



# The Vision



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Good morning everyone! One of the earliest Scripture passages I

was honored to memorize was/is Proverbs 3:5,6. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."* I am applying this passage to my life during these days.

Soon, hopefully, we will all be back in person. But in the meantime, we lift each of us up in our prayers to the Lord who cares for us like no other. We pray for those who are going through this virus and for their caregivers through this time. Pray with us that our area will moderate in those who are contracting this awful virus.

Hopefully you are catching us online as we continue through the Gospel of Mark. We are walking with Jesus as he ministers and eventually ends up on an old rugged Cross for you and me. Today we will learn of the "Master of the Wind!"

Feel free to call me during this time for any need. My cell phone number is (765) 277-3005. During this online time, please send (mail) your weekly tithes and offerings to our church or let Carol McVey or Carol Williams (our Financial Secretaries) know how you would like to get them to them.

Love,

Pastor John & Debbie



*Your fellowship today is important to us. Please fill out the attendance pads at the end of each pew.*



**Servants**

In His Service

January 30, 2022

USHER

SOUND SYSTEM 10:30 AM-Chuck Richardson

DEACON-Ken McVey

Small Talk-

Junior Church-

*(The previous week's attendance and financial status)*

ATTENDANCE

SS-0 Worship- 0

FINANCIAL NOTES

	Worship Service	Monthly Need \$11,070.16 Sunday School
January 2	\$1,914.96	\$71.00
January 9	\$1,335.50	-
January 16	\$1,979.00	-

\$1.00-Initial Operating

Operating Fund

\$5,300.46

Total Receipts (Jan.) \$5,786.46

Weekly Need \$2,700.18

### God Molds the Giver

***Don Bell. Testimony delivered at Generous Giving's annual joint conference with the Christian Community Foundation of Kansas City, Overland Park, Kans., May 10, 2002.***

Follow the Lord's lead, and you won't want to stop giving generously. Don Bell, president and CEO of Security Savings Bank in Kansas, can point to how God shaped his life in surprising and stretching ways so that he might know more fully the joy of giving. Bell explains how God prompted him to start a new career in banking at age 56, and then how God led him to not sell his bank after the death of his 42-year-old daughter and business partner. Bell has seen how God supports those who pray for wisdom and blessing and follow His will. As the bank's assets grow beyond \$500 million, Bell seeks to steward his estate in a way that will continue to give for generations. He is having too much fun to ever stop giving back what God has given him.

## SPECIAL NOTE

Our church services will be suspended through the month of January. This is due to the Covid 19 status, RED, in Morgan County and the fact that some of our congregation is or have been close to ones that have tested positive for the Virus. Services will still be done live on Facebook and the Church Web site each week.

The weekly Vision will also be available on our church's website at:

[www.firstbaptistmartinsville.org](http://www.firstbaptistmartinsville.org)

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Because of the station break in the middle of the pastor's sermon, WCBK will shortly change their time of broadcast from the current time to 11:00 – 12:00PM.

## Count Your Blessings

Poet: Catherine Pulsifer, ©2021

Count your blessings one by one  
By doing this stress will be done  
Let your focus go beyond  
That which you can not respond.

Life always has its ups and downs  
Causing smiles and some frowns  
Do your best and you will see  
You will become stress free.

Somethings are beyond our control  
But don't give up, set a new goal.  
Do not stress yourself out  
Do not focus on your doubts.

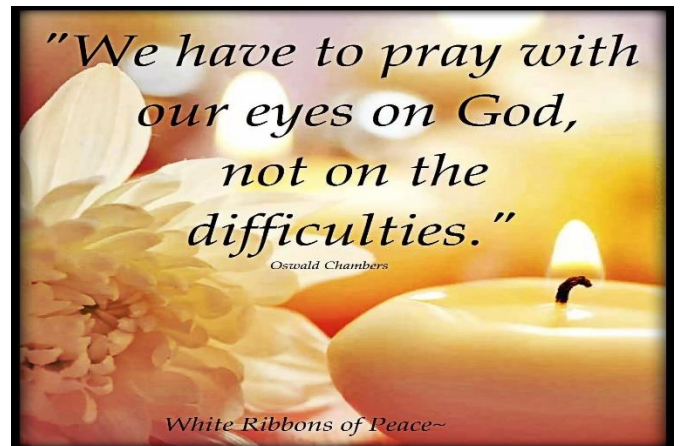
We all need a bit of stress  
Life gives us these little tests.  
Stay positive and you can overcome  
Which will reduce your stress  
some.

So again I say  
Focus on the blessings of the day  
Find the good in everything  
That your life journey will bring!  
[Stresslesscountry.com](http://Stresslesscountry.com)

*There will be a graduation party for Johnathon Alexander on January 29<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. This will be between 1 and 3 PM.*

## SPECIAL ATTENTION

We are going to have all of the sermons on the book of Mark that Pastor John is doing until Easter posted on our website. So if you would like to go back and review any of the past messages, go to the website and you will find them from the beginning to the end.



## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### Church Family:

Kathy Morris, Evelyn Denney, Mary Jennison, Judy Thompson, Brian Etchison, Dee Dee Kaufman, Jim Abshire, Donna Abshire, Betty Williamson, Mike Adams, Susan Polk, Tom Holman, Dixie Carter, Larry & Peggy Martin, Bob & Catherine Etter & Bob & Dianna Jennings.

### Community: Pray for America,

our community, the leaders, our school boards. For children and teachers in school this year and those in need in our community.

Military Personnel: Skyler Rynard, Dan Koong, Michael Pitz, Clint Plake, Daniel Hill and all military personnel serving at home and abroad.

Country People affected by the COVID-19, Kentucky Tornado Victims, Situations in the country and abroad, the President, cabinet, political leaders, military personnel, our nation, police, the US economy, firemen and medical personnel.

World: Peace, Middle Eastern conflict, global financial situation, and those serving on the mission field.

