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WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 17, 2017

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.

Dear church family and friends,

January 16, 2017 marks the twenty-first Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration hosted by Wise Baptist Church. It is a reminder of the racial reconciliation that has been accomplished. It is a reminder of the work that remains.

The race issue was a central piece of the Civil War conflict. The losses and suffering were catastrophic. The war was nearly over when Abraham Lincoln gave his Second Inaugural Address. He had just been re-elected as President. His speech is considered one of the greatest ever made.

Why is that speech considered to be so great? It is short. There are only 703 words, 505 of which are one syllable. There are 25 sentences. It takes five minutes to read out loud.

Lincoln tries to come to terms with the meaning of a horrific Civil War and then point the way forward. Interestingly, he quotes the Bible and refers to God more than any presidential Inaugural Address before or since.

The concluding paragraph of Lincoln's speech is worth fully quoting.

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just, and a lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations."

Lincoln's closing paragraph is loaded with God-consciousness. The answer is spiritual. God is the only One Who can bring meaning out of such tragedy. The way forward is not for people to blame and judge, but to forgive, promote healing, trust God, and work together.

Seems like those thoughts are always 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

Deposit Due for Youth Winter Ski Trip
January 22

Children's Ministry Team Clean-Up Day
January 29

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

Youth Super Bowl Party
February 5

Youth Winter Ski Trip
February 10-11

90th Birthday Celebration for Lois Stallard
February 25

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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

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: Irene Black (NCH), Wesley Kennedy (Quillen, Johnson City)

Our Shut Ins: 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 by February 1.

Our **quilting groups** will began meeting again yesterday. Piecemakers meet the first & third Mondays of each month at 9:30am; Caring Friends meet on the second & fourth Mondays of each month at 9:30am. New "members" are always welcome! Contact Grace Allio for more information.

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.

I had so much fun on Sunday. There was lots of music, lots of food, lots of laughter (at least at my table). Claire and Bruce did such an amazing job sharing special music during worship! It was great to hear, but even greater to see the love on their faces while they played together.

Each week, I try to pick hymns and special music that speak to everyone, but still focus on worship and praises to God. "This Little Light of Mine" is probably one of the first songs I ever learned and takes me back to a children's choir that my mom directed when I was about 5.

The birthday party and luncheon were just what we needed after a lull following a busy holiday season! Folks supported both the Missions and Children's Ministry Teams by attending and giving monetarily. Thank you. Let your light shine this week.

Peace and love, Donna

Wise Baptist Church Youth Ministry

Mark Collins reports that there were 10 in attendance for Youth on Sunday Night! Thank you to Cindy Elkins for providing a sub tray for dinner. Besides playing Jungle Pong, several Bible study options were discussed. Next week, the youth will begin a Bible study series, "God Up Close". Invite a friend & join us next Sunday evening at 6pm at the Youth Building. Beth Snodgrass will be providing the meal.

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 Sun., Jan. 22!!
⇒ Contact Bryon Burton for more information

January 17	Steve Collins
January 23	Scott Harris
January 24	Jim Dotson
	Carolyn Jones
	Edgar Owens
	Gary Smith
	Ali Stuedemann

January 17
Ray & Carolyn Jones

January 18
Jeff & Eileen Cantrell

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

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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Worship
January 15, 2017

Special Music by
Claire Cahoon &
Bruce Cahoon.

Solo by Misty Belcher

Jan Johnson shares about
the Southwest Virginia
Partnership.

Special Announcements
by Noah Hall &
Julie Large.

MANY THANKS!!!

To our wonderful Mission Ministry Team for providing a delicious Italian meal on Sunday after worship! Over $700 was donated towards Missions projects!

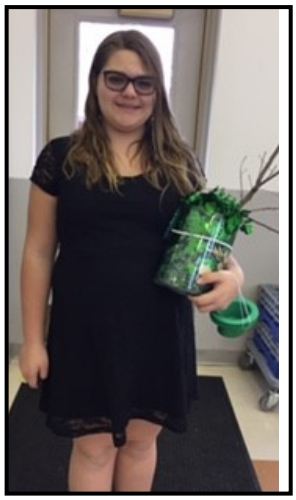
Susie Powers did an amazing job coordinating our 2nd Annual Church-Wide Birthday Party! Our 100 people were in attendance. The cakes & tables were beautiful!

Thank you to everyone who gave their time & talents to decorate cakes & tables this year!

January...

February...

March...



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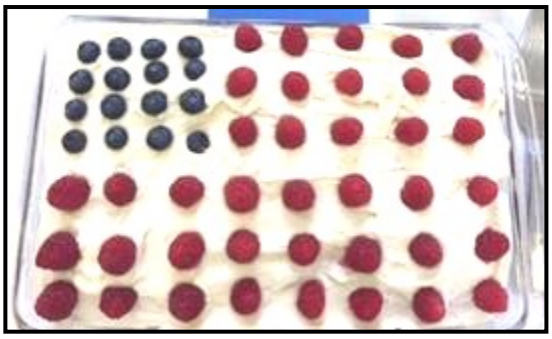
July...



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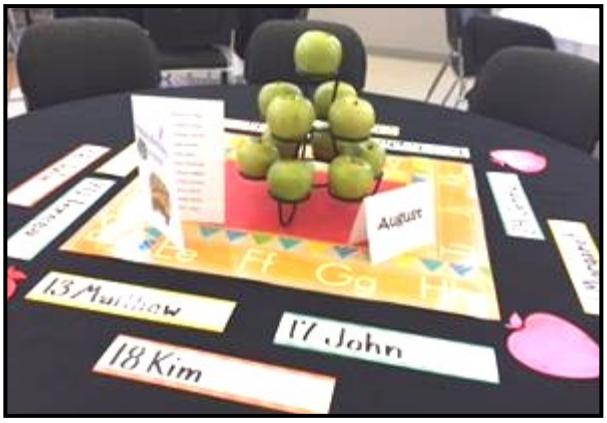

September...

More September...

October...

November...

December...

Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	1/15-1/21	Jerry Baird, Matt Meade
	1/22-1/28	Jeff Dotson, John Kennedy
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:	1/22	Bob & Teresa Adkins
	1/29	Mike & Rebecca Osborne
Nursery:	1/22	Kathy Osborne, Ali Stuedemann
	1/29	Cari Braddock, Caroline Mullins
Children's Church:	1/22	Stephen & Julie Large
	1/29	Joe & Susie Powers
PA:	1/22	Oscar Raile
	1/29	Noah Hall
Tellers:	January	Martha Blackburn, David Mullins
	February	Stephen Large, Edgar Owens
Ushers:	1/22	Matt Meade*, Daniel Ray^, Johnny Robinson^, Jim Sturgill, Bob Adkins, Kenny Bowling Steve Horton
	1/29	Gary Smith*, John Thacker^, Roger Viers^, Harold Witt, Jerry Baird, Stan Kunigelis, Edgar Owens *Offertory Prayer; ^Choir Ushers)
Wed. Serving Teams:	1/18	Donna Hutchinson, Cyndi Newlon, Rebecca Osborne, Terry Winters
	1/25	Kathy Helton, Jessica Crutchfield, Gail Kiser
Wed. Meals:	1/18	Soups, Sandwiches, Salad
	1/25	Ham, Green Beans, Pineapple Casserole, Potatoes
Children-in-Action:	1/18	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large
	1/25	Kathy Dotson, Julie Large

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	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

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Thought for the week:

"With malice toward none; with charity for all."
~ Abraham Lincoln