

Hope Worth Having

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Sundays at 8:00 a.m. on WCHA 800 AM radio

A Word Of Hope

from Pastor Mike Sanders



Way back when we didn't have refrigerators to keep our food cool, people had to put all their perishable food in what was called an icebox. The problem is, that the ice for the iceboxes had to be cut out of the frozen lakes in the winter and somehow kept frozen through the summer months so that it could be delivered to people's houses. The ice, measuring about two feet thick, was cut into big blocks and stored in icehouses. These storage houses had very thick walls for insulation and the ice blocks would be stacked in there and covered with sawdust to keep them from melting too quickly.

One day, a worker in one of these icehouses lost a very special watch. This watch was special to him because it was given to him by his father who had died years earlier. His dad worked hard to purchase this watch for his son. When he gave it to him, he told him that whenever he heard it ticking to remember how much he loved him. So he was very upset at himself for losing this watch and he and all the other workers searched long and hard for this precious timepiece, but with no luck. Finally, because of all the sawdust, they realized that it would be impossible to find, so they gave it up for lost. But near the end of the day a small boy that had heard of what had happened came up and asked if he could help in the search. The men told him that they had been looking for hours but it was no use. Undaunted, the boy walked by the men into the icehouse and closed the big thick door behind him. Five minutes later, the door opened again and out walked the boy with the watch in his hand!

The men were delighted and amazed, and when the boy gave the watch back to its relieved owner, the man asked the boy how in the world did he find it so fast. The boy smiled and said; "I just went in there by myself, closed the door, laid on the floor and got very still.....and then I listened real hard."

There are many voices calling for our attention but only one voice is important, the voice of God. (John 10:16 KJV) *"And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd."*

When you listen for God's voice you will discover that's when His power will be most evident in your life. I pray that God will work mightily in your life and that every time you listen, it will be an opportunity for growth and strength.

As God's word is proclaimed, His sheep hear His voice and are encouraged and comforted. Thank you for helping us to broadcast God's truth throughout Franklin County. Remember, In Christ there is Hope worth Having!

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By His Grace,

Pastor Mike

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Meet the Hope Worth Having Staff



Pastor Mike Sanders

is the senior pastor of The Open Door Church in Chambersburg, Pa. He was a bus kid in Oklahoma who accepted Christ as his Savior when he was 11 years old. He has been in the ministry for 15 years, serving as Associate Pastor in Connersville, Indiana, then as pastor of that church before being called of God to serve The Open Door Church in Chamberburg. He is married to his college sweetheart, Terri, and they have 3 children still at home.

Pastor Chuck Rathel

is the associate pastor of The Open Door Church and the host of Hope Worth Having. He accepted Christ as his Savior when he was thirteen years old. Chuck has been in the ministry for forty-two years serving as a pastor, associate pastor, youth pastor, children's pastor and evangelist. He and his college sweetheart, Donna, have two adult sons. Both sons are serving in full-time ministry.



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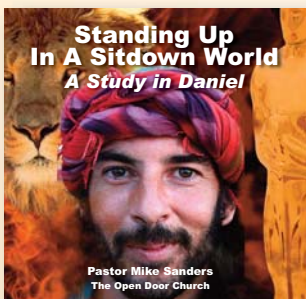
is the lead media engineer at The Open Door Church. Dave oversees the sound and tv media at the church. He records and mixes all of the Hope Worth Having boradcasts. He and his wife Tanya are the parents of three girls.

Contest Winner of the May Radio Question.

The question was: *What was Daniel's Babylonian name, and what was Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego's Hebrew names.* The first person to respond with the correct answer was **Janet Miller of Chambersburg, PA.** Janet will receive the entire 15 CD series on the Book of Daniel.

The new question is: *What is the translation of MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN found written on the wall in the book of Daniel.* Send your answer to: Pastor Mike Sanders, 600 Miller Street, Chambersburg, PA, or e-mail him at msanders@theopendoorchurchpa.com

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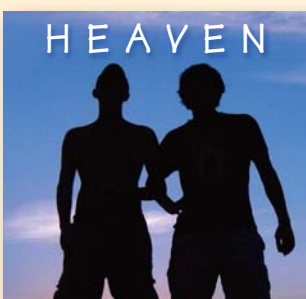
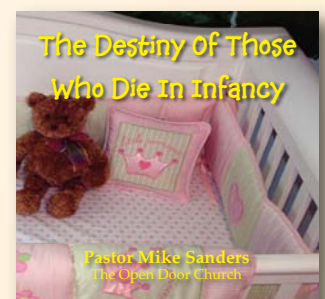
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