JANUARY 2017

connecting the people & ministries of crossroads

WAY OF LIFE CLASS

Beginning the journey of discovering and growing to maturity and mission in Christ

Our desire is that every person who calls Crossroads home would be committed to growing personally in Jesus, connecting relationally with other believers in this local body, and living the mission of Jesus here, there, and everywhere. If you are ready to commit to live out this covenant, or would like to learn more about this way of life, we would invite you to participate in the Way of Life class. Classes will be held Sundays, January 22 - February 12, during the Connecting Community hour (9:30-10:30 a.m.). This class will give an overview of the gospel way of life, equip you with tools to grow personally, help you connect relationally with others in Crossroads, and discern your "shape" for ministry and mission.

**Pre-register as soon as possible by calling the office or going to crossroadswauseon.org. Click on the "about" tab, the "Way of Life" tab, and follow the instructions there.

SCHOOL OF WORSHIP

The Crossroads School of Worship is a place for people of all ages to grow in their abilities and gifts for worship. If you are completely new to an instrument or want to sharpen your skills, we have a wide range of curriculum to help you get to that next step. Lessons involve a variety of instruments and skills including worship leading and technology. Enrollment is open and currently accepting new students! The deadline for securing a lesson slot is January 15th. Spaces are limited so hurry while we still have lessons available! For questions or to register, contact Blake Cooper at blakecrossroads@gmail.com

COLLEGE VALENTINE'S GIFT

In the dreary winter month of February, to help remind our college students away from their home church of Christ's love for them at Valentine's Day, \$20.00 gift cards are being collected to send to students.

How can you help? Bring in a \$20.00 gift card - either Visa, Master Card, Walmart, Meijer's or to a chain restaurant. College students will receive this "treat" from their church family. There will be a box in the church office to place your gift card. Also, there will be a table in the lobby January 22 and 29th to drop off gift cards.

Parents of college students: Please provide your students college address to Katie Bronson in the church office. Addresses must be received by February 1 to be able to bless your student with a gift from their Crossroads family.

CROWN FINANCIAL GROUP

This 10 week Bible Study teaches couples and individuals how to honor God through the stewardship of their personal finances. If you are interested you will want to check out the preview night on Wednesday, January 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

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).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Each Wednesday evening, our team of nursery volunteers cares for and loves on our many little ones around Crossroads. These individuals rock babies, change diapers, read books and do an incredible job! We are incredibly blessed to have this team and the parents of Crossroads thank you for serving in this way! If you have a desire to serve in this area, please contact Katie Bronson to see how you can help. Thank you to all who serve and thank you to those who prayerfully consider the opportunity to serve!



Featured Author: TIM KELLER

Timothy Keller is the founding pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York City, and the author of numerous bestselling books, including *The Reason for God, The Meaning of Marriage* and *The Prodigal God.* Check out the featured selection in our church library.

"Prayer: Experiencing Awe and Intimacy with God"

"Walking With God: Through Pain and Suffering"

"Generous Justice: How God's Grace Makes Us Just"

"The Freedom of Self Forgetfulness"

"The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith"

"Counterfeit Gods: The Empty Promises of Money, Sex, and Power and the Only Hope that Matters"

MAN CAMP

Men, it's time to reserve your spot for a great weekend at Miracle Camp. Crossroads' men plan to attend Man Camp March 17-19, 2017. Register directly at www.miraclecamp.com and list "Crossroads" as your roommate option. Spots are limited, so register early! Financial assistance is available by calling the office.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Mark your calendar for this year's Women's Retreat, April 21-23, 2017. This women's conference is full of workshops, indoor and outdoor activities, and relaxing massages. There is great Bible teaching, passionate worship, and opportunities for you to connect with other women. Register directly at www.miraclecamp.com and list "Crossroads" as your roommate option. Spots are limited, so register early! Financial assistance is available by calling the office.

RIGHT NOW MEDIA

Crossroads has partnered with Right Now Media, an online streaming service that provides video content to help you in your walk with Christ. Francis Chan and John Piper are a few of the speakers that teach on the many subjects Right Now Media covers. This is a great way to resource your alone time with Christ or dive into a series with your small group!

How to Sign up

You will receive an email invitation from <code>media@rightnow.org</code> . If you do not want to sign up, simply delete the email. If you didn't receive an email and would like one, please contact Katie Bronson in the office.

Creating a Login

- 1. The body of the email will contain a large button labeled "get started". Click that button.
- 2. Follow the instructions to set up a profile and

- provide the information requested. **You do not need to choose any ministry interests. If you do, those will be used to alert you of new videos that are posted that mat be of interest to you.
- 3. Click "Submit".

CHILDREN & YOUTH

SR HIGH DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TRIP

The dates for our next Senior High D.R. trip are set for June 24–July 1, 2017. The cost of this trip will be approximately \$1,400. There is an informational meeting on January 29, 2017. Contact Matt Strader if you are interested in participating.

SR HIGH ICE CAMP

Senior High Ice Camp will be February 3-5, 2017. The cost of Ice Camp is \$115 (financial assistance is available). The deadline for camp is January 15. Contact Matt Strader with any questions.

UPCOMING CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

Roller Skating - February 1; 6:30-8 p.m.

Kids grades K-5 will meet at the Wauseon Rollercade for our annual skate night. Cost is \$4 per person and children need to be dropped off at the Rollercade and picked up by 8:15 p.m.

Derby Night - March 1; 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Kids grades K-5th will begin painting their derby cars in February for the races on March 2nd. Registration will begin in the gym at 6:00 p.m. with races beginning at 6:30 p.m. A suggested donation of \$5 per child is appreciated to cover the costs of the cars.

BREAKING THE BANK

February 15 is "Breaking the Banks" for Ashley Freytag as a love offering for her ministry with the Yalunka people. Children are encouraged to keep filling their banks and turn them into their Wednesday night teachers.

COMMUNITY EVENTS & NEEDS

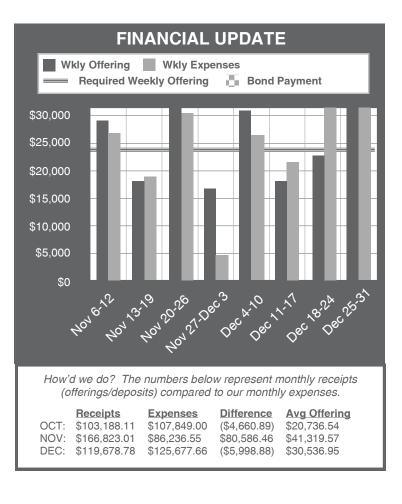
IF CONFERENCE

IF:Gathering is a ladies conference that gathers women together to help equip them to be disciples in their local churches and communities. Archbold Evangelical Church will be hosting this year's IF:Gathering on Friday, February 3rd through Saturday, February 4th. At IF:Gathering 2017, they will look at one of the most influential generations that have ever lived — the early church. The way God moved through them was simple and pure. We believe they are the model we need right now. If you are interested in attending IF: Gathering 2017 check out the website for more details register.ifgathering.com/event/ifarchbold.

WOMEN'S HEALTH RESOURCES

Women's Health Resource is a non-profit Christian social service agency. They provide free assistance for unplanned pregnancies, post abortion trauma, testing for sexually transmitted diseases, and advocating abstinence until marriage through education. Women's Health is in need of donation for their Wauseon location. If you are able to donate please drop items off to 1499 N. Glenwood Ave. Wauseon.

- Blanket sleepers NB-12 months
- Winter clothes 0-18 months
- Onesies
- Socks NB-18 months
- Bath towels
- Washcloths
- Baby wash
- Bottles and bottle brushes
- Diapers size 4 and up



*Any submissions for the FEBUARY *Link* should be turned into the office by <u>Weds Jan 25, 2017.</u>

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Oliver Hamblin David Smith Chris Evans Tyler McCloskey

Jeannie Sluvs Ellen Thompson

Julie Waidelich

Gavin Knierim Kaylyn McDermott Gable Shaw Zorah Siefker Alex Zimmerman Jesse Zimmerman

Charlotte Simon Zoey Simon

Dianne Galbraith Connie Hess

Sam Macklin

Chase Santiago Nathan Wilson

Amanda Flory Emma McCarley Ellie Rodriguez Aubree Stewart

Trey Parsons

Mallory Jones Karen Pennington Martin Shannon Jr Heather Tester

11 Ann Hale Laura Kamp

Tabitha Baird Mike Burkholder Aimon Hill **Evan Stevens**

Dan Hurd

Braylon Parsons

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Justin Baird Shannon Swartz

Stephanie Jagodzinski

Javier Lerma Zion Siefker Barb Zimmerman

Rebecca Hounshell Randy Wills

Tyler O'Neill Pete Rupp

18 Ron Hess Deanne Mull 19

Ayla Figgins

Lois Gerken

Gavin Geria

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Jorge Arce Lauren Yoder

Diana Burkholder Chloe Kina Maddie Richer

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Diane Borton Jamie Deck Paul Murcko Emmalyn Wooley Benson Zimmerman

Barb Hounshell Chloe Ruhnke Jonah Waidelich

Corinne Burkholder Aiden Coulter Daxton DoMoe Marjorie Olmstead Susan Ringler

Pat Gerken Lory Nagel Aaron Rupp

Janice Barden Sue Howard Trish Jones Amv Kreiner Matt Morris Karen Nulph

Lawson Grime Jean Havward Tim Miller

Amanda Stutzman

Tanner Buck Paul Clawson Randy Heldman **Todd Myers Austin Quillet** Joyce Rupp

ANNIVERSARIES

^ 25 - 49 years * 50 years or MORE

Rusty & Lynn Carter Jan 1 Jan 2 Javier & Kim Lerma Roger & Kathy Harmon^ Jan 3 Jan 4 Jack & Alice Simon^ Jan 5 Jim & Karen Moden*

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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.