



Dear CrossPoint Family,

Thank you for supporting CrossPoint Baptist School as a ministry of this church for the last fifteen years.

Jesus had time for children and said, "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me." Mark 9:37. The purpose of this ministry is to build a Godly foundation in the lives of children, teach children Biblical concepts, pray for their salvation and share Christ with families all for the glory of God.

The school functions as an extension to parents to "Train up a child in the way he should go; [so] even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6. Education based in a God-focused, Biblical perspective helps the development of the whole child - spiritually, academically, physically, and socially. The goal is to support Christian parents in teaching their children about Jesus. Also, the planting of seeds of God's Word and love in the hearts and minds of the children brings Jesus into all homes.

The Lord has blessed this school with growth from a Mother's Day Out to give stay at home moms time away from their children, provide Christ-centered learning experiences for their children and express God's love to families in our community. The program started with just over 20 children attending two days per week and grew to over 250 children (ages 9 months - K) in 19 classes Monday-Thursday. There are 38 teachers and office personnel for this current year. God has blessed us with a great reputation in the community confirmed by being at capacity and very extensive waiting lists for the last several years.

There are several events for families to attend including Christmas and Easter programs, kindergarten graduation and End of the year program. The annual school auction (second Friday in November) is for our parents, families, (even alumni) and church members as a night of fun, food, and fellowship while also being our main fundraising event. These events provide great opportunities for our church members to minister to non-churched families.

Praise God for blessing this ministry and continuing to have His Hand over this work for His glory. **Please be involved with this ministry by praying for our staff, children and families.** I praise God for allowing me to serve as director and blessing me through His ministry!

In Him,
Gay Ann

REMINDERS

Deacon's Meeting | Saturday, October 13 | 8:00 AM
Management Team Meeting | Tuesday, October 16 | 6:30 PM



HOME GROUPS

The purpose of a home group is to provide an opportunity for Christian relationships to develop within our congregation. All of the home groups meet on Wednesday evenings at various times.

- 5:30 PM | The Whitehead Home**
Location Varies, Call 603-7290 for Location (Kid Friendly & All Welcome)
- 5:30 PM | The Wicker Home**
19016 Epernay Ct., BR 70817 (Families w/Toddlers & Adult Friendly)
- 6:15 PM | The Rumfellow Home**
37099 Timothy Ave., PV 70769 (Open to All Ages)
- 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)

LADIES BIBLE STUDIES

Every Tuesday

- 9:30 AM "Women of the Bible"** Call 924-8095 for more information.
- 7:00 PM "Jesus, the One & Only"** Call 313-6074 for more information.

EQUIPPING CLASSES THIS FALL

Sunday Nights | 5:45 PM

- "Respectable Sins"** in the Worship Center
- Music & Missions** in the Large Room on the 2nd Floor of CEB
- Mission Friends** on the 1st Floor of CEB
- English As a Second Language** on the 2nd Floor of CEB



ST. ANTHONY'S MINISTRY

Saturday, October 6 | 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Come with us and show Christ's love to people in Baton Rouge with HIV. Showing love here means lending an ear, playing Apples to Apples, or just sharing with each other what Jesus has done in our lives. Please call Katie Whitfield at (972)977-4464 for more information.

ESL MINISTRY NEED

God is providing more ESL students and we are in need of more teachers. We will provide the books that you need. Call Carmen at 313-6074 if you are interested in serving.

HOSPITALITY TEAM

Do you enjoy entertaining, organizing, cooking, baking, decorating, or shopping? CrossPoint has many events that need your gifts! If you are interested in being a part of a team that hosts various events that involve food and fun, please contact: Sonja Kelly at 938-8319 or sonjabkelly@gmail.com.

THE LIVING NATIVITY

Friday, December 7 - Saturday, December 8

A live presentation of scenes from the Christmas story, open to the community, that allows us as a congregation to spread the Gospel during the Christmas season. If you are interested in devoting some time to this ministry please email krysten@crosspointchurch.org.



BAGBR ANNUAL MEETING & FALL MINISTRY FAIR

Tuesday, October 2 | 6:00 PM | Zoar Baptist Church

Lots of information will be made available about what's going on in our convention and in other churches in our area.

BAND OF SISTERS

Friday, October 5 | 11:30 AM | in the Fellowship Hall

Bring your favorite covered dish and join us for a time of fellowship and prayer. Held in the Fellowship Hall. Contact the church office at 752-2400 if childcare is needed.

JEFFERSON BAPTIST CHURCH HYMN SING

Sunday, October 7

4:00 PM Rehearsal | 5:30 PM Snack Supper | 6:00 PM Festival

All churches are invited to celebrate our faith in song together. Let's fill the church with one big choir! Sign up with Krysten at 752-2400 or krysten@crosspointchurch.org.

SENIOR ADULT FISH FRY

Friday, October 12 | 11:00 AM

Senior adults are invited to join us for food and a time of fellowship. We ask that those with last names A-M bring salad and those with last names N-Z bring desserts.

BAND OF BROTHERS

Saturday, October 13 | 7:00 AM | Fellowship Hall

Band of Brothers men's ministry meets quarterly on the second Saturday of the month for a time of prayer and fellowship. All men are invited to attend. To RSVP, email krysten@crosspointchurch.org or call the church office at 752-2400.

the connection



We thank God for sending Nick Taylor as our new pastor. He, his wife, Tara, and children are moving to Baton Rouge the first week of October, and his first Sunday to preach at CrossPoint will be October 21. The staff thought it would be fun to ask Nick a few questions in order to get to know him better. We enjoyed his responses so much that we wanted to share them with you:

What is your favorite meal?

My favorite meal is my wife's chicken spaghetti. It's a cheese based sauce unlike traditional spaghetti. Although I will say that steak and rack of lamb run a close second and third behind chicken spaghetti. There isn't much that I don't like, and I'll try *almost anything* once. I like a wide variety of desserts. Since I met Tara I have developed a sweet tooth. I have two desserts that rank among my top picks. Tara's homemade Oreo Cheesecake and my grandmother's triple layer Huckleberry Cake (Huckleberry's are like blueberry's but smaller and sweeter, they are often found in the woods around Central and Northern Louisiana).

What chore do you dislike the most?

Without a doubt, hauling the garbage to the town dump! I am thankful for garbage pickup in the city. While growing up in Houma and living in New Orleans, I didn't realize how much I took garbage pickup for granted until I moved into a rural community.

What are some of the best books you've read?

The Holiness of God by R.C. Sproul
The Cross of Christ by John Stott
Spirit Empowered Preaching by Arturo Azurdia

Do you have any hobbies?

A few hobbies I enjoy are playing sports, hunting, fishing and carpentry.

What is your most embarrassing moment in life so far?

My most embarrassing moment has to be during a high school baseball game when my pants ripped, which I realized much later than everyone else. Sometimes friends can be ruthless!

Nick Taylor, Senior Pastor
Kevin Whitfield, Associate Pastor
Al Jones, Elder
David Morrison, Elder

Byron Townsend, Missions & Church Planter
Angela Franklin, Minister of Music & Children
Gay Ann Tate, CrossPoint School Director
Sherry Wilson, Minister to Pre-School Children

CHURCH WIDE WORK DAY

Saturday, October 27 | 9:00 AM

We will be rolling up our sleeves to give a little TLC to our church campus. From painting to pressure washing we have something for everyone to pitch in and help complete. We are asking anyone with a pressure washer to bring it as well. Mark your calendars and pray for a nice fall day.

GETTY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Friday, December 21 | 7:00 PM

Keith and Kristyn Getty will be performing at the River Center and are asking local churches to provide a 200+ choir of children to adults. If you are interested in singing you can contact the church office or angela@crosspointchurch.org. Practice CDs will be available for \$5.

WITH SYMPATHY

CrossPoint extends Christian sympathy to Russell & Ana Nolan in the death of his grandmother.

CrossPoint extends Christian sympathy to Marsha Vandiver and family in the death of her husband, Tom Vandiver.

CrossPoint extends Christian sympathy to Dot Olivier in the death of her uncle.

BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

1 Joe Townsend	18 Donna Maddie
1 Joseph Wicker	19 Sherry Wilson
2 Brandy Latino	19 Catie Taylor
3 Lilly Fridge	22 Buddy Blackwell
4 Nathan May	22 Rachael Grose
5 Penny Castello	22 Gayden Landry
6 Tim Tulos	22 Lucas Kelly
8 Terry Moore	24 Mia Williams
9 Debra Stark	25 Tracy LeBeau
9 Dale Lee	26 Cheryl Richard
10 Carmen Tucker	27 William Webb
10 Pam Taylor	28 Jordan Bordelon
10 Seth Collins	29 Peyton Brennan
12 Casey Dufour	29 Abigail Slayton
15 Michael Paul	29 Amelia Stephens
16 Chris Powell	31 Thomas Fridge
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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR AUGUST 2012

- Tithes and offerings for August were \$46,472.37, while expenses were \$41,736.55 resulting in a surplus for the month of \$4,735.82.
- Through August, tithes and offerings for the year are \$442,585.10, while expenses are \$387,890.63, resulting in a surplus of \$54,694.47. Tithes and offerings have averaged \$55,323.13 while all expenses averaged \$48,477.97.
- Tithes and offerings for 2012 have equaled \$442,585.10. They equaled \$423,086.46 during 2011 for the same time period. Tithes and offerings for 2012 are \$19,498.64 more than 2011.

HELPING CROSSPOINT COMMUNICATE

To help foster better communication at CrossPoint, please take complaints or concerns to Jay Curry, Moderator of the Management Team, or Jim Shoff, Chairman of Deacons. Contact Jay at (225) 241-3855 and Jim at (225) 253-1730.



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