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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

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A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear church family and friends,

The mind, in spite of all we know, is still a great mystery. Even though the human brain weighs only 3 pounds, it uses about 20% of the calories we consume and 20% of the oxygen. As our brain goes, so we go.

The Apostle Paul says in I Thess. 5:23 "...May your whole spirit, soul [mind] and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." The mind dramatically affects my physical and spiritual well-being. If my thinking and mind are healthy, it can remove spiritual barriers.

Sometimes Christians can mistake every problem as a purely spiritual problem. That means the problem either boils down to my personal sin or lack of faith, alone. "If only I trusted God more. If only I tried harder. If only I had more faith. I need to repent." How often have we said those things to ourselves? This misunderstanding can keep us stuck and heap on loads of unnecessary guilt. It also cuts us off from a solution.

God made us as part body, part mind, and part spirit. We are not just spiritual beings. Our bodies have needs. Our minds have needs. Our spirits have needs. All are important and valid.

On **May 8 – 29**, I will preach a four-sermon series called **"Healing the Mind"**. My desire is to explore what the Bible teaches about the mind and promote healing in our minds. My prayer is that it will also free up places in our lives where we are "stuck" and deepen our faith in God in new ways.

The titles for the "Healing the Mind" sermon series are: "Conquering Negative Thoughts", "Facing Depression", "Four Resources", and "Equipping Church and Family". You are personally invited! Come with an open heart and mind and see what God can do!

Love, Pastor Mike

IMPORTANT DATES

"Armor of God"
April 28

Prom Attire Sunday
May 1

WMU Annual Spring Mtg.
May 1

Mission Trip Yard Sale
May 5, 6

Graduate Recognition
May 8

Bake Sale
May 8

Mission Lunch
May 15

Kindred Spirits
May 17

**Gasoline Buy-Down &
Free Car Wash**
May 21

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DEACONS 2015-16

Lewey Lee	328-3845
Dan Helton	328-6086
Edgar Owens	328-6129
John Kennedy	328-5013
Matt Meade	393-9177
Daniel Ray	328-2483
Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Ron Helton	393-6145

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wise Baptist Association

Women's Missionary Union
Annual Spring Meeting



May 1, 2016
3 pm

Nash's Chapel, Wise
National WMU Focus: PTSD

As you pray, please remember...

Irene Black, Papa Joe Smiddy, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Kim Boggs, Pat Boggs, Archie and Joanne Kennedy, Elizabeth and Susan Davidson, Hubert Breeding, John and Kay Wright, Pat and Fred Adkins, Bea Hill, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military.



Hospitalized: Archie Kennedy, Mountain View

Our Shut Ins: Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG), and Florine Pennington (The Laurels).

If you know of other prayer concerns, please contact the church office (328-6247).

Kindred Spirits

Join us for a fun evening of fellowship, snacks & crafts on Tuesday, May 17 at 6pm. We will meet at the church to build birdhouses this month! Please sign up on the Communication Card in your bulletin or contact Wendy Adrian. Each participant will need to bring a snack to share and \$5 to cover the cost of materials.



MOTHERS' DAY OUT RESCHEDULED

Our Mothers' Day Out activity for May 7 has been postponed until a later date due to many conflicting activities that weekend.

STAY TUNED for the new date & time!

Baptist Collegiate Ministry Meal



WBC will be serving lunch at the BCM on Monday, May 2. Please contact Donna Hutchinson if you would like to help serve or donate hamburgers, hotdogs, buns &/or chips to

this important ministry!



Many folk have asked about the beautiful bulletin board in the hall... Tammie Harding donates her time & talents each month to

decorate this board. Thank you so much, Tammie!



We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Matt Meade in the loss of his dad who passed away on April 22, 2016. Please keep Matt and Christina and their family in your prayers.

Bible Study



NEW Wednesday Night Bible Studies

Each Wednesday begins with a fellowship meal at 6:00pm, followed by Small Group Bible studies for adults, Youth Bible Study and a Children's Mission Program at 6:45. The choir rehearses at 7:50.

April 27 — PREVIEW of new Wed. Night Bible Studies

May 4—June 8 — Join us for NEW small group Bible Studies on Wednesday evenings at 6:45 pm:

1. "Overload" by Joyce Meyer taught by Teresa Adkins
2. "Understanding Islam" taught by Pastor Mike

Join us for this great time of FELLOWSHIP!



I am so thankful for the many people who serve faithfully in our music ministry. On many occasions I am reminded of how blessed we are as a church to have so much talent—even beyond, especially beyond music!

Where we really excel, though, is in willingness—yes, **willingness!** If people have talent but aren't willing to share it and use it, how does that help the church or the Kingdom? However, we have people who are awesome teachers, who love children, who are outstanding cooks, people who love to clean, garden, greet, pray, write cards, give hugs...the list goes on and on.

Bottom line, what is your gift, your passion? Are you using it in the church? What are you waiting for? Pray about it and then do something about it!

We are in for a treat on Sunday morning! The Singing Sunbeams are going to ring and sing during worship. Debbie and Donna do an outstanding job with this group of children. And, our FLOCK members are wearing their prom attire to church—this is always a special day.

Last Sunday evening, the youth and I studied about John, son of Zebedee. Christ saw the potential in him even though he was young and immature. Christ nurtured him and taught him about discipleship and about serving. In 1 Timothy, Paul tells Timothy to not to “let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity”. Thank you for the way you support our children and youth and for encouraging them to take part in all aspects of church.

I am praying for you this week; pray for each other, too.

Blessings, Leigh

The months of May and June will be filled with opportunities for everyone to help send our missionary team to Gainesville, FL. Stay tuned! And, please pray for our team and for all of the preparations that are required and for the people of Greater Faith Baptist Fellowship!

happy birthday	April 27	Reuben Swindall
	May 1	Mike Winters
	May 2	Roger Viers

Happy Anniversary	April 27	Stan & Brenda Kunigzlis
	April 30	Archiz & Joannz Kennedz

GRADUATES

On Sunday, May 8, we will recognize all of our high school and college graduates during our morning worship service. This is a highlight for our congregation every year! We rejoice in your accomplishments. Below is a list of grads, if your name should be included, please call Leigh ASAP!

High School: Alex Adkins, Reagan Elkins, Brooklyn Kennedy, Lily Snodgrass (please wear cap, gown, honors stole)

College: Caitlin Adkins, Hannah Barnette, Joe Cahoon, Anna Clark, Chelsea Polly, Kaitlin Ponish

 **MAY 5 & 6**

The Mission Trip Yard Sale is scheduled for May 5 & 6 at the Rock. **There will be a special WBC preview sale on May 4 from 9-noon.** Clean out your garage and storage building, your attic and your closet! Sherlene Hall needs your stuff! Remember: your “trash” is someone else’s “treasure”!

MOTHER'S DAY BAKE SALE

Do you need a cake, pie, cookies, brownies, or cupcakes to help celebrate Mother's Day?
Or maybe to celebrate your graduate?

On Sunday, May 8, our mission team will host a bake sale before Sunday school and after worship. If there is something in particular that you would like, contact Debbie Collins and she will try to make that happen! (276.393.3875 or dhillcollins@verizon.net).



 Thank you, Elkins' family for the meal for our youth on Sunday evening. The pizza casserole was delicious! This Sunday, Jessica Crutchfield has our meal. We are thankful every week for the generous gift of food! Thank you!

Saturday, April 30, Central High School will have their Jr/Sr Prom at the DJP Center at UVAW. Please be in prayer for the safety and wisdom of all of the students who attend. A lot of our FLOCK members will be participating! If you are able, come out to see everyone all dressed up! **On Sunday, May 1, all of our youth are encouraged to wear your prom attire to church.**

I look forward to seeing everyone this week for Bible study on Wednesday and Sunday!



"A Time to Dance!"

Ecclesiastes 3:4



Piece Makers ~ Caring Friends



On behalf of the Piece Makers and Caring Friends, Grace Allio would like express her gratitude to the church for providing a church bus that allows groups, such as these, to take trips together.

In March the ladies had a great time attending a Quilting Show in Pigeon Forge, TN.



The Piece Makers and Caring Friends Quilting Groups are pictured with some of their quilt masterpieces. The group recently purchased their own T-shirts! Linda Burgess' son, David, helped design the T-shirts at Innovative Graphics in Norton.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
FOR VBS: **JUNE 20—23**

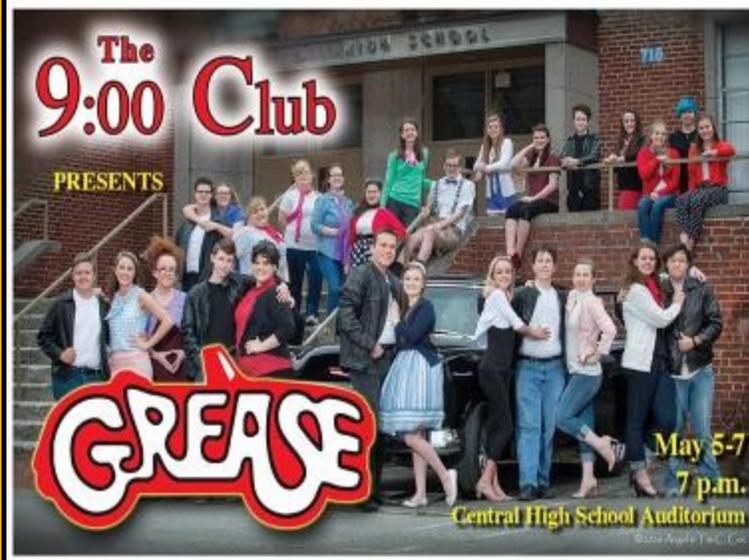
Our Vacation Bible School theme for 2016 is *"Cave Quest"*!

Children ages 3—Grade 6 will learn how to become grounded in the rock-solid foundation of God's love—a love that takes us through life's dark times.



The Mission Committee will be serving a Mexican Fiesta after Worship on Sunday, May 15.

All donations towards the meal will go to help purchase building supplies needed for this summer's mission trip to Gainesville, Florida.

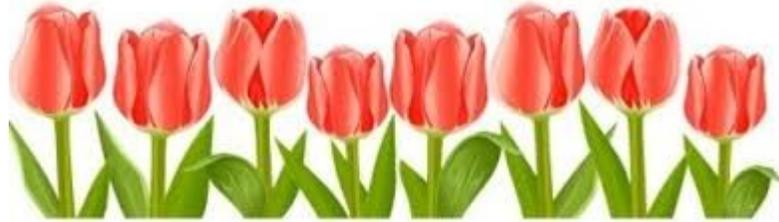


Our youth are involved in a lot of spring activities. Here are a few pictures that I took last week!

Pictured left to right:
Rachel Porchie, softball
Grayson Hall, baseball
Alex Adkins, baseball
Rachel Bailey, tennis

A lot of our young people are also involved in the 9:00 club production of Grease, May 5-7.

May 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 B. Rev. Mike Winters	2 Piecemakers 9:30am Baptist Collegiate Ministry Cookout 11:00 am B. Roger Viers	3	4 WBC YARD SALE PREVIEW 9-12 Mission Comm. 5pm Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50pm	5 MISSION TRIP YARD SALE Armor of God Study 7-8:30pm	6 B. Sharon Bradley	7 B. Lin Allio
8 HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY! Deacon's - 8:30 am Ballroom Dancing 430—7:00pm B. Susie Clasby B. Rachel Helton B. Sarah Helton	9 Caring Friends 9:30am B. Rosemary Boyle	10	11 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50pm	12 Armor of God Study 7-8:30pm B. Jack Tolbert, Jr.	13	14
15 MEXICAN FIESTA MEAL for MISSION TRIP—12 nn Ballroom Dancing 430—7:00pm A. Dan & Shan Rose	16 Piecemakers 9:30am	17 B. Celeste Smith	18 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50pm	19 Armor of God Study 7-8:30pm	20	21 Gasoline Buy-Down & Free Car Wash 1:00 pm
22 Ballroom Dancing 430—7:00 B. Archie Kennedy B. Christina Meade B. Courtney Coughlin B. Jordan Owens	23 Caring Friends 9:30am B. John Thacker	24 B. Grace Allio B. Sarah Means	25 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Sanctuary Choir 7:50pm	26 B. Charles Maine	27	28
29 Ballroom Dancing 430—7:00 B. Angel Cox	30 Piecemakers 9:30am B. Joshua Owens A. Bob & Teresa Adkins	31 A. Rev. Jim & Sherry Collie				
				B = Birthday A = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-	

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	4/24-4/30	Gil Blackburn, Daniel Ray
	5/01-5/07	Edgar Owens, Ron Helton
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Dave Belcher, Misty Belcher, Jeff Kiser, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray
S.S. Greeters:	05/01	David & Sandy Mullins
	05/08	Billie Sue Harris
Nursery:	05/01	Cyndi Newlon, Chelsea Polly
	05/08	Jessica Crutchfield, Reagan Elkins
Children's Church:	05/01	Donna Hutchinson
	05/08	David & Carla Sheppard
PA:	05/01	Marty Adkins
	05/08	Mike Osborne
Tellers:	April	Teresa Adkins, Jeff Dotson
	May	Edgar Owens, Mike Strouth
Ushers:	05/01	Kenneth Bowling*, Dave Belcher^, Roger Williams^, Donnie Bradley, Bryon Burton, Jeff Elkins, Daniel Ray, David Sheppard
	05/08	Mark Clark*, Leton Harding^, Harold Witt^, Jerry Baird, Stan Kunigelis, Edgar Owens, Roger Viers (*Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Team:	04/27	Brenda Lee, Susan Smith, Ann Wade
	05/04	Potluck Team
Wed. Meal:	04/27	Breakfast for Supper
	05/04	Potluck
Wed. Nursery	04/27	Kathy Dotson
	05/04	Children in Action
Children in Action	04/27	Cyndi Newlon
	05/04	Kathy Dotson

Wise Baptist Church
General Fund Giving Summary
9/6/15 - 4/24/16

General Fund Receipts To Date	\$197,524
<u>General Fund Needed To Date</u>	<u>\$198,790</u>
Variance	(\$1,266)
Average Weekly Variance	(\$37)
Weekly General Fund Budget	\$5,847

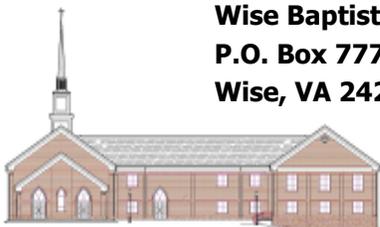
WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	No Ballroom Dancing Tonight	
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers & Caring Friends (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Singing Sunbeams	3:45 pm
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Bible Study	6:45 pm
	Children in Action	6:45 pm
	Sanctuary Choir	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission(2nd)	2--4 pm
	Armor of God Bible Study	7:00 pm

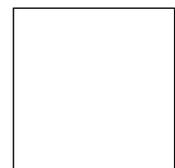
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and at Wise Baptist Youth

Thought for the week:
**“Love God with all your
heart, mind and strength”**
Matthew 22:37