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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.

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).

faith community nursing

Many adults in our congregation know of someone who is a 'caregiver'. Below are ways any of us, individually or together, can offer assistance for those caregivers.....until you have been in those shoes, it's hard to understand how much a caring thought, word or deed may lift someone else.

Five Ways Congregations Can Support Caregivers

1. Provide transportation for the care receiver to Bible studies or other groups that provide important social contact so that the caregiver can have some personal time at home.
2. Drop off complete meals that meet the dietary needs and preferences of both caregiver and care receiver. This is helpful not only in times of acute illness or hospitalization but, from time to time, simply to relieve some pressure.
3. Continue to include both caregiver and care receiver in congregational events by anticipating and accommodating needs.
4. Telephone to check in at a time when the call does not have to be rushed. Listen more than anything else. Offer to pray for the circumstances right then on the phone.
5. Rather than saying, "Let me know if I can do something," ask, "Would it be all right if I ... " and make a specific offer of help—taking children for a special outing, making a run to the grocery store or another idea appropriate to the circumstances.
6. Visit chreader.org for more resources on caregiving.
7. Matthew 25:40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

announcements

- **Volunteers Needed!** - Faith Community Nursing (FCN) needs volunteers to help with a Free Blood Pressure Clinic at the Culver Farmer's Market on Saturday, August 12th, and Saturday, September 9th. Set-up will be at 7:15 am. If you can help, please contact Susie Cook at (574) 276-1273.
- **Next Gen Open House** - It's Back to School time...which means promotion time here at Crossroads! All kids will move up to their new small groups on Sunday, August 13th. Families are invited to join us tonight, from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, for our Next Gen Open House here at the church. You will meet your child's small group leader, have ice cream with your family and enjoy coffee on us while your kids play in the bounce houses. See you then!
- **Women's Fall Bible Study** - Ladies, you are invited to join us as we study Jen Wilkin's *1 Peter, A Living Hope in Christ*. We will be meeting on Tuesdays starting September 12th and ending on November 14th at 9:30 - 11:30 am or 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Childcare is provided. Sign ups begin next week.
- **Here We Grow** - We have a special opportunity planned for next Sunday, August 13th. Be thinking of a special verse or few words you or your family would like to write on the concrete floor, in our new Connection Area, before we cover it up. It will be our way of expressing that "no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 3:11).

connecting at crossroads...

We have several ways this fall for you to get connected with others at Crossroads! Why connect with others? We were called to have relationship with God but also with one another! Did you know there are 59 "one another" statements in the New Testament? That's right, 59. That's just under 60 exhortations in Scripture to actually "do" something towards another person.

We don't want to be a church ministry that just "programs"; rather we want to be intentional about creating environments within our ministry that allows you to do the "one-anothering" that we're called to do!

Here are some ways to connect and do some "one-anothering" with one another...

- Join a *Community Group @ GroupLink* on September 16th! Learn what it means to experience true, authentic Christian relationships in the context of a small group! Let's move out of the rows we're sitting in and into a circle of relationship with one another.
- Connect with other Crossroaders at our all-church *Harvest Party Event* on October 7th! This is the one time of the year that the entire church comes together for an evening filled with great food, relaxation, fun and laughs! It's a night of fun for the entire family and a great way to connect with one another!