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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 Bible is like a bottomless well. Each time we lower our buckets, God can speak to us, even about Bible stories we have heard many times. One of these events is the call of Moses in Exodus 3 and 4.

Moses settles into a quiet life as a shepherd since killing an Egyptian who was abusing a Hebrew slave. The Hebrews, enslaved by the Egyptian pharaoh, cry out to God, Who hears their cries.

While Moses is tending his flocks at Horeb, God appears to Moses in a burning bush and calls Moses by name! Moses' response is surprising. First, he is merely curious about the bush that burns and is not consumed. When God speaks to him out of the bush, Moses just says, "Here I am". Finally, God tells Moses that He is the personal God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and that he stands on holy ground. Moses simply hides his face as an act of self-protection, not worship.

Moses just wants to be left alone and quietly live out his life. God says to Moses in Ex. 3:7 - 10 - "I have seen the misery of my people in Egypt. So I have come down to rescue them. Go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people out of Egypt."

If Moses was backing up before, he is in full retreat now! Moses argues with God, presenting four objections. After God patiently answers, Moses says, "Send someone else". Moses' mind was made up from the start. God's rebukes Moses, who finally says he will go.

God says that He will save His people, but chooses Moses to carry it out. That is how God works! He honors and privileges us to partner with Him in the business of redeeming our world. Like Moses our default position is that we are backing up and say, "Send someone else". Imagine what Wise Baptist Church could do as we respond to a mighty God to do mighty things in His power and love!

To what is God calling each of us as we enter this new church year? I can't wait to see!

Love, Pastor Mike



Welcome! On Sunday, Noah Hall came forward to rededicate his life to Christ. Grayson Hall and Lily Snodgrass, made public their profession

of faith and request Baptism. They were unanimously affirmed! Caroline and Emma came forward to show their support for the Flock!

IMPORTANT DATES

**"Raising the Roof"
 Mission Meal
 September 20**

**Children's Ministry
 Meeting
 September 20**

**Wise Baptist
 Association WMU Fall
 Meeting
 September 27**

**Day of Service
 SWVA LTRC
 October 3**

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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	328-2111
Daniel Ray	328-2483
Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gill Blackburn	328-0046
Ron Helton	393-6145

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

**Dinner at 6, Bible Study at 6:45
Choir rehearsal at 7:50**

There is still time to join us on Wednesday night for Fellowship dinner and Bible Study. 69 adults are already signed up.

The studies are: "Praying for Your Adult Children"—taught by Terry Winters

Exodus—"Liberated for Life in Covenant with God"—taught by Pastor Mike

"Spiritual Gifts"—taught by Mark Clark

As you pray, please remember...



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

Our Shut Ins: Hazel Dixon (Mountain View), Martha Gilliam, Eddie Culbertson, Vernoy Bolling, Jeanne Stallard, Peggy Tolbert (Heritage Hall—BSG), and Florine Pennington (The Laurels). If there are other known prayer concerns or shut-ins, please let us know.

WISE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WMU FALL MEETING SEPTEMBER 27, 3PM

WBC will host the Wise Baptist Association WMU Fall meeting on Sunday, September 27, at 3pm. The meeting will take place in the sanctuary with a meal to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Special speaker will be Valerie Carter, Executive Director/Treasurer of WMU of Virginia. Everyone is invited. WMU membership is not required. Join us and learn more about the work of the WMU.

"RAISING THE ROOF", MISSION MEAL SEPTEMBER 20 12 PM, Fellowship Hall

The mission committee will be having a meal after church on Sept. 20th to raise money for the roof repairs on "The Rock". The menu is Spaghetti with salad, rolls and dessert (eat in or carry out) A donation of \$7.00 per meal is appreciated.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 19, 9 am –3 pm

Join us and experience inspiration and great Christian fellowship at the annual Thomas Village Baptist Church Women's conference. The theme is "Dwell at Home with God" and the speaker is Lucinda Secrest McDowell. Registration is \$20. If you are interested please contact Terry Winters.

ALMA HUNT OFFERING September 20

The Alma Hunt offering provides funding for all WMU missions, ministries, outreach projects, etc. We have been the beneficiary of these ministries through the SW VA Partnership. There will be a special offering envelope insert in the bulletin on Sunday, September 13 for you to use if you would like to donate over and above your regular tithe to this important cause. You can learn more about the Alma Hunt offering and ministry by visiting www.bgav.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BRAINSTORMING PARTY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH 6PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

As we begin our new church year we would like to improve and enrich our ministry to children at WBC and our community. The Children's Ministry Team has invited a large group to a party to brain storm and gather ministry ideas. Each person is asked to bring 2 ideas to share. Our goal is to develop a balanced ministry to children in our church and our community.

Dear Wise Baptist Church Family, Thank you very much for all you have done for our family. Your prayers, the wonderful church service, kind words, comfort and concern. The Family of Anthony LoBiondo

Thank You!

God is good all the time!! Thank you to all who have donated, will donate and who have prayed for the project, Together We Rise. I reached my goal of \$500. to donate 20 sweet cases to the Wise County Foster Youth. It seems that God is still work with this campaign, as donations are still being promised. Y'all are the best church family ever, Tabitha Ray



Oh my! What a wonderful day to be present in the “little brick church”! We affirmed the decisions of two of our young people, Lily Snodgrass and Grayson Hall, to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior and to be baptized. Another youth, Noah Hall, rededicated his life to the Lord. Caroline Mullins and Emma Snodgrass came forward to show support for their fellow “Flock” members. We are blessed! I am working with the parents on a day for a Flock Baptism—I will keep you posted!

On September 16, 2001, I accepted my calling from the Lord to be a Minister of the Gospel through music. WBC held a wonderful service of Ordination and I was affirmed by so many people. The prayers, hugs, encouraging words, tears, and love expressed to me that day will never be forgotten.

There are times when I get discouraged and tired. Then, God, in His powerful timing, sends a “rainbow” of reminders—the Day of Prayer, New life in Him, an unexpected hug, an encouraging card. God is so faithful.

Thank you, God, and thank you, Wise Baptist Church, for the opportunity to serve in this place. I pray that God will continue to work through me to share His love through music and through the youth ministry.

I am praying for all of you this week. Pray for each other, too.

Blessings, Leigh

† Saturday, October 3, is a day of service for the Long Term Recovery Coalition of SWVA. Please pray about how you can be involved.

September 14	Clifton Carson	
September 15	Kathy Dotson	
September 17	Wendy Adrian	
September 18	Shane Mullins	
September 19	Bob Adkins Mark Coomer	

	September 20	Tim & Kathy Osborne
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THANK YOU to Ed Owens, Jorge Hersel, Mike Osborne and Leigh Cark for the good patch work on the roof of “The Rock”.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

As we begin our new church year, we encourage you to get involved in Sunday school at 10 am on Sunday mornings. You are invited! There are Bible study classes for all ages. It is a great way to grow spiritually and get to better know our Christian family. Make plans to attend. You will be glad you did!

INVITATION: The sanctuary choir is always seeking new members—no audition required! We rehearse on Wednesdays at 7:50 pm. Prayerfully consider joining our “merry band of musicians” for wonderful fellowship and service. Also consider joining us for the annual Christmas Cantata. We will begin working on that music very soon. The date of the program is December 6.

COLLEGE ADDRESSES

Parents, please let us know the mailing address of your college student so that our church family can keep in touch with them throughout the school year! Call or email the church office.

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Claire Cahoon 953 Danby Road Terrace 04, Rm 319 Ithaca, NY 14850	Melissa Blackburn 200 Kelso Way #118 Knoxville, TN 37923

YOUTH: Yeah, we “rocked the Smokies” last weekend! It was an awesome retreat. The concerts at Dollywood were incredible and inspiring. Thank you, church family, for supporting and encouraging our youth ministry.

The **FLOCK** landed last night at the home of Dave and Misty Belcher. You might be next!!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT: Hope to see all of you on Wednesday night for dinner (6pm) and Bible study (6:45).

Next Sunday: Next Sunday during youth, we will join Butch Hutchinson in helping a lady in Coeburn whose home was affected by the winter storm. We will do some clean up and a minor repair to her siding.

DAY OF PRAYER

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Day of Prayer at Wise Baptist. We made the sanctuary our War Room! It was a wonderful way to demonstrate our love and support for the ministries of WBC.

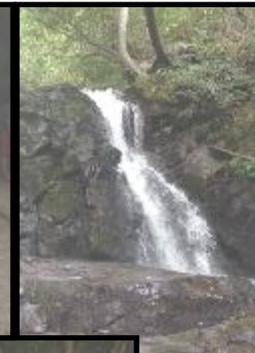
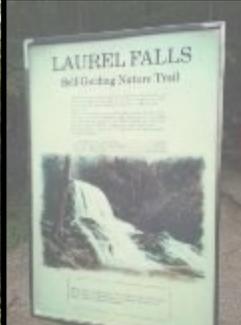
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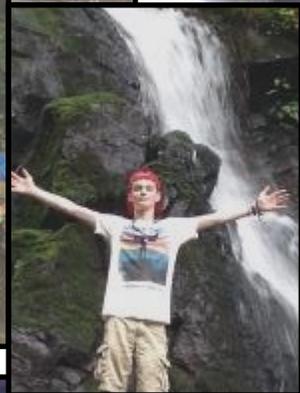
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YOUTH RETREAT



THE FLOCK



Wise County Public Library

Lecture and Book Signing

Featuring Dr. Peter Yun



Dr. Peter Yun will be lecturing and having a book signing at the Wise County Public Library on Sunday, September 20th at 2:30 pm. He will be discussing his recently published book, *Grace and Favor*, which is both an autobiography and a tribute to God.

This fascinating book recounts his beginnings as a young student in a very tumultuous Korea. By the age of thirteen, Dr. Yun had to flee from North Korean soldiers in order to escape execution. His life was spared several more times during the war when the Lord placed the right people in the right places.

Different members of the United States military helped bring Dr. Yun to the United States where he earned a Bachelor's, Master's, and ultimately a Ph.D. in economics.

Dr. Yun was blessed to serve as a professor at the University of Virginia's College at Wise for thirty-three years and at Handong Global University in South Korea for two and a half years. While in Korea, he was involved in United Nations development and entrepreneurship programs. He has traveled widely, visiting 45 states in the US as well as 22 foreign countries. During his tenure, he was the recipient of numerous grants and awards, including the 2006 Distinguished Professor award at UVA-Wise and was a participant in the White House NAFTA forum. He was featured numerous times in *Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in Science and Engineering*, and *Who's Who in Finance and Industry*. He also received many grants from different organizations including the National Science Foundation, Private Industry Council of Southwest Virginia, and from the Invest in America National Council.

Copies of *Grace and Favor* will be available for purchase at the library before the book signing. Proceeds from the book will go towards funding Dr. Yun's World Education projects.

Refreshments and a question and answer session will follow the lecture.



The Southwest Virginia Long Term Recovery Coalition Day of Service Saturday, October 3 9-5, lunch will be provided

Our work will mostly consist of winterizing and placing tarps on homes that were damaged in the 2015 winter storms.

If you are interested in volunteering (church groups, civic groups, individuals), please contact Leigh Clark, Wise Baptist Church, by email: leighclark.wbc@verizon.net or by phone: 276.328.6247.

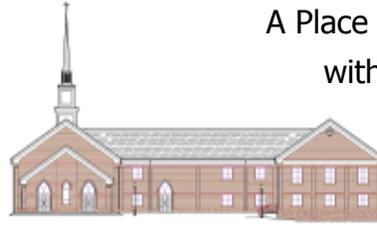
Everyone is welcome, but you need to register your group with Leigh no later than September 28.

All volunteers will gather at WBC at 9:00 am for work assignments. Please bring gloves and your own personal tools, i.e. hammer.

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	9/13-9/19	Dan Helton, Gil Blackburn
	9/20-9/26	Daniel Ray, Edgar Owens
Building Stewards:		Ron, Dan, Scott S.
Instrumentalists:		Susan M., Susan S.
Worship Welcome Team:		Dave Belcher, Misty Belcher, Jeff Kiser, Oscar Raile, Daniel Ray, Carla Sheppard
S.S. Greeters:	9/20	Lewey & Brenda Lee
	9/27	David & Sandy Mullins
Nursery:	9/20	Regina Carson, Emma Snodgrass
	9/27	Kathy Osborne, Caroline Mullins
Children's Church	9/20	Holly Meade
	9/27	Beth Snodgrass
PA:	9/20	Wayne Isaac
	9/27	Mike Osborne
Tellers:	September	Mike Strouth, June Dotson
Ushers:	9/20	Youth
	9/27	(*Offertory Prayer)
Wed. Serving Team:	9/16	Kathy Dotson, Jessica Crutchfield, Gail Kiser
	9/23	Kathy Helton, Martha Blackburn, Susie Powers
Wed. Meal:	9/16	Chicken Casserole, (Chicken Nuggets), Mashed potatoes, Corn
	9/23	Tacos, Chips, Salsa, Nacho Cheese, Refried Beans

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00 am
	Worship	11:00 am
	Youth	6:00 pm
Monday	Office Hours	9 –2 pm
	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Office Hours	9—2 pm
	Fellowship Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bible Study	6:45 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:50 pm
Thursday	Women on Mission (2nd)	Noon
Friday	Office Hours	9—2 pm

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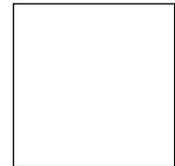
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Thought for the week: God can use you to be the answer to someone's prayer.