



Dear CrossPoint Family:

I appreciate this second opportunity to provide a letter for the Connection and in it, I want to convey how thankful I am that, in God's providence, Martha and I are members of this church Body. You know, individual churches are to be a local, living, loving collection of people who are committed to Christ and committed to each other, and I think CrossPoint models that quite well by the power of Christ's Spirit. Of course, we are all imperfect people who need God's grace daily to improve in this regard. I know that one of my responsibilities as an elder is to take seriously the gospel's intent of sanctifying a people for God's own possession (Titus 2:14) and my prayer is that I be found faithful in that role. Let me tell you some of the reasons I am thankful to be connected here at CrossPoint and I hope it will spur you to be thankful as well, or that it will encourage you to become more connected within our church.

First, I am thankful that at CrossPoint, God's Word is central and we are concerned about accurately handling the word of truth (2 Tim. 2:15). We focus on that during our (1) Sunday School time, (2) worship time - both in song and through preaching, and (3) equipping classes. Adherence to sound doctrine is essential for Christ's church (Titus 1:9 & 2:1) because it assures that the church will be guarded from savage wolves that seek to subvert the faith.

I am thankful to be part of a church that is willing to sacrifice to re-plant a church in mid-city and for our brothers and sisters in Christ who have committed at least one year toward this effort. God is blessing that effort and I hope you will all join me in praying that Grace Baptist Church becomes a vibrant light for Christ in that part of town.

I am thankful for our Deacons who provide leadership in the areas of outreach, member visitation, prayer, care and benevolence, administration of church ordinances, greeting, security and any other service deemed necessary. These men are so central to the overall health of our church and I appreciate them very much. Soon, we will ordain new Deacons who can join the others in service to our church family, and I am thankful for these men as well.

I am thankful to be part of a Sunday School class and a Wednesday night home group. With both these groups, we fellowship and share life together - rejoicing in God's blessing and bearing one another's burdens in prayer. If you are not part of one or both of these groups, you are missing out on a big part of what being "the church" is all about.

I am thankful for our decentralized church structure, which though congregational at its core, intentionally empowers the Elders (which includes the Senior Pastor), Ministers, and a Management Team with the authority to implement the vision God has for CrossPoint. This structure works very well in my humble opinion, and I appreciate the good and faithful work of our Management Team month by month. This structure would certainly not work like it does were it not for the care and diligence of our three office ladies.

Finally, I am proud of a Pastor who for nearly six years has faithfully challenged us to know God's Word, to walk in obedience to Christ's commands (2 John 1:6), to purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God (2 Cor. 7:1) and to make disciples in all nations (Matt. 28:19). As we transition to church life without Landon and Tara, let us be thankful for his heart to present the Word in our midst positionally and let us pray that God will never let him waiver from the centrality of the gospel. Though we will soon be without a Senior Pastor, God has so equipped our church to transition well and I am looking forward to CrossPoint's next chapter.

In His service,
David Morrison, Elder

BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE

1 Elizabeth Grose	13 Andrew Daigle	19 Mattie Middleton
2 Madison Clark	13 Aubrey Daigle	19 Karli Morrison
2 Rob Wagnon	13 Herbert Hooper	21 Rebecca Griggs
2 Ann Wicker	13 Nick Taylor	23 Randy Mehlon
5 Sharon Hebert	14 Patti Collins	25 Dot Olivier
5 Chris Mott	14 Trevor Cupit	26 Joshua Lee
6 Michelle Bordelon	14 Jon Slayton	26 Kevin Whitfield
6 Ben Jones	15 Jace Fairchild	27 Joy Passman
7 Miranda Williams	15 Jason Whitehead	28 Camille Kelly
8 Clay Dickson	16 Caleb Curry	28 Samantha LeBlanc
8 Judy Edwards	16 Anna Slayton	29 Blane Purpera
9 Brianna Wagoner	18 Durward Powell	29 Sally Riddle
11 Lauren Gant	19 Jordan Carls	30 Camden Creel



CHILDREN'S HOME SUNDAY - JUNE 12

The 5th annual LBCH Offering provides around-the-clock care, food, clothing, education, transportation, medical care, counseling and other professional services to the children and families who need it most. Your gift makes it possible for them to share the love and compassion of Christ with those children in their care. Please begin praying now about how God would have you give.

SUMMER PLAY DAYS

- **Thursday, June 9** - Chuck E. Cheese on Siegen Lane. Meet at 10:00 am to play and eat lunch. **Please RSVP by Monday, June 6.**
- **Thursday, June 16** - Louisiana Children's Discovery Center in Hammond. Meet at 9:00 am in the Blockbuster parking lot on Millerville to caravan. Cost is \$5 for everyone over 1 year. **Please RSVP by Thursday, June 2 for everyone over 1 year-old.**
- **Tuesday, June 28** - Insectarium in New Orleans. Cost is \$6 for everyone 2 years -old and over. **Please RSVP by Tuesday, June 14 to reserve your spot.**
- All RSVP's are to Sherry@crosspointchurch.org.

Congratulations to Kevin Whitfield—our wonderful Youth Pastor!

Kevin has served God at CrossPoint for a year and we are grateful for his and Katie's service to our Youth and CrossPoint as a whole. They are a blessing to everyone! Please find a way to encourage them this month; a hug, a card, whatever you feel shows them love.

CrossPoint Church extends Christian sympathy to **Helen Green** in the loss of her brother and **C.T. Taylor** in the loss of his aunt..

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. If you have any questions, call Kristi Campbell at the church office at (225)752-2400.



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

• **Saturday, June 4** - St. Anthony's AIDS Home Ministry - Meet @ CP at 9:45am & return by 12:30pm. Come and love on these precious people. This has been a blessing for those who have participated.

• **June 1st-6th** - Sr. High trip to Washington D.C.

• **June 11th-16th** - Youth Camp in Tennessee

SPECIAL MEMBERS' MEETING

On Sunday, June 12, a packet containing CrossPoint's church Covenant, policy on Elders, and the Baptist Faith and Message, 2000 will be distributed. This packet will be discussed at the Members' meeting on Wednesday, June 15 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Then on Sunday, June 19, the contents of the packet will be voted on without discussion.

Band of Brothers

Band of Brothers men's ministry now meets on the second Saturday of each month at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for a time of prayer and fellowship. All men are invited to attend on Saturday, June 11, 2011 @ 7:00 am. To RSVP, please call 225-752-2400 or email michelle@crosspointchurch.org.



OUR CUPBOARD NEEDS YOU!



Although Bible Study classes have been asked to bring certain items, there are other items that we are in need of at this time. Please check the list below and see if there are things listed that you might be able to supply. The cart is located in the Fellowship Hall for donations. Thanks.

Sugar	Peanut Butter & Jelly	Mayonnaise
Canned Meat	Kool-Aid	Mustard
• Ravioli	Canned Milk (PET Milk/Evaporated)	Ketchup
• Beefaroni	Cereal	Feminine Products
• Tuna	Shampoo	Deodorant
• Chicken	Conditioner	Razors
• Chili	Toothbrush	Dish Detergent
Paper Towels	Toothpaste	Laundry Detergent
Toilet Tissue	Glass Cleaner	Kitchen Cleaner
Soap	Bathroom Cleaner	

Boys' Mission Camp Info

All boys (Grades 1-6) attending mission camp June 13-17 need to meet at CrossPoint on Monday, June 13 at 7:30 am to load vehicles. We will leave at 7:45 am. Parent drivers are needed. If you can help, contact Gay Ann Tate. Parents are welcome to attend a short program on Friday, June 17 at 9:30 am.

Congratulations to Kristi Campbell, Communications Specialist, who will complete 10 years to faithful service to CrossPoint on June 21. Kristi publishes the Worship Folder and the "Connection," orders literature, handles publicity for the church, coordinates the church Blood Drive, helps coordinate VBS and is always willing to do whatever is asked of her with a willing spirit. She also teaches music in our preschool program. Lynda Van Kerkhove

Financial Report for April 2011

- Tithes and offerings for April were \$48,734.57, while expenses were \$51,133.11, resulting in a deficit for the month of \$2,398.54.
- Through April, tithes and offerings for the year are \$202,194.72, expenses are \$204,974.12, resulting in a deficit of \$2,779.40. Tithes and offerings have averaged \$50,548.68 while all expenses averaged \$51,243.53.
- Tithes and offerings for 2011 have equaled \$202,194.72. They equaled \$229,584.57 during 2010 for the same time period. Tithes and offerings for 2011 are \$27,389.85 less than 2010.

Mark your calendar
Church Picnic
 Sunday, July 3 @ 12pm

Sunday Bible Study Schedule

Book of Joshua Lesson Schedule (9:00 am)

- June 5 - Lesson 9 - Gibeon's Deception (9:1-27)
- June 12 - "Winning with Your Spouse" Al Jones meets w/ Men in Worship Center & Mary Gayden Jones meets w/ Women in Fellowship Hall
- June 19 - Lesson 10 - God Fights for Israel (10:1-12:24)
- June 26 - Lesson 11 - Inheritances(13:1-17:18)

HOME GROUPS

Summer 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)
- 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
(Youth & Family Friendly)
- 6:30 pm | The Morrison Home 1312 Ridgeland, BR 70810
(College & Adult)



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Ages 4 - Grade 5 won't want to miss this year's VBS! Register your child to attend or register to volunteer using the link below.
www.crosspointchurch.org

Everyone knows what it's like to hear your mom tell stories from your childhood. Can you imagine the kinds of stories Mary could tell? Take your kids back to Hometown Nazareth, where they'll stand up for their faith among people who doubt that the carpenter's son is really God's Son.

Imagine living and working in the dusty town of Nazareth, just before Jesus began his ministry...

- You might hear people whispering about that carpenter's kid who says he's the Son of God
- You might have Jesus and his family over for dinner and let Mary's boy play tag with your kid
- And you might secretly wonder if that child down the street could really be your Messiah.



Dr. Landon Dowden, Senior Pastor
Byron Townsend, Missions
Kevin Whitfield, Associate Pastor of Youth

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