



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. 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

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.
- 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 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.

kids hope...

Kids Hope - changing lives ONE child, ONE hour, ONE school year at a time!

Crossroads is an affiliate of Kids Hope USA, a national mentoring organization, pairing local churches with a local school, impacting the lives of at-risk elementary students. We partner with Jefferson Elementary school here in Plymouth by providing trained adult mentors who spend quality time, one hour a week, in a one-on-one relationship with a child in need of a loving, caring adult in their life. Mentors meet during the student's lunch and recess, enjoy conversation, play games, read books, and work on academics, all the while forming a relationship built upon love, acceptance, trust, and care. Stop by the Kids Hope kiosk in the lobby to find out more information on how you can become a Kids Hope mentor and make a difference in the life of ONE child, ONE hour/week, for ONE school year!

announcements

- In consultation with our partner **Haitian Christian Ministries**, our Haiti team prayerfully determined to postpone their trip to Haiti due to ongoing volatile gasoline disputes and a potential nationwide "lack of confidence" vote in their president this weekend. The lack of access to gas would have affected our teams ability to travel within the country and the ongoing unsettled spirit within the country posed a potential danger. Please continue to pray for the leaders of Haiti, peace in the nation and for protection and wisdom for our partners in the Gospel. Our team is hoping to travel to Haiti later this year.

- **Save these two important Next Gen dates!**

August 3 – Next Gen Tailgate. Starts at 6:00 pm. Bring the family and check out the 2018-19 Children and Student Ministry at Crossroads. You'll get to hear from Next Gen ministry leaders, meet your Small Group Leaders, find your new rooms, learn our check in process, and update personal info. If you've got kids or students, plan to attend! This event helps us minister more effectively to your family throughout the year!

August 5 – Move Up Sunday. All kids and students will move up to their new grades, small groups, or ministry environments on August 5th. Keep an eye out for tailgate and move up details in the next few weeks.

- **Get to know Ron & Sheila Tefft!** Ron is our new Children's Ministry Director and we'd love our church family to get to know them better and welcome them to Crossroads! One way you can do that is by signing up to invite them for lunch or dinner, whichever is best suitable for your schedule, during the month of July and August. Sign up for a date through a "needs list" that was created in CCO or by clicking on the link via an e-mail that was sent out this past Tuesday. You can always call the church office as well at 935-3833. Please welcome them warmly and enjoy a time of fellowship. Thank you.

love week 2018 information

We've been able to have a fantastic impact through our Love Week projects and numerous ways you have served others that we don't even know about. May God be praised!

Here are some important points to follow up Love Week.

- 1) If you desire to continue volunteering with a ministry or organization you became familiar with during Love Week or you simply want to explore the possibilities, make sure to look at the bulletin insert this week entitled "**Do More.**" It will give you information you need to contact the various organizations that we partnered with during Love Week. If you're interested in volunteering with one of our ministries, please indicate that on your Connection Card.
- 2) We'll be sending out a church wide **Love Week survey** within the next couple of weeks. Please look for it and take a moment to fill it out.
- 3) We'll be posting some **stories and pictures on our website** soon so we can rejoice together. Thank you for giving of your time and resources! with others!

DO MORE...

Want to do more with one of the organizations we've partnered with during Love Week?

NO CONTACT
LOVE WEEK 2018
NO IMPACT

We've listed information about each organization - a short description of the what they do in our community, the type of services they offer, contact information and ongoing volunteer needs they have.

If you're interested in helping volunteer at one of these organizations, please contact them! We know they'd love to give you more information and have you join them as they serve our community!

Behavioral Health Center is an in-patient facility for children and adults being treated for behavioral health needs. Crossroads currently has four teams comprised of 3-4 people that go to BHC each week to share the love and hope of Jesus to children that are likely in the darkest places of their lives and the throes of spiritual battle. The goal of these teams is to spread the good news of Jesus.

Location: 1800 N Oak Drive, Plymouth

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact: Misty Werley at (574) 935-3833

*Sunday afternoon ministry teams thru Crossroads

Marshall County Council on Aging provides older adults quality services which allow for their continued independence and mobility. Through a variety of services, the Council on Aging makes available social events and community involvement along with various educational and health related activities.

Location: 1305 W Harrison Street, Plymouth

Services: Marshall County Public Transit; Meals on Wheels; Life Enrichment Center; Educational, Recreational, and Social Programming for Adults; Information & Referrals for various needs & services for seniors; Marshall County Triad - National program to promote crime prevention education

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact Office: (574) 936-9904 or marshallcountycouncilonaging.org

*Meals on Wheels Delivery

*Life Enrichment Center Teachers *Senior Expo Event Volunteers

Blessings in a Backpack is a nationwide organization that helps provide food on the weekends to kids in our community. So many kids live in a state of hunger. This is a small way to help kids grow to be the best they can be! Our Plymouth Blessings program serves around 200 kids each week during the school year. It costs around \$100 to feed one child each year and all donations are tax exempt and used to purchase food for our local kids only.

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact: Chris Garner at (574) 302-2075

*Team meets the first Wednesday of each month, September through May at the Boys & Girls Club at 9:00 am to unpack and sort food and at 4:00 pm to pack 800 bags!!

Marshall County Neighborhood Center is dedicated to helping low income households secure their basic needs. Through its services and community referrals, the Center offers help to stabilize households that are living in crisis. Community volunteers help sort and stock pantry shelves, help maintain the facility and see that those who come to the Center get the help they need.

Location: 402 West Garro Street, Plymouth

Services: Community Food Pantry; Second Hand Clothing Pantry; Neighborhood Scholarships: Household & Utility Assistance; Seasonal Programs (Tax Clinics, Thanksgiving Meals, Christmas Coalition); Community Referrals

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact: Chris Garner at (574) 936-3388

*Sort & Distribute Food & Clothing; Food & Clothing Donations

*Office Assistance

*Lawn Care & Maintenance

*Monthly Family Sponsorships

REAL Services of Marshall County aims to support independence for life in Marshall County. The team in the Plymouth office administers a network of services in Marshall County that support older adults and the physically disabled in living independent and meaningful lives. These services address education, nutrition, self-sufficiency, and protection needs.

Location: 510 W. Adams Street, Suite 260, Plymouth

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact: Allen Holt allen2@realservices.org or

Call (574) 284-7138; www.realservices.org

*Monthly Needs – Household Projects for elderly & disabled clients listed on the REAL Services website

*Other Volunteer Opps - Office/Clerical, Handyperson, Housekeeping, Guardianship Advocate, Health Education, Seasonal & Group Projects

Women's Care Center provides free, confidential counseling, support, and education to women facing unplanned pregnancies. The Center offers pregnancy verification, ultrasounds, provides resources to obtain prenatal care and helps with a wide range of services, resources and ongoing support. (There are 24 centers located in 8 states.)

Location: 224 North Michigan Street, Plymouth

Services: -Pregnancy Care and Resources
Parenting Skills Classes (including classes in Spanish)
-Crib Club (Infant & Toddler Store; Crib Club coupons used instead of cash)

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact Office: (574) 936 5141

*Crib Club Store Volunteers, Tuesdays from 9 am to 12 pm

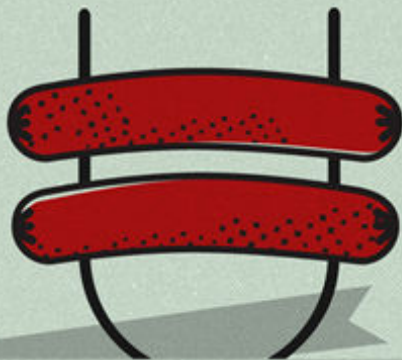
*Childcare Volunteers during Parenting Classes, Mondays 9:15 am & 3:45 pm and Wednesdays at 10:00 am (each class is a little over an hour)

*Baby Layettes – Preparing gift bags containing baby items that encourage new parents.

LOVE WEEK

NEVER ENDS

HOW WILL YOU CONTINUE TO SERVE OTHERS?



Save the date for our



NEXT GEN TAILGATE PARTY

August 3 at 6:00pm



"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"

Matthew 19:14 (TNIV ©)



BECOME A KIDS HOPE MENTOR!

There are children still waiting to be mentored!



WOMEN'S

RETREAT

- September 14th & 15th -