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January is here. The time often pointed to for resolutions to take effect. To eat more healthily, to attend church, to save more, to exercise more often, to look for ways to care for people, etc... The list can get pretty big and overwhelming. There is only one problem in this whole situation: we tend to give in to the things that are more delightful. Take, for example, exercise or eating healthily. I have a plan to exercise more, but the pain of doing so makes me quit quickly. I want to eat more healthily, but that donut from Casey's sounds awesome, or even the Honey Bun from home! There are always going to be things that Satan will use to get you and I distracted and not committing to a positive habit in our lives. Why would Satan care if we eat a donut or not? Because a person that Satan and his minions can keep from dedication, is a person that will not be easily dedicated to God. Paul explains it like this:

Romans 7:17 “As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. **18** For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. **19** For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. **20** Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. **21** So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. **22** For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; **23** but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. **24** What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? **25a** Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God’s law, but in my sinful nature a slave to the law of sin.”

Paul reminds us, in a rather comical way of saying it, that we have the desire to do right, but often our sinful nature and bodily desires point us in directions that are not beneficial for us, but have some temporary, quick reward to them. We have Jesus who can deliver us, but that requires something on our part. Going to Him to ask Him for help in staying strong. Prayer is a topic that is so important to a Christian's walk with the Lord. It connects us to the Creator of the Universe, our Lord and Father, to entreat Him to intervene. Paul puts it like this:

Philippians 4:12 “I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. **13** I can do all this through him who gives me strength.”

Where does that strength come from? Obviously from the Lord. Also, as we see so often in Scripture, it is through asking the Lord for help, and then He provides! There will be tough challenges ahead this year. There is no way around that. 2026 will be like 2025. A year with challenges, a year with laughter, a year with tears, a year with joy. When you start into 2026, remember that the best habit you can have going forward this year is getting on your knees and talking with God about what is going on and asking for His strength. It will change everything about who you are and your perspectives!

Offering YTD 2025

Giving Year-to-Date **\$209,465.76**
Budget Year-to-Date **\$222,924**

December Attendance

| 12/07 | 12/14 | 12/21 | 12/28 |
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| 142 | 126 | 132 | 122 |

The 2026 budget was voted on and passed on December 14, 2025 with a 97.7% yes.

January:

1/05 - Willing Workers (10 AM): Sewing and fellowship together for the ladies of the church!

1/11 - Connections Class: After the second service, we will have our Connections Class, where we go through what we believe at Kentucky Road Christian Church, and what it means to be a member here. Join us for teaching and pizza right after the second service!

1/15 - Oldies but Goodies: The older part of our church gathers for a meal and fellowship here at the church at noon. Join them for a great time of fellowship and caring for one another.

1/17 - Men's Breakfast (8 AM): Breakfast and fellowship? Absolutely!

February:

2/02 - Willing Workers (10 AM): Sewing and fellowship together for the ladies of the church!

2/19 - Oldies but Goodies: The older part of our church gathers for a meal and fellowship here at the church at noon. Join them for a great time of fellowship and caring for one another.

2/21 - Men's Breakfast (8 AM): Breakfast and fellowship? Absolutely!

*Happy
Birthday*

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| 1/05 | Ruth Ann Phillips | 1/14 | Tommy Swon |
| 1/06 | Landon Myers | 1/16 | Jude Paragas |
| 1/07 | Sophia Welch | 1/21 | Mary Adams |
| 1/07 | Gary Wrye | 1/23 | Mary Ann Wood |
| 1/11 | Hudson Myers | 1/25 | Janis Holtcamp |
| 1/11 | Dean Swon | 1/25 | Ahri Marks |
| 1/13 | Marlee Swon | 1/29 | Joan Berger |
| 1/14 | David Loyd | 1/29 | Ellie Simmons |