



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Crossroads is, once again, participating in Operation Christmas Child. We encourage each and every family to be involved! Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations worldwide through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God's love. More information on this ministry is available

in the lobby or on their website www.samaritanspurse.org/occ. This is a great activity for small groups and families to do together. If you are unable to pack a shoebox but still wish to support this ministry, you may contribute \$7 or more for the cost of shipping the shoeboxes. Collection dates will be Wednesdays and Sundays, November 9–20.

MARRIAGE RETREAT

North Clinton Church is partnering with Crossroads for a February 2017 marriage retreat. The retreat will focus on honoring one another as husband and wife. The Bible says to, "Honor one another above yourselves." Through the gospel of Jesus Christ, honoring one another is not only possible but leads to a delightful marriage that also honors God. So in addition to the fun activity, great food and beautiful location, the marriage enrichment team, led by Pastor Matt and Lanita Boyers, will teach and testify about how to honor one another in your speech, thought life, touch, attention, rest and time. The retreat will be hosted at Maumee Bay State Park lodge, Friday, February 10-11. Cost is \$185.00 per couple. Financial assistance is available. Call the office for more details and to sign up.

TRUNK OR TREAT THANK YOU

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Trunk or Treat event! We had 31 tables, over 70 volunteers, and gave out over 20,000 pieces of candy throughout the night!

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Our annual Thanksgiving Communion service will be on Wednesday, November 23, 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. We hope to see you and your family there!

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Bring your family or small group Sunday, November 27th after services to help set up Christmas trees and other decorations for the Christmas season! Lunch will be provided. Contact the church office if you plan to help so we know how to plan for lunch.

WEDNESDAYS FOR ADULTS

Each week from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., men and women meet with Jesus through Scriptural engagement and invite the Holy Spirit to convict, transform, and grow them in Christlikeness.

Men (ManUp): Way of Life Room Women (Step by Step): Dining Room

SERVANT TEAM OF THE MONTH

"All of you together are Christ's body, and each one of you is a separate and necessary part of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27 NLT).

WEDNSDAY NIGHT NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

These unsung heroes take great care of our young children each Wednesday night while their parents serve and attend various ministries. We are thankful for the time and energy they give to keep these children safe in a fun environment. Be sure to thank these nursery volunteers! If you are interested in serving in this ministry, even once a month, contact Katie Bronson in the office at kbronson@crossroadswauseon.org



NOVEMBER LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

Featured Author: MAX LUCADO

A gifted minister and bestselling author for more than twenty years, Max Lucado has served as an associate minister in Miami, as well as a missionary church planter in Brazil. He currently serves as Minister of Writing and Preaching at Oak Hills church in San Antonio, Texas. Check out the church library and choose from several books authored by Max Lucado, including the ones below.

BOOKS FOR ADULTS

Because of Bethlehem: Love is Born, Hope is Here Facing Your Giants: God Still Does The Impossible Fearless: Imagine Your Life Without Fear Come Thirsty: No Heart Too Dry For His Touch

HIGH SCHOOL

You Were Made To Make a Difference

KIDS BOOKS

Just In Case You Ever Wondered A Hat for Ivan

DVDS

Milo: The Mantis Who Wouldn't Pray (Prayer) Flo: The Lyin' Fly (Truthful) Hailey & Bailey's Silly Fight (Getting Along) To Share or NUT to Share (Sharing) Buzby and the Grumble Bees (Behaving) "Behaving is Best" (Pleasing God) "I Won't Be Afraid" (God is Always With Me)

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is an option made available for those who wish to do their regular giving electronically. You can sign up online at crossroadswauseon.org by clicking "Resources" and then "Give". Create a personal log-in and you're ready to give!

TAX-DEDUCTIBLE GIVING

If you wish to have the church track your giving throughout the year and issue you a receipt in January for tax purposes, please use our designated envelope system. If you do not currently have an envelope number assigned to you but would like to start using this system, contact the church office and we will get a packet for you. This is acceptable to the IRS and is a great way to keep track of your giving to the church.

Fund Designations – On your offering envelope, funds can be designated to the General fund, Wauseon or Napoleon Building fund, Vehicle fund, Samaritan fund, Ladies Aid or Short Term Missions. Any other designations will be put into the General fund.

HARVEST OFFERING

This year's Harvest Offering will be received beginning Sunday morning, November 20th, through Sunday morning, November 27th. Let us participate in God's abundance as we overflow with generosity in giving to the Harvest Offering.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

PARENT AID NEWSLETTER

Parenting teenagers is hard work! If you are looking for ways to talk to your teenager about the "hard stuff" check out our Parent Aid newsletter. Matt Strader gives parents resources and practical tips on how to combat outside influences with biblical parenting when talking with your teenager. Visit www.crossroads-students.com to sign up for the newsletter.

JR HIGH ICE CAMP

Our junior high students will head to Miracle Camp for Ice Camp January 6-8, 2017 The cost for Ice Camp is \$110 (financial assistance is available). Crossroads Medical Release forms AND Miracle Camp Medical Release forms are required to participate and are available on our website. Don't risk missing out on this weekend!

SR HIGH ICE CAMP

Senior High Ice Camp will be February 3-5, 2017. More details will be available next month. Contact Matt Strader if you are interested in participating. Financial assistance is available.

THANK YOU'S

Thanks so much for your love and support during the lost of Doug's dad. He was truly a christian man who loved all. He will be greatly missed, however we know God has kept his promise to a faithful follower.

- Doug and Candy Eicher

Thank you, church, for your prayers and comforting words as we grieve my mother's recent passing. We are so grateful for each of you and blessed to have a community of believers who rally around and support us the way that you do. We are blessed by you and thankful for you!

- Cathie, Tyler, Cylas, and Bowen Quillet

COMMUNITY EVENTS & NEEDS

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Kim Helmke and her family have partnered with Habitat for Humanity to build their new home! If you would like to help the Helmke family there are many ways you can volunteer. Individuals or groups are welcome to work a full day or part day 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. Each day needs a greeter and meals donated to help feed the volunteers. Work days are listed below. Contact Greg Perkins 270-748-5650, to sign up.

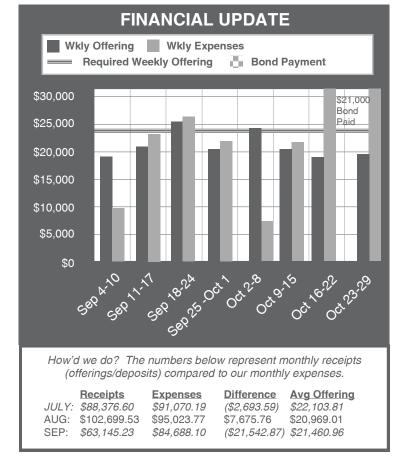
- * Friday, November 4th
- * Saturday, November 5th
- * Sunday, November 7th

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGERS

The Wauseon unit of the Salvation Army will hold their annual "Bell Ringing" campaign on Fridays and Saturdays beginning November 11th until Christmas. To sign up to be a bell ringer, contact Vernon Oyer at 419-335-3447.

BLOOD DRIVE

The red Cross is in urgent need of blood donors. Due to Hurricane Matthew over 1,200 Blood Drives were lost. North Clinton Church will be co-hosting a Blood Drive at the First Baptist Church (845 South Shoop Ave., Wauseon), on Thursday, November 10, 12:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment call 1-800-RED-CROSS, or Roselyn at 419-335-9245.



CHILDHOOD RESOURCE TRAINING

The Northwest Ohio ESC will be hosting a Resource Fair/Networking Session on Thursday, November 10, 11:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m. This is open to anyone serving children ages 0-5 and or their families in the Four County region. You will hear presentations from six different agencies, including WIC, NOCAC, Job and Family Services and many more. Here you will also have the opportunity to give a two to three minute presentation about your own agency or organization. To register for this event

*Any submissions for the December *Link* should be turned into the office by <u>Weds, Nov 23, 2016.</u>

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

1 **Tiffany Flory** Isaac Uribes 2 Alexys Carteaux Sarah DoMoe Angi Stutzman Levi Tester 3 Ashley Galliers 4 Nedra Kuntz Yesenia Hatt Ivan Wheeler Jarred Zeigler 5 Todd Pennington RoseAnn Rittenhouse Carson Upperco 6 Asher Cook Melanie Yoder

Ishai Mosier Abigail Wilson 7 **Brice Behnfeldt** Reed Behnfeldt Chloe Robertson Jamison Waidelich Kacie Wanemacher 8 Rob Fricke Jim Holman Laura Rodriguez Esty Shaw 9 Lori Myers 10 **Diane Martenies** Camryn O'Neill Nathan Rettig Diane Saffell **Jacob Stevens**

Aaron Stewart **Brian Wooley** 12 Jared Oyer 14 **Bailey Hardy Brooke Hardy** 15 Jan Boyers Jocelynne Fisher 16 Esther Over 17 Melissa Barland Addison Fisher Nicolas Kearney 18 Gavin Fisher 19 Chaeli Deck

20 Kenton Thatcher 21 **Taylor Yackee** 22 Jamie Beck Skylar Buck Logan Frey **Brodee Harrison** 23 Kylerr Bronson Carol Creque Carys Grime Ron Savage 24 Justin Deck Matt Tester Mason Yoder 25 Noah Nagel Megan Stevens

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Ava Kile Kavlvnn Martin 27 Ed Durbin Lindsev Kile **Robin Nofziger** 28 Madison Beck Jamie Sutton Jackie Yackee 29 Garry Mosier 30 Amy Keckley John Nafziger James Oyer Sharon Riegsecker

ANNIVERSARIES

^ 25 - 49 years * 50 years <u>or MORE</u>

Nov 5 Lonnie & Linda Snyder Greg & Renee Quillet^ Nov 8 Nov 13 Garry & Eron Mosier Nov 16 **Revie & Megan Stevens** Nov 17 Jim & Wanda Knox* Ivan & Maxine Hite^ Nov 19 Nov 24 Robert & Marcee Brazier^ Rob & Kelly Jagodzinski^ Nov 25 James & Ruthann Oyer Chuck & Jane Murry Nov 27 Nov 28 David & B.J. Hamilton^ Nov 30 Matt & Heather Tester

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~If your anniversary is not listed or is incorrect, please contact the church office for corrections.

**Elder Board and Management Team members are listed on the website.

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