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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear church family and friends,

The Bible says we are “fearfully and wonderfully made” (Ps. 139:14). The more we understand the human body, the better we can appreciate and worship our Creator.

Consider the “chemistry of kindness”. When someone does an act of kindness, it raises the serotonin level in the brain. Why is that important? Serotonin in the brain produces a sense of calmness and well-being. Anti-depressants often increase serotonin.

The **doer** of an act of kindness gets an increase in serotonin. The **receiver** benefits. Amazingly, **witnesses** of the kind act benefit, too. God built this into His creation! It reveals something about why and for what we are made.

Now, imagine with me...a church-wide effort on our **“Great Day of Service” on Saturday, April 26**. Scattered around the town of Wise will be our church doing planned acts of kindness. Each act of kindness plants a seed of hope. Each act gives witness to why the church is here and Who God is. Imagine hundreds and hundreds of people who will be blessed and get hope! ***When people can see hope, they can better move past fear and helplessness.***

It is a call for the church, our church, to show up in a big way. Will you be one of the many who are needed? Our community needs us. Our God calls us. ***Will you answer the call?*** Watch for details about how you can be involved.

Love, Pastor Mike

GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

The Journey Continues...

Reserve the date—April 26

Our church, led by our Deacon Fellowship, will participate in several servant evangelism projects in our community that will be appropriate for all ages!

Please let us know of your interest to participate by checking the box on the communication card or by contacting one of your Deacons.

IMPORTANT DATES

Worship Committee

March 12 @ 5 pm

W.O.M

March 13 @ noon

S.S Teacher Breakfast

March 16 @ 9 am

Great Day of Service

April 26

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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



We're heading back to the Jersey Shore this summer (July 4-12) for our mission trip. If you are interested in participating, please give Leigh a call. A \$50/person deposit is due on Sunday, April 6.



Did you know YOU can participate in Operation Christmas Child activities all throughout the year? Why not start collecting items for your shoeboxes NOW so you're ready to assemble them in November. Each month, you will find ideas of items to collect for your shoeboxes.

As the weather becomes warmer here, many children who receive shoeboxes are experiencing cooler (or even cold weather). Many of our local stores have already placed their winter items on sale. **For the month of March, check out the sale and clearance shelves at your favorite department store and pick up toboggans, gloves, fuzzy socks, scarves and other cold weather related items.** These soft gifts pack nicely into a shoebox!

Alternate items to collect now: for all of you who travel, pick up the hotel soaps (bar soaps only, please), pens and notepads! These make great additions to shoeboxes for any age.

These are just some suggestions of items to pick up when you are out shopping for your family. You can have a box in a closet at your house just for shoebox items you find! Everyone likes a good sale, so be on the lookout for great deals any time of the year!

Questions? Contact Rebecca Osborne.

Deepen your faith on Wednesday nights!

Plan to take part in one of the adult Bible study options beginning Wed. April 2 at 7pm.

***What Are You Afraid of:
Facing Down Your Fears?**

***Recovering from the Losses of Life**

***Kingdom Agenda: Which Kingdom Will
You Serve?**

Let us know of your interest by March 23 via the Communication Card so that we can have enough materials for everyone.

FIRMLY PLANTED

Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23

ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Week of Prayer

March 9-16 Wise Baptist Church will join other Baptist Churches across our nation in praying for North American Missionaries. Missionaries faithfully and obediently respond to God's call to go wherever they are needed to share the gospel. They are eager to share and explain God's message of salvation. In this Sunday's bulletin, there will be a guide for the Week of Prayer. Please lift up the six people representing thousands of missionaries serving throughout North America.

Why give to Annie Armstrong? Because three of four people in North America are lost and one hundred percent of dollars given will go to support thousands of missionaries and their ministries across North America and Canada.

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering will be received throughout the month of March. Please place your offering in the special envelopes found in your pew or designate "Annie Armstrong" on your check. To find out more, visit www.anniearmstrong.com.

WBC on MISSION

Please be in prayer for the adults and students who are participating in various mission trips during spring break. Christy and Conan Sherlin and students from BCM will be in NYC; Erra Sutherland will be in Belize on the medical mission trip; and Anna Clark will be in South Padre Island, TX with the Beach Reach mission group.

We are grateful for your willingness to serve.



Join our "Journey of Grace"...

An important symbol of our journey is a leather piece you can tie around your wrist or ankle. It reminds us the sandals Jesus' disciples wore as they followed Him. It is a current reminder for us as we follow Jesus.

Pick up a piece of leather in the church foyer or hallway outside the sanctuary. Below are more stops on our journey:

*April 13—Palm Sunday

*April 16—Holy Wednesday—Special Personal Communion Service

*April 18—Good Friday self-guided worship in sanctuary.

*April 20—Easter! Jesus is alive!

*April 26—Live out Jesus' resurrection on our "Great Day of Service!"



From Leigh

The turnout for the mission trip meeting was terrific. If you were unable to attend the meeting, please let me know of your interest. A deposit of \$50/person is due on Sunday, April 6.

The Singing Sunbeams will lead us in worship on Sunday, March 16—we look forward to hearing your music!

The Ash Wednesday service was so meaningful to me. I enjoy the opportunity to reflect and respond to scriptures. Experiencing the Cross through my five senses made Christ's sacrifice for me real and special. It was also very touching to watch parents with their children. The teaching and the guiding through those experiences is one that will never be forgotten by parent or child.

I am so thankful to serve with Pastor Mike. The thoughtfulness and prayer that goes in to every worship experience is something that most people never get to see. I see it every week and through every season. I also am privileged to see and to experience the compassion and care that he gives to this congregation and community. We are very blessed to call him Pastor!

Blessings, Leigh

WOMEN'S MINISTRY
Thank you, Mark Collins, for your leadership with our youth. Thank you also to the Mullins family for providing our meal on Sunday. We will continue with our study of "Principles of Wisdom when you're running for your life". On Wednesday we will discuss "Enjoy that drink...it will be your last". On Sunday we will discuss "Little Cabin in the Snow" and "Saying Thanks". Friends are always welcome!! Dinner this Sunday will be provided by the Hopkins family.

LOCK-IN

We will have a lock-in on Friday, March 21. Stay tuned for specific plans and times. But, our activities will include seeing the movie "God's Not Dead". You can watch a trailer for the movie on You Tube. Friends are always welcome!!

GOOD LUCK!

Wishing our Reagan and all of the Lady Warriors the best on Saturday at the State Final.

As you pray, please remember...



Marty, Rose and Jon Kennedy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Virginia Owens (Gail Kiser's mother), Allen Cantrell, Kim Boggs, all of the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military

Our Shut Ins:

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

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



March 18—Aaron Clark



March 13—Oscar and Gloria Raile

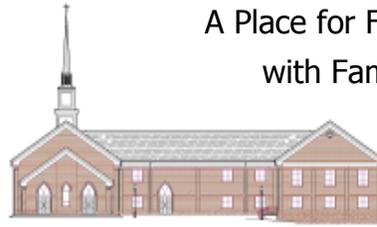
SCENES FROM ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	03/9-15	Bill Sutherland, Robert England
	03/16-22	Jerry Baird, Lewey Lee
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:	03/16	Lewey and Brenda Lee
	03/23	Mike and Rebecca Osborne
Nursery:	03/16	Pam Collie, Cyndi Newlon, Chelsea Polly
	03/23	Vance family, Melissa Blackburn
Children's Church:	03/16	Holly Meade
	03/23	Beth Snodgrass
PA:	03/16	Mike Strouth
	03/23	Wayne Isaac
Tellers:	March	Kathy Helton, Mike Strouth
Ushers:	03/16	Dan Helton*, Ron Helton, Jeff Adkins, Jeff Cantrell, John Ponish, Mark Clark, Scott Snodgrass
	03/23	Youth *Offertory Prayer
Serving Team:	03/12	Linda Bailey, Ruby Salyers, Rebecca Osborne, Artie Bailey
	03/19	Vanessa Cyphers, Susan Smith, Jennifer England, Karen Ponish
Wed meal:	03/12	Pot Roast, Carrots Mashed Potatoes, Biscuits, Salad
	03/19	Chicken Enchiladas. Rice, Beans, Salad

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

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

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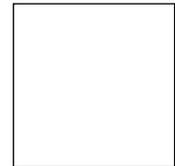
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SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS BREAKFAST MARCH 16 AT 9AM

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Thought For The Week :

"God's kindness leads us to
repentance." (Rom. 2:4)