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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
 WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

December 21, 2021

*A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.*



*Dear Church Family and Friends,*

What was your favorite music as a teenager? For me? Songs by the Eagles, Deep Purple, America, etc.

I love to ask small groups this question. Each group is composed of people of different ages. It is wondrous to watch what happens.

Each person comes alive, shares enthusiastically. Stories are told. The others listen carefully and learn about each other. An intergenerational bond is formed.

We identify with our music. (And fiercely defend it as the best!) It taps directly into what was going on in our lives. Music can voice things about which we cannot find words. About life. And what matters.

Listen to the words of a teenager about music. A beautiful hymn. Long ago. From Mary, before she gave birth to our Savior.

“And Mary said: My soul magnifies the Lord and rejoices in God my Savior...” (See Luke 1:46-55).

May the music of Christmas fill your heart! Merry Christmas!

*Love, Pastor Mike*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**No Activities  
 Wed., Dec. 22**

**CHURCH OFFICE  
 CLOSED  
 Dec. 22 - 24**

**Candlelight  
 Communion  
 Friday, Dec. 24,  
 11pm**

**LAST Bedtime Story:  
 FB Live  
 Mon., Dec. 27,  
 8:30pm**

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### DEACONS 2021-22

John Mark Adrian	328-5564
Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jim Collie	393-1710
Ron Helton	393-6145
Jorge Hersel	594-9077
Butch Hutchinson	393-5008
Lewey Lee	393-5370
John Ponish	870-1593

Deacons Emeritus:

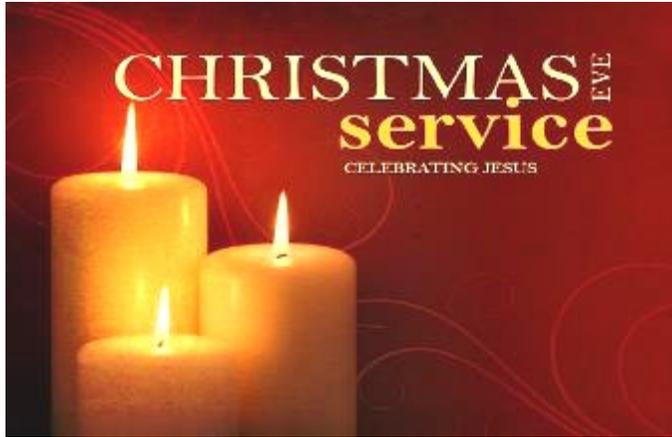
Bob Adkins, Harold Witt

### 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



*December 24, 11:00 pm*

*What a wonderful time to invite friends & family to Wise Baptist!*

*Plan now to join us as we celebrate Jesus' birth together during the first minutes of Christmas Day!*

*As you pray, please remember...*



Hallie Chinault, Jim Dotson, Lois Stallard, Leigh Clark & Family, Jim Blanton, Family of Michael Chandler, Brenda Lee, Dan Helton, Regina Cantrell, Gil Blackburn, Lewey Lee and Family, Family of Steve Collins, Dalton, Kara and Halen Parker, Phyllis Hatcher, Bessie Vance, Jerry & Wanda Baird, Ben Bolling & family, Grace Allio, Vickie Swindall & Family, David & Sandy Mullins, Seth Harding, Randy & Gwen Chisenhall & Family, Beth Snodgrass, Ray Jones & Family, Velma Baird, Wesley Kennedy, Don & Gigi Pippin, doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, Kathy & John Kennedy, John & Kay Wright, Wanda Takahashi (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men & women in the military.

**Our Shut Ins:** Jeanne Stallard, Bobbie Farmer, Jean Forsythe (Sandy Yun's mother), Kingston Center Assisted Living in Duffield

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



Many thanks to  
Teresa Adkins &  
Jim Collie & all who  
participated in our

Cookie Exchange & Caroling at The  
Laurels!

### Train Display!



**Jim & Sherry Collie invite you to visit their home & see their electric train displays anytime this month until early January. Just call Sherry ahead of time at 276-328-5133.**



*Scripture  
for the Week ... Luke 1:46-47*

*"And Mary said: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior..."*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to call or send a card to **Lois Stallard**, this is her current contact information:



Cell: 345-7281

Address: Encompass Rehab Hospital  
Room 316  
113 Cassel Dr., Kingsport, TN  
37660

Visiting Hours: 4-8pm, Mon.-Sat.  
10am-8pm, Sun.



### *The Making of Authentic Faith:*

#### *A Study of the Book of James*

A big breakdown for Christians is moving from spiritual information to practical action. Application. The Book of James is all about faith at work. We will continue our study the Book of James on Wednesday evening, Jan. 5 at 7pm. If you can, join us in person at church. If not, you are welcome to join us on-line on the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page, via Facebook Live.

Study books are available in paperback form. You can order a digital copy by going to the website, [www.gc2press.com](http://www.gc2press.com). Then look for Bible study books for adults, then James, "The Making of Authentic Faith".

*Faith*



☐ "I saw a great multitude from every nation..." Revelation 7:9

Every year, Wise Baptist, along with thousands of other Baptist churches provide an opportunity to give to international missions through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. The offering was named for missionary Lottie Moon (a Virginia native) who served in China from 1873 until her death on Christmas Eve 1912.

You can find special offering envelopes in the pew racks to use during the month of December or you can designate an offering to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

*"Is not the festive season when families and friends exchange gifts in memory the The Gift laid on the altar of the world for the redemption of the human race, the most appropriate time to consecrate a portion from abounding riches and scant poverty to send forth the good tidings of great joy into all the earth?"*

~ Lottie Moon



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Happy Birthday!

December 22	Phyllis Hatcher Dallas Kennedy Jon Kennedy
December 23	Sherlene Hall
December 24	Jim Collie Carolyn Strouth William Sturgill Lois Tveit
December 26	Linsay Allio Diana Roberts Miles Wampler
December 29	Pat Boggs
December 30	Paul Maine
December 31	Gabriella Collins



## WBC Music Ministry

*Thank you to everyone who came out or tuned into the Christmas Cantata yesterday. It was a real joy to be able to sing and enjoy many of the songs that we cherish during Christmas time. I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Susan Mullins, Susan Smith, and Donna Hutchinson for all of the help and preparation for our Christmas Cantata. Without their help, it would not have been as wonderful as it was.*

*I hope that each and every one of you has a wonderful Christmas filled with family, friends, good food, and music.*

*Blessings,  
Joe*

## Happy Anniversary!

December 31      Jeff & Cindy Elkins

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## Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry

Grades 7 - 12



The Youth had fun Christmas caroling on Main Street in Wise last Wednesday night!



For the past year and a half, we have had many folks reading bedtime stories each Monday night on our church Facebook

page. We want to thank all of you who have read, and all who have "tuned in"!

We will be bringing our Monday Night Bedtime Stories to a close at the end of December, but there are still 2 Monday nights left!

You won't want to miss our  
last story on

**December 27!**



## COOKIE RECIPES



*Many thanks to Teresa Adkins for coordinating our Cookie Exchange last Wednesday night, and thank you to everyone who brought cookies and recipes!*

### Goldie's Almond Cookies Sherry Collie

2 cups unsalted butter, softened  
1 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon almond extract  
dash of salt  
4 cups all-purpose flour  
1 cup almonds, finely chopped

1. Beat butter & sugar in large mixing bowl until fluffy.
2. Add almond extract & salt. Beat well.
3. Add flour; beat just until well-mixed.
4. Stir in nuts.
5. Roll dough to 1/4" thickness & cut with desired shape cookie cutters.
6. Place on parchment covered cookie sheet. I sprinkle more chopped almonds on top.
7. Bake at 325 for about 18-20 minutes.

\* Goldie was my dad's girlfriend for about 25 years after my mother died at age 52. She made these for my niece's wedding.

### Chocolate Peppermint Truffles Terry Winters

3/4 cup butter  
6 oz. Baker's Semi-Sweet  
Chocolate squares  
1 cup sugar  
2 eggs  
1 3/4 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
1/3 cup crushed candy canes  
1 teaspoon peppermint extract

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Melt chocolate & butter together in microwave on high for 2 minutes or until butter is melted.
3. Stir until chocolate is completely melted; add peppermint extract.
4. Add sugar & mix well.
5. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing until well-blended after each addition.
6. Add combined flour & baking powder; mix well.
7. Dough will be very soft. Cover & refrigerate 4 hours or up to 24 hrs.
8. Roll heaping teaspoonfuls of dough into 1" balls.
9. Place 2" apart on greased baking sheets.
10. Bake 10-12 minutes or until tops are set. (Do not overbake.)
11. Immediately sprinkle with crushed candy canes; cool 1 min. on baking sheet. Remove to wire rack cool completely.

## COOKIE RECIPES, CONT.

### Christmas Cornmeal Cookies Cyndi Newlon

1 1/4 salted butter, softened  
1 1/2 cups sugar  
1 large egg  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
2 cups self-rising flour  
1 1/4 cups corn meal mix  
1 teaspoon salt  
sugar for coating dough  
powdered or raw sugar

1. HEAT oven to 370 degrees.
2. COMBINE butter & sugar in large mixing bowl. Beat with electric mixer on high until light & fluffy.
3. BEAT in egg & vanilla.
4. BLEND in flour, corn meal & salt on low speed just until blended.
5. ROLL dough into 1" balls. (I use a melon baller.)
6. Roll balls in a shallow bowl of sugar & place on ungreased baking sheet about 1" apart. Flatten slightly.
7. BAKE 10 - 12 minutes or until edges are golden brown.
8. REMOVE from baking sheet & cool on wire rack. Sprinkle with sugar, if desired.

### Chocolate Chip Cookies Linda Burgess

2/3 cup Crisco shortening  
2/3 cup butter, softened  
1 cup granulated sugar  
1 cup brown sugar, packed  
2 eggs  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
3 cups all-purpose flour  
OR self-rising flour, but omit the baking soda & salt below  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup pecans, chopped  
6 oz. semi-sweet chocolate chips  
6 oz. milk chocolate chips

1. Heat oven to 375 degrees.
2. Mix shortening, butter, sugar, eggs & vanilla.
3. Stir in remaining ingredients.
4. Drop by rounded teaspoonful onto ungreased baking sheet, about 2" apart.
5. Bake 10 - 12 minutes or until lightly browned.
6. Cool slightly before removing from baking sheet.
7. Makes about 5 - 6 dozen.

### Choco Chip Cookies Don Newlon

2/3 cup butter, softened  
2/3 cup brown sugar, firmly packed  
2/3 cup Splenda (granulated)  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
2 eggs  
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Cream butter, brown sugar, Splenda & vanilla in medium mixing bowl until well-blended & creamy.
3. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing well after each addition.
4. Scrape sides of bowl. Add flour, baking soda & salt. Mix until well-blended.
5. Stir in chocolate chips.
6. Place level tablespoons of dough on an ungreased baking sheet.
7. Bake 10-12 minutes or until golden brown.
8. Remove from oven & cool on wire rack.

# PHOTOS

## Wise Baptist Christmas Dinner 2021

Lots of fun was had by all at the church Christmas Dinner at Camp Bethel on Sunday evening!

Thank you to Teresa Adkins for coordinating this event!

After dinner, we played the Left-Right Game, Charades & watched "The Shepherd" movie short by the producer of "The Chosen".

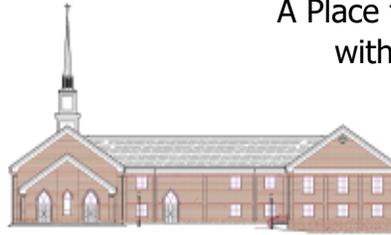


## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	12/19 - 12/25	Ron Helton, Butch Hutchinson
	12/26 - 1/1	Jim Collie, Jerry Baird
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sound System:	12/26	Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile
	1/2	Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile
Tellers:	December	David Mullins, Oscar Raile
Wed. Night Meal:	12/22	No Activities
	12/29	No Activities



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## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Worship	11:00 pm
	Youth (Grades 7-12)	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
	Bedtime Story via Fb Live	8:30pm
Wednesday	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Bible Study onsite & via Fb Live	7:00 pm
	Youth meet (Grades 7-12)	7:00 pm
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	8:00 pm
Thursday	Men's Bible Study	6:30 am

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and at Wise Baptist Youth

**Thought for the Week:**  
*Listen for the music of  
Christmas!*