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# Welcome

**WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!** Thanks for joining us today! We don't want to miss the opportunity of connecting with you. So, whether you are visiting for the first time or are a regular attendee please take a moment to fill out the *Blue Connection Card* in the seat pocket in front of you. Please return it to the seat pocket or leave it on your seat.

If you would like to give toward the ministries of Crossroads Church, please place your gift in one of the Tithes and Offerings Boxes located at each Worship Center exit. Online giving is also available on our website at [www.crossroadsefc.com](http://www.crossroadsefc.com)

**Looking for more information?** If you'd like to learn more about something you heard during Crossroads announcements regarding upcoming events or the ministries at Crossroads, please visit our Welcome Center Kiosk located in the Connection Area or visit our website at [www.crossroadsefc.com](http://www.crossroadsefc.com).

## We wanted you to know that...

- Assisted hearing devices are available during our services at the Welcome Kiosk.
- Binders with printed lyrics are available on the back tables in the Worship Center.
- Once a worship service has begun, we ask that all entering and exiting the Worship Center use the east or west doors (not the center, please).

In order to make our services available online and in other locations, photography and video recordings may take place while you're here at Crossroads. Your presence signifies your consent for Crossroads Church to use your image. Thanks for your cooperation.

## operation christmas child

### It's time to start packing your shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child!

**What is Operation Christmas Child?** The Samaritan's Purse project Operation Christmas Child collects shoebox gifts—filled with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. For many of these children, the gift-filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.

Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project of its kind, has collected and delivered more than 146 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 160 countries and territories.

In 2017, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 12 million children in countries like Peru, the Philippines, Rwanda and Ukraine. Nearly 11.5 million shoebox gifts were collected worldwide in 2016, with more than 9.1 million collected in the U.S.

**Check your bulletin insert or stop at our OCC table today to learn how you can participate!**

## announcements

- **Crossroads Women:** You are invited to a women's self-defense class taught by the martial arts instructors from Plymouth Family Taekwondo. Check out the bulletin insert today for more information.
- **Town Hall Meetings:** The budget season is well under way. Printed budgets, as well as a list of Elder nominees, will be available for you the weekend of October 29<sup>th</sup>. The following week there will be two Town Hall Meetings to address any questions you may have. The first meeting is on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 PM and the second Town Hall Meeting is on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, at 11:15 AM (during third service).
- **Help Fight Hunger:** Please consider helping meet the hunger need in Marshall County by donating food. Check out the display in the Connection Area and pick-up a list of suggested items. Let's do our part to fight hunger!

## road to culver - upcoming key dates

- **October 28<sup>th</sup> – Church On Wheels Training Day (8:00 am-3:00 pm)** – Everyone who is committed to our Culver ministry is encouraged to block out as much time as possible from 8am-3pm for a time of training in our setup and tear down process, maintaining the equipment, as well as technical training. This will be a fun time of team building and equipping that you won't want to miss! Due to the nature of the day, it is encouraged for families to find care for their younger children.
- **October 29<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) – Preview Service @ 6:30 pm** – This preview service will be an opportunity for our Crossroads family to walk through what a typical Saturday evening will be like. We'll set up, fellowship and worship together, then tear down and store everything. This will be a powerful connecting point for all those invested in the Culver ministry; together in one place identifying as Crossroads Culver!
- **November 4<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) – Public Launch @ 6:30 pm!!** – We plan to have an amazing evening of worship as we hold our first public service! Invite your unsaved and unchurched friends and family to join us not only for a worship service, but to a journey of following Jesus alongside others who are following Jesus. **Posters and invite cards are available in the new Connection Area for you to take and help spread the word!**

### PRAY!

- Pray for the unchurched and those who don't know Jesus in and around the Culver community. Pray they will hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus.
- Pray for our Culver Community Groups and others in preparation for the launch and as they continue to share the love of Jesus with those in the community.
- Pray for ongoing good relationship with the Culver school administration. We are very thankful for their hospitable spirit toward us using the school facility.