

Sugar, Candy and all things Sweet...



A great program to do around Valentine's Day, but anytime is good for some extra sweetness!

Invitations: Invite women to come and indulge in candy and chocolate, but more importantly friendship and God. Attach a business card size invitation with details about the evening to a chocolate or candy for promotion of your event.

Decorations: Set tables using pink tablecloths and slim vases with candy for centerpieces (Smarties in red and pink would be great for this). Spread Sweet Tarts with words on the table to be used as conversation starters among the ladies.

Set up a candy buffet which can be the focal point of the room and main decoration. Use a variety of glass jars and bowls filled with candy, chocolates, etc. Display cake pops or cupcakes on pedestal cake stand or cupcake stand. Have mini chocolate bars placed on cookie trays. Remember to have some sugar free candy and chocolate for diabetics and others who are unable to eat the other items.

Demonstration: Invite a local baker or if there is a cupcake store near by invite them to come and do a cupcake demonstration. Maybe some of your women are cake decorators and would be willing to do a demonstration. If a guest is not possible set up area with necessary supplies for ladies to decorate their own cupcakes.

Games: Guess the number of candy in a jar.

Place lollipops in a styrofoam ball but put a mark on the end of several sticks. The ladies who pick the ones that are marked win a prize.

Have several Candyland games available for the women to play. This provides a great opportunity for conversation, relationship building and lots of fun and laughter.

Devotion: Sweet examples of Christ

Don't you just love candy and chocolate and all things sweet! I love walking into a candy store, the sweet smell just beckons your taste buds. Usually while traveling if we see a candy store we just have to stop. Somehow we can spot them even a fair distance away! Then I am tempted to try each one. I hope that you have enjoyed the sweet buffet of candy this evening.

I also love sweet smelling perfumes, I especially love going into Bath & Body Works Store and enjoying the many scents and smells that permeate the store. Then choosing my favorite scent to purchase, although I think my favorite will always be Sweet Pea.

There are other things as well that bring a sweet smell to a room, delicious scented candles, the smell of cookies or a cake baking, etc.

2 Corinthians 2:14-15 says, "But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him in every place. For we are a fragrance of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing;"

These verses talk about being the sweet fragrance of Christ to both the saved and unsaved. God desires us to be sweet examples of Christ by radiating His beauty and love in order to bring others into the knowledge of who Jesus is and what He has done for us. People should know by the words we speak and the things we do that we love Christ. This is the sweet perfume that Christ desires we spread to those all around.

Just as candy and perfume send off a sweet aroma, I pray our lives will send off a pleasing aroma of Christ so we can be used to spread His amazing love and Gospel.

Songs: Jesus is the sweetest name I know

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place