

Jim O'Bold was born and raised on the west side of Indianapolis. He is a 1983 graduate of Ben Davis High School, as well as a graduate from Anderson University in 1987 with a BA in Management and Accounting. He obtained his Certified Financial Planner (CFP) designation in 1994 and received his MBA from the University of Indianapolis, Delta Mu Delta, in 2002. Jim is currently one year into his pursuit of ordination within the Church of God.

Jim's most recent position was at First Merchants Bank as Business Development Officer for Hendricks County, Indiana, where his main priority was to focus on maintaining and building customer relationships while continuing to build upon the bank's involvement in the Hendricks County community.

Jim serves as vice president on the Avon Chamber Board, Alumni Chairman and board member for Leadership Hendricks County, and conducts the Straight 'A' Luncheon for Plainfield High School twice each year. He serves as the Lay Executive Pastor at Westlake Community Church of God, where he has attended for 29 years, and is a member of Pastor Doug Talley's church growth/health consultation team. Jim was the founding chairman of Susie's Place, The Hendricks County Child Advocacy Center, and is still involved in the Chairman's Club to raise funds for this worthwhile entity. Other areas of service include being a board member of the Plainfield Rotary Club (past president and Paul Harris Fellow), and serving as board member for the Hendricks County Economic Development Partnership and as an advisory board member of the Spinal Cord Injury Hope Fund based in Brownsburg.

Jim lives on the west side of Indianapolis with his wife of 24 years, Felisia (AU '87), and their son, Brent, who attends Plainfield High School. His middle son, Paul, is a freshman at Anderson University, and his oldest son, Kevin, is married to Katie (Jim's new daughter!) where he is finishing his senior year at Anderson University. Jim enjoys his family most of all, then church ministry, golf, basketball, and frequent motorcycle trips with Felisia.