

Be Alert

We are entering week #4 of the *Come as You Are* crusade. Let me know if you would like to share with the church an experience you recently had regarding inviting family members, friends or neighbors. We all need words of encouragement from time to time.

Be alert. God brings people in our paths that need him. We recently studied in our Sunday school class about the lame man in Acts 3:1-20 that Peter and John healed in Jesus name. We learned that Peter and John did this in Jesus name and thus there is power in Jesus name. This story or event is a metaphor for those who have never entered God's presence to encounter and worship him. They are just outside this beautiful door looking in. Some of us at one time or another were on the outside looking in, just longing to see and know God as others did. This lesson has left me asking myself who is this person or persons that God wants me to invite in and that *Come as You* are is no coincidence.

At the end of the lesson there were 7 pondering questions. I would like to share only two of these with you. The first one asks, what kinds of things prevent people from entering our church where they could meet or worship God and what things make it almost impossible for them to enter and worship with us? The second questions asks, do you pass someone on the way to church who needs to be encouraged, introduced to Jesus, prayed with, and brought to church?

Carlos

VALENTINE BANQUET SUNDAY JANUARY 11

After the morning service we will meet in the
Fellowship Hall. Rose is accepting donations

For the nacho and ice cream bar.

Everyone is invited to come eat and join in the fun! We will be playing board games after we eat.

We love because He first loved us.