



CP Members,

First off, I just want to say thank you. It's been quite an eventful past 45 days or so with getting married, moving to Baton Rouge, starting a new job, and beginning a new semester at the seminary. The transition here at CrossPoint has been very easy thanks to the welcoming and supportive spirit of the members and the current staff. It has been an incredible journey from my standpoint, being that just a few months ago I was clueless as to how I was going to feed and shelter my soon to be wife. But God provided amply and has put me here to serve and walk with you all here at CrossPoint for the next year. Not only has He provided me with work but He has also put me among a body of healthy believers who are biblically literate and willing to serve. So I thank God for that.

Part of my responsibilities here is to prepare the Sunday school notes for the leaders and present them in a meeting we have on Friday afternoons. As you all know we have been walking through "Worldliness" by C.J. Mahaney, a book that is small in stature but big on truth. Mahaney has done a great job as editor in bringing a group of really wise individuals together to address some tough issues that we face in our fallen world, especially in American society. We have two chapters left in this book and then we're on to the next thing, so I want to encourage you to take the time to go back and read the stuff you missed as well as prepare for the upcoming lesson this Sunday. We hope that this has been and will continue to be a time of self-examination. It is easy to go through a book like this and discard the things that convict you or make you feel uncomfortable but I want to challenge you to not let the blessing, that is conviction, pass you by. That may cause some of you to balk but conviction leads to confession and repentance, which results in restoration allowing you to live in communion with God through the Spirit. We must be hungry for the removal of sin in our lives and the resulting peace with God that it brings. While the book "Worldliness" can't provide all of this, it can help in pointing out pockets of sin in our heart that need to be cleaned out through confession and repentance. God the Spirit will be faithful to convict, God the Son will be faithful to forgive, and God the Father will be faithful to complete the good work He began in us.

I want to leave you with a word of encouragement from what I read this morning in Luke. Often times we read verses several times and then God draws our attention to them just at the right time. At the beginning of ch.18 Luke records this, "Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart." Lately, God has really been trying to pound in my head the importance of consistent prayer. Today I understood clearly why consistency in prayer is so important, pray at all times so not to lose heart. I encourage you to do the same.

In Christ's Love,
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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.

BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

1 Carrie Dodson	8 Mark Hebert	18 Joey Wagoner
2 Sarah Arceneaux	9 Marsha Vandiver	19 Connie Parke
2 Michael Johns	10 Kasen St. Pe	20 Linda Carls
3 Don Whatley	11 Terry Hebert	20 Diann Thomas
5 Cheryl Causey	11 Ethan Wagnon	24 Faith Martin
5 Zeke Dunaway	13 Aaron LeBeau	24 Wyatt Stephens
5 Terry Kelly	14 Melvin Creel	25 Caydence Lachney
5 Cissy Wilson	15 Tom Sambola	26 Rachel Matthews
6 Larilyn Dowden	16 C J Rodrigue	27 Jim Shoff
7 Billie Middleton	17 Kim Weaver	30 Amy Stephens
8 Glynn Gross		

QUARTERLY MEMBERS' MEETING

There will be a Quarterly Members' Meeting on Wednesday, September 21 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All members are encouraged to attend. No Home Groups will be meeting on this night.

Dear CP,

It's time to plan our 2012 mission trips. As you know, we usually travel to Gilgal Baptist Church (with Pastor Ramon in Monterrey, Mexico) and Bugiri Baptist Church (with Pastor George in Bugiri, Uganda). Currently I'm planning to travel only to Uganda. A trip to Mexico is still uncertain. The highway between the border and Monterrey remains dangerous.

MEXICO

Pastor Ramon recently emailed me, "Things in Monterrey are worse, this means that we need a double portion of the intercession from you and your church. We will not stop our agenda for summertime [VBS and evangelism] in the name of Jesus we will go ahead. This is a challenge, a risk and an adventure of faith, you name it!! You are a good brother and I know that I count on your prayers."

Pray for the situation in Mexico. I have a deep desire to return to Mexico and work side-by-side with Pastor Ramon for the sake of Jesus' glory among the Mexican people groups. Join me in asking God for wisdom - maybe we need to rethink our traditional way of traveling to Mexico...

UGANDA

A group of seven will be traveling to Uganda this November, but a 2012 Spring Break trip is being planned. Please mark your calendars: **March 29 - April 8, 2012** As this is Spring Break for most of the USA, the seats are going to fill up quickly. Please reply to this email if you are interested in going to this trip. Further detail will be provided to those who feel led to go. All Christians are invited on this trip, regardless of age, gender or mission-trip experience.

Know that I am praying for you. Thank you for praying for me and my family. We are privileged to be part of a Kingdom-minded community of faith!

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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.



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

• **Saturday, September 3 - St. Anthony's Home Ministry** - Meet @ CP at 9:45am & return by 12:30pm. Come and love on these precious people and be blessed in return.

• **Sunday, September 18 - Ordination Service @ 6:30 pm** - Come support Kevin Whitfield as he is ordained as a minister. If you have never been to an ordination service, you'll want to be at this one! There will be a dessert fellowship following the service.

CrossPoint 101 Membership Class

What makes CrossPoint Church unique? If you would like 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, September 25.** Email michelle@crosspointchurch.org to register for this class or for more information.

Band of Sisters Luncheon

Band of Sisters monthly luncheon will be held **Friday, September 9, 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.

Band of Brothers

Band of Brothers men's ministry meets on the second Saturday of the month at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for a time of prayer and fellowship. All men are invited to attend on Saturday, September 10, 2011 @ 7:00 am. To RSVP, please call 225-752-2400 or email michelle@crosspointchurch.org.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO SHERRY WILSON!

Sherry is beginning her second year as CrossPoint's Minister to Preschoolers. Thank you for all you do to minister to our little blessings. You are appreciated!

CHURCH WORK DAY

On Saturday, September 17, everyone is invited to the **Church Work Day beginning at 8:00 am**. There is a task for everyone—no one is too small or too old. There are many jobs around our campus that need to be done, so bring your work gloves and a helpful attitude as we clean up our campus and get ready for God's work!

CrossPoint Church extends Christian sympathy to **Katlyn Daigle** in the loss of her grandfather, **Durward Powell** in the loss of his sister and **Katie Whitfield** in the loss of her uncle.

Church Offices will be closed on Monday, September 5, 2011, in observance of Labor Day.

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.

Financial Report for July 2011

- Tithes and offerings for July were \$62,867.31, while expenses were \$52,310.45, resulting in a surplus for the month of \$10,556.86.
- Through July, tithes and offerings for the year are \$381,407.22, while expenses are \$368,941.70, resulting in a surplus of \$12,465.52. Tithes and offerings have averaged \$54,486.75 while all expenses averaged \$52,705.96.
- Tithes and offerings for 2011 have equaled \$381,407.22. They equaled \$397,161.39 during 2010 for the same time period. Tithes and offerings for 2011 are \$15,754.17 less than 2010.



UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE!

Be a hero by donating at CrossPoint's blood drive, Sunday, September 11. 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! You may visit 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, September 11. Thank you!

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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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Through Sunday Morning Bible Study Classes...

- **Babies thru Kindergarten** - Various teachers | CEB, 1st Floor
- **1st thru 5th Grades** - Various teachers | CEB, 2nd Floor
- **Youth** - Various Teachers | Youth Dome (then breakout to other classes)
- **College & Young Professionals** - Various Teachers | Worship Ctr
- **30 Somethings | Adults** - Jason Whitehead | CEB, 2nd Floor, Rm 2
- **Married with Children | Adults** - Jay Curry | CB 1, Room 6
- **Carpenter's Children | Adults** - Al Jones | Fellowship Hall
- **Milestones | Adults** - A.J. Melendez & David Morrison | CB1, Room 1
- **WINDI | Adult Women** - Lynne Tullos | CB1, Room 2
- **Esther Class | Adult Women** - Patsy Earnhart & Ann Bolton | CB2, Rm B
- **Senior Adult Men** - Tim Tullos | CB1, Room 7

Through Sunday Night Equipping Classes....

- **Baptist Faith & Message | Adults**
David Morrison & T. Wright | Worship Center
- **Do Tough Stuff | Youth**
Kenneth Whitfield, Craig Satterfield, Brandon Jenkins | Youth Dome
- **Growing Kids God's Way | Parents**
Jay & Marsha Curry, Lee & Stacy Green & Terry & Sonja Kelly
Fellowship Hall
- **English as a Second Language**
CEB, 2nd Floor
- **Live Out Loud | Songs, Scripture, Serve | Children**
Charlotte Stevens | CEB, 2nd Floor
- **Preschool Care | Babies & Preschoolers**
Sherry Wilson | CEB, 1st Floor

Through Wednesday Night Home Groups....

See back cover for a list of Home Groups across the city to join.

Al Jones & David Morrison, Elders
Kevin Whitfield, Associate Pastor
T Wright, Assistant Pastor of Teaching & Administration
Byron Townsend, Missions