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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,

Can you believe that another year has already come and gone? We are now several weeks into 2017. As time passes, it raises the question about how to spend time. Time is not just seconds, minutes, and hours. Time is our life!

Colossians 4:5 (RSV) says, "Conduct yourselves wisely...making the most of the time." Someone once described their life as "two steps in front of the avalanche". Jesus had three years to accomplish the most important mission ever. The stakes were never higher. The fate of all mankind, for all time, hung on His ministry.

Jesus had a human body that was subject to the same limitations we all have. He had to eat, drink, sleep and have shelter. He could only be in one place at a time and even had limitations on His physical energy.

His constant anchor was His relationship with His Heavenly Father. He made that a priority. From that priority flowed all other priorities. How do we keep the "avalanche of life" from running over us? First, decide what is important.

Then, **maximize the important** and its application. When you have an important task, do it now. Use items as a reminder. If you need to do something important after you leave your office or house, put a piece of paper listing the task or an object reminding you of the task by the front door, so you cannot miss it. There are many kinds of paper and electronic reminders for meetings and appointments. Use the "spyglass" approach...focus on one thing at a time.

Next week, we will look at **minimizing the distractions**.

I look forward to spending time with you in worship and service.

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

**VA Baptist Foundation  
Scholarship Deadline  
January 31**

**Children's Ministry Team  
Clean-Up Day  
January 29**

**"Souper" Bowl Canned Food  
Drive  
January 29—Feb. 5**

**Missions Ministry Team  
Meeting  
February 1**

**Deacons' Meeting  
February 5, 8:30am**

**Youth Super Bowl Party  
February 5**

**Women on Mission  
February 9**

**Youth Winter Ski Trip  
February 10-11**

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### DEACONS 2016-17

Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jeff Dotson	393-8417
Ron Helton	393-6145
John Kennedy	328-5013
Matt Meade	393-9177
Mike Osborne	365-0968
Edgar Owens	328-6129
Daniel Ray	328-2483

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



***Save the Date!***  
***Saturday, February 25***  
***90th Birthday Celebration***  
***for***  
***Lois Stallard***

***\*Drop in anytime between 2-4pm***

A number of "Lost & Found" items have been collected over the past couple of years in the church office. Please take a moment to look through these boxes (in the hall by the elevator). At the end of February, any unclaimed items will be placed in the church yard sale.



### WINTER BIBLE STUDY!

Jan. 4—Feb. 22 at 7pm

"Malachi:  
Overcoming Complacency"



Malachi speaks to our natural, human tendency to coast and drift, spiritually. He helps the people overcome doubt and discouragement and find their way back to God. Join Pastor Mike as he leads this timely Bible study.

Several folks have asked for Cheryl Estep's address:

**Cheryl Estep**  
509 D.C. Caney Ridge Road  
Clintwood, VA 24228

**NEW ADDRESS:** Steve & Margie Horton  
1013 Wandering Drive  
Kingsport, TN 37660

### Missing Tea Glasses!

If you have any of the clear plastic tea glasses or see any around the church, please return to the church kitchen.



*As you pray, please remember...*

Jack & Marsha Tolbert, Cheryl Estep & family, Irene Black, Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, John and Kay Wright, Pat and Fred Adkins, Bea and Glenn Hill, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military.



**Hospitalized:** Wesley Kennedy (Quillen, Johnson City)

**Our Shut Ins:** Irene Black (Mountain View Rehab), Elizabeth Davidson (Heritage Hall—Wise), Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Archie Kennedy (Heritage Hall—BSG), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, and Florine Pennington (The Laurels).

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

### SEEKING PART-TIME MUSIC DIRECTOR



Wise Baptist Church of Wise, Virginia is seeking a part-time Music Director. Responsibilities include: Prepare and lead in rehearsals and worship, support pastor and staff, and guide the music program of the church (adult and children's choirs, handbells, and contemporary band). Please send resume to [terry@wisebaptist.com](mailto:terry@wisebaptist.com) by February 1.

*Dear Church Family,*

*Thank you for the prayers, visits and cards with sweet words remembering Mom. Knowing she is herself again in heaven has given us peace and comfort.*

*The Peggy Tolbert Family,  
Jack and Marsha Tolbert*

### VIRGINIA BAPTIST FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

[vbfinc.org/scholarships](http://vbfinc.org/scholarships)

Application Deadline: January 31, 2017

Undergraduate & Graduate Students are eligible.



I am wanting winter! I can't believe that it is almost the end of January and we have only had about 2" of snow. I love snow! The silence, the pure absence of color, the smell of clean, crisp pure air and then the glee my girls experience when sliding down the hill outside our house, the slipping and sliding around on the roads. Yes, I even enjoy that aspect of it. I can't see that blinding whiteness and not think about God's godliness and Jesus Christ's pure and perfect life. Pure, white and incomparable.

Sunday was a good day for me....Sunday School in the nursery with Isabella where we talked about God making Adam and Eve and all the animals and trees, worship and singing praises to God with my church family, lunch with a lot of my family at Mom's, a short nap at home and then football. There is no better way to finish out a weekend!

Our children's choir is underway and we practice on Monday afternoons from 4-5 pm. If you know of a child between the ages of 4 and 6th grade, let them know about it. We sing and play bells, eat a snack and play on the playground. We have a great time.

Peace and love, Donna



January 24	Jim Dotson Carolyn Jones Edgar Owens Gary Smith Ali Stuedemann
January 25	Wanda Baird Shirlee Barnette Billie Harris John Roberts
January 26	Ray Jones Lulia Maine Garrison Sheppard
January 27	Macie Sheppard
January 28	Regina Carson Lance Collie Toni Thacker
January 29	Rebecca Osborne Mike Strouth
January 30	Andrew Conway
February 1	Rachel Bailey



Noah Hall is coordinating our "Souper" Bowl Canned Food Drive **Jan. 29 - Feb. 5**...be collecting items for this ministry.



### Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry

Thank you to Beth Snodgrass for providing the youth dinner on Sunday night! We began our "God Up Close" study by taking a look at Jacob's encounter/wrestling match with God's angel, and how the "backstory" of Jacob deceiving his brother Esau led up to this life-changing encounter. Invite a friend & join us next Sunday evening at 6pm as we continue our "God Up Close" study at the Youth Building.

Please remember **Emma Snodgrass** in your prayers as she will be performing at the Forensics Conference on Saturday at Union High School!



The **Youth Super Bowl Party** will be held on **Feb. 5** at the Youth Building—invite your friends!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the **Winter Ski Trip**...

- ⇒ Feb. 11-12 at Sugar Mountain
- ⇒ **\$30 deposit** due ASAP!!
- ⇒ Contact Bryon Burton for more info



### WBC Children's Ministry

\*Singing Sunbeams  
Mondays, 4-5 pm, the Rock

\*Children-in-Action  
Wednesdays, 6:45-7:45pm

\*Sunday School  
Sundays, 10-10:50am

\*Children's Church  
Sundays, during worship, 11am

### COLLEGE STUDENTS' ADDRESSES

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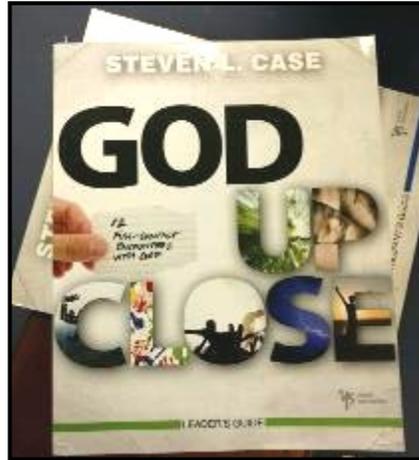
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Ithaca, NY 14850

**Chelsea Polly**  
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# Sunday Night Youth Bible Study

Youth, Grades 7-12, are invited to join us on Sunday evenings at 6pm at the Youth Building!



# Caring Friends Quilting Ministry



Feel free to join these ladies!  
1st & 3rd Mondays, 9:30am—Piecemakers meet to work on personal projects.  
2nd & 4th Monday, 9:30am—Caring Friends meet to work on quilts for the Cancer Center.



# February 2017



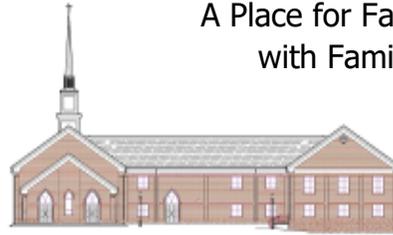
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Mission Team 5pm Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:45 pm  B. Rachel Bailey	2  B. Zada Hardin	3  B. Caroline Mullins	4
5 Deacons-8:30 am Holy Communion— 11 am	6 Piecemakers 9:30am  B. Kara Kennedy	7  B. Randy Chisenhall B. Kaitlin (Ponish) Collins B. Kathy Kennedy B. Philip Prince	8 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:45 pm  B. David Whittaker	9 Women on Mission, 2pm	10  B. David Mullins B. Adam Sexton	11  <b>YOUTH SKI TRIP Feb. 11—12</b>
12  B. Kristin (Ponish) Trick	13 Caring Friends 9:30am  B. Brandon Osborne	14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day!</i>	15 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:45 pm  B. June Dotson B. Logan Stewart B. Corrie Cox White	16	17  B. Lily Snodgrass	18  B. Joshua Helton
19  B. Nicolette Cox	20 Piecemakers 9:30am  B. Vanessa Cyphers	21  B. Amy Yun	22 Dinner 6pm Bible Study 6:45pm Choir 7:45 pm  B. Juanita Wells	23  B. Lois Stallard	24  B. Mark Lardieri	25
26  B. Amy Beth Bridges B. James Clasby B. Joanne Kennedy	27 Caring Friends 9:30am  B. Meisha Addington B. Eric Smith	28  B. Jessica Hibbitts		B = Birthday A = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247	

**\* February Prayer Calendars are now available in the foyer & hall. \***

## Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	1/22-1/28	Jeff Dotson, John Kennedy
	1/29-2/4	Mike Osborne, Gil Blackburn
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:	1/29	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
	2/5	John Kennedy
Nursery:	1/29	Cari Braddock, Caroline Mullins
	2/5	Linda Burgess, Johnny Robinson
Children's Church:	1/29	Joe & Susie Powers
	2/5	Kathy Dotson, Elora Hutchinson
PA:	1/29	Noah Hall
	2/5	Marty Adkins
Tellers:	January	Martha Blackburn, David Mullins
	February	Stephen Large, Edgar Owens
Ushers:	1/29	Gary Smith*, John Thacker^, Roger Viers^, Harold Witt, Jerry Baird, Stan Kunigelis, Edgar Owens
	2/5	Youth *Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	1/25	Kathy Helton, Jessica Crutchfield, Gail Kiser
	2/1	Martha Blackburn, Linda Burgess, Kathy Helton, Susie Powers
Wed. Meals:	1/25	Ham, Green Beans, Pineapple Casserole, Potatoes
	2/1	Potluck
Children-in-Action:	1/25	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large
	2/1	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large

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with Family and Friends



## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

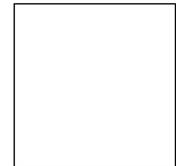
Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
	Singing Sunbeams	4-5 pm
Wednesday	Mission Ministry Team (1st)	5:00 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Adult Bible Study	6:45 pm
	Youth Bible Study	
	Children-in-Action (Grades K-6)	
	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)	
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	2-4 pm

## Rev. Mike Winters Contact Information

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**Thought for the week:**  
**“Make the most of the time.”**  
**Colossians 4:5**