

Ladies Ministries Newsletter

July 2021

Behold I Stand at The Door & Knock

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Revelation 3:20 was the memory verse in the Sunday School classes a few months ago. Of course I have read the verse many times through the years, but I didn't remember ever having it as a SS memory verse. I probably had heard it preached in sermons more than once also, but nothing that I could recall. As I taught it to the younger children, making it simple for them to understand and memorize, adding motions and knocking on the classroom door, I got so excited! Never before had this scripture become so alive to me. Again and again each Sunday as I reviewed it with the kids, I was overwhelmed and wanted to run open the church doors or climb to a mountain top to do a shout out "God is standing and knocking at your door, just open your door and He will come in!" Really a simple, easy to understand, straight forward statement, yet sadly so many will not take God up on it. Such an unbelievably awesome invitation from God.

We don't get knocks at our doors nearly as much as we used to. Unless we have invited guests coming over, it's usually just FedEx or UPS. We hear the doorbell, look out the window, and then open the door—real simple, no big deal. But to realize God is standing and knocking at the door of my heart and life each day, wanting me to hear Him and open my life to Him so He can spend the day with ME, crazy old me, yes—that's totally, overwhelmingly beautiful to me. July is a month where our freedoms are celebrated throughout our nation. We are thankful for being blessed to live in a country where we have freedoms and thankful for all the men and women who have fought, given their lives, and those who are currently serving in the military so we can have freedom and safety. We are also so blessed to know that with God comes the true fullness of freedom. God has truly "shed His grace" on us as the song says. When we open the door of ourselves to God, have a close relationship with Him, obey His Word, receive salvation, then we experience everlasting freedom that no one can take away from us. As another song says "where the Spirit of the Lord is there is Freedom." Yes, where His presence is, there is Freedom—let that thought sink into your mind, meditate on it for a moment. You, me, we can have that every day. Don't walk through the majority of your day, waiting until evening or bedtime to open your door to Him. He wants to be our Daily Bread, our Living Water, our Comforter, our Strength, our Waymaker every day—throughout our whole day. Start your morning by opening your door to God and inviting Him to stay with you throughout the day, then wake up the next day and do the same thing. That's living in Freedom from above, every day, for "where the Spirit of the Lord is there is Freedom."



Wishing you and your family a Happy 4th of July. Together let's celebrate our freedom as a nation and our freedom in God. May God bless America!

PRAYER: *God we thank you for freedom in our country and freedom we have in You. We pray that our family, friends and those in our city and county who need truth and freedom in You, will open up the door of their life and let You walk in. I pray they will be hungry for You and obey the plan of salvation. Bless our church ladies. Help us to every day open up our doors too and allow You to walk with us throughout our day, praising and believing in You for our every need. We love You God. Amen!*

JULY EVENTS

Saturday, July 10 at 12:00 noon **Ladies Pool Party at Patty Tester's home** Please contact Patty for the food sign-up list and directions.

Sunday, July 18 at 6:00 pm **Family Prayer in the sanctuary**

Monday, July 26 at 7:00 pm **Ladies Prayer in the sanctuary**

Sunday Worship—each Sunday 10:30 am

Wednesday Worship—each Wednesday 7:00 pm



Wednesday Worship

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary is an awesome time of worship, the Word, and prayer. Join us mid-week and be blessed!

Have A Prayer Request?

Prayer request cards are available in the foyer to complete and turn in to an usher/hostess.

If you have a request in between services, please text or call Missy Grimm at 423.341.2592. We will text your request to others to help us pray together for your need, in addition to requesting prayer for you at the next service.

Don't Forget to Read Your **Daily Bread** and "Let Freedom Ring" in Your Life

