



SOMETHING TO GIVE

A Study of Ephesians

Love, Connect and Serve on the Journey with Christ

connect with us...

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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. You may return it to the seat pocket or place it in the box on the back table.

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.

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.

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).

Marriage Moment

In an article from *Business Insider* entitled, "Science Says Lasting Relationships Come Down to 2 Basic Traits," Emily Esfahani Smith shares regarding the great value of kindness and generosity. "Kindness...glues couples together. Research...has shown that kindness (along with emotional stability) is the most important predictor of satisfaction and stability in a marriage." Also, she goes on to comment, "...there's a great deal of evidence showing the more someone receives or witnesses kindness, the more they will be kind themselves, which leads to upward spirals of love and generosity in a relationship."

Even scientific evidence supports the reality that doing things God's way, treating others the way we want to be treated, reaps great reward. Let's intentionally practice kindness in our marriage relationships. "And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works." Hebrews 10:24

announcements

- Crossroads is having a **baptism celebration** on July 17th at 2:00 pm at the LifePlex pool. If you feel God is prompting you to pursue this step in your Christian walk, please mark your connection card and details will be mailed to you.
- **The Crossroads Missions Team** is announcing that our next mission trip to Haiti is now scheduled for the week of January 28 – February 4, 2017. This team will minister primarily at the medical clinic in Pillatre, Haiti in cooperation with Haitian Christian Ministries. Applications are available at the information kiosk in the lobby. For more information on this trip, contact Joel Schumacher or Pastor Collin.
- **Calling all who would like to pray!** Faith Community Nursing is sponsoring "Prayers for Strength and Refreshment" – a time of coming together with others to pray.....a time of praise, sharing and studying Scripture; a time to meet with others to PRAY BOLDLY for ourselves and others. Come join us the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, here at Crossroads in Room 104.
- We are in the **final 5 months of our Here We Grow campaign**. Thank you to everyone who has given over the past two and a half years!! It's important that everyone prayerfully consider what you can give toward this very important step in providing a more adequate facility to meet our ministry needs! We'll have two **special offering Sundays on July 31 and September 25** to help us reach our goal. For those newer to our church family (or those who would like a reminder), we'd love to catch you up to speed on what we're doing and why. There will be a **Town Hall type meeting at 9:45am next Sunday, July 17, in room 106**. Members from our Elder Team, Design Build Team and Here We Grow Team will be present to share information with you as well as answer any questions you may have. Plan to join us in this exciting step of our ministry growth. With willing and generous participation we anticipate the ability to break ground yet this year before the winter months set in! Please don't forget that a separate check will need to be prepared with "Here We Grow" written in the memo area as this is a separate banking account. Give as God lays on your heart, no gift is too small or too large; we simply would love to have 100% participation.