



Marion Road
CHURCH
of **CHRIST**
Growing in Faith Together

November 16, 2025

KEEP DOING GOOD! Over the years, I have observed that when fellow Christians give of themselves to accomplish something good, they are usually more blessed than the people they serve! Whether it is a group of Christians gathering on a Saturday morning to give away 100 turkeys or preparing a meal for someone who is sick, you are bound to go away feeling good about doing something for someone else. I am a firm believer that when you set out to help someone, visit someone, or meet a need, the one helping, giving, or serving receives a greater benefit than the recipient of the good deed. If you don't believe me, try it sometime!!

INVITE SOMEONE TO ATTEND WITH YOU next Sunday for a special time of worship through singing and preaching of the word! Next Sunday's worship will be a little different with singing throughout the service combined with my sermon on *"Learning to Live Grateful"*, from Psalm 116. "I love the Lord, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications. Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live." (Psalm 116:1-2)

A NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP FOR OUR WOMEN. The **women** will be going to **Mimi's Art Hollow** this **Thursday** at **6:00 PM**, 287 W. Center St., Marion. Join for a great time of Christian fellowship! If you plan on attending, make sure to sign up in the foyer!

2026 PLANNING SESSION SET FOR SATURDAY. Please plan on joining us **this Saturday** at 10:00 AM to help plan and offer suggestions for 2026! We have accomplished so much in our first year, but we have so much more to accomplish! I believe there are great days of spiritual and numerical growth ahead of us in 2026! Plan on joining us as we move forward in building up the kingdom of God in Crawford County and the surrounding areas!! See you Saturday at **10:00 AM!**

FAMILY NEWS. Please remember in your prayers: **Ed Ughrin**, (Jennifer Purcell's father), **Donna Wilburn** (Logan Wilburn's mother), **Bill Dennison**, **Tim Synder**, **Toby Goulding**, **Arnold White**, **Kim Ponziani**, **Melissa Ruhe**, **Jack Long**, **Jeff White**, **Ron Bloomfield**, **Linda Siegel**, and **Cindy Dyer**.

PREACHING FORTH THE WORD OF GOD! **Mike Ponziani** is preaching today and on November 30th at the Bright Road Church of Christ in Findlay, Ohio. **Mike Purcell** will be preaching at the Bellevue Church of Christ in Bellevue, Ohio, next Sunday. For almost a year, Mike has preached once a month for this congregation. Please pray for both of these brothers as they proclaim the good news of our Lord!

HAVE YOU BEEN CLEANSED? I remember as a child playing outside in the hot Texas summers. I played in the dirt more times than I can count and made mud pies when it rained (which was rare). I think it goes without saying that, like most little boys, I sweated profusely, and the last thing I wanted to do was take a bath! The sweat mixed with the dirt was not a pleasant combination. The more unpleasant reality, of which I was keenly aware, was that I would have to clean up when I finished playing. Scrubbing...with soap...would be required. This is not something a little boy enjoys. Being clean was the objective...even clean behind my ears. But I just wasn't sure it was worth all that effort. However, to be clean in the sight of God is worth every possible effort! God calls us to be holy because he is holy. The thing we need to realize is that all efforts of our own will certainly fail. Christ alone can provide the cleansing we need. And we must allow Jesus to cleanse us completely. Jesus said to Peter, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me" (John 13:8). We must be willing to allow Jesus to cleanse us. The filthiness of sin is only removed by the blood of the Lamb. Have you been to Jesus for his cleansing power? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Have you been baptized into Christ? If not, why not? - Russell

BY THE NUMBERS—WEEK OF NOVEMBER 9

Sunday Morning Worship—91
Sunday Morning Bible School—25
Wednesday Night Bible Study—11
Contribution—\$1,199.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's Outing to Mimi's Art Hollow—November 20
2026 Planning Session—November 22
Holiday Fellowship Meal—December 7

Worship: Sunday Morning—10:30 AM ~ Bible Study: Sunday—9:30 AM, Wednesday—7:00 PM ~ Marionroadcofc.org

"Power to Become the Person God Wants You to Be"

GENUINE GENTLENESS

Matthew 11:28-30

WHAT IS _____?

The _____ and the _____ of gentleness.

- Galatians 5:23

The _____ meaning of _____.

- Galatians 5:20

HOW IS GENTLENESS _____?

Gentleness is _____ through _____.

- Matthew 11:29
- John 4:7, 9
- Luke 19:5, 9

Gentleness is _____ through _____.

- 2 Timothy 2:25
- 1 Peter 3:9
- Proverbs 13:13

WHAT IS THE _____ OF GENTLENESS?

We are to have the _____ of gentleness.

- Philippians 2:4-5
- Matthew 12:18-21

We are to _____ with gentleness.

- Colossians 4:6
- Proverbs 15:1
- James 1:26

We are to _____ those caught in _____ with gentleness.

- 2 Timothy 2:25-26
- Galatians 6:1



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