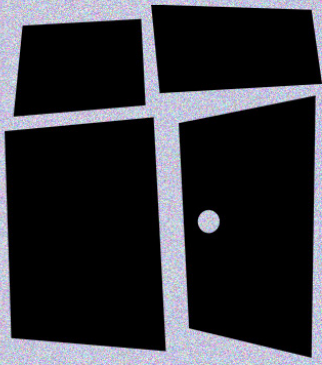




WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE OPEN DOOR

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

August 9, 2026



The State of Theology

GROUP SURVEY

STATE OF THEOLOGY SURVEY

We are conducting a church wide survey so we can better understand the theological heartbeat of our church community. Our desire is to see where we have opportunities for greater teaching, discipleship and spiritual growth for you!

Your answers are completely anonymous. When finished, you will be able to see your results immediately where you can choose to view a deeper analysis of the questions and answers.

We'd love for you to participate! To take the survey:

- opendoor.tv/survey
- or, text 'SURVEY26' to 440.323.4644

BETHLEHEM WALK • DECEMBER 5 & 6 • ELYRIA

Walk the narrow streets of Bethlehem crowded with merchants, shepherds, and travelers like yourself. Discover the scents of baking bread, olive oil, spices, wood smoke, and even livestock in the air. As evening falls, see how flickering oil lamps cast a warm glow over the bustling town as Emmanuel is quietly born among us.

You can create this experience! Become a character in our town of Bethlehem and bring this special story to life.

For more information and to volunteer, go to opendoor.tv/events, or text 'WALK' to 440.323.4644.



ASPIRE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE • SEPT. 18 • ELYRIA CAMPUS

Church of the Open Door is hosting "Aspire" —a one-night event for women on Friday, September 18th at the Elyria campus. It will be a "ladies night out" full of laughter, learning, stories, and worship. The event features a Christian comedian, Bible teacher, and a worship leader scheduled to encourage and recharge the ladies attending!

- Tickets: \$25 | \$35 for VIP
- To order tickets, text "WOMEN" to 440.323.4644

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to call, text, & register for events!

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THE MIND OF CHRIST



SERMON NOTES | AUGUST 9, 2026

A Desire for Gospel Growth

PHILIPPIANS 1:9–11

Three Observations from the Text

After thanking God for the Philippians' gospel partnership, Paul now prays for their love to grow with godly wisdom so that they will live with integrity until Christ returns and be filled with righteous fruit through Jesus Christ...

1. Paul opens with the _____
— for love that overflows with godly wisdom. (v. 9)
2. Paul then explains the _____
— so that we may live with integrity until Christ returns. (v. 10)
3. Paul closes with the _____
— righteous fruit that comes through Christ and glorifies God. (v. 11)

The Big Idea

God desires a _____ whose love _____
with godly wisdom, whose integrity _____ until Christ returns, and
whose fruit comes through _____ and _____ God.