

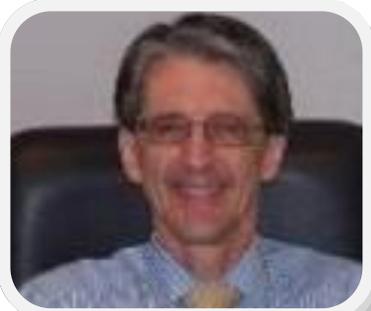
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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 14, 2014

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear church family and friends,

Whenever we sing in worship, it is worth considering experiences which God used to inspire the particular song. The hymn, "There is a Fountain" was written by the great English poet, William Cowper in 1770. He had survived a suicidal

depression. Out of that experience the Holy Spirit inspired the words for the hymn. There is a reference in Zechariah 13:1 – "a fountain will be opened..."

The full power and beauty of his poetry are on display. "There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins". This is such a graphic figure of speech. with the image of blood being directly taken out of Jesus' body so that "sinners plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains."

The poetry continues in verse 5, "when this poor lispng, stammering tongue lies silent in the grave, then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing Thy power to save."

The mighty power of God's forgiveness stretches from our earthly lives through eternity! To God be the glory!

There are a couple of other things I would like to mention... Profound thanks to Dr. Peter Yun, who filled in at the very last hour to preach at Wise Baptist, when the illness overtook the scheduled speaker on Jan. 5.

Finally, I want to make you aware of the needs of Randy Perry. He is Beth Snodgrass' brother. Randy has an aggressive brain tumor. He is married and has two children. He and his family are active at Esserville Church. A special account has been set up by their church at First Bank and Trust in Wise and Norton to help defray medical and travel expenses. Prayerfully consider how you might help.

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

MLK Service
Jan 20 @ 7pm
Leadership Team meets
Jan 22 @ 5pm
Marriage Retreat
Jan 24-26
Superbowl Party (youth)
Feb 2
Winter Retreat (youth)
Feb 8 -9

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SPECIAL NOTICE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Serve Our Lord through His Church

- ✦ Discover and use your gifts and talents
- ✦ Serve with Pastor, Staff and Leaders
- ✦ Develop a servant's heart

There are many opportunities in our church on a daily basis where you could participate. Volunteers produce and serve the Wednesday night meal. Volunteers help out with the nursery. Volunteers teach our Sunday School classes. Where do your talents lie? How could YOU serve Our Lord through His Church? Contact the office to let us know where you would like to serve.

Opportunities to Serve

Just a note to encourage you to please remember that we have Sunday School for all ages. If you use to be or have never been a part of a Sunday School class, now is a great time to get started! We do still need some help for team teaching our K-12 classes. If interested please contact me at 276-393-0977 or email me at tah7a@uvawise.edu .

We need a couple of folks to help the serving team of Gail Kiser and Mingkwan Collins. Pat Adkins is on this team and is in Florida this winter. They will serve this Wednesday. Please contact Rose in the office at 328-6247. Thank you, Teresa Adkins

Southwest Virginia Partnership



On Sunday, January 12th, Wise Baptist Church welcomed Tony and Jan Johnson, coordinators for the Southwest Virginia Partnership, who presented information regarding their ongoing work in our area. Through our contributions, the partnership is able to meet a number of needs in our area, including projects associated with Impact Virginia and projects for members of our church. The Mission Committee asks that you consider making a donation to the partnership during the month of January. A special offering will be received on Sunday, January 26th at the end of worship. If you would like to give before then, please indicate "Southwest Virginia Partnership" on your check or offering envelope and place in the offering plate.



Martin Luther King, Jr Day Community Service

The MLK event begins with dinner at the Church of God on Monday, January 20th. It will be catered by Chartwells from UVA-Wise and will consist of soul food. Everyone is invited to attend the dinner at 5:30, march at 6:30 to Wise Baptist for the service at 7pm. Please join us!

Inclement weather policy

When Wise County Schools are closed or dismissed early, then our Wednesday night activities will be cancelled. If the prediction is that the weather will worsen as the evening progresses, we will also cancel our activities. The safety of our congregation is very important. We will make every effort to let you know of any schedule changes as soon as possible. God bless and safety first!.

Jim and Sherry Collie will have the trains available for viewing until Jan 19th. Bring your children by to see this special display. Call 328-5133.

Have you picked up your dish from the Christmas dinner?

Thank you to all who brought a dish to the annual Christmas Dinner we had here in the fellowship hall. There still is many dishes that have not been picked up. You will find them clean and waiting for their owner on a table in the fellowship hall. Please come by and get yours.



Marriage Enrichment Retreat

Jan. 24-26 Pastor Mike and Terry will lead a Marriage Enrichment Retreat for 10 couples from Wise Baptist Church at Bent Creek Lodge in Asheville. What is marriage enrichment? It is simply trying to make marriages a little better. There is always room for that. We will learn, laugh, pray, study the Bible, and stretch our faith together in beautiful surroundings. Keep an eye out for future marriage enrichment events!



From Leigh

Happy New Year! What does God have in store for me this year? For my children? Our community? Our church?

A part of me wants to know every answer to all of those questions. But, I don't have to know or worry because I serve a God who already **knows**! He **knows** my past, **knows** my present, and most certainly **knows** my future. I can trust Him with all things because He loves me unconditionally. He doesn't love me "in spite" of me; He loves me because He created me and in His eyes, I am loveable! The thought of His unconditional love is so very amazing!

So, do I just wait and wonder? **No!** I seek and serve with every part of me—trusting that God will reveal His plans and His purpose for my life and my work. **To God Be ALL Glory!**

Blessings, Leigh

TRUTH will rehearse on Sunday, Jan. 19 at 7:45 pm.
The Jubilation Ringers will rehearse on Sunday, Jan. 26 at 4:15 pm.
Children's Choirs will resume on Monday, January 27.

YOUTH MINISTRY

New Bible Study

The Zombie Apocalypse Survival Guide for Teenagers is a study about applying principles of Biblical wisdom to our everyday, crazy lives! Won't you join Mark and I at youth to learn more? We meet every Wednesday and Sunday! Friends are always welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. 2, 5:30 pm Super Bowl Party (Adkins home)
- Feb. 8-9, Winter Ski Retreat, Winter Place Resort, WV (\$30 deposit due 1/22)



Emma, Tyler, Caroline and Macey on a junior youth outing to Buffalo Wild Wings with Ms. Donna and Mark.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Emma Snodgrass and Mary Stuedeman and their Lady Warrior Travel team for winning their last two tournaments.

As you pray, please remember...



Marty, Rose and Jon Kennedy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, All of the cancer patients in our area, Our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

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.

Happy Birthday!

Beth Snodgrass	Jan 16
Susan Mullins	Jan 16
Steve Collins	Jan 17
Samuel Wharton	Jan 20



Happy Anniversary

<i>Ray & Carolyn Jones</i>	<i>Jan 17</i>
<i>Jeff & Eileen Cantrell</i>	<i>Jan 18</i>



Thank you, TRUTH, for the beautiful song "Only Grace" on Sunday. Welcome to our newest member, Alex Adkins, on keys. Pictured: Rachel Bailey, Russell Cyphers, Andi Kilgore, Alex Adkins, Daniel England. Not pictured: Marty Kennedy, Leigh Clark

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	1/12-18	Lewey Lee, Dan Helton
	1/19-25	Robert England, Gil Blackburn
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Eva, Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Cindy E., Oscar R., Daniel R., Wendy A.
S.S Greeters:	01/19	Lewey and Brenda Lee
	01/26	Mike and Rebecca Osborne
Nursery:	01/19	Donna and Butch Hutchinson,
		Rachel Bailey, Rachel Porchie
	01/26	Regina Carson, Susie Clasby,
		Brooklyn Kennedy, Mary Steudemann
Children's Church:	01/19	Holly Meade
	01/26	Beth Snodgrass
PA:	01/19	Mike Osborne
	01/26	Bryan Crutchfield
Tellers:	January	Mike Strouth, David Mullins
Ushers:	01/19	Gary Smith*, Bill Sutherland,
		Mike Strouth, David Mullins,
		Matt Meade, Ron Swindall,
		Lewey Lee, Bob Adkins
	01/26	Daniel Ray*, John Mark Adrian, Travis
		Jessee, Jason Mullins, Jeff Elkins, Bryon
		Burton, Robert England, Dwight Jessee
		*offertory prayer
Serving Team:	01/15	Gail Kiser, Mingkwan Collins
	01/22	Teresa Adkins, Brenda Lee, Cyndi
		Newlon, Gina Chisenhall
Wed meal:	01/15	Pizza, Salad, Nachos
	01/22	Grilled Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Veg
		Medley, Rolls, Salad

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Weekly Opportunities

Wed	Jan 15	Meal @ 6pm Bible Study @ 6:45 pm Choir Rehearsal @ 7:50 pm
Sun	Jan 19	Sunday School @ 10 am Worship @ 11 am Youth @ 6 pm TRUTH @ 7:45 pm
Mon	Jan 20	Piecemakers 9:30 am Meal at Church of God @ 5:30 pm Walk to WBC @ 6 :30 pm MLK Service in Sanctuary @ 7pm
Wed	Jan 22	Leadership Team meets @ 5pm

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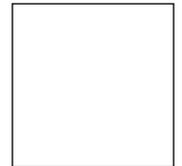
~MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY COMMUNITY SERVICE ~**January 20 @ 7pm~**



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Thought For The Week :

“Seek good, not evil, that you may live. Then the Lord God Almighty will be with you, just as you say he is. Hate evil, love good; maintain justice in the courts. Perhaps the Lord God Almighty will have mercy on the remnant of Joseph”

[Amos 5:14-15 NIV](#)