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Sunday 10am & 6pm
Wednesday 7:30 pm

A Word from our Pastor

Greetings in Jesus Name and Happy New Year!

Mid-winter greetings from Sis. Sowards and I. Wow! 2013. We are in a brand new year; I must honestly admit that twenty years ago I never would have imagined that the church would still be here on the earth and not rejoicing in heaven with our precious Savior. But, here we are. It's a new year and the state of the church is strong. God has truly blessed us this year so far. There have been many new families that have been added to our congregation the past several weeks. To all of our guests and new families that have made the decision to come and worship with us at the Open Door, we welcome you with open arms. Our prayer is that you can feel the presence of God in every service. We look forward to getting better acquainted with you and helping you become actively involved in ministry.

When you receive this letter, the India Crusade will be just days away. Circumstances will not allow our team to make the trip in person this time, but we are working to send our messages and sermons via video to the crusade audience. Bro. Thomas is going to show our messages to the people on screens to the crowd. I ask that you continue to pray for the meeting and our Brothers and Sisters there that God will grant a mighty harvest.

I want to encourage all of our men to go with us to Herrick, Illinois to the Men's Conference hosted by our good friend Bishop Thomas Suey. Please talk to our men's ministry director Steven Arden for information. This meeting has always been a great blessing to those who attend.

I hope that you enjoyed the ministry of Bishop Melvin Mosley. He spoke two very timely messages to us and blessed us very much. He preached to "SHUT THE DOOR." This is a great time for all of us to close the doors to the things that have hindered us in our relationship with the Lord.

2013 is our year of increase. Men and women have been fasting and praying for souls to be born into the Kingdom. God has been sending us laborers to help us reap the harvest. I am excited and I am expecting many marvelous things to take place this year. When you come, enter His gates with thanksgiving and enter His courts with Praise. Come expecting

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lives to be changed in every service. To all who have so graciously volunteered to serve God's precious people.....we appreciate you so much. As you remember, God told me that if we would feed His Sheep, something amazing would happen. If we will continue to serve one another and submit to God's will, I believe that he will add to the church in ways beyond our ability to understand.

Thank you to our wonderful staff, and thank you to the greatest congregation I have ever seen. This is our year to experience the supernatural in our midst in a greater capacity than ever before. Sis. Vonda and I love you and appreciate you and your families very much.

Upcoming Events

February 2

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February 9

Ladies Breakfast

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February 6, 13, 20, 27

S.W.A.T. will Feed the Sheep

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February 27

Youth Service

Feed His Sheep

"Serve or Be Served" February Menu

SUNDAY MORNING 8:30 – 9:30 AM	SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER SERVICE	WEDNESDAY NIGHT AFTER SERVICE
3	3	6
Waffles	Enchilada Casse- role	Pizza Bites
10	10	13
Cereal	BBQ's & Chips	Taco in a Bag
17	17	20
Biscuits & Gravy	Chicken Alfredo	Grilled Cheese
24	24	27
Muffins & Fruit	Potato Soup & Sandwich	Hot Dogs
BREAKFAST SNACK CAPTAIN	SUNDAY NIGHT SNACK CAPTAIN	WEDNESDAY SNACK CAPTAIN
Bro. Andrew & Sis. Heather Fowler	Bro. Ron & Sis. Yvonne Anderson	Open Door Youth

Ministries at Work

With Open Door's many ministries at work, 2013 is already proving to be a year full of blessings! Take a look at some of the leaders and programs that are working to grow and strengthen the body of Christ.

Women of Worth

A virtuous woman is worth far more than the treasures of this earth!

*A new year a new start; I feel a year of favor is coming—I feel this so deep in my heart
2012 was filled for so many with ups and downs- loss and pain; but it was molding you for what God for you to Gain
This New Year is another level God is taking you to; but you had to get ready- that's why you had to go through
Through the why's, I don't understand, God I've been faithful why me; But you're a Woman of Worth and soon his plan you'll see
God see's you differently than you see yourself, it's time for elevation, favor, restoration and health; you're a Woman of Worth full of God's gifts of Wealth.
You're a child of the most high King, a Woman of Worth, let me just explain a little of what I mean
It means when your pray demons have to flea- you will have victory!
No need to worry Momma your children will be blessed in the land the word says so - claim them for God's glory and let it go!
Don't worry about your family they will serve the Lord, the bible says so , God heard your prayer; believe it , declare it, soon your answer will be there
Your healing is on the way that was just a temporary stop –you will take back what the devil stole from you; claim it your healed! It's all you got to do!
Last year your money was a little tight but you sowed anyways- speak Harvest it will come to you not tomorrow but today!
Depression you have no place the joy of the Lord is my strength, Devil you got to go; God says I am something, I am worth more and what God says is so
Addiction you do not have a hold on me, In the name of Jesus I am free
Jesus died and saved my soul, washed me and made me whole
I am a woman of God, and this year will be different; I am not the same in Jesus Name
I am going to pray with Authority, walk in the Anointing-let the Holy Ghost have his way; Woman of Worth what do you say?
Are you ready to decree and declare- harvest, favor deliverance and healing, restoration, freedom- oh what a feeling!
So this year let God take you to new places, let you spirit be stronger and the devil realize you are not the same as before, God Bless the Women of Worth 2013 of Open Door.*

Terri K. Smith

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Women of Worth continued

Terri K. Smith recently wrote the poem for Women of Worth. Here, she gives us some insight into what inspired her to pen these words:

“I just wanted to give you a little background about the poem I wrote for your ladies meeting. It has been over 10 years since I wrote a poem, so it was nice to write again. I was listening to gospel music and seeking God not really thinking about your poem and the Lord started to speak to me about your event. The Lord dropped in my spirit that 2012 was a rough time for several ladies at your church, I do not know who they are but I felt really lead to write this poem. I felt several things. One thing was that one lady is concerned about her child and that is seeking God over her child and that is why I put that line in my poem. The other is about healing, there is a lady there that just doesn't understand why God hasn't healed her, but he is going too. I just felt like several ladies needed to go through something's before if they didn't they would not be ready for what God has for them this year. Almost like plowing a Garden. In Order for the Garden to grow you got to Plow the Garden, Remove the Weeds, but it is Harvest time for them now. Their blessing it just around the corner. The other thing that was dropped in my spirit was we often forget how powerful our words and prayers are. Not just as women but as children of God. When we pray Demons really flea, healing is suppose to happen, prayers of us are powerful, and our children are to be blessed. Everything we touch is to be blessed; we are to walk in authority. We are children of the most high, we can declare the words of the bible and they are to happen because God says so. I think we often forget the power of our prayer, but isn't it something how prayer changes things.”

Thank you Terri K. for listening to Gods voice and giving the Women of Worth a word from the Lord. I also want to thank everyone who helped out with the Winter Wonderland Tea; Sis. Leslie Dean, thank you for your words about faith! Everything was so beautiful, the food was excellent, and the tables were divine.

Our next event will be February 9, 2013 for a ladies breakfast; we will be meeting at Shoney's on the BLVD at 9:00 a.m. Please come out for some food and fellowship! Hope to see you there!



Ronda Savilla
Women of Worth Ministry Leader

BLAST children's ministry

*Train up a child in the way he should go: And when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6*



Bro. Tim and Sis. Shawnda are now Open Door's leaders for the Sunday School Blast program. They are very excited about this opportunity to help children learn more about Jesus:

Greetings church family from BLAST (Believers Learning And Serving Together) Sunday School! We want to thank everyone that has helped us make our transition to Sunday School directors. We feel blessed to have a wonderful group of teachers and children. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God." We not only plan on letting the little children come to our Lord, we plan on guiding them to Him as well. BLAST Sunday School is where the Word of God is taught with affection so children may seek and find the Lord in their own lives. We are in the planning stage for our upcoming year, so be prepared for a very fun and blessed year for our children!

Shawnda and Tim Harless
Directors of Sunday School BLAST

Sis. L'Louise Fox, Open Door's leader for the Wednesday night Blast program., reports a great start to the new year:

What a wonderful month January has been. Excitement is building among the adults and children. During the months of February and March, BLAST Wednesday nights will begin 'Camp BLAST' theme. If you are between the ages of 3-11, you will not want to miss any part of this! Parents, remember to have your children upstairs between 7:00 and 7:30 on Wednesday nights as well as to please remember to text me when church is over and we can dismiss your children. Please see me if you need my number.

Thanks,
L'Louise Fox
Director of Wednesday Night BLAST

Ministries continued

S.W.A.T. Youth Group

Spiritual Warfare Assault Team

Bro. Gary and Sis. Bonnie are now Open Door's leaders for Open Door's Youth Group, SWAT.

In Matthew 16: 1-4 the Pharisees and Sadducees wanted to tempt Jesus and desired that He would show them a sign from heaven. Jesus rebuked such people and also stated that a wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign. He also said "and these signs shall follow them that believe; in My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." (Mark 16: 17-18) We shouldn't be seeking signs—they should be following us.

The Youth group has voted on a new name: S.W.A.T. (Spiritual Warfare Assault Team) and with the help of the Open Door Apostolic members, our goal for S.W.A.T. is that these signs will follow each one of our youth.

It is with much excitement that S.W.A.T. is off to a great start in 2013 and has many plans for the upcoming year. Many thanks to all the youth who gave up their day off to come and crank out 560 peanut butter hearts! YOU ROCK! We are asking that you please take these hearts and sell, sell, sell. We would also like to thank Dave and Crystal Dean, the Fox's, Ron and Von Anderson and the McClure's for hosting our progressive dinner with lots of wonderful food and entertainment. We love you guys!

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Love and Prayers,
Bro. G and Sis. Bonnie

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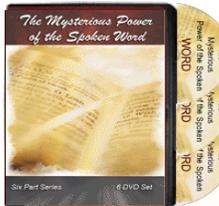
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