

August Message Series "Open Doors"

In the "Open Doors" message series we continue in the book of Acts (focusing on chapters 9-15). God's plan and purpose is to work in and through Christ-followers to redeem a people for Himself. As part of this plan, God specifically enlists all of us in opening doors so that all people everywhere can know God and experience a life-changing encounter with Him.

Ultimately, opening the doors of a person's heart is only something God can do. As He does so, God often opens doors that we think could never open, and He takes some of the most unlikely people (at least from our perspective) and radically calls, changes, and transforms them. Through all of this we partner with God to open doors and expand His influence in the world. In Acts 9-15 we see God call us to take significant risks, make ourselves vulnerable, and allow God to challenge our current ways of thinking about God, ourselves, and others.

Pray that God's Spirit will prepare and speak through our Pastors during weekend services.

Pray that God will give people at Constance hearts and minds that are ready to receive and apply the truth of His Word.

Ask that the Holy Spirit will be at work teaching, reminding and equipping in days to come.

Pray for willingness to apply and practice the principles being taught.

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prayer guide



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PRAY & WATCH

God opens doors in the lives of people as we pray prayers of faith and watch to see what God will do. Pray this simple prayer for the people you come in contact with throughout the day – at work, school, in your neighborhood, at the store, or wherever you go. Then watch to see how God is working in lives – theirs & yours!

**Father, please send
your Holy Spirit to work in the
hearts of these people.
Draw them to Jesus and make them
kingdom workers.**

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Praying Scripture:

Praying scripture is the practice of using God's Word as the foundation for shaping our prayers for communion with Him and for intercession for others. It is communicating with Him in His own words. So many times we do not have the words to adequately express our thoughts, feelings, emotions and His Word allows us to express those in keeping with His heart.

Acts 14:27 (NLT) "Upon arriving in Antioch, they called the church together and reported everything God had done through them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles, too."

Colossians 4:2-5 (NIV) "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity."

Pray for our Staff:

July 31 - August 6



Pastor Randy Discher (Debbie)
Senior Pastor



Jane Hanson (Larrie)
Office Manager

August 7 - 13



Jim Barber (Cheri)
President of BridgeLink



Ginny Hayes (Chuck)
Payables Accountant

August 14 - 20



Sean McDowell (Heidi)
Pastor of Connection



Rene Louthan (Jay)
Nursery Coordinator

August 21 - 27



Jim Scott (Denise)
Executive Pastor



Brenda Benny (Robert)
Care Ministries Coordinator

Aug 28 - Sept 3



Dan Leverage (Angie)
Creative Arts Pastor



Mark Johnson (Cindy)
Technical Arts Associate

Pray for our Ministries:

Pray for the ministries of Constance. Ask God to bless each one and make them fruitful for His Kingdom. Pray that staff and volunteer leaders would be genuinely committed to ministry and led by the Holy Spirit to serve effectively. Pray that the Gospel would be clearly communicated through words and actions. Pray that lives will be changed and needs met through each ministry.

July 31 - August 6

Starting Point is an opportunity for people to sample a small group experience while learning about Constance's vision and values. Those attending Starting Point will have opportunity to respond to the gospel, learn about spiritual gifts, and engage in spiritual conversations with the Constance community. Our current Starting Point class will be meeting through August 8.

August 7 - 13

BridgeLink was founded by Constance out of a desire to practice love and good deeds beyond the walls of the church. Adults and youth from Constance have volunteered in the community through several charitable non-profits, and BridgeLink is forming relationships with other faith communities and businesses to help those in need.

August 14 - 20

Guest Services wants every person that walks through the doors of Constance to feel warmly welcomed. It's our desire to see every person get connected and feel as though Constance Free Church is their place to belong. Pray that each guest would be warmly welcomed and will experience the love of Christ in this place.

August 21 - 27

Care Ministries provides a response in times of personal need through ministries such as Helping Hands, AA, Divorce Care, Grief Share, Financial Counseling, Stephen Ministry and others. In times of special need we want to stand together as the Constance family.

August 28 - September 3

Creative Arts desires to make every worship service or special event at Constance an opportunity to honor God through the creativity which He has given us and to use the arts to communicate the life-changing message of Jesus Christ with relevance and excellence.