# Vision Sunday 2021

June 20, 2021

Scriptures: Acts 2

Bottom Line: In the face of difference, God compelled His people to engage

# Our Vision

We want to re-introduce people to the beauty of the Church so that they can encounter Jesus.

The world is longing for authentic community and lasting transformation, and it's Jesus that meets the deepest longings of our soul, giving us our identity and purpose.

## Acts 2

The story of Pentecost is not about spectacle and drama but transforming an imperfect, frightened people into the Body of Christ.

The Jews from other lands react to the Gospel first because it was spoken in their own languages.

What new languages will the Church need to learn to speak?

We must continue to learn the art of speaking across the borders that currently separate us to plant seeds of grace and goodness.

## LISTENING

Have someone in your group share something about their week. They could answer one of the following questions:

- What was a big challenge or problem you faced this week? How did you handle it?
- Where did you experience God this week? Or where do you wish you had experienced God this week?
- Based on your life experience this week, what do you think God is trying to teach you right now? What is He trying to build in you?

After the person shares, the group can respond. Make sure you let them know you heard them: tell them what you heard, offer wise advice where it's asked for, share from your own experience as well.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Review Sunday's message. What stood out to you? What challenged you? Are there any lingering questions?
- 2. What excites you about the future of the Church?
- 3. What threats do you see to the Church in the future?
- 4. What is your prayer for WMBC? What do you hear God saying?