



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 *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.

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).

culver ministry gathering

We're excited to let you know that our next Culver Ministry Gathering will be on Saturday, July 29th beginning at 6:30 pm. It will be held at the Culver Junior High gymnasium.

This is a time for our church family to gather together in Culver to enjoy some great worship and connect with others at Crossroads who are interested in being a part of our Culver Ministry location. Everyone is welcome!

One Church In Two Locations!

announcements

- **Kids Hope Mentors Needed!** Do you have just one hour a week you could show up over the lunch hour and make a difference in the life of an elementary student? Kids Hope is recruiting adult mentors to form a one-to-one caring relationship with a needy student at Jefferson Elementary during the 2017 - 2018 school year. A three hour training will be provided to prepare you to engage with your student in meaningful ways. Sign up at the Kids Hope table today or respond on your blue Connection Card. Call Sara Spasic at (574) 935-3255 for additional information.
- **Did You Know...**there is a lost and found located in the Connection Area? If you've misplaced something then this would be a great place to look. The Lost and Found table is located next to the drinking fountain.
- **Serve Opportunities** - As we prepare to head in to the fall we'd like to make you aware of a few service opportunities we have at our Plymouth ministry location. Please take a moment to read your Serve Opportunities Insert to learn more.
- **Upcoming Dates You Need To Know About:**
 - August 6th = *It's A New Phase* Back to School Night
 - September 12th = Women's Bible Studies Begin
 - September 16th = Join a Community Group @ GroupLink!
 - October 7th = Crossroads Harvest Party

love week 2017

A big thank you to those that served during one or more of the Love Week 2017 projects! Based on the feedback we've received thus far we were able to impact our community for Jesus!

Speaking of feedback...we'd love to know what you did for Love Week! Enclosed is a **Love Week "Story" Sheet**. Please take some time to share your story with us! Tell us what you did for Love Week. How were you able to impact others? How were you blessed through your contact with those you served? The sharing of stories will help encourage our entire church family!

*You can share your story online! Head to crossroadsefc.com, click on "Share Your Story", complete the online form, click submit and you're all done!

Remember, Love Week isn't just a once a year service event! Our desire is that Love Week would be the catalyst to a life of service for everyone. Let's get in "contact" with our friends, neighbors and community to "impact" their lives for Jesus Christ.

ONE CHURCH....TWO LOCATIONS



Serve Opportunities

As you know, serving is such a crucial part of what we do around Crossroads. You can't be here long without being encouraged to jump in and serve. It's part of our mission statement because we believe it is a powerful piece of making disciples. As we continue the journey as one church in two locations, we want to inform you of some serve opportunities.

Both of these opportunities are for our Plymouth ministry. If you are not serving on a regular basis with one of our ministry teams, we strongly encourage you to jump in and make yourself available.

PLYMOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Journey Junction Community Group Leader: Do you love Jesus, have a good sense of humor, a touch of patience, and lots of kindness? Maybe you enjoy games, maps, and puzzles. Being a Community Group leader in our Journey Junction (1-4th Grades) is a great place to help kids experience God's family and help them learn they can trust God no matter what. Each week you will gather with your group of students to help them understand God's story in a way that engages their senses. There are 2 leaders for each group so grab a friend and jump in! Lessons are planned and all supplies are provided but it is important to spend time each week preparing your heart and mind for Sunday mornings. ***We need 2 people for 1st service and 1 male & female for 2nd service.*

Serve Opportunities continued on the back...

PLYMOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES - continued

WORSHIP TEAM

Are you someone that enjoys pushing buttons? Are you someone that enjoys being behind the scenes serving? Then you might enjoy being hidden in the sound booth working with technical equipment. These positions are vital in that they help transition through various aspects of the service.

Sound Board Engineer: This position paints a picture with audio that isn't distracting, but inviting. (position serves 2 weeks and is off for 4 weeks).

Lyrical Engineer: This person must have a knowledge of computers (both PC and Mac preferred), a knowledge of or at least willingness to learn presentation software (mediashout, proresenter), and an ability to multitask (this position serves 2 weeks and is off for 4 weeks).

FILL THIS OUT!

STEP 1: Please provide your name and contact information so we can contact you about your areas of interest.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Address: _____

STEP 2: Please indicate how you plan to make a difference by marking a ministry service opportunity below. If you're interested in learning more about several different areas then please mark that on this sheet below. Not to worry, you're not committing to anything that you mark at this time. A staff member or a Ministry Team Leader will contact you to answer any questions you have about the areas you've marked.

STEP 3: Once you've completed steps 1 & 2, please place this insert in to one of the Tithes & Offering boxes located in the Worship Center. You may also turn your completed forms in to the church office.

Children's Ministry:

_____ 1st Service: Journey Junction Community Group Leader

_____ 2nd Service: Journey Junction Community Group Leader

Worship Team:

_____ Sound Board Engineer

_____ Lyrical Engineer

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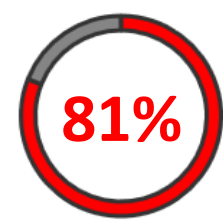
Sometimes what's needed most in life is a friend to show up and just grab your hand." –David Staal, *Show Up*

More Children In Our Community Need You To Show Up By Becoming a Kids Hope USA Mentor Because...

Statistics from *The National Mentoring Partnership* shows the significantly positive impact mentoring has on our youth:



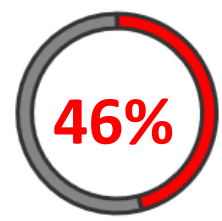
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More likely to enroll in college



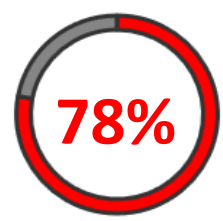
81%
More likely to participate in sports or extracurricular activities



90%
Are interested in becoming a mentor themselves



46%
Less likely to start using illegal drugs



78%
More likely to volunteer



130%
More likely to hold leadership positions

"No matter how hard you try, you cannot make a miracle happen for yourself. But you can put yourself in position to help a miracle happen for someone else." -David Staal, *Show Up*



WHAT IS OUR MISSION?

Form caring and life-changing relationships, one at a time:
One Child. One Hour. One Church. One School.

WHAT IS KIDS HOPE USA?

KIDS HOPE USA churches give hope to children in public elementary schools through a relationship with a caring adult from the partnering church.

H: Helping to meet the emotional, social, and academic needs of at-risk children by giving them a one-to-one relationship with a mentor from our church.

O: Owned by our church. This is our ministry to children and families in our community.

P: Prayer is the foundation for our work. Each adult-child relationship is wrapped in prayer from a behind-the-scenes prayer partner from our church.

E: Elementary school children are our focus. They need mentoring most because they are at that critical time when values are formed, self-esteem is developed and academic skills must be acquired.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

BECOME A MENTOR

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Love children and be sensitive to their needs
- Be ready to listen to a child
- Have your own transportation
- Maintain confidentiality
- Be a member/regular attendee of our church
- Be there for only your child
- Be faithful – one hour each week for one year
- Believe in your child
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Pass a criminal background check

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

KIDS HOPE USA mentors provide one-to-one mentoring for elementary aged children at Jefferson Elementary School. The mentor will develop a loving, caring relationship with their student through conversation, play, and assistance with academic work, using materials provided by the teacher. After each mentoring session, the mentor is required to complete a Daily Progress Report summarizing the session.

TRAINING PROVIDED:

All mentors are fully trained to develop a successful mentoring relationship. Equally important, the KIDS HOPE USA Director will always be available to advise and assist all mentors.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

PLEASE CONTACT: Sara Spasic, 574-935-3255, KIDS HOPE USA DIRECTOR

Kidshopeusa.org



Help support the Crossroads Church/Kids Hope USA Partnership at Plymouth's Jefferson Elementary School!

Project Spotlight is a charitable giving campaign that allows nominated local charities, non-for-profits and community projects to earn funding from Beacon Credit Union. Community members have submitted their local projects and organizations that they feel deserve support. **The voting begins on August 1st in each community to support their favorite organization.** With your help and participation, when **the voting ends at the end of September**, nearly \$20,000 will be donated by BCU, benefiting 33 charitable organizations and projects in NE Indiana! (*\$1,750 split between the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in 11 communities*). **The Crossroads Church/Kids Hope USA partnership with Jefferson Elementary School is one of the nominees for this campaign—but we need you to vote daily** for our project to be one of the top **3** vote getters in **Marshall County!**

Voting Rules: Voting is easy; however, there are a few rules to be aware of:

- You may **vote one time per day**, using your email address to identify you. Email addresses will be verified prior to final vote count.
- You may vote in multiple communities (one time in each community per day).
- Votes will be reviewed for authenticity and fairness. Excessive voting from the same IP address will result in removal of all votes from that IP address.

How to vote: At local BCU branches or online--

1. Enter this link into your computer browser and press "enter"
<https://www.beaconcu.org/project-spotlight1/project-spotlight-nominees-marshall-county/>
2. Review the list on nominees from Marshall County, and at the bottom click the **Cast Your Vote Now** icon.
3. Find the **Crossroads Church/Kids USA** listing, click to 'vote' for our project and click **Submit Vote** at the bottom of the page to finish voting.
4. Set up reminders to vote **again each day for our project thru 9/30!**
5. **Paper ballots are at the Information Kiosk** for you to pick up if you prefer to vote this way and drop them off at Beacon Credit Union on Oak Drive.