## CROSSROADS CHURCH 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



love connect serve



#### From Pastor Scott

2023 was filled with thankfulness as we celebrated 30 years of ministry at Crossroads! We're thankful for what God has done and anticipate that He will do even greater things in the future because He is the God who "is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think" (Ephesians 3:20-21).

Our theme for the year was A Quest for More: Bigger, Smaller, Deeper. We desire for God to do more for His glory. If we continue to reach people with the gospel, we will grow bigger. If we continue to make disciples, we will focus on becoming smaller because discipleship takes place best in small groups. If we continue to make disciplemakers, we will go deeper in our surrender to the Holy Spirit's work in our lives.

The numbers in this report are just a snapshot of what happened this year and a simple way to tell a story of God at work in us and through us. I pray that as you look through these pages, you will be encouraged and commit to continue following Jesus and doing whatever God asks of you to help others. If we each do this, 2024 will be a year lived to the praise of His glory!

### **OUR PURPOSE**







#### A COMMAND STILL RELEVANT

THE WHY

Our passion for ministry comes from Matthew 28:18-20. This passage explains why we do what we do. We believe that knowing the why behind the what produces a clean and compelling vision, mission, and set of core values to guide decision making.

#### OUR VISION

THE WHAT

Our vision is to be disciples of Jesus who make disciples of Jesus.

#### **OUR MISSION**

THE HOW

Our mission is to Love, Connect and Serve on the Journey with Christ.

"And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

## **2023 IN REVIEW**

#### **MESSAGE SERIES**













#### ATTENDANCE

577 weekly in person avg. 31 weekly online avg.



#### MEMBERSHIP

33 new members 243 total members



#### BAPTISMS

19



#### BIBLICAL SOUL CARE

8 counselors 55 people discipled 312+ hours in session





# A YEAR OF



#### KIDS HOPE

28 students mentored 658 mentor hours served



#### GLOBAL OUTREACH

17 missionaries supported



#### LOVE REACH PROJECTS

13 projects | 392 volunteers 784 hours served



#### MISSIONS TRIPS

20 people 3 trips (Romania/Hungary + Domican Republic + Miami)



#### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

438 shoeboxes completed 60 total volunteers | 120 hours served



## A YEAR OF CONNECTION

#### COMMUNITY GROUPS

9 small groups - 134 participants



#### TARGET GROUPS

7 classes - 155 participants



#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY

3 Bible Studies - 144 participants 6 Events - 287 participants



#### MEN'S MINISTRY

6 Bible studies - 46 participants 4 Events - 226 participants



#### **NEXT GEN MINISTRY**

Crossroads Kids (birth - 4th) - avg. 75 participants | 9 small groups Fuse (5th + 6th) - avg. 28 participants | 3 small groups Dive Youth (7th - 12th) - avg. 67 participants | 7 small groups

#### ACCESS MINISTRY

Friends of Jesus Wed. small groups - avg. 18 participants Friends of Jesus Sunday mornings - avg. 3 participants 3 Friends of Jesus Events - 122 participants 12 Michiana Behavioral Center Events - 456 participants



### THE EFCA

#### WHAT IS THE EFCA?

The EFCA is an association of autonomous churches united around the same core beliefs.



We exist to glorify God by multiplying transformational churches among all people.

- EFCA Mission Statement

1,613

17

275

Congregations united by the EFCA Statement of Faith Districts throughout the US

Multiethnic churches

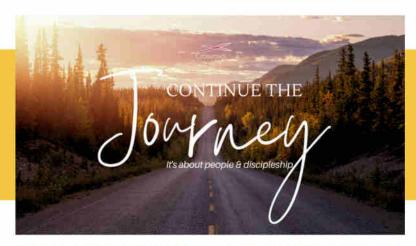
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5,297

New churches started via ReachGlobal GlobalFingerprints sponsored children

LEARN MORE @ EFCA.ORG

# CONTINUE THE JOURNEY



#### IT'S ABOUT PEOPLE AND DISCIPLESHIP.

#### WHAT IS "CONTINUE THE JOURNEY"?

Our new Continue the Journey Master Design Plan was put together to help address our growing need for a facility that enables us to continue to invest in people and further discipleship at Crossroads!

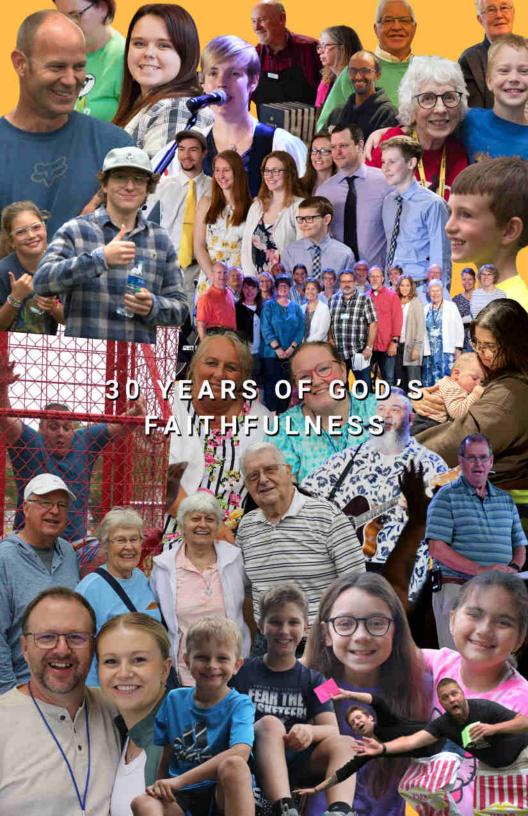
It is our desire to **Continue the Journey** for future generations and build a place that serves as many people as the Lord will lead to Crossroads. It is Christ who builds the Church, and we, as a local church situated in the midst of Marshall County, IN, want to be good stewards of the people He brings our way by loving them well, sharing the gospel and seeking to build them up in Christ.

Although making disciplemakers does not require a building, we recognize that a building, properly arranged and outfitted, can assist in our disciplemaking pursuit by providing space for ministry and relationships to take place; it is a place to love, connect and serve on our journey with Christ. Therefore, our building and property are tools utilized to accomplish our vision to be disciples who make disciples.

#### LEARN MORE

about the Continue the Journey campaign by visiting our Continue the Journey display in the Connection Area or by visiting

crossroadsefc.com/continue-the-journey







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