



*Love, Connect and Serve on the Journey with Christ*

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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 *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.
- 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).
- Misplaced something? If so, please check the Welcome Kiosk for lost & found items.

In order to make our services available online as well as in other locations, and for marketing purposes, 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. Thank you for your cooperation.

## marriage moment

We are exploring five walls we build in our marriages. Last month we discussed the **Wall of Avoidance**. The second wall we erect in our marriages is the **Wall of Invalidation**.

"Invalidation is choosing not to say something positive when a person has a perfect opportunity to do so. It can also be saying something negative instead of focusing on the positive."

"Invalidation is especially damaging in marriage because it minimizes the good in the relationship and instead focuses on what's lacking."

Learning to lay aside the human tendency to criticize, recognizing the positive, and speaking words of genuine encouragement brings down the **Wall of Invalidation**. (This works in other relationships as well!)

(Quotes taken from "The Walls in Your Marriage," by Debra Fileta, Focus on the Family magazine.)

## announcements

- Praising the Lord is always an exciting time. Prayer praise is always a joy to our Lord. On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, we had a great opportunity to pray together at a **church-wide monthly prayer time**. God loves corporate prayer and God answers corporate prayer. Mark your calendar for the next prayer time on Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 am—7:15 am. We'll meet in the Worship Center. God will be honored and you will be blessed by this special time!
- **Kids at Jefferson Elementary Need You!** - Do you have one hour a week to change one child's life forever? Kids Hope USA is a national ministry that matches one local school with one local congregation to provide trained adult mentors to spend one hour a week with at-risk children. Crossroads Plymouth partners with Jefferson Elementary to make a difference in children's lives. Mentors spend one-on-one time over the lunch and recess hour with students in need of loving, caring adults in their lives. The agenda is simple: show up, listen and love, have fun! A three hour training here at Crossroads will equip you to maximize the hour you spend with your student and answer all your questions. For more information, stop by the Kids Hope kiosk in the foyer today or call Sara Spasic at (574) 952-3255.
- **July is a month of expressing appreciation by providing some time for renewal.** Both our Children's Ministry and our Worship Team will look a little different this month as our staff seek to give rest to those who serve so faithfully on a regular basis. Many of you are jumping in to show appreciation by helping with our Children's Ministry! Thank you! **There are still opportunities to help out throughout the month of July so please prayerfully consider blessing our ministry staff and children.**
- **If it's been a while since you have updated your Crossroads Connecting Online (CCO) picture,** please take five minutes to log in and do that! If you're not currently using CCO, then we'd encourage you to create an account. Simply mark "Crossroads Connecting Online" on your Connection Card this morning.

## LOVE WEEK INFO!

- **Love Week 2019 has been fantastic!** Serving together has not only met needs and been a blessing to those whom we have served, but it has also been a blessing to us! Once again, some are asking how they can stay involved with the partner organization throughout the year. Others have made new friendships in our Crossroads family. Gospel conversations have been shared. Praise the Lord! There is still one project which is this afternoon!
- **Pray for Love Week gospel conversations!!** There are **Knowing God Personally** booklets available for you to take and have on hand when you have that opportunity to share the story of Jesus specifically with someone.
- **We're joining with other local churches to assist David's Courage in outfitting the 23 resident rooms** that are in their facility. It cost \$1,000 to outfit one room which houses two residents. We've pledged to outfit four rooms. In the coming years, that means several residents will be able to receive Christ centered addiction recovery assistance to transform their lives! You can still give a donation this morning to help make this happen. Please be sure to specifically designate it for "David's Courage" in the memo section of a check or on the envelope of a cash gift.
- **Love Week In Pictures** - We'd love to see some pictures of you serving during Love Week! If you have some group shots that you'd like to share, please e-mail those to Michal Joy at [mfalk@crossroads-efc.org](mailto:mfalk@crossroads-efc.org) on or before Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.