



WOMEN'S MINISTRY *newsletter*



A Better Citizenship

Our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ (Philippians 3:20).

I'm not a soccer fan. I don't understand the nuances of the game, and it's not a sport I'll choose to watch—except during the Olympics and the World Cup. As long as the United States team is in the tournament, I'll keep track of how they're doing and turn on their matches if I have a chance. Soccer isn't my sport, but I'm loyal to the US team as an American citizen.

The apostle Paul wouldn't have found anything wrong with this loyalty. After all, he was a Roman citizen by birth, and he utilized the benefits of this citizenship on at least two occasions (Acts 22:25-29 and 25:10-11). But Paul also knew the benefits of a better citizenship, a heavenly one—and we share those same benefits.

One day, our country's division and strife will be replaced by a life of perfect unity with all believers of all time. Our flawed political leaders will be replaced by the perfect Lamb who was slain but now reigns. Our unease about laws and court rulings will be replaced by the certainty of heaven, where we will worship our God in unending peace and joy. We look forward to the day when our faith turns to sight and we see the promised heavenly country with our own eyes.

But what about now? What about our lives today? Yes, our heavenly citizenship is sure. But we are still citizens of this sin-filled world, and we are called to live in ways that honor our heavenly citizenship. The specifics of this will look different for each of us as we live out our daily vocations. There are, however, some common threads.

Pray for the leaders of our country, especially asking for wisdom. Submit to their authority as long as it is not in conflict with God's commands. Fulfill your civic responsibility by participating in the political process as you are willing and able. And, most importantly, tell those around you about the Savior you eagerly await so that they, too, might one day trade their earthly citizenship for a citizenship in heaven.

I'm not a soccer fan. But it's exciting to talk with others about how well the US team is doing, especially after a particularly good match. May we all share that same sense of excitement in talking with others about a citizenship that offers more benefits than any national allegiance: our heavenly citizenship as daughters of the King.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank you for making us citizens of your heavenly kingdom. While we eagerly await the day when we will reap the full benefits of this heavenly citizenship, lead us to be good citizens of our earthly country as well. Give our leaders wisdom to carry out their responsibilities and remind us to always keep them in our prayers. Amen.

Written by Kristi Meyer

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Recent webinar



On June 11, 2026, WELS Women's Ministry hosted the webinar "Sacred Rhythms: Building a Life of Daily Devotion."

Have you ever felt guilt when it comes to studying God's Word? Maybe you don't know where or how to start, maybe it's the busyness of life. Maybe you aren't understanding the words you read. Whatever it is, you are not alone.

Our panelists, Laura Falck, Jenn Mueller, Lou Ann Mokwa, and Moira Schulz shared some great insights on how spending time in God's Word can look different for everyone but making the most of whatever time we have with the Lord is key. Jenn said it best, "Make time for a devotion to have life quiet down; nothing gives the peace that devotional life does." They reminded us that, regardless of the time or resources we invest in studying his Word, knowing what God says will help us fight temptation, discern truth from lies, and be built up in the Holy Spirit. It truly is time well spent. God promises it will be!

This sacred rhythm is time well spent. Let's build a life of daily devotion!

If you missed the live Zoom, or want to watch it again, click the link below to watch the recording!

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