Twelve Unlikely Heroes; How God Commissioned Unexpected People in the Bible and What He Wants to Do with You

What kind of people does God use to accomplish His work? In *Twelve Unlikely Heroes*, pastor and best-selling author John MacArthur uses his deep knowledge of the Bible and history to take us back to see these three-dimensional men and women in their own times and cultures. In doing so, it becomes clear how their dramatic stories apply to us today. People who might at first seem foreign quickly become familiar and unforgettable—particularly as they reveal the true Hero behind every witness, the power counterbalancing every weakness, "the Author and Finisher of our faith" (Hebrews 12:1).

The class starts on **Sunday, September 2nd** with Robert England as the teacher. The class will be open to all adults. **Please see Robert or email him (rengland@mecc.edu) to sign up.**



Wise Baptist Church
 Youth / Parent Night
 Sunday, August 26th
 6:00 pm

Youth Building

Food, Fellowship, and Planning

All families with youth (Grades 7–12) are
 invited to participate!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

As you pray, please remember...

Pat and Fred Adkins, George Barnette,
 Kim Boggs, Carolyn Jones, Patsy Boggs,
 Michelle Hunter, Clayton and Shirley Willis,
 David Mullins, Glenn and Bea Hill,
 Lawrence and Irene Black, Michelle Sisson,
 Sherry Collie, Ron Swindall, and Rita Isaac
 All of the cancer patients in our area
 Our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

Jewell Bradley, Hazel Dixon (Mountain View),
 Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Jeanne and
 Debbie Stallard, Vernoy Bolling, and
 Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG)

***If there are other known prayer concerns and/
 or shut-ins, please let us know.***



August 21 Betty Roberts
 Suzanne Baird
 Sutton Polly

August 22 Alex Hall

August 23 Gina Chisenhall
 Jeff Sturgill
 Tracy Wills

August 24 Jerry Baird

August 25 Brenda Lee
 Rita Longworth



**Mailing Addresses for Our
 College Students**

We are compiling a list of addresses for all of
 our college students! If you have a college age
 student, whether away at school or at home, please
 email the church office (wisebaptist@verizon.net) with
 their address.



August 21
 Scott & Beth Snodgrass

(front) Communication Card

1st-time Guest
 2nd-time Guest
 Regular Attender
 Member

Name(s): _____
 E-Mail Address: _____
 Best Contact Phone: () _____

Place this card in the basket on your pew.

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**Wise Baptist Church
 Communication Card**

The "Communication Card" is for everyone every week. It is not just for guests. Instead of having many sign-up lists, it is a central place for people to sign up for all kinds of events: Wednesday night meals, Bible studies, trips of all kinds, any special events or activities for groups of all ages. The card is designed so it can be filled out as quickly as possible.

Prayer Requests: _____ (back)

<p>Opportunities for Growth and Fellowship</p> <input type="radio"/> Wednesday Night Dinner # _____ <input type="radio"/> Senior Adult Trip (MM/DD) <input type="radio"/> Vacation Bible School Volunteer <input type="radio"/> Kindred Spirits (MM/DD) <input type="radio"/> New Member Class (MM/DD) <input type="radio"/> Marriage Enrichment Bible Study	<p>Next Steps:</p> <input type="radio"/> Becoming a follower of Jesus Christ <input type="radio"/> Church membership <input type="radio"/> Serving at Wise Baptist Church
<p>Send Me Information About:</p> <input type="radio"/> Sunday School <input type="radio"/> Adult Ministries <input type="radio"/> Youth Ministries <input type="radio"/> College / Young Adult Ministries <input type="radio"/> Preschool/Children's Ministries <input type="radio"/> Senior Adult Ministries <input type="radio"/> Music Ministries	

VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Deacons On Call	8/19-8/25	Lewey Lee; Gil Blackburn
	8/26-9/1	Robert England; Jeff Adkins
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Jason Mullins, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, and Wendy Adrian
SS Greeters	8/26	David and Sandy Mullins
	9/2	John Kennedy
Nursery	8/26	Jeff and Lee Ann Adkins; Terry and Autumn Chisenhall
	9/2	Donna & Butch; Daniel & Tabitha
Children's Church	8/26	Toni Thacker
	9/2	Beth Snodgrass
PA	8/26	Ron Swindall
	9/2	Oscar Raile
Tellers	Aug	Kim Coomer and Mike Strouth
	Sept	Kathy Helton and David Mullins
Ushers	8/26	Travis Jessee*, Jason Mullins, Jeff Elkins, Robert England, Dwight Jessee, Daniel Ray, and John Mark Adrian
	9/2	Harold Witt*, Mark Clark, Jerry Baird, James Clasby, Edgar Owens, Roger Viers, and John Hedden
		* Offertory Prayer
Serving Team	8/22	Beverly Viers, Sandy Mullins, Erra Sutherland, and Brenda Kunigelis
	8/29	Eileen Cantrell, Pat Adkins, Cindy Elkins, & Gail Kiser
Menu	8/22	Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, and Green Beans
	8/29	Potluck

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	TRUTH	7:45 pm
	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd, 4th, & 5th)	9:00 am
Wednesday	Children's Choirs	In Recess
	Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bible Study (All Ages)	6:45 pm
Thursday	Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
	Women On Mission (2nd)	Noon

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YOUTH / PARENT NIGHT ~ SUNDAY, AUGUST 26TH @ 6 PM ~ ALL FAMILIES WITH YOUTH IN GRADES 7 THROUGH 12 ARE INVITED!

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Thought For The Week:

"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives." ~ Galatians 5:22-25 (NIV)