

# The Vision



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE

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Good Morning everyone! The Lord has given us another morning to bless His Holy Name.

Today we also remember those who have given the total measure of their devotion for our freedoms we enjoy. We also remember all our loved ones in Jesus who have gone on before us. They are cheering us on as we are faithful here on earth.

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guest! Welcome! Sit back and relax. You are among friends. We are delighted to have you with us. If possible, I would love to connect with you before you leave today...

With you on the Journey,

Pastor John & Debbie



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



June 4, 2023

SOUND SYSTEM-Chuck Richardson
DEACON-Ken McVey
Small Talk – Stephanie Littell
(The previous week's attendance and financial status)
ATTENDANCE
Worship-58 SS-42
FINANCIAL NOTES

Monthly Need \$11,070.16

	Worship Service	Sunday School
May 7	\$2737.80	\$55.00
<b>May 14</b>	\$5,778.00	\$43.00
May 21	\$1,993.34	\$24.00

Operating Fund \$10,631.14

#### **SPECIAL OFFERINGS**

One Great Hour of Sharing-\$85.00, Bereavement Fund-\$27.00. Total Receipts (May)

Receipts (May) \$11,723.88 Weekly Need \$2,700.18



The Mission offering is for One Great Hour of Sharing. The goal is \$450.00. As of last week we have collected \$445.00 toward our goal. We are almost there. This is the last week for the envelopes.

# **8 Life Lessons From Roma Downy**

#### **1 Grow From Grief**

I lost my mother when I was 10 and my father in my early 20's. That created a strong empathy for people who have suffered, and desire to reach out with kindness.

#### 2 Don't Postpone Joy

My mother never got a chance to use her wedding china. It was locked in a little cabinet. When the Troubles [in Northern Ireland] escalated, a tank rumbles down the street, and all the china broke. Live like every day is your last.

#### 3 Believe in Fate

I was looking for a job when the Touched By An Angel role turned up. As a person of faith, I found it such a privilege to be the messenger to 25 million people a week.

#### 4 Find a Family

My costar, Della Reese, ended up being the mother I had been looking for—she taught me so much, and I love her and miss her dearly. She said, "Baby, I knew God brought you into my life because you needed a mom, I just didn't know he brought you into my life because I needed a baby girl."

#### **5 Drink Tea**

Every event in my life-from my best friend saying "I'm getting married" or I'm pregnant" to "My father's dying"-has got a cup of tea connected with it.

#### 6 Lend a Hand

Helping others was my father's answer to everything. When we came home and flung ourselves onto the couch and said, "I'm bored," his answer would be, "Well, get up and go do something for somebody else."

### 7 Keep Learning

My husband[the producer, Mark Burnett] is learning how to drive a boat. We don't have a boat, nor are we likely to get one. But we're both of the mind it's important to keep open to the idea of learning.

# 8 Light the Way

When we went on a mission for Operation Smile in Jordan, it was hard for our young kids to see children with cleft conditions. But ultimately they realized we can make a difference. They all came back and did fundraising in their schools. That was beautiful.

# --Natasha Stoynoff

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# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Ciera Nelson, one of our youth, will be spending time with her aunt in Georgia from July 3rd to July 15th. It would be nice for the church family to keep in touch with a card. Her address will be:

Ciera Nelson c/o Dina Dillender 2490 Highway 411SE Fairmount, Georgia 30139

# **SPECIAL NOTE**

Due to lack of people wanting to rent spaces, there will be no Yard Sale this year.



#### PRAYER REQUESTS:

#### **Church Family:**

Family of Wray Emerick, Judy Thompson, Susan Polk, Jack & Dona Clark, Lynn Williams, Rhonda Driscol, Mary Jennison, Tom & Norma Brown, Brian Etchison, Catherine & Bob Etter, Jim & Donna Abshire, Evelyn Denney, Bertha Marie Heiny, Dee Dee Kaufman, Betty Williamson, Bob & Dianna Jennings & our college youth.

# **Community:** Pray for America,

our community, the leaders, our school boards. For children in in our community.

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

# **Country:**

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.

