



Blessed is
the nation
whose God
is the LORD.

Psalm 33:12

From the office of the Director,

Let me start off by saying Happy Fourth of July to everyone, another year of independence. We have a lot of fun activities plan for this month, please stop by the office and pick up your summer calendar. Thanks to everyone for making our graduation a huge success, we will miss our graduates; continue to pray that they will do great things where ever they go. Also continue to pray for Pastor May and his family that God will continue to

bles and keep them and also for Emmanuel that God will continue to bless us.

Standing Firmly in Freedom-Galatians 5:1, 13-25

On this Independence Day, we remember and give thanks for all of the freedoms we enjoy as a nation, including the freedom to gather for worship on a regular basis without threat to our lives or well-being. Christian freedom means also to refrain from the sin that would enslave us, which is not nearly as easy as it sounds. Satan never leaves us alone; temptations to indulge our sinful natures are everywhere we turn, often causing us to stumble and fall even before we know it. Christian freedom entails prayerful, careful responsibility to make God-pleasing choices, and they are not always clear cut. God does not and will not treat us as spiritual toddlers but as the spiritual adults we claim to be, and He holds us accountable for any and all actions and attitudes, including careless or callous words or deeds that enslave us or that hurt someone else. Christian freedom finds its source in the forgiving, enabling, empowering love and grace of Jesus Christ, whose life-giving death on the cross

and power-filled resurrecting has set us free from sin's curse and death's finality.

Prayer

Lord, fill me with the Spirit to guard me from anything that would draw me from you. Amen

Note from the Board of Directors: Please remember in your prayers the family of our Director. She recently suffered the loss for her infant twin grandchildren. We wish to lift the family up in our thoughts during this difficult town.