The Ministry of Women’s Visitation:  
Its Joys and Challenges  

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**What is visiting?**

The Dictionary definition states it is “to go to see, to comfort or help; to pay a call as an act of friendship or courtesy.”

The Bible uses “visit” in the Old Testament often to describe God coming to see His people.  
Ps. 106:4 Remember me, O Lord, in Your favor toward Your people, visit me with your salvation.

In the New Testament “visit” is used only a few times and then it is often used to describe relationships.

Acts 7:23 Moses approaching the age of forty it entered his mind to visit his brethren, the sons of Israel.

Acts 15:14 Simeon has related how God first concerned Himself about taking from among the Gentiles a people for His Name.

Acts 15:36 After some days Paul said to Barnabas, “Let us return and visit the brethren in every city in which we proclaimed the Word of the Lord and see how they are doing.”

James 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world,

Matt 25: a....b, 45 “I was a stranger... and you did not visit me. Then He will answer them, Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.”

**Why is visiting important?**

Following God’s example of visiting His people

We are Christ’s representatives on earth.

Means of developing and strengthening relationships

It is a way of serving the church and being a part of its ministry.
What roadblocks keep us from visiting women?

No time for visitation

Deficient in courage and speech

Lack of opportunities ...Don’t know who to visit

Other ministries you would rather do

The “How” – practical aspects for visiting women

First of all, the need for prayer....
  Ask God to guide you on who needs to hear from you or have a visit.
  Be a willing servant
  Request what you need to visit, time, courage, self discipline, clarity
  Help to develop an awareness, sensitivity and discernment in your visit.

Be prepare for emergency visits; due to an accident, sudden sickness or death

Commit a certain time (appointment) to visits

Take a verse or book or sermon CD (bulletin) to share (make it a God centered visit)

Show your compassion and care for what she is dealing with by listening to her

Be open to her sharing but not to gossip

Partner with a friend if you think there might be problems in visiting someone.

Before you leave the visit ask if you can pray with her and/or if she has any prayer requests.

Do not over stay your visit..look for signs that it is time to leave

Show hospitality by inviting women over

Call if you do not have time to visit or send a note or card

Keep record of your visits...include
  • Name, address, phone number and e-mail address
  • Information on their family
  • Likes and dislikes
  • Date of visit and a brief summary of it
What are possible questions you could ask on your visits to women?

When and how were you saved? Do you have any favorite Bible verses?

What is a favorite memory from the past? What are you looking forward to in the future?

Where did you spend your childhood? How long have you lived in this area?

Do you have any hobbies or like any sports?