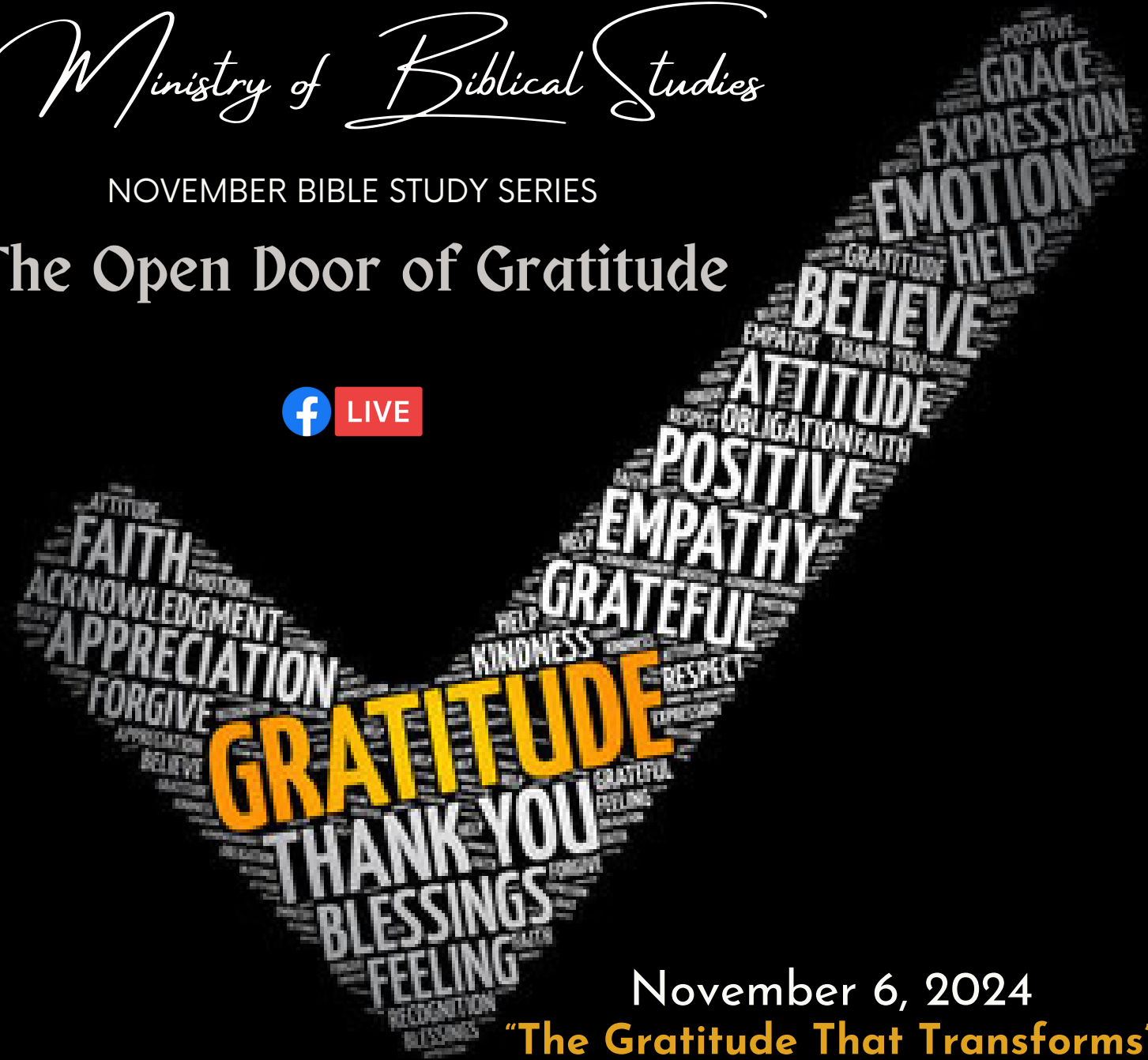




# Ministry of Biblical Studies

NOVEMBER BIBLE STUDY SERIES

## The Open Door of Gratitude



November 6, 2024

**"The Gratitude That Transforms"**

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**Welcome to the Metropolitan Community Church**  
**Ministry of Biblical Study Classes**  
November 6, 2024

**“The Gratitude That Transforms”**  
11:00am - 11:45am

**Key Scripture**

**Luke 17:11-19** – Reflect on the story of the ten lepers and the one who returned to give thanks.

**Class Discussion: Observing Gratitude in Scripture**

Discussion Questions:

1. What stands out to you about the response of the one leper who returned to thank Jesus?
2. How do you think his gratitude transformed his relationship with God compared to the others?
3. Why do you think the other nine did not return to express their gratitude? What does this teach us about human nature and gratitude?

**Reflection: The Power of Gratitude**

Discuss how gratitude opens the door for transformation:

- Gratitude helps us recognize God’s work in our lives.
- It deepens our faith and invites more blessings.
- Gratitude shifts our focus from what is lacking to what we have received.
- Share a personal or biblical example where gratitude led to a life-changing transformation.

## **Application: Living a Life of Gratitude**

- Activity: Reflect and share a time when expressing gratitude brought a transformation in your life (spiritually, emotionally, or relationally).
- Challenge: Write down one specific way you will practice gratitude in the coming week.

## **Prayer and Closing**

- Pray for your heart to be filled with gratitude and for lives to be transformed by it.
- Reflect on the week's lesson and how you can embody gratitude in your daily life.

## **Reflection for the Week:**

- Daily Gratitude Practice: Keep a gratitude journal throughout the week, noting at least one thing you are thankful for each day and how that gratitude influences your actions or thoughts.

