



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).

faith community nursing

August is always hot in our neck of the woods....you know, dog days of summer kind of thing. So I just want to share with you all some tips for staying healthy in the heat! The Center for Disease Control and Prevention offer ways to help you work safely outdoors:

Dress smart. Long pants (especially tucked into your socks) and long-sleeved shirts reduce mosquito and tick bites. Hats and sunglasses protect your skin and eyes from the sun's rays. Light-colored and loose fitting-clothes help you to stay cooler in the heat.

Hydrate often. High temperatures and hard work can lead to dehydration. Drink **before** you are thirsty. Avoid drinks with caffeine, alcohol and large amounts of sugar. Water is always the best option to stay hydrated. If you are sweating for an extended period, a sports beverage can help to replenish electrolytes.

Watch coworkers. Learn the symptoms of heat-related illness. Watch for symptoms in yourself and others. Brush up on your first aid skills so that you can help a coworker in need.

For more summer tips and information, visit www.cdc.gov.

announcements

- **We had a tremendous month of giving to Here We Grow!** The special offering raised \$30,814.83 alone! With other giving included, a total of \$71,749.16 was given toward HWG during July. All this while our regular giving remained strong! Thank you for your generosity! Our total Here We Grow account is now \$353,159.24. The total amount needed is approximately \$650,000.00. As our Design Build Team continues to work with the Aspen Group on final details and design, we anticipate our guaranteed pricing to come no later than January. Lord willing, this will lead toward breaking ground in March/April. Keep praying and keep seeking ways to give!
- We will be having a **Parent-Child Dedication** on August 28th. If you are interested in dedicating your child to the Lord, we ask that you attend a class on August 14th during 2nd service. Please contact the church office to let us know you will be coming.
- **Ever wonder what IF:TABLE is all about...** or curious about what's an IF:TABLE? We invite you to come and eat with us for our first IF:TABLE luncheon on August 14th after 3rd service from 12:45 pm - 2:45 pm in the station. No obligation, just a simple way to see what IF:TABLE is and fellowship with women in our church & community. We will provide you with a relaxed time with women to gather around the table: time spent that leaves us with glad hearts, full hearts, grateful hearts! Please RSVP for the potluck on the back of your blue Connection Card today!
- **Help fight hunger right here in our community!** Helping out is as easy as picking up a few extra items at the grocery store and dropping them off at the "fight Hunger" display in the Connection Area. August's donation items are macaroni and cheese. Donations benefit the Marshall County Neighborhood Center.
- **Crossroads Women's Retreat - Ladies:** Are you struggling with balancing busyness in your life? Are you yearning to make connections with your fellow sisters in Christ? We have a wonderful solution for you. Join us for our Crossroads Women's Retreat, September 9th - 10th, 2016 at the Farmstead Inn in Shipshewana. Sign up today in the Connection Area. Early Bird registration ends August 7th and final registration ends August 21st. Sign up early and qualify for a drawing for a book authored by our speaker, Brenda Yoder.

get connected at crossroads!

Are you desiring to grow your faith and get connected with others at Crossroads? Perhaps participating in a **Target Group** class is the place for you! Check out the insert today to see all of our Target Group classes being offered this fall! There's something for everyone!

Interested in going deeper in your faith while doing life together with others seeking to do the same thing? If so, then joining a **Community Group** is the thing for you. Join a Community Group at our upcoming GroupLink Event (our on-ramp to join a Community Group) on Saturday, September 17th. Life is Better Connected!