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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear friends,

Anyone who has seen the redwood forests cannot help but be awed by their majesty. A redwood forest in Santa Cruz, California has a time line of historic events attached to a cross-section of one tree going back before Christ was born. How have they survived the storms, fires, insects, etc. when many other trees have fallen?

The hardness of these trees is even more surprising when we learn they are hundreds of feet tall **and** have very shallow roots. Since they are so top-heavy, you would think a small gust of wind would topple it. If each tree stood alone, it would fall almost immediately. As long as there are no storms, each tree could make it on its own.

The reason the redwood trees do not topple in a storm is because their roots intertwine. Each tree is connected to many other trees.

Part of what church means is a special fellowship and relationship that binds us together in Jesus Christ. We can stand alone in life and seem to be OK...until the storm comes...and storms will come. If we have a fellowship bond that ties us together in Jesus Christ, we can withstand the storms together!

The writer of Hebrews writes to a people in a storm. He says in Hebrews 10:25 – “Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

I so look forward to our “meeting together” on this coming Lord’s Day!

Love and prayers, Pastor Mike

Important Dates:

Wed, October 10th

5:00 pm—Worship
Committee Meeting

5:00 pm—Buildings
and Facilities Committee
Meeting

6:00 pm—Dinner

6:45 pm—Bible Study
for All Ages

7:50 pm—Sanctuary
Choir Rehearsal

Thu, October 11th
Noon—Women on
Mission

Sun, October 14th

6:00 pm—Marriage
Enrichment Bible Study
and Ballroom Dancing

Mark Your Calendars

Sat, October 20th

6:00 pm—Youth
Bonfire

Sun, October 21st

2:00 pm—Creeper Trail
Bike Ride

2:00 pm—Wise Baptist
Association Fall Meeting

Wed, October 31st

6:45 pm—Trunk or
Treat and Carnival
Games

Sat, November 3rd

2:00 pm—Baby Shower
for Casey and Michelle
Mullins

Our heartfelt prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to Wayne Isaac, Adam Sexton, and family in the death of their beloved wife and mother, Rita Isaac, on Saturday, October 6th. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Wise Baptist Church c/o Rita's Special Fund (P.O. Box 777 Wise, VA 24293) or to the Norton Cancer Center.

GOOD NEWS



What a wonderful show of support on Sunday! All different shades of pink could be seen as we came together in support of Breast Cancer Awareness month and the "Paint the Town Pink" event. Wise Baptist Church has and will continue to pray for those touched by all types of cancer and support those who are fighting, those who are surviving, and those we have lost.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Items Needed for the Kitchen at "The Rock"

We've got the big items for the kitchen at The Rock! The question has been asked if there are additional items that are needed. YES! Any kitchen items such as a coffee pot, utensils, etc. would be useful since we've started with only the kitchen sink and four bare walls. If you have items to donate, please contact **Jerry Baird (328.8624)**.



Creeper Trail Bike Ride— Note Change in Date

Our church family is invited to join the youth on **Sunday, October 21st** for a bike ride on the Creeper Trail. We will leave the church at **2:00 pm** to travel to White Top. We'll unload the bikes and meet up in Damascus after a beautiful ride down the mountain.

Please contact Leigh or call the church office (328.6247) to sign up. If you don't have a bike, let us know as Jim Collie has some extras!

Wise Baptist Association Fall Meeting

Wise Baptist Church will host the Wise Baptist Association Fall Meeting on Sunday, October 21st beginning at 3 pm. More information coming soon on food needed for fellowship after the meeting.

MEETING REMINDERS

The **Worship Committee** will meet on Wednesday, October 10th at 5:00 pm in the Men's Sunday School classroom.

The **Building and Facilities Committee** will meet on Wednesday, October 10th at 5:00 pm in the Wise Women and Men's Sunday School classroom.

The **Leadership Team** will meet on Wednesday, October 17th at 5:00 pm in the Youth Building.

Kindred Spirits will meet on Sunday, October 28th at 5:00 pm at the home of Tabitha Ray (1043 Circle Dr., Wise). Please RSVP to Tabitha at 328.2483.

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Wednesday Night Dinner and Bible Study

Our Wednesday night Dinner and Bible Study continue this week! Dinner begins at 6:00 pm. **Suggested donations for dinner are: Adult: \$5; Child: \$3; Family Max: \$15.** Bible Study for all ages begins at 6:45 pm. There is a nursery available for children under the age of 3 and Bible Study classes for all ages!



A new session of Adult Bible Studies just started and all are invited to attend. The following 6-week studies are offered:

Becoming a Contagious Christian

Habitudes: Images That Form Leadership Habits and Attitudes

"The Andy Griffith Show" Bible Study Series

Operation Christmas Child Relay Center

Wise Baptist Church will serve as a Relay Center for Operation Christmas Child this year. **What does that mean?** We will receive shoe box gifts from other churches, community groups, individuals, and families during National Collection Week (11/12 - 11/19). We will then relay those boxes to a collection center in Big Stone Gap. **How can you help?** WBC needs to staff our relay center (The Rock) during collection week according to the following schedule:

Monday, 11/12 - Friday, 11/16: 2 pm—6 pm
Saturday, 11/17: 9 am—3 pm
Sunday, 11/18: 2 pm—6 pm
Monday, 11/19: 9 am—noon

If you are available to staff our relay center at any of these times, please contact Rebecca Osborne (Osbornes4God@aol.com or 276.365.0969) to sign up. Please note: Information for Wise Baptist Church's shoe box collection is coming soon!

Save the Date! New Church Directory

A new church directory is on the horizon! Save the dates of **November 14th—17th** to have your family portraits made! Time slots for pictures are 2:30 pm—8:40 pm on the 14th, 15th, and 16th and from 10:00 am—4:40 pm on the 17th. EVERYONE is encouraged to be photographed. **More details coming soon!**



♪♪♪♪ *From Leigh*

Last Wednesday night at choir rehearsal we had a true worship experience. I loaded the choir up on the bus and we went to the home of Wayne and Rita Isaac to sing for and with Rita.

Rita was an integral part of the music ministry for a long time. I can remember like it was yesterday the first day that Rita and her son, Adam, attended WBC. We were still in the old building and they sat in the balcony. Adam was hard to miss—football player, wrestler. But, Rita was actually the one who caught my eye first. As I was leading the congregation in the first hymn, she was singing to God with her whole being. I don't remember the hymn but I will never forget her joy! Her joy was contagious! Her love and enthusiasm for all things musical—especially Bill Gaither and Cantatas—kept everyone in the choir smiling.

Her love for this church and for her Savior was undeniable. She was a true inspiration to me and to everyone who knew her. She was my friend and I love her still. And, I miss her sitting on the front row of the choir every week.

A verse that Rita quoted often and lived daily is found in Romans 12:12: "Be joyful in hope; patient in affliction; faithful in prayer".

Blessings, Leigh

As you pray, please remember...

Pat and Fred Adkins, George Barnette, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Michelle Hunter, Clayton and Shirley Willis, Glenn and Bea Hill, Gil Blackburn, Michelle Sisson, Sherry Collie, Ron Swindall, and Roger Williams
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.



October 12 Chelsea Polly

October 14 Margie Horton

October 15 Elizabeth Smith



October 10

Butch & Donna Hutchinson

October 11

Clifton & Regina Carson

October 14

Bill & Erra Sutherland

October 15

Brian & Elizabeth Wills

Join us for dinner and Bible study this week on Wednesday starting at 6:00.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Saturday, Oct 20th @ 6 pm ~ Youth Bonfire

The bonfire will be held at the Snodgrass' home. Youth are asked to please bring a dessert and/or drinks. There will be food and fun! Wear clothes and shoes appropriate for playing outside.

Sunday, October 21st ~ Creeper Trail Bike Ride

If you would like to attend this trip, please text Leigh . Also, if you need a bike and/or helmet, please let her know as there are folks that have extras.

Sunday, October 28—Serving Day

CONGRATULATIONS to the Central Warrior Golf Team for winning the Region D Championship! Nick England finished in second place. The team will compete in the State Championship this week at the Lonesome Pine Country Club.



VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Deacons On Call	10/7-10/13	Gary Smith; Phil Mullins
	10/14-10/20	Mark Clark; Edgar Owens
Building Stewards		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists		Susan, Susan, Gigi
Worship Welcome Team		Jason Mullins, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, and Wendy Adrian
SS Greeters	10/14	Jim & Sherry Collie
	10/21	Billie Harris
Nursery	10/14	Bonnie Owens; Mingkwan Collins; Jason & Vanessa Mullins
	10/21	Rose & Brooklyn Kennedy; Cyndi Newlon; Chelsea Polly
Children's Church	10/14	Debbie Helton
	10/21	Beverly Viers
PA	10/14	Mike Strouth
	10/21	Wayne Isaac
Tellers	Oct	Debbie Helton and June Dotson
Ushers	10/14	Nick England* and Sr. Youth
	10/21	Bob Adkins*, Gary Smith, Bill Sutherland, Mike Strouth, Matt Meade, Ron Swindall, David Mullins, and Lewey Lee * Offertory Prayer
Serving Team	10/10	Eileen Cantrell, Pat Adkins, Cindy Elkins, and Gail Kiser
	10/17	Kim Coomer, Kathy Helton, Martha Blackburn, and Donna Hutchinson
Menu	10/10	Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, and Salad
	10/17	Chicken Casserole, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Rolls, Salad (Children's Menu: Chicken Nuggets)

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
	TRUTH	7:45 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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DON'T FORGET! WEDNESDAY EVENING DINNER AND BIBLE STUDY! 6:00 PM

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Thought For The Week:

"Do not lack diligence; be fervent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; be persistent in prayer."
Romans 12:11-12 (HCSB)