



CrossPoint Family,

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Years with your families. As we enter 2012, I want you to know the focus of my prayers for all of us.

I pray that we fully embrace God's greatest commandments, to love Him with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. As we do this, we will certainly find ourselves living out the Great Commission, making disciples of all nations, for we are not loving rightly if we are not sharing the hope of eternal life.

I believe that this is the foundation of all that God desires of us. Loving God entails growth in sanctification, becoming more like Jesus. As we do this, our definition of love will begin to conform to God's definition, which in short is sacrificial service to others for the sake of the gospel. Paul said that the law is fulfilled in one word, that you love your neighbor as you love yourself (Galatians 5:14). You see, to love means to seek another's good in Christ Jesus. I pray that you will grow in Christ in 2012. But I hope we all recognize that this is not a solitary activity between 'me and God'. Sanctification includes the growth of relationships with others, some we now know and others we are yet to meet. Some of these relationships will be nothing but joy, but others might be filled with difficulty, a test of endurance. Even in these, take hope! The Lord will use it for good. How will you love God and love others this year? I hope you will seek opportunities in our body to exercise these instructions from our Lord. To Him be the glory.

Kevin

### CrossPoint 101 Membership Class

What makes CrossPoint Church unique? If you want to know more about what we believe and why we do what we do, we invite you to register for CP101. Think you may want to become a member at CrossPoint? Then this is your next step. This class, taught by one of our elders, Dr. David Morrison, covers the history, purpose, strategy and structure of CrossPoint Church. A light breakfast is provided. **This class begins at 9:00 am Sunday, January 29.** To register for this class or for more information, email [michelle@crosspointchurch.org](mailto:michelle@crosspointchurch.org).

### HELPING CROSSPOINT COMMUNICATE

To help foster better communication at CrossPoint, please take complaints or concerns to Jason Whitehead, Moderator of the Management Team, or Tim Tullos, Chairman of Deacons. Jason can be reached at 677-8139 and Tim can be reached at 892-7991.

All items of information for publication in the weekly Worship Folder need to be submitted to the church office by noon on Wednesday. Any items for submission in the monthly publication should be in the church office by the 20th of the month. Please email items to [Kristi@crosspointchurch.org](mailto:Kristi@crosspointchurch.org). If you have any questions, call Kristi Campbell at the church office at (225)752-2400.

## BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY

1 David Morrison	8 Emma Carls	17 Laurel Maddie
2 Ashley May	9 Jeff Arceneaux	18 Lauren Shoff
2 Kirk Stansbury	9 Lyndsey Campbell	20 Layne Raborn
2 Tracy Walker	9 Sharron Cook	21 Martha Morrison
3 Melissa Fridge	9 Riley Creel	22 Alaina Lachney
3 Rebecca Jones	10 Shane Folks	23 Deanna Morrison
3 Rebecca Johnston	10 Caedmon Hughes	24 Kevin Carls
3 Clint McFerren	10 Holly LeBeau	25 David Bordelon
4 Sara Grose	12 Lydia Griggs	26 Chris Morrison
4 Dustin Jenkins	12 Michelle Jones	27 Emma Taylor
5 Jaylyn Blythe	12 April Morales	28 Kathy Gill
5 Sharon Moore	13 Tom Vandiver	28 Mozelle Harris
5 Noah Whitehead	14 Cynthia Townsend	28 Mike Tucker
6 Victoria Hutson	16 Jake Fountain	30 Robby Brumfield
6 Michelle Lulei	16 Wes Stephens	30 Holly Guerin
6 Kay May	17 Levin Fairchild	31 Meagan Jenkins

Friends,

It is with sadness, peace and anticipation that I share with you I will be moving to Tupelo, Mississippi in February 2012. I have accepted a position at the Church at Trace Crossing as Ministry Assistant. Having thoroughly prayed through this myself and with the mentors in my life I believe with confidence that this is the next step the Lord has ordained for me.

I'm so grateful for God calling me to CrossPoint to serve here for the past 3 years. I have seen the way a healthy church is supposed to function – being a Gospel Community nourished by His Gospel Word. Working in our office and serving beside you all has been so very beneficial for my sanctification.

Thank you for allowing me to serve here; it has truly been a JOY. I know that I look more like Christ because of your prayers, teaching from the Scriptures and sweet fellowship.

I look forward to sharing life with you this first month of 2012.

I will not cease to pray for all of you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

By His Grace,  
Michelle

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

This month, Gay Ann Tate is beginning her 11th year as CrossPoint's Mother's Day Out coordinator, Lynda Van Kerkhove is beginning her 19th year as Financial Secretary, and Stephanie Whitfield is beginning her second year as our Worship Leader. Please take time to thank these ladies for the wonderful job they do serving Christ and CrossPoint. THANK YOU for all you do—You are greatly appreciated!!



• **Wednesdays @ 6:15 pm** - Your Home Group meets @ the Rurfellow's 37099 Timothy Avenue Prairieville. This is a special time of refreshing and fellowship and walking in the Word.

• **Saturday, January 7 - St. Anthony's Ministry** Meet @ CP at 9:45am & return by 12:30pm. Come love on these precious people and receive a blessing. We'll play some games and sing some songs and show the love of Christ to those who may not know Him.

### Band of Sisters Luncheon

Band of Sisters monthly luncheon will be held **Friday, January 6, 2011, at 11:30 am** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite covered dish and join us for a time of fellowship and prayer. This is a great time to connect with women of all ages. Childcare is provided. Contact Billie Middleton at 225-769-6498 with the number and ages of children needing care.

### Young Married Fellowship

We will meet at the home of David & Martha Morrison, 1312 Ridgeland Drive, BR 70810, on **Friday, January 13 at 6:30 pm**. If you've been married a few years or less and would like to come, contact Kevin for more details at [kevin@crosspointchurch.org](mailto:kevin@crosspointchurch.org). This group will meet the second Friday of every month.

### Band of Brothers

Band of Brothers men's ministry meets in the Fellowship Hall on the second Saturday of the month at 7:00 am for a time of prayer and fellowship. All men are invited to attend on **Saturday, January 14, at 7:00 am**. To RSVP, email [michelle@crosspointchurch.org](mailto:michelle@crosspointchurch.org) or call the church office at 225.752.2400.

### Parents' Night Out

As a ministry to families currently attending CrossPoint with children ages birth to 12, PNO offers a time for moms and dads to enjoy a night out while their children enjoy a snack, hear a Bible story, make a craft, sing songs and play games. Join the fun on **Friday, January 27 from 6:00 - 9:30pm**. To register, call the church office at 225.752.2400.

### Women's Bible Study

Come join this group as they study women of the Bible. Carmen Tucker facilitates this study in Room 2 of Classroom Building 1 at **10:00 am on Wednesdays**. Class will begin on January 18, 2012. Call Carmen at 313-6074 for more information.

CrossPoint Church extends Christian sympathy to **Helen Green** in the loss of her sister, **Michelle Lulei** in the loss of her grandmother.

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## Financial Report for November 2011

- Tithes and offerings for November were \$49,082.99, while expenses were \$50,430.41 resulting in a deficit for the month of \$1,347.42.
- Through November, tithes and offerings for the year are \$573,039.56, while expenses are \$586,138.23, resulting in a deficit of \$13,098.67. Tithes and offerings have averaged \$52,094.51 while all expenses averaged \$52,814.30.
- Tithes and offerings for 2011 have equaled \$573,039.56. They equaled \$636,628.72 during 2010 for the same time period. Tithes and offerings for 2011 are \$63,589.16 less than 2010.



### UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE!

Be a hero by donating at CrossPoint's blood drive, Sunday, January 29. Blood supplies are near critical which means there isn't enough inventory on the shelves to keep our area hospitals supplied. All blood types are needed! PLEASE PLAN TO DONATE! Go to [www.bloodhero.com](http://www.bloodhero.com) and click the "Donate Blood" tab on the right, then enter the code "cpbc" for CrossPoint Baptist Church and choose what time you want to donate on Sunday, January 29.



The American Cancer Society needs volunteers to drive cancer patients in our community to and from their treatment appointments. To learn more about how you can get involved and make a difference in someone's life, call 225-767-7197.



### Fall 2011

*The purpose of a home group is to provide an opportunity for Christian relationships (koinonia) to develop within our congregation. Christian relationships are made through the bond of love we share with the Holy Spirit. Some home groups share a meal. All of the home groups spend some time in prayer and they all meet on Wednesday evenings at varying times.*

- **5:30 pm | CrossPoint Campus** 14965 Airline Hwy., BR 70817 (Children Friendly)
- **5:30 pm | The Grose Home** 1328 Ross Ave., BR 70808 (College & Adult Friendly)
- **6:15 pm | The Rumfellow Home** 37099 Timothy Ave., PV 70769 (Youth & Family Friendly)
- **6:30 pm | The Curry Home** 3735 Lake LaBerge, BR 70816 (College & Adult Friendly)
- **6:30 pm | The Green Home** 3044 Crestwood, BR 70816 (Adult Friendly)
- **6:30 pm | The Morrison Home** 1312 Ridgeland, BR 70810 (College & Adult Friendly)

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Equipping Classes meet Sundays from 5:45 - 7:00 pm. Childcare is provided in the Childhood Education Building for all Equipping Classes. For more information on any of these classes, call the church office at (225)752-2400 or go to [www.crosspointchurch.org](http://www.crosspointchurch.org).

### Beginning January 29 @ 5.45pm

*The purpose of our Sunday Night Equipping Groups is to train members of CrossPoint in specific areas of discipleship. Our goal is to equip members in the areas of Theology, Missions/Evangelism, Church History, Apologetics, Biblical Languages, Spiritual Formation, Relationships, Parenting, and Teaching/Mentoring. Our desire is for these classes to be intergenerational with youth and adults so that each can profit from the other. In addition, the pastoral staff has a desire for CrossPoint disciples to encounter great works authored by believers throughout the history of the church. At times, different reading colloquiums will be offered in a year where members will be encouraged to read the same book and then meet and discuss it.*

### STUDY

- **World Religions/Cults | Adults** -Kevin Whitfield & T Wright | **Worship Center**

Ever wanted to know more about the differences between Christianity and Mormonism or Jehovah's Witnesses? Here we will dive into the beliefs of many growing world religions/cults and consider what sets Christianity apart. Most importantly, as we study, you will be encouraged and equipped to engage in evangelistic conversations with those of a different faith.

- **Growing Kids God's Way | Parents** - Jay & Marsha Curry | **Fellowship Hall**

Parenthood is a gift from God, it is also a great responsibility. Our hope is that through this class parents will learn Biblical principles and how to practically implement them in the nurturing and training of their children. This class is geared more toward parents with children 12 years of age and under. Space is limited and registration is closed after the class begins.

### SERVE

- **English as a Second Language | Childhood Education Building, 2nd Floor**

ESL provides CrossPoint members the unique opportunity to:

1. Build relationships in the community with those who want to learn English.
2. Share God's love through prayer and Bible passages at the conclusion of each lesson.
3. Help individuals learn English.

Additional teachers and helpers are still needed if anyone is interested in helping with this ministry. Contact the church office to volunteer or attend the class on Sunday evening.

- **Live Out Loud | Songs, Scripture, Serve** - Charlotte Stevens | **CEB, 2nd Floor**

1st - 5th graders will participate in weekly musical worship and walk through the major bible stories. We will continue using "God's Big Picture" curriculum, which begins with the creation story in Genesis and ends with John's Revelation. Additionally, children will have mission opportunities to live out what they learn in God's Word.

- **Preschool Care** - Sherry Wilson | **CEB, 1st Floor**

Children ages birth to Kindergarten play together and learn about the Word of God through storytime, crafts and music.

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