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- The deadline for the August, 2011 issue of *The Messenger* is Friday, July 22nd. Please submit articles to ashaw@mtco.com or send hard copies to the church office.
- Please send address corrections to Brenda Thornburg at brendat@mtco.com or call the church office at 444-2381.
- The monthly birthday list is available at the Welcome Desk and on the Crossroads website.

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From the Senior Pastor

We got the call announcing that we were coming to Crossroads as we headed out the door to attend at July 4th picnic in Charleston, Illinois (where we lived at the time). Shortly after that, we got a second call. The caller identified himself as "Bob DeBolt" and closed the call with the words "I will be praying for you."

"I will be praying for you" has become something of a clichéd way of telling someone that we care, but not necessarily to the extent that we will be thinking or praying for them as much as promised. It is sort of like saying "have a nice day" to someone. We probably care to some degree that the recipient has a nice day, but probably won't spend much time worrying about their day after the salutation is dropped.

But when Pastor Bob DeBolt announces that he is praying for you, you can count on that fact. He prayed for me, and he has prayed for this congregation for nine years. I will let you in on a secret... he is going to continue

praying for us.

We pastors have many faults. We can be careless sometimes with our words, forget the names of children who attend here faithfully, deliver a bad sermon from time to time, and miss appointments set weeks before. Bob DeBolt has done this, I have done this, and all pastors do this. But Bob DeBolt covered for whatever meager faults he had with his passion for his congregation. He truly cared for us, and he truly prayed for us.

So here is our challenge. Bob has gotten the call to serve the good people of Hannah City and Trivoli. Who is going to take up the mantle of caring and praying for us? We can certainly hire a new pastor to do this (and we probably will, soon), but perhaps we should be doing this as well.

Each week at our staff meeting, your church staff prays for four families in our church. We simply go through the alphabet and pray for those families and

send them a card. Right now we are praying our way into the "T's". This is good news if your name is Tellefson, Thomas or Tunnell!

What if each of us did the same? What if we started with the directory, or made a mental note of the people who sit around us in church, and simply prayed for them by name for five minutes each day? Would it make a difference? I can only answer this with the fact that my good friend Bob DeBolt's prayers have made a difference in my life. I have felt those prayers during difficult moments, times of challenge, and times of doubt. And I know that the random prayer cards we send have made a difference as well because you have told me about that difference.

And then the next time we say to someone "I will be praying for you", they will know that we are sincere. We have become a man or woman of prayer, just a like a certain pastor we know and love. And I will be praying for you.

Grace and peace, Pastor Tom

In an effort to be good stewards, we plan to significantly reduce the amount of monthly newsletters ("Messengers") that we send out.

Beginning with the September newsletter, the Messenger will be sent only to those who have signed up to receive it by mail or by e-mail.

If you would like to continue to receive the Messenger by mail, please let Angie Shaw know at ashaw@mtco.com or by calling the church office at 444-2381. If you would like to have the Messenger emailed to you, please email Angie. *Keep in mind that the Messenger is also available on the Crossroads website. (www.crossroads4all.org)*

Thank You from Pastor Bob

“Thank You” For Farewell Love Offering

‘WOW’, what a day—June 19th, 2011—my last Sunday will be remembered for a long time to come. It has been both a privilege and honor for LuAnn and me to serve at Crossroads. These past 9 years have been one of continual growth and transformation for me and for our church. The most important thing is working with all of you; the encouragement, your prayers at the right time, and your generous support has yielded *“much fruit.”* Your willingness to step out in faith and *“Welcome the least of these of mine”* into

our fellowship demonstrates that the Holy Spirit is working in your lives. The kingdom is growing and people are coming into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We want to say *“Thank You”* to all of those who participated in the final farewell Love Offering by your kind words of encouragement, gifts, letters, notes, cards, gift certificates, very generous Love Offering, and other acts of kindness, including tears of sadness and joy. All of you are very much appreciated and loved. Your kindness and generosity demonstrates the Love of God in Jesus Christ. We will not forget Crossroads. *“Thank You”* to Tammy Miller for the

Scrapbook. What a GREAT way to remember all of you. Also, *“Thank You”* to Pastor Tom Goodell and Pastor Bob Lawry for your support and encouragement. I’m thinking Burger Barge sometime. You guys are “DA BEST.” May the Heavenly Father continue to pour His Grace upon all of you throughout the coming year and years as we make Disciples for Jesus Christ and send them into the crossroads of life for the transformation of the world. This is ‘So Long,’ but not ‘Farewell.’

God is Good – All the Time!

~Pastor Bob DeBolt

Learn. Grow. Live.

Beginning on August 28th, our church will go back to the basics. We will embark on a study together of how we hear God’s voice and find direction through reading the Bible and through prayer. This study will take place on Sunday mornings in our multipurpose room from 9:55-10:45am and will feature small group discussion, video and teaching from our pastors. These are classes designed to get us in the practice of reading the Bible and understanding it, praying and feeling close to God. I

am more excited about this study and its impact than anything I have seen since “Forty Days of Purpose”. Each of these studies will last six weeks.

The study is part of a larger discipleship focus we are working on called “Learn - Grow - Live”. **Learn** who Jesus is and why my life has purpose when I have a relationship with Him. **Grow** into that purpose by reading the Bible, praying and practicing discipleship. **Live** as a disciple.

I truly believe that Crossroads will grow closer to God and His mission for us, and be blessed by our fellowship together in this process. I am ready to Learn, Grow and Live.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Tom

Nurse Sally's Tip of the Month

Reaching Out To Those Who Grieve

We know that death is part of life, but its reality and finality often leaves us searching for answers and feeling helpless. When a church member is grieving – even when we may not know the person very well – the death and loss can occupy our thoughts and make us sad.

In the face of grief, many of us feel inadequate and unable to help. We search for the right words, and hesitate for fear of making matters worse. Yet it is so important to reach out to those who grieve and hold them in the loving care of the church family. Unfortunately, I know from experience how important this is. When our eldest son died suddenly 10 years ago, it was this church family who loved us through very difficult times.

What can you do?

Tell the bereaved that you care. It is never too late to say a word of encouragement or write a note. Words need not be eloquent, nor should they attempt to explain the mind or plans of God. “I am so sorry for your loss” or “You and your family are in my prayers” can be comfort enough.

Notes and letters are important because they can be read over and over and are visible reminders that the loved one is not forgotten. Honesty and brevity are keys. “I am so sorry to learn of Ed’s death. Please know that you are in my heart and prayers.”

Being present makes a difference. When members of our church family are grieving, remember that “being there” can

help them get through the day. Preparing meals, asking them out to lunch, going to a movie, etc. can offer a bit of respite and change of scenery. As time goes on, there is still a need for attentiveness. Sit with them in church, offer them rides to church events or invite them to take a walk. Even if they can’t accept, you have told them that they are not forgotten and they need not be alone.

Do not forget. Just because a year or two has passed, do not presume that grief has run its course. Ten years have elapsed since Jim’s death. Recently someone said to me, “Jim was really a great guy.” My heart was warmed and I smiled at the young man and said, “Thank-you, I thought so too.”

These are small steps, but they are real ways to embrace the command to love one another as Christ loves us.

If you have lost someone close or if you know someone who is grieving, please be aware that a new session of GriefShare is beginning on September 12th, 6:30 – 8:30pm. Call the church for more information, or read the article below.

New Session of GriefShare to Begin in September

Beginning Monday, September 12th from 6:30-8:30pm, a new GriefShare session will begin. There are 13 sessions in the series and it will conclude on December 5th.

GriefShare is designed for those suffering a deep hurt that comes with the loss of someone close. GriefShare sessions include three

elements to help in the healing process:

Video

At each session a DVD will be viewed on issues related to grief and loss. They feature top experts on a variety of subjects important to the grief process. At each meeting we will hear personal stories from people who have experienced grief.

Support Group

After the DVD, the group discusses what was seen and how it pertains to their lives. The group leader will have a set of discussion questions to help guide the group.

Between Sessions

Group members are encouraged to reflect on what has happened at the meeting and how the discussion might apply to personal circumstances. Everyone will receive a workbook and will be encouraged to work in it during the week.

Valerie Kruzan and Peggy King will facilitate the group. Anyone who has experienced the loss of someone close is invited to attend. The loss need not be recent.

Call the church, 444-2381, to register or to ask questions. If you have a friend or family member who would benefit from this program, please encourage him/her to attend.

GriefShare is ecumenical and open to the public. There is a \$15 fee for the workbook, but scholarships are available if the fee is a problem.



Job Opening Announcement

**Position Available at
Crossroads:
Human Resource
Director
Part-Time (12-16
hours per week)**

A Human Resource Director is being sought at Crossroads to help guide and manage the administrative tasks of non-pastoral staff in a growing church environment.

Essential Functions:

- Share Crossroads' vision for its ministry and mission.
- Provide overall administration and support to the Church in personnel matters.

- Conduct annual reviews of all support non-pastoral staff, hire new staff as directed by Personnel, conduct exit interviews as directed by Personnel and manage all disciplinary issues.
- Maintain a comprehensive personnel record of all employees that tracks sick leave, vacation, overtime and hours worked per week/per day. This includes developing and maintaining a policy and employee handbook.
- Insure regulatory oversight in all personnel guidelines.
- Be knowledgeable of conflict resolution techniques and use that experience as needed.
- Oversee employee benefits to non-pastoral support staff.
- Help Crossroads staff develop a corporate approach to leading ministries.

Candidates for this position should have a degree in HR Management or similar degree. HR experience is a must.

To apply, please send your resume to the church office (PO Box 299, Washington, IL 61571), Attn: Patty Hatfield, OR you may email your resume to pastors@mtco.com.

Youth News

The mission of the Crossroads Youth Ministry is to be committed to loving and caring for youth in the Washington area.

We will accomplish this goal by:

providing a safe and loving place so that youth can be who God created them to be, meeting them where they are in their spiritual development, helping them grow into young men and women of faith, and equipping them to share their faith with others now and in the future.

High School Lighthouse:

Every Wednesday night
6:30-8:30pm
Dinner, small groups, games, lesson, music and more!

Follow Lighthouse News!

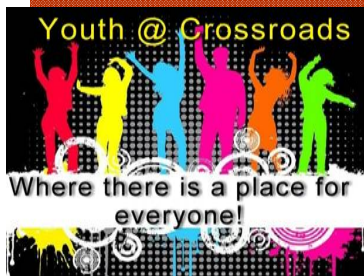
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Middle School Impact:

6th-8th Grade
Sunday evenings
6:30-8:00pm
Fun, games, lesson, snacks and much, much more!

Youth Groups will not meet during the Summer.

See you this fall!



Just for Kids



K-5 Sunday School in July

Mark your calendars for fun at Sunday School in July!

July 3 – The shepherds are planning special classroom activities for the children.

July 10 – Crafts for the Mission in Zimbabwe. K-5 children will be making crafts to be sold at the VBS Carnival on Friday, July 15. All proceeds will go to support the building of the addition to the church in Zimbabwe.

GETS News

We are so grateful for everyone who has financially supported students like Tim Gaines at Garrett-Evangelical this fiscal year. Our communities and world need well-equipped and theologically sound leaders now more than ever.

Tim Gaines was born in Oakdale, California. He is 29 years old and was raised in the Church of the Nazarene. Tim has a BA in philosophy and theology from Point Loma Nazarene University, and an M.A. in religion from the same university. He also has a Master of Divinity in Theology from Nazarene Theological Seminary. This is his third year in the PhD program in Theology and Ethics.

July 17 – VBS Sunday – A Celebration of the Main Street Message.

July 24 – August 14 - - - “This Train Is Bound for Glory” ! The rotational unit which began in June continues as the children learn values of Christian living.

Reminder: Sunday School Kick-Off Sunday is August 21. More information will be coming in the August Messenger and on the website.

Have you “checked out” the K-5 Blog on the Crossroads Website?

Go to www.crossroads4all.org
Click on Children/Youth.
Select Kindergarten to 5th
Grade.

He has been married for six years. My wife, Shawna Songer Gaines, is pursuing ordination while serving a United Methodist Church in Lombard, IL. They both serve in the youth ministry program and also work with the music program. This included starting a band for the students. Most excitingly, they're expecting their first child in November!

Tim believes he is called to serve Christ and his Church. He sees his pursuit of a PhD in conjunction with the mission of the Church. He is pursuing ordination because he wants to serve the Church as a teacher. Therefore, his academic work will be a sub-set to his call to lead the Church. His academic

Welcome to ???

Help! We would like suggestions to name the Sunday School hallways that are painted to look like a village? town? city?

Todd Willoughby has done a fantastic job of transforming our Sunday School hallways. . . but our “place” has no name!! Please submit your naming suggestions (no limit on the number of entries) to maureenh@mtco.com. A committee will make the final decision about the name in August.



**The Mini
Golf
Fundraiser
that was
postponed in
June will take
place in early
fall. Watch
for more
information
coming soon.**

work focuses on theological ethics, specifically, the doctrines of the Church from our moral imaginations. He believes that the way we think about God filters out in the way we live our lives.

Tim says his favorite thing about Garrett-Evangelical is the collegiality among students and faculty. His colleagues have pushed him to think in new ways and have encouraged him to learn about issues and ideas that he had previously not pursued. His advisor encourages him to forge his own academic path. He says it has been a lot of fun to work with him and that he has given him far more than he deserves.



Prayer Challenge

“Earnest Prayer”

Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving.

Colossians 4:2

Today we have learned to harness the power of the atom, but very few of us have learned how to develop fully the power of prayer. We have not yet learned that a man can be more powerful on his knees than behind the most powerful weapons ever developed.

We have not learned that a nation is more powerful

when it unites in earnest prayer to God than when its resources are channeled into weapons. We have not discovered that the answer to our problems can be through contact with the living God.

Weapons by themselves will not keep us safe or solve the world’s problems. Our basic problems are spiritual in nature, and only spiritual solutions will solve them. That is why prayer is so vital, for only God can change the human heart.

Who knows what might happen if millions of believers around the world availed themselves of the greatest privilege this side of Heaven---the privilege of intercessory prayer? Will you be one of them?

*By Billy Graham
From His Book
“Hope for Each Day”*

Submitted by Ron Root

*Praying for
our children
is one of the
greatest gifts
we can give
them.*

Vacation Bible School Prayer

If you would like to be involved with VBS this year but cannot commit to the whole week, the Prayer Team invites you to sign up for a slot in the Prayer Room.

Once again this summer, the Prayer Team will sponsor a VBS Prayer Vigil during VBS, which is July 11-15. We will be praying in 45 or 60 minute segments for the children, teachers, helpers,

etc. while VBS is in session. We will do this every morning for the five days of VBS, praying for each class, child and teacher/helper by name. The Prayer Team furnishes the list of names and some materials to use while in our Prayer Room. Please sign up to be a “pray-er” by calling Judy Hillegonds at 444-2696 or email judyhillegonds@aol.com.

Praying for our children is one of the greatest gifts we can give them. This is another opportunity to “Step Out of the Boat”, support our VBS and Serve Your Savior! God bless you for your service.

The segments are:
9:00-9:45am
9:45-10:30am
10:30-11:30am

Everyone's Job, Everyone's Joy

"Crossroads' mission is to grow disciples and send them out into the crossroads of our communities to impact lives for Jesus Christ."

How often do you hear someone say, "That is the pastor's job," when referring to some aspect of ministry? Too often? *Ministry is not just the job (or, better yet, the opportunity) of our pastors.* Stephen Ministry is a great opportunity for you to grow in faith, develop stronger relational skills, and bring Christ's love into the lives of hurting people. The opportunity and responsibility for doing ministry

has been given to **all Christians**. We're called upon by Christ to help others carry their burdens. The upcoming Stephen Ministry training class is a chance to be trained and equipped for doing ministry. Talk to any of our Stephen Ministers; they will tell you that it is a joyous privilege to share Christ's love with others. Is "Compassion" one of your spiritual gifts? Is this chance for ministry the one for you? Pray and think about it but don't miss the boat – act now. If you want to be a part of the second training class of Stephen Ministers, contact Leader Team Coordinator, Lori Samp at

367-9422 or saved57@gmail.com, or Training Coordinator, LuAnn Frederick @ mamalu@mtco.com.

Others in Stephen Ministry:
 Stephen Leader: Janita Goldman
 Stephen Ministers: Alice Bower, Tracie Carey, Barb Cleckner, Joyce Dawson, Larry Goldman, Lynette Salazar Vior, Kathy Trowbridge, and Linda Wicks.



July Preaching Texts

July 3

"Heroes! David v. Goliath"

Pastor Tom Goodell preaching
 Text: First Samuel 17: 32, 38-50

The keys to overcoming obstacles may be closer at hand than we think. How David eschewed Saul's armor, resized a giant, and defeated that giant with the resources God gave him.

July 10

"Heroes! The Palace Princess"

Pastor Tom Goodell preaching
 Text: Esther 4: 7-17

Esther faced losing "everything" by confronting her King. That "everything" was her position as queen, her lifestyle, and her friends. What she really risked was losing something even more important. How can we prioritize so that our moments of decision value what is truly important?

July 17

"Heroes! Gideon's Horn"

Pastor Tom Goodell preaching
 Text: Judges 7: 1-8, 19-22

Gideon followed what must have surely been the most bizarre plan for battle in human history, and defeated his Midianite foes. His story reminds us that God often calls us into strange and challenging situations to be His hero, and often gives us what seems a most unusual plan for the mission.

July 24

Pastor Bob Lawry preaching

July 31

"Heroes! Daniel and the Lion's Den"

Pastor Tom Goodell preaching
 Text: Daniel 6: 14-23

Daniel faced a perilous situation by not over-reacting, finding peace and quiet in the midst of chaos, and praying for God's care. Is this a formula that might help us?

Senior News

M & M's Brunch at Conklin Dinner Theater

**Sunday, August 14th
Leave at 11:30am**

On Sunday, August 14th the M & M's are boarding the church bus and heading for Conklin Dinner Theater. The play is called "Look, No Hans!" It is described as a comedy of intrigue and insanity.

The cost is \$34.00 per person, *payable to the church* at the time the reservation is made. If calling the church to register, a check may be mailed. The cost includes the meal, tax, a \$2.50 tip and the play. We will leave the church parking lot at 11:30am for brunch between noon and 1:00pm. Please do not wait to make reservations; we must know how many by July 14th.

Please address questions to Sally Charlton, 444-2381 (church).

M & M activities for the remainder of 2011:

Sunday, July 10 Hudson Backyard Railroad and lunch. We will leave the church at 2 pm.

Sunday, August 14 Brunch and theater at Conklins Barn in Goodfield. Leave the church at 11:30am for

brunch served between noon and 1:00pm. Reservations for 25 available at \$34. Pay when making reservation. Don't wait too long.

Thursday, September 15 Pontiac Mural Tour then lunch at the "Old Log Cabin." Leave the church at 9:30am.

Saturday, October 29 Leave church at 4:30pm for

supper, then enjoy Storytellers at 7:00pm.

Tuesday, November 15 Dinner at the Fish House. Leave church at 4:30 pm.
Saturday, December 10 Eastside Christian Church Christmas Program in Normal.

More details of each activity will be available in the Messenger and bulletins.

Senior Meal

There will not be a Senior Meal in July. Crossroads will be hopping that week with lots of children here for Bible School. Please feel free to volunteer to help if you can. Our next Senior Meal will be August 9. We hope you will put that date on your calendar and be able to join us at that time.



Fellowship Opportunities

Sewing Circle

The Dorcas Sewing Circle meets *weekly* on Wednesdays from 9:00am to noon. Even if you are not an experienced sewer, you are welcome to join us for some great fellowship and to share ideas.

Men's Fellowship

Guys, join us at the Men's Fellowship Group, which meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm in the chapel. Join us for supper, a testimony, a Bible study, and prayer. We are currently viewing

the video series "The Measure of a Man", which teaches about the 20 character traits of a godly man. We encourage all men to come, and invite your friends.

Girls Night Out

Come out for a girls night of friends and fellowship. Learn to do Faithbooking. Learn a few photo tips on how to take better photos. Learn quick photo solutions on how to get all of your photos into albums, storybooks, quickbooks or everyday displays for your family to enjoy. Free mini

lessons available. Or if you simply want to come and work on something you have been meaning to get done, let's get together. Meet once a month. **We will take the month of July off & resume Friday, August 26th, 6-10 pm.** Contact Tammy Miller 444-2408 for more information.

Praise Team and Worship Opportunities



Praise Team Group Vocal Lessons

If you interested in developing your voice to sing during church services, join us for group vocal lessons this summer. Whether you want to sing as part of the 11:00 Praise team, the 8:30 choir, or as a soloist for the services, this will be a great opportunity to improve your vocal skills. We will meet in the Choir room (101) two times a month for an hour to work as a group on developing basic and advanced vocal techniques. We will work on breathing techniques, improving tone quality, blending into an ensemble, harmonization, intonation and other techniques. You can come to one or all of the lessons, as each one will be different and unique. If you are interested, contact Will Meachum at wmeach@mtco.com or show up on any of the following dates from 6:30-7:30 pm:

Thursday, July 7
Wednesday, July 20
Thursday, August 4
Wednesday, August 17
Thursday, September 1

Summer "Show-Up-and-Sing" Sundays

Psalm 100 says "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!". This summer, at the 8:30 service, you are invited to join other members of the congregation to sing some simple hymn arrangements as a group for the Anthem and Offertory song sections of the service. You don't need a background in music, just a desire to have fun singing songs that you already know and love. There are no practices for these Sundays in the weeks leading up to these dates, but **we will meet at 7:40 am in the sanctuary on those dates to run through the music as a**

group. We will sing no matter how large or small, but we'd love to pack the choir risers with voices. Even if you've never sung with the choir at Crossroads, this is a great opportunity to find out what its like to stand on stage and praise God in this way. Its a fantastic opportunity and will be a lot of fun for both the congregation and participants. If you have questions, please contact Will Meachum at wmeach@mtco.com. Or you can simply "Show Up and Sing" on the dates listed below.

July 3rd
(We'll sing Patriotic Music!)
July 31st
August 21st

Walk to Emmaus News

Men's Emmaus Walk

July 21st-24th
October 20th-23rd

Women's Emmaus Walk

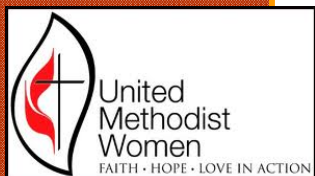
August 4th-7th
November 3rd-6th

For more information on any of these events, visit www.ilheartlandemmaus.com.

Emmaus Liaisons:

Valerie Kruzan
745-3321 or vkruzna@aol.com
Jim O'Malley





For more information about the Crossroads Unit of United Methodist Women, contact Nancy Bullard at 444-5140

United Methodist Women

“The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.”

“Any woman may become a member of the unit who supports the unit through giving, prayer, study, action, or service.”

UMW District Personal Growth Seminar

June 27, 8:30am
Hanna City UMC

UMW Conference Weekend School of Christian Mission

July 29-31
Northfield Inn & Suites,
Springfield, IL

Weekday School of Christian Mission

July 31-August 3

“Attic Treasures” Sale

This year, the UMW are “stepping out of the boat” and into the attic, for an “Attic Treasures Sale” (formerly the “Rummage Sale”)

August 15-17: Bring your sale items to Crossroads
August 18-19: “Attic Treasures Sale”

All proceeds will go to mission work locally, nationally, and globally. We thank you in advance

for your donations of CLEAN items in GOOD CONDITION including:

- household items (dishes, glassware, etc.)
- Linens
- Books
- Toys
- Craft items

Please, no furniture, baby furniture or equipment (due to governmental regulations), electronics, or clothing. Please take your clothing items to Threads, Hope, and Love or to Goodwill. Thank you for following our new guidelines.

UMW District “Day Apart”

August 23, 8:30am
Living Springs Camp in
Lewistown

Crossroads Is Building Again...

...but not here!

Rather we are helping the people of Mutare, Zimbabwe add on to King David Methodist Church.

Like Crossroads, they have outgrown their building and need financial assistance to add to the church fellowship area and worship space.

The project will cost

\$36,000 in American money. We hope to send a team to Zimbabwe in 2012 as the project is complete to celebrate with our sister congregation.

You can help by praying for this project, donating (simply memo your check “Africa Church”) or participating in various fund raising and awareness events happening at our church.

When Lord did we see you hungry...

The Outreach Team at Crossroads supports various ministries that help those with need in our community and in the world.

We continue to support Threads, Hope and Love

Clothing Center and are a covenant partner church. We will be collecting back-to-school backpacks for needy children attending area schools in August.

We are collecting supplies for the storm victims in Joplin,

Missouri (see the weekly bulletin for updates on this project).

The Outreach Team meets the third Wednesday of each month at 2:00pm. Please join us!



Help for Those in Need

Threads, Hope & Love Fundraiser

Threads, Hope & Love is hosting a fundraising event at Splashdown in East Peoria on July 10 from 3:00-6:00. 20% of all proceeds made during that time will be donated to

Threads. Participants won't need coupons or fliers to get in-just yourselves and your swimsuits. Thank you for supporting Threads, Hope & Love.

Notes from Our Congregation

Open House 90th Birthday Celebration for Dorothy Cox

Sunday September 3, 2011
2:00-5:00pm
Maple Lawn Nursing Home in Eureka
No gifts please.

Dorothy is the mother of Rev. Danny Cox, who is a former pastor of Crossroads.

Thank you from Margie Mason

Margie would like to thank everyone for the nice cards you have been sending to her. She is

temporarily living at the Grand Victorian in Washington, but asks that all mail be sent to her home address at 905 Eldridge, Washington, 61571. Thank you!

Church Family News



Wedding bells rang in June for Ray Berlett and Brigitte Brecklin (June 4), Sean Samp and Melissa Eller (June 11), Mathew Sitler and Kaitlin Briggs (June 11) and Adam Penn and Jessica Wamsley (June 18). Congratulations to you all!

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