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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

April 1, 2025

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family & Friends,

Life can overwhelm us. It can be too much. Too fast. What can we do?

The rookie quarterback for the Washington Commanders, Jayden Daniels, has found a solution to that problem in the NFL.

He uses a virtual reality headset. It creates images of different defensive players and plays coming at him. Faster than in real time.

The result? He had one of the best rookie quarterback seasons ever. He was calm. Made better decisions. Faster.

Why? He had seen those plays before. He could plan ahead and how he would handle it the next time.

Life comes at us fast. Catches us off guard. The good news? We have something better than a virtual reality headset. A “reality headset”. The Bible. Thousands of years of real-life experience. Spiritual wisdom. What to do. And not do.

So when life happens, remember that you’ve seen those situations before in the Bible. Therefore, you can be calm. Clear. Make better decisions.

Hebrews 11:1 says, “Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.” (The rest of Chapter 11 gives real-life examples about what that faith looks like.)

Love, Pastor Mike

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

IMPORTANT DATES

POTLUCK Meal
Wed, April 2, 6pm

Bible Study
Wed, April 2, 7pm

Choir Practice
Wed, April 2, 7:30pm

**THE CHOSEN:
SEASON 5**
Episodes 3-5 in theaters
April 3

Holy Communion
Sun, April 6, 11am

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DEACONS 2024 - 2025

Debbie Collins	393-3875
Jeff Elkins	393-5700
Ron Helton	393-6145
Stan Kunigelis	870-2227
Lewey Lee	393-5370
Matt Meade	393-9177
David Mullins	870-0005
Ruby Salyers	870-0590

Deacon Emeritus:
Bob Adkins

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Theater Release Dates:

April 4 (Episodes 3, 4, 5)

April 11 (Episodes 6, 7, 8)

If you are interested in attending with others, please call the church office or contact Pastor Mike.

As you pray, please remember...



Ray & Jennifer Spenilla, Grace Allio, Friends & Family of Ray Jones, Family of Raymond Dale, Brenda Lee, Lloyd & Carlie & Annie Tomlinson, Kathy Helton, Sandy & David Mullins, Jim Sturgill, Mike Strouth's sister Pat, Clyde Vance, Family of Frank Sexton, Billie Harris, Wanda Baird, Travis Dutton, Donna Raines, John & Kathy Kennedy, Jordan Joseph (grandson of Virginia Ebert), Natalie Luther, those affected by Hurricane Helene & Hurricane Milton, Jim & June Dotson, Cyrus Jones, Donna Hutchinson & Family, Jane Hughes & Family, Matt Meade, Andy Johnson (Cyndi Newlon's brother), Lorna Wherry & Brian Plester (siblings of Brenda Kunigelis), Mike Smith's sister Lynn, Beth Snodgrass, doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men & women in the military.

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).

College Bible Study **SUNDAYS at 12**
Lunch (provided) + Bible Study!

* The class meets at noon in the first floor classroom next to the church offices & is being taught by Stan Kunigelis, Cindy & Jeff Elkins. Lunch is being provided each week by various individuals. Friends are welcome!



For those who have taken stained glass classes with me in the past, would you be willing to dig your tool boxes out of the closet and loan them to the WBC for use by our College Student Class? They will begin a simple angel project at the end of March.

Many thanks, Stan Kunigelis

This Week's Scripture
Hebrews 11:1



“Now faith is the reality of what is hoped for, the proof of what is not seen.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Easter 2025

What a great time to invite friends, neighbors & loved ones to Wise Baptist! Join us as we celebrate that **Jesus is ALIVE!**

April 13

PALM SUNDAY
Palms Processional ~ 11am

April 18

GOOD FRIDAY
Creative Time of Worship ~ 7pm

April 20

EASTER SUNDAY
Flowering the Cross ~ 10-11am
Worship ~ 11am

Wednesday Night

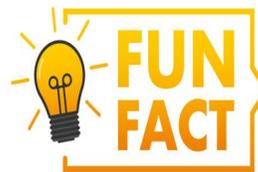
Bible Study

...always a mid-week pick-me-up!

Come on out on Wednesday evenings for supper at 6pm & an informal Bible Study with Pastor Mike at 7pm.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

March 29 * 7 - 8am * Fellowship Hall



*Stan Kunigelis shares
a fun fact...*

*Wise Baptist has had
18 pastors during its history
(1899-2025)!*

Congratulations

Congratulations to everyone who completed the Deep Dive Bible Study these past 12 months!! I pray that this study has made a difference in your life.

Blessings, Pastor Mike



Judge George W. Kilgore
Rev. J.C. Shipe
Rev. Frank Fuller
Rev. J.F. Cook
Rev. J.B. Thomas
Rev. Robert Riley
Rev. J. Ernest Wrenn
Rev. C.C. Perry
Rev. Carey L. Steele
Rev. R.L. Chadwick
Rev. Richard E. Plyer
Rev. Lynn Dickerson
Rev. Bob F. Smith
Rev. Raymond Allen
Rev. Jerry Welch
Rev. Herschel L. Wright, Jr.
Dr. Ray Jones, Jr.
Rev. Mike Winters

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MUSIC

Happy Birthday!

April 1	Cory Farmer
April 2	Frank Bellamy
April 5	Holly Cline
April 6	Henley Greene Don Newlon
April 7	Alex Maine
April 10	Sandy Mullins
April 11	Ray Cekalla Carol Miller Karen Ponish Ray Spenilla
April 12	Sunny Kennedy



WBC Music Ministry



March has quickly flown by and the days before graduation just keep coming. My last and final child will be graduating with an approximate 3.75 GPA and is looking forward to expanding her horizons attending UVA-W. She has looked at all sorts of colleges and programs and for the cost, she made the decision to stay here close to home. She has always been a homebody and will continue to be. She does like to travel, but would rather be at home with me. I really appreciate that she is still living with me and I've been worrying about what will happen when she does finally move out of our rather large house. I will be alone in that 2500 square foot place with just my cats and dogs. Nothing seems lonelier. Will she move away? Get married? Have children? And the list goes on.

Worry will cause you to fret, fixate on one problem, but we are taught in the scriptures not to worry. In the Old Testament, [Psalm 55:22](#): Cast your burden on the Lord, and He will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved. In the New Testament, [Matthew 6:34](#): "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

My continuing journey of Christianity has brought me to the place that when a problem exists and I began to worry, I will stop and pray earnestly that God will ease my worry and anxiety and will take over my problem. I even "see" in my mind, God grabbing hold of that problem and shaking it so that it is no longer a worry. It's becoming much easier the more I do that. Does God fix that problem for me? Sometimes, but most of the time, the problem still exists. However, God takes over the worry while I work on the problem.

I hope you can "cast your burdens on the Lord" and allow Him to do your worrying for you as we come into this Easter season.

Love to you all, Donna

Happy Anniversary!

Jeff & Gail Kiser	April 2
Marty & MaryBeth Adkins	April 4
David & Sandy Mullins	April 10



Being Faithful Stewards

Faithful stewards recognize that God owns it all. Once we accept & understand this foundation of stewardship, we can grow & mature in gratitude, contentment, patience, generosity, & faith.

May we all long to grow to be faithful stewards of God's work here at Wise Baptist Church.

For those who cannot physically attend Sunday morning worship services in the sanctuary, your tithes & offerings may be mailed to Wise Baptist Church, PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293, or brought by the Church anytime during open hours.

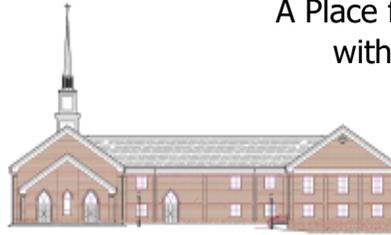
***"In all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight."
Proverbs 3:6***



April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>B = Birthday A = Anniversary</p>	<p>If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247</p>	<p>1</p> <p>B - Cory Farmer</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6pm - POTLUCK Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice</p> <p>B - Frank Bellamy A - Jeff & Gail Kiser</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>“The Chosen”: SEASON 5! Episodes 3 - 5</p> <p>A - Marty & Mary Beth Adkins</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>B - Holly Cline</p>
<p>6</p> <p>8:30am - Deacons' Mtg. 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Message - Communion 12pm - College Bible Study + Lunch</p> <p>B - Henley Greene B - Don Newlon</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Piecemakers, 9:30am</p> <p>B - Alex Maine</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p>10</p> <p>APRIL 11: B - Ray Cekalla B - Carol Miller B - Karen Ponish B - Ray Spenilla</p> <p>B - Sandy Mullins A - David & Sandy Mullins</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>“The Chosen”: SEASON 5! Episodes 6 - 8</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>Senior Ladies Tea Winters' Home</p> <p>B - Sunny Kennedy</p>
<p>13</p>  <p>10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship / Palm Processional - Children's Church 12pm - College Bible Study + Lunch</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Caring Friends, 9:30am</p> <p>APRIL 13: B - Jeff Cantrell B - Stan Kunigelis B - Hollyn Mullins A - Ron & Vicki Stephens</p>	<p>15</p> <p>B - Jaylea Eversole</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>B - Kate Kunigelis</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>APRIL 20: B - Billy Glines B - Hudson Rousseau</p>
<p>20</p>  <p>10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Piecemakers, 9:30am</p>	<p>22</p> <p>B - Noah Hall</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice</p> <p>B - Tyler Hopkins</p>	<p>24</p> <p>A - Don & Cyndi Newlon</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7 - 8 am - Men's Bible Study Fellowship Hall</p> <p>B - Carter Collins</p>
<p>27</p> <p>10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship onsite/online - Children's Church 12pm - College Bible Study + Lunch</p> <p>B - Linda Burgess B - Reuben Swindall A - Stan & Brenda Kunigelis</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Caring Friends, 9:30am</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6pm - Fellowship Meal 7pm - Bible Study 7:30pm - Choir Practice</p>			

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
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Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call	3/30 - 4/5	Stan Kunigelis, Debbie Collins
	4/6 - 4/12	Ron Helton, Matt Meade
Building Stewards		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sunday School Greeters	April	John Mark & Isabella Adrian
Children's Message	4/6	Terry Winters
Children's Church	4/13	Susie & Chad Blanton
Offering Ushers	April	Jeff Dotson Team
	May	Ron Helton Team
Tellers	April	Matt Meade, Mike Strouth
	May	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson
Wed. Night Meals	4/2	POTLUCK Meal
	4/9	Soup Beans, Kraut, Weiners
Wed. Night Cook Teams	4/2	<u>Volunteers</u> for set up, clean up
	4/9	<u>Teresa's Team</u> : Linda Burgess, Susan Smith, Toni Thacker, Ann Wade, Terry Winters

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Thursday	Laurels Ministry (3rd)	1:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	7 - 8 am



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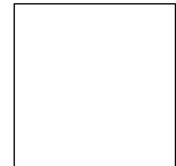
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(Heb. 11:1)



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Thought for the Week:

*The Bible is a "reality headset"
which equips us for life.*