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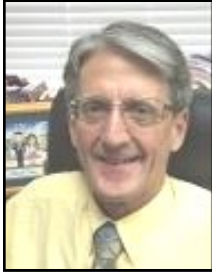
Dr. Ray Jones, Jr., Pastor Emeritus

WISE BAPTIST NEWS

A PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF
WISE BAPTIST CHURCH

November 24, 2020

A place for faith and fellowship with family and friends.



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Remember the last time you lost your smart phone? A bad feeling. Life stops. You look, frantically, until you find it.

A man lost his keys. He was outside, looking carefully under a street light. His neighbor asked, "Where were you when you last saw them?" The reply? "Inside the house." Exasperated, the neighbor asked, "Then why are you looking outside?" The reply? "Because it is dark in the house and light out here!"

Be sure to look in the right place for what you lost.

We can lose many things. Courage. Hope. Feeling safe. Our future. Our priorities. Our life direction. Purpose.

We cannot find our way on our own. We need outside help. A guide. A Savior. God steps in. Sends His only Son. To give His life for us all.

Jesus declared He came to seek and to save the lost. (Luke 19:10). Find your way in and through Him.

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

No Activities
Wed., November 25

Happy Thanksgiving!
November 26

Children's Advent
Activities
Via Facebook Live
Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19

Sunday Message
November 29, 11am
in SANCTUARY &
WBC Fb Live

Children's Bedtime
Story
November 30, 8:30pm

Men's Bible Study
December 1, 6:30am
Via Zoom

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DEACONS 2020-21

Jerry Baird	393-0923
Gil Blackburn	328-0046
Jim Collie	393-1710
Leton Harding	346-6039
Ron Helton	393-6145
Jorge Hersel	594-9077
Lewey Lee	393-5370
David Mullins	870-0005
Oscar Raile	870-0131

Deacons Emeritus:
Bob Adkins, Glenn Hill,
Harold Witt

THANKSGIVING 2020



*Thank you to everyone
who shared a blessing or
something for which they are
thankful this year!*

"The Lord's unfailing love and mercy still continue, Fresh as the morning,
as sure as the sunrise. The Lord is all I have, and so I put my hope in Him.
Lamentations 3:22-24

1. RAY SPENILLA - I remain supremely thankful for the kindness shown to me by our Creator and others, most especially during my first twenty-five years of life, for because of these efforts of kindness and compassion, not only did I not "fall through the cracks", but also so many doors of opportunity have been opened for me to serve and "pay it forward" for 40+ years by trying to respond in kind, to and for others !
2. BRANDI COX - I'm thankful for grace.
3. VICKIE SWINDALL - I'm so grateful that God is taking care of all of us.
4. JOHN PONISH - Thankful to be living in a small, rural community with close friends.
5. RON HELTON - Thankful for God's grace, my family, my Church and my community.
6. REGINA CANTRELL—Blessed and thankful for undeserved salvation!
7. MATT & STEPHANIE COLLINS - Thankful for God's timing, in both bringing us together & for blessing us with growing our family, a new arrow for our family quiver.
8. MARSHA TOLBERT - I am thankful for Miracles, look around - they are all around us!!!
9. KATHY DOTSON - I am thankful for His grace, for the peace He gives me, for the church He sent me to and for the family and friends He has blessed me with.
10. TERESA ADKINS - I am thankful for the blessing of each new day that God gives us to enjoy.
11. MARTHA BLACKBURN—I am particularly thankful for family and friends, and a warm home with heated running water!
12. SUSIE POWERS - I am thankful for the opportunities The Fresh Air Fund gave families from New York City this summer. I am thankful to be part of this organization.
13. PHYLLIS HATCHER - I have been blessed by people at Wise Baptist during my long recovery.
14. LU ELLSWORTH - My blessing is that I moved to Wise 30 years ago.
15. CAROLYN STROUTH - I'm thankful for my sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren.
16. MIKE WINTERS - I am thankful that I still have my mom who is almost 94 years old!
17. TERRY WINTERS - I am thankful that our whole family (all 19 of us!) will get to "see" each other on Christmas Day via Zoom!
18. GRACE ALLIO - I am thankful for my church, my family and my friends.
19. PAT BOGGS - I am thankful for my family I that I know Jesus as my Lord & Savior.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



"Power & Purpose: God Unveils the Universe"

(A Study of the Genesis 1-11)

Join us on Wednesday evening at 7:00pm as we continue our Bible study on Genesis on **December 2**. (There will not be a Bible study on Nov. 25.)

Sometimes the way forward is back. Let's go way back. "In the beginning" (Gen. 1:1). It is a good place to start! Genesis 1:1 - 11 tells us again, the human story. Who made us. Why we are here. The main problem with the human race. And the solution. All of that is still true today. It is as current as today's newspaper (and a lot more helpful!).

Tune in on the Wise Baptist Facebook page, Facebook Live at 7pm on Wednesdays or join us in the church sanctuary, also at 7pm on Wednesdays. See you there.

Love, Pastor Mike

As you pray, please remember...



Wesley Kennedy, Vickie Rasnick, Gloria & Oscar Raile, Rudolfo Yanez & family, Gary Stratton, Susan & Gary Smith, Diane Jennings, Pat Boggs, Sandy North & family, Don & Gigi Pippin, Lois Stallard, Sandy & David Mullins, Ron & Vickie Swindall, Phyllis Hatcher, doctors, nurses & all medical/pharmaceutical personnel, Glenn Hill, Steve Collins, Gerry O'Bryan, Royce McNeal, Bessie Vance, Kathy & John Kennedy, John & Kay Wright, Wanda Takahashi (sister of Brenda Kunigelis), Beverly Viers, Ray & Carolyn Jones, law enforcement & emergency personnel, all the cancer patients in our area, and our men and 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).



Children's Advent Activities!

Nov. 28 - Dec. 19

If your child is signed up for the Advent Activities, please note the dates for picking up their activity packets each week at church:

Nov. 23-24...pick up Nov. 28 packet

Dec. 2-3...pick up Dec. 5 packet

Dec. 9-10...pick up Dec. 12 packet

Dec. 16-17...pick up Dec. 19 packet

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Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has given generously to the Ron & Vickie Swindall Love Offering! We are still accepting gifts through November 29.



Sunday Morning Worship at Wise Baptist Church!

Join us this Sunday morning,
November 29 for the first Sunday of
Advent!

There are **3 ways** that you can be a part of WBC's Sunday worship service each week:

- (1) Attend the service in the sanctuary.
- (2) View the service on Facebook Live at 11am go to the Wise Baptist Church Facebook page
- (3) View the service after it has "aired" - go to <https://www.facebook.com/WiseBaptistChurch/videos/246055226605395>
**(This does not require Facebook!)
- (4) Share the service with others by clicking the "share" button.

Sanctuary Worship



We have re-opened our sanctuary at 11:00am on Sundays for morning worship only. As excited as we all are about seeing each other & worshipping together again, we want to be vigilant about **social distancing** & the wearing of **masks** while we are together. Please wear a mask & observe these guidelines for the safety of all!

What are YOU Thankful For?



*Martha Blackburn shares this quote
from Guideposts magazine:*

*"What if you woke up today with only the
things you thanked God for yesterday?"*

T.L.C. Tender Loving Care

Sharing a simple meal can be such a comfort & a blessing! Join WBC's **newest ministry**, the TLC Group... There will be no meetings, just providing one of your delicious meals to those within our church family who may be in need of a little Tender Loving Care from time to time—such as a birth, illness, surgery, or loss of a loved one.

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact either:



Tammie Harding
(276-608-6197)
Beth Snodgrass
(276-870-9585)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Great *Multitude*
+ YOU



WEEK OF PRAYER: NOV. 29—DEC. 6

Special offering envelopes for International Missions are on the hall table by the office door.

**Look for a special feature on Lottie Moon in next week's newsletter!



Guys, grab your breakfast & your Bible and join in the Men's Bible Study

EACH Tuesday morning
at 6:30am via Zoom

Simply send your email address to John Ponish: text 276-870-1593

or

jponish@atsone.com



*Being Good
Stewards*

*GOD
is
Faithful*

We must continue to be thankful for God's blessings on our Church, through everyone's faithful giving. Through your giving, Wise Baptist Church can continue to be used by God to change lives.

Even though Sunday morning worship services have resumed in the sanctuary, tithes and offerings may still be mailed to Wise Baptist Church, PO Box 777, Wise VA 24293, or brought by the Church during open hours.

We remain excited about God's work through the Church. And even though many of the in-person meetings are still suspended, opportunities still exist, the Church is alive, and ministries are on-going.

Thank you all for your continued flexibility & faithfulness, and for being good stewards of Wise Baptist Church.

Leton Harding & Ron Helton



*Scripture
for the Week*

Luke 19:10

*"For the Son of Man has come to seek
and to save the lost."*

Happy Birthday!

November 28	T. Ray Maine
December 1	Jeff Dotson
	Brenda Kunigelis
December 2	Lalah Grace Lyon
	Landon Tolbert
December 4	Nathan Lee
December 5	Heath Chisenhall
	Kevin Dotson



Happy Anniversary!

December 3 Cub & Jennifer Mullins

WBC Music Ministry



This hymn, written in 1923, became internationally popular when George Beverly Shea began singing it at Billy Graham crusades.

“GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS”

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided -
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!



WBC Children's Ministry

Advent / Christmas Activities



Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19

Advent activities (story, craft, song, snack) will be available each of these Saturdays on Facebook Live. Each activity will tell part of the story of Jesus' birth & build on the previous week! Children will pick up their activity packets (lesson & craft materials & snack) on Wed. or Thurs. of each week & be able to follow along live or watch the activity at a later time.



For more information or questions, contact Susan Mullins at 276-708-6221.

Bedtime Story

Mondays, 8:30pm...



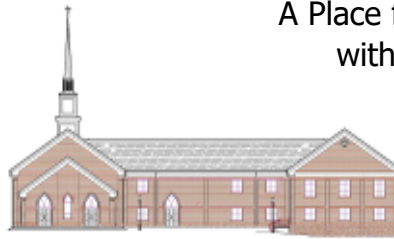
Tune in to the WBC Facebook page for a bedtime story each week!



December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Via Zoom Children's Advent Activity Packets available for pick-up at church 9am-3pm	2 7:00pm - Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Mike Facebook Live B. Lalah Grace Lyon B. Landon Tolbert	3	4	5 Children's Advent Activity via Facebook Live B. Heath Chisenhall B. Kevin Dotson
	Dec. 1 Birthdays: B. Jeff Kiser B. Brenda Kunigelis				A. Cub & Jennifer Mullins B. Nathan Lee	
6 8:30am - Deacons, Zoom 10:00am - Adult SS Onsite & Zoom 10:00am - Children's SS, Fb Live 11am - WORSHIP / Communion ONSITE & Fb Live	7 Children's Bedtime Story 8:30pm - Fb Live B. Brittany Criswell B. John & Karen Ponish	8 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Via Zoom DEC. 9 BIRTHDAY: B. Robert Baird	9 7:00pm - Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Mike Facebook Live Children's Advent Activity Packets available for pick-up at church 9am-3pm	10 B. Penny Greenwood	11 B. Jessica Crutchfield B. John Mark & Wendy Adrian	12 Children's Advent Activity via Facebook Live
13 10:00am - Adult SS Onsite & Zoom 10:00am - Children's SS, Fb Live 11am - WORSHIP ONSITE & Fb Live B. Damel Calvert	14 Children's Bedtime Story 8:30pm - Fb Live B. Jim Sturgill	15 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Via Zoom B. Wesley Kennedy	16 7:00pm - Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Mike Facebook Live Children's Advent Activity Packets available for pick-up at church 9am-3pm	17	18	19 Children's Advent Activity via Facebook Live A. Shane & Susan Mullins
20 10:00am - Adult SS Onsite & Zoom 10:00am - Children's SS, Fb Live 11am - WORSHIP ONSITE & Fb Live B. Bryan Crutchfield B. Marsha Tolbert	21 Children's Bedtime Story 8:30pm - Fb Live	22 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Via Zoom B. Phyllis Hatcher B. Dallas Kennedy B. Jon Kennedy	23 7:00pm - Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Mike Facebook Live B. Sherlene Hall	24 B. Jim Collie B. Carolyn Strouth B. William Sturgill B. Lois Tveit	25 	26 B. Linsay Allio B. Diana Roberts B. Miles Wampler
27 10:00am - Adult SS Onsite & Zoom 10:00am - Children's SS, Fb Live 11am - WORSHIP ONSITE & Fb Live B. Nova Leigh Green	28 Children's Bedtime Story 8:30pm - Fb Live	29 6:30am - Men's Bible Study Via Zoom B. Pat Boggs	30 7:00pm - Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Mike Facebook Live B. Paul Maine	31 B. Gabriella Collins A. Jeff & Cindy Elkins	B = Birthday A = Anniversary	If your birthday or anniversary is not included, please call the church office at 276-328-6247

A Place for Faith and Fellowship
with Family and Friends



Volunteers this Week

Deacons On Call:	11/22 - 11/28	Oscar Raile, David Mullins
	11/29 - 12/5	Jorge Hersel, Lewey Lee
Building Stewards:		Ron Helton, Dan Helton, Scott Snodgrass
Instrumentalists:		Susan Mullins, Susan Smith
Sound System:	11/29	Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile
	12/6	Mike Osborne, Oscar Raile
Tellers:	November	Leton Harding, Oscar Raile
	December	Cliff Carson, Jeff Dotson
Benediction	11/29	Jorge Hersel
	12/6	Leton Harding



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

*(These activities are POSTPONED
until further notice)*

Sunday	Truth Rehearsal	4:45 pm
	Youth (Grades 7-12)	6:00 pm
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Monday	Piecemakers (1st & 3rd)	9:30 am
	Caring Friends (2nd & 4th)	
Wednesday	Children's Choir (Ages 3 - Grade 6)	4:45 pm
	Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
	Youth Hand Chimes	7:00 pm
	Children in Action (Ages 5 - Grade 6)	
	Nursery (Birth - Age 4)	

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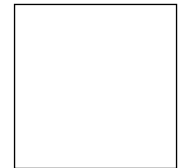
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Thought for the Week:

Jesus helps us find our way.