



## John Francis Worship Specialist

John Francis is a native of Monticello, Kentucky and is the Worship Specialist with the Missouri Baptist Convention, joining the staff in 2006. He has held music ministry positions with churches in Kentucky and Missouri where he was the Minister of Music at First Baptist Church, Troy, Missouri for six years before joining in denominational work.

John is also the brass director for the Missouri Music Men, and his trumpet playing has been featured in recordings and films such as “Gettysburg”. He has written and arranged for Cleff Publishing. Before his ministry, he played trumpet and Latin percussion in a touring pop group for seven years. He has also been a radio producer and program director.

Worship for the individual and the congregation is a passion for John - and along with the trumpet theme, his key verse is from Psalm 98:6, “*with trumpets and the blast of the ram’s horn- shout for joy before the Lord, the King.*”

Besides pulpit and worship leader supply, John does a talk on *Developing your Personal Worship Time*, he also does a *History of the Trumpet* talk for youth in schools – it is a 20-30 minute demonstration.

On July 3, 1976, as a nine-year-old, John asked his mother to lead him to Jesus, and she led him in the ‘sinner’s prayer’. Even as a fairly young child, John felt his life change as Jesus became his Lord.

John is husband to Kimberly Francis, and is father of two teenagers, Madelynn and Tristan.

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