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# WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF  
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

May 22, 2018

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



*Dear Church Family and Friends,*

The headlines in the news...another school shooting (this one in Texas), volcanic eruptions in Hawaii, the royal wedding in England, political controversy and investigations, etc., etc. A big "headline" in Jesus' day was the announcement of a new Roman emperor to replace Caesar Augustus.

When Augustus died, it was important to spread the news quickly throughout the whole Roman empire that a successor was in place. Roman officials and soldiers went to each town and announced, "Good news, Tiberius is the new emperor!" Judea, Samaria, and Galilee were part of the empire that got that message.

Jesus steps into this world with an announcement of His own! Jesus declares in Luke 4:18-21, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the Lord's favor...Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

There is a new kingdom and a new King! Jesus' kingdom operates by love, not force. The world and devil convey the message that the Kingdom of God is failing. Too often, followers of Jesus start to believe it. We allow it to steal our joy and hope.

The Kingdom of God is here, now! Jesus is still King. He is still at work. One day, what He has begun will be complete. We have that ironclad promise in the Bible! Claim that victory every day. Every day, think, believe and act like it is true!

*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

**Mission Trip Deposits Due  
May 27**

**Yard Sale for  
Mission Trip  
June 1 & 2, 8am-5pm**

**Gasoline Buy-Down  
June 2, 1-4pm**

**Youth End-of-Year  
Cookout  
June 2, 6pm**

**Deacons Meeting  
June 3, 8:30am**

**Holy Communion  
June 3, 11am**

**Mission Team  
Commissioning Service  
June 10, 11am**

**Tarboro, NC Mission Trip  
June 23-30**

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### DEACONS 2017-18

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| John Mark Adrian | 328-5564 |
| Jerry Baird      | 393-0923 |
| Gil Blackburn    | 328-0046 |
| Jim Collie       | 393-1710 |
| Jeff Dotson      | 393-8417 |
| Ron Helton       | 393-6145 |
| Mike Osborne     | 365-0968 |
| John Ponish      | 870-1593 |
| Gary Smith       | 870-1579 |

Deacons Emeritus:  
Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,  
Harold Witt

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God!*



Mark your calendar & invite your friends to join us at Wise Baptist for "Rolling River Rampage" VBS!

**Vacation Bible School**  
**July 9-13**



As you pray, please remember...



John & Kay Wright, Kiera Harding, Pat Boggs, Bonnie Rochford & Wanda Takahashi (sisters of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Jim & Sherry Collie, Shirley Willis (The Laurels), Ray and Carolyn Jones, Artie and Clifford Bailey, Pat and Fred Adkins, Bea and Glenn Hill, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and women in the military

**Our Shut Ins:** Susan Davidson (Heritage Hall), Eddie Culbertson, Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Betty Easterling (The Laurels), Florine Pennington (The Laurels), Jeanne Stallard

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



### *Wednesday Night Small Group Bible Studies*

Our present small group Bible studies will conclude on May 23. On May 30 & June 6, Pastor Mike will be teaching a whole group Bible study.

Our Wednesday evening meal, Bible studies & Children in Action will be in recess this summer (June 13–Aug. 1), as there will be several conflicts on Wednesday nights, including the mission trip, the Fourth of July and VBS.

*Please mark your calendar & plan to join us on August 8 for our Fellowship Meal, followed by new small group Bible studies & Children in Action!*

Scripture for the Week:

Matthew 6:10

"Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

*\* A Note from our Sunday School Director*



*A huge thank you to all of our faithful Sunday School teachers! Now that summer & vacation time is approaching, just a reminder to please arrange for someone to teach your class when you are unable to be here. We would like to avoid combining classes whenever possible. You can always contact me if you are unable to get a sub!*

*Thank you! Teresa Adkins (393-0977)*



**Operation Christmas Child Item for MAY**

The **Children's Ministry** is collecting items each month this year for our 2018 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT.

*Thank you*

*What a privilege it is for our family to be a part of the Wise Baptist Church.*

*Thanks for your prayers, cards, visits and the food during the passing of Ron's mother.*  
 ~ The Ron Swindall Family

### **GASOLINE BUY-DOWN!**



Saturday, June 2, 1-4pm  
 Beeline / Valero

Join our deacons in this servant evangelism project as they show God's love to our community. We want to love the Town of Wise with no strings attached!

Contact John Ponish (870-1593) if you would like to sign up for a shift (1:00-2:30pm or 2:30-4:00pm).

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

The Troy & Winnie Jones Scholarship application is now available. This scholarship is for anyone attending a Baptist college or university in Virginia. Applications are in the church office. Please contact Teresa Adkins for more information.

### **NEEDLE WORK**

Friday, June 8, 7:30pm  
 Black Box Theater, UVA-Wise Campus  
 Free Event, No ticket required

Contact Dan Hunsucker, VA Dept of Health, 328-8000 for more info.

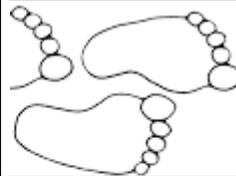


### *Following in Jesus' Footsteps!*

Thank you to Beth & Lily Snodgrass for the beautiful display on the wall outside the sanctuary! The theme of this year's Summer Mission Trip is "Following in Jesus' Footsteps". During the devotional times in Tarboro, Pastor Mike will be talking about the greatest mission trips of all times—Paul's Missionary Journeys! You can be a vital part of this mission trip whether or not you are able to physically participate. By purchasing a pair of "feet" for \$2, you can help fund this trip and the materials that are necessary for



helping with rebuilding. Please see Beth Snodgrass to purchase your feet!



### **PART 2! MISSION TRIP YARD SALE**

**JUNE 1-2**

**Location: the Rock  
 Hours: 8am - 5pm**

**\* Don't miss out on this opportunity to help fund our summer mission trip!**



Greetings Everyone!

As I was contemplating what I would write about this week, several ideas came to mind. "Is there something specific I can address? How can I help someone today?" As I bounced back and forth between these and many other questions, I felt that the answer may be hidden from me. It is a constant struggle to determine the direction of my efforts in all aspects of life, using my strengths alone. I reach a point where I "exhaust" all of my physical knowledge and options, and then I throw my hands up in the air and leave it to God. As many times as this happens, I would hope I had learned by now that leaving it to God should always be my first option as He always answers my prayers and gives me the guidance I need.

When I stepped back and allowed God to be the head of my body and mind, He lead me to this article. Just as our physical bodies are controlled by the decisions we make with our minds and our hearts, so should our spiritual bodies be controlled by His mind and heart. God has an insurmountable love for us - nothing on this planet or in our lives can keep us from Him. Let us endeavor to remember who we are because of Who we belong to, and always seek Him and His guidance.

God bless you all! Ben

WBC Children's Ministry



Unfortunately, our May 19 Zoo/Park Trip had to be cancelled due to rain, but we will be rescheduling this in the near future! Hopefully, some of you who were not free this past weekend, will be able to join us when we reschedule.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 9-13

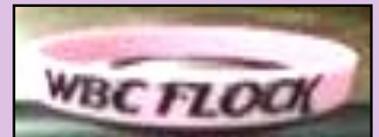
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- May 23  John Thacker
- May 24  Grace Allio
- May 26  Sarah Means
- May 27  Charles Maine
- May 27  Jorge Hersel
- May 28  Jeremiah Johnson
- May 29  Layla Applewhite
- May 29  Angel Cox
- May 30  Joshua Owens

Happy Anniversary

- May 23 Joe & Susie Powers
- May 30 Bob & Teresa Adkins
- May 31 Jim & Sherry Collie

WBC Youth Ministry



Congratulations to Megan Burton, 2018 Rye Cove High School Graduate!

End-of-Year Cookout Sat., June 2, 6pm Mike & Terry's house



*Congratulations  
to our 2018 Graduates!*



*Megan Burton*  
Rye Cove High School

*Melissa Blackburn*  
South College, Knoxville, Tennessee

*Claire Cahoon*  
Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York

*Kevin Dotson*  
University of Virginia's College at Wise

*Alex Hall*  
University of Virginia's College at Wise

*Ben Harding*  
Radford University

*Kara Kennedy*  
Mountain Empire Community College

*Taylor Meade*  
Virginia Tech

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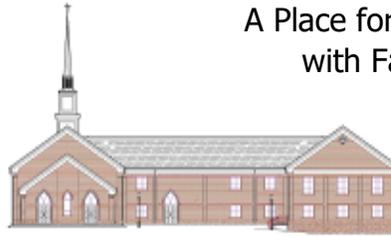


| Sun   | Mon  | Tue   | Wed   | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|--|---|---|--|---|---|
| <p><b>B</b> = Birthday<br/><b>A</b> = Anniversary</p>                                     | <p>If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247</p>  |   |   |  | <p><b>1</b><br/>June 2 Anniversaries:<br/>-Robert &amp; Suzanne Baird<br/>-Marty &amp; Rose Kennedy</p> | <p><b>2</b><br/>Gasoline Buy-Down, 1-4pm<br/>Youth Cookout, 6pm, Winters' home</p>  |
|   |  |   |   |  | <p>Mission Trip Yard Sale, 8-5</p>  |   |
| <p><b>3</b><br/>Deacons, 8:30am<br/>Communion, 11am<br/>Children's Team Meeting, 12pm</p> | <p><b>4</b><br/>Piecemakers 9:30am<br/><br/>B. Ben Hersel</p>  | <p><b>5</b><br/><br/>B. Jeanne Stallard</p>                                 | <p><b>6</b><br/>5pm - Missions Committee<br/>6pm - Dinner<br/>6:45pm - Bible Study<br/>6:45pm - Children in Action<br/>7:50pm - Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p><b>7</b><br/><br/>B. Debbie Helton B. Dr. Peter Yun</p>               | <p><b>8</b><br/><br/>B. Kathy Osborne<br/>B. Jennifer Mullins<br/>A. Ron &amp; Vickie Swindall</p>      | <p><b>9</b><br/><br/>B. Isabella Adrian</p>   |
| <p><b>10</b><br/>Mission Team Commissioning Service, 11am<br/><br/>B. Tammie Harding</p>  | <p><b>11</b></p>   | <p><b>12</b><br/><br/>B. Suzy Bailey</p>                                    | <p><b>13</b><br/><br/>7:50pm - Choir<br/><br/>B. Pam Collie</p>   | <p><b>14</b><br/><br/>B. Michael Holbrook</p>                            | <p><b>15</b></p>  | <p><b>16</b></p>  |
| <p><b>17</b></p>  | <p><b>18</b><br/>Piecemakers 9:30am<br/>B. Abi Maine<br/>B. Haden Ponish<br/>B. Michelle Sisson<br/>B. Mary Stuedemann<br/>A. Mike &amp; Carolyn Strouth</p> | <p><b>19</b><br/><br/>B. Elizabeth Wills<br/>B. Dan &amp; Debbie Helton</p> | <p><b>20</b><br/><br/>7:50pm - Choir<br/><br/>B. James &amp; Susie Clasby</p>   | <p><b>21</b><br/><br/>B. Peter &amp; Sandy Yun</p>                       | <p><b>22</b></p>  | <p><b>23</b><br/><i>Summer Mission Team departs</i><br/><br/>B. Landon Elkins<br/>B. Nathan Swindall<br/>B. John Thacker, Jr.</p> |
| <p><b>24</b><br/>B. Avery Cox</p>   | <p><b>25</b></p>   | <p><b>26</b></p>  | <p><b>27</b><br/><br/>7:50pm - Choir<br/><br/>B. Martha Blackburn<br/>A. Jerry &amp; Wanda Baird</p>  | <p><b>28</b><br/><br/>B. Holly Meade<br/>A. Clyde &amp; Bessie Vance</p> | <p><b>29</b><br/><br/>A. Matt &amp; Christina Meade</p>   | <p><b>30</b><br/><br/>B. Steve Horton<br/>A. Lloyd &amp; Regina Cantrell</p>  |
| <p><i>Summer Mission Trip to Tarboro, NC (June 23-30)</i></p>                             |  |   |   |  |   |   |

## Volunteers this Week

|                     |             |  |
|---------------------|-------------|--|
| Deacons On Call:    | 5/20 - 5/26 | Gil Blackburn, Gar Smith   |
|                     | 5/27 - 6/2  | Jerry Baird, Ron Helton  |
| Building Stewards:  |             | Ron, Dan, Scott S  |
| Instrumentalists:   |             | Susan M., Susan S.   |
| Worship Welcome     | 5/27        | Leton Harding  |
|                     | 6/3         | Jeff Kiser   |
| S.S. Greeters:      | 5/27        | Mike & Rebecca Osborne   |
|                     | 6/3         | John Kennedy   |
| Nursery:            | 5/27        | Abbie Crutchfield, Jessica Crutchfield   |
|                     | 6/3         | Susie Clasby, Emma Snodgrass   |
| Children's Church:  | 5/27        | Johnny & Renee Robinson  |
|                     | 6/3         | Dave & Misty Belcher   |
| Sound System:       | 5/27        | Mike Strouth   |
|                     | 6/3         | Oscar Raile  |
| Ushers:             | 5/27        | Jerry Baird, Stan Kunigelis, Edgar Owens,<br>Gary Smith, John Thacker, Roger Viers,<br>Harold Witt |
|                     | 6/3         | Youth  |
| Tellers:            | May         | Stephen Large, Teresa Adkins   |
|                     | June        | Leton Harding, Oscar Raile   |
| Wed. Serving Teams: | 5/23        | Linda Bailey, Karen Ponish, Ruby Salyers   |
|                     | 5/30        | Teresa Adkins, Jean Aker, Bonnie Owens   |
| Wed. Meals          | 5/23        | Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Slaw,<br>Chips  |
|                     | 5/30        | Fish, Baked Potatoes, Cole Slaw  |
| Children-in-Action: | 5/23        | Terry Winters  |
|                     | 5/30        | Terry Winters  |

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with Family and Friends



## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

|           |                                 |          |
|-----------|---------------------------------|----------|
| Sunday    | Sunday School                   | 10:00 am |
|           | Worship                         | 11:00 am |
|           | Youth (Grades 7-12)             | 6:00 pm  |
| Monday    | Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)         | 9:30 am  |
|           | Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)      |          |
| Wednesday | Fellowship Meal                 | 6:00 pm  |
|           | Adult Bible Studies             | 7:00 pm  |
|           | Children in Action (Grades K-6) |          |
|           | Nursery (Birth - Preschool)     |          |
|           | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal       | 7:50 pm  |

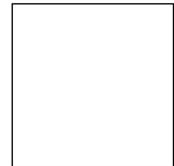
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**Thought for the Week:**  
**Claim the sure victory of**  
**God's kingdom!**