



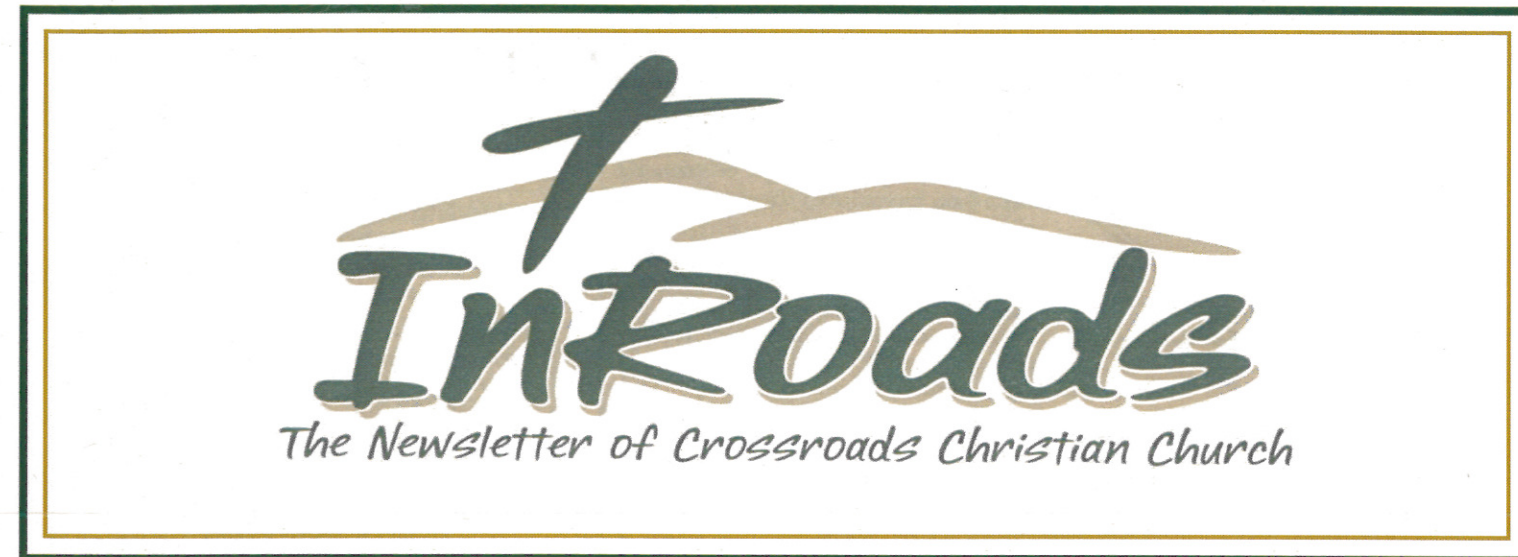
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## Crossroads Student Ministry

### Weekly Events: The Student Ministry @ Crossroads is for those in grades 7-12

- Sunday:
  - Worship @ 9:30 am
  - Sunday School @ 10:55 am- All Start in The Youth Room and then divide into smaller groups by grade
  - Small Groups— In area homes from 5:45-7:30 pm
- Wednesday: Youth Group @ 7:00 pm in The Youth Room.

Teen Choir: Practice continues weekly in the Student Ministry Room at 4:00 pm on Sundays.

Mission Trip Dates for the Summer: More information will be out on these trips really soon...but we wanted you to go ahead and get the dates on your calendars. I apologize that we are behind on these dates, but things were complicated with my (Kit) recent changes. It is our hope that we will have someone in my place by Summer but we have decided to approach summer mission trips as if we do not have anyone in place. As a result the dates for these trips were selected based on the availability of student ministry volunteers that will help to lead these trips if we do not have anyone in place.

- **Middle School Mission Trip**: This year's trip will once again be to Riverwood (awesome) and will take place on June 19-24, 2011. Stay tuned for more information real soon.
- **High School Mission Trip**: This year's trip will be to Louisville, KY to do inner city work with Crossroads Missions. The dates will be July 17-23, 2011. All the info is on the Crossroads website and on the student ministry Facebook page.

High School Mission Trip Deadline: Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>: \$75.00 nonrefundable deposit due

High School Girls Bible Study: Brandy Stykes and Jenni Graham are leading a Bible Study for High School girls on Thursday Nights at 7:15 pm in the Student Ministry Room.

YIM Student Leadership Conference: Youth In Ministry's annual Student Leadership Conference will be July 24-30, 2011 at Milligan College. We have had a lot of students participate in this week over the years and I think all of them would encourage you to consider being a part of it. It is for those who are really interested in beginning to seek God's will for their life (now and in the future). It is a wonderful week that is led in part by some people you know pretty well (Kit, Curtis, Chris Wells, etc.). There are scholarships available for the week & all the info is now available in The Garage. Keep your eyes open for the info on Facebook & the Crossroads Website. You can also go to [www.youthinministry.org](http://www.youthinministry.org) to download all the info.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR \*Stay tuned...there will be more events added soon\*

- May 1: Teen Choir Program
- June 19-24: Riverwood Mission Trip for those presently in grades 7 & 8
- July 17-23: High School Mission Trip to Louisville, KY.
- July 24-30: Youth In Ministry Student Leadership Conference

# LOVE IS ALIVE

*Remembering the Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus Christ*



Friday, April 22

7:00 p.m. — Passover Seder Service

This will be a ticketed event—approximately \$7. This will include a full traditional Seder meal with all the trimmings in addition to an explanation of each of the courses of the Passover meal.

For more information see Clint's article on page 2.

Sunday, April 24

7:00 a.m. — Sunrise Service

Led by Curtis Booher and the College Ministry  
To be held in the area between the buildings,  
weather permitting

9:30 and 10:55 — "Love is Alive"

A Resurrection Celebration  
Featuring the Crossroads Adult Choir



## The Right Turn!

by Clint Andrews



Allow me to use my column this week to share three events that are coming up. You'll want to read about each one, because they present opportunities that you won't want to miss!



### Passover Seder...

Instead of our usual "Service of Darkness" this year, we are going to present a **Passover Seder** on Good Friday...which is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. This will be a ticketed event...and we think we can only accommodate about 300 comfortably, so you'll want to get your tickets as soon as they are available...which should be the first Sunday in April. What's holding us up is the cost. We have discovered that lamb is very expensive, so we haven't been able to set the price as of the writing of this article. But we are doing our best to get the costs down and should know something by the end of the week. However, plan on the tickets running about \$7 each...or something close to that price. This will include a full traditional Seder meal with all the trimmings in addition to an explanation of each of the courses of the Passover meal. We've done this before...back when we were a part of Hales Chapel...but that ought to tell you it's been a while. Some have suggested it was time to do it again. So here's your opportunity. If you've ever wondered what a Jewish Passover is like...and how Jesus fits into the picture, here's your chance. Hope to see you there.



### Short Term Mission Trip Support...

As you know, we have a couple of teams going on short-term mission trips this summer. One is off to Honduras. Another will be building a church building in the Philippines. As you can imagine, both trips are pretty expensive...and in case you don't know, these folks pay their own way for the most part. However, there are ways we can help out. For example, Erin Eberhart has worked out a great opportunity for us to support our teams AND get a good meal at the same time. Through her efforts, Johnson City **Chili's** restaurant (*next to Barnes and Noble in the same shopping center as Cheddars*) has agreed to donate a portion of their sales from the evening of Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. All you have to do is be at Chili's on that night, between the hours of 4 PM and 10 PM...order a hearty meal...present your waiter with a coupon we will give you...and Chili's will give 10% of the receipts to support our mission teams! What more could you ask for? This is your chance to enjoy a night out...and help our mission teams at the same time. I hope you'll take advantage of it. The coupons for the meal will be available at the Information Center in the lobby...



### A New Sermon Series...

Finally this. We are beginning a new sermon series. It is based on Ezekiel 11:19-20, which reads, *"I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh. Then they will follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. They will be my people, and I will be their God."* Obviously, God is speaking...and he is speaking about the Christian age...He is talking about our time. And He is saying, "I will give them a new heart...not one of stone...but one of flesh." In other words, He is promising that Christians will be different from the world...and even different from what was the norm for religious people. As Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount, "You've heard your teachers of the law say such and such...but I say unto you..." Christianity was going to be different...we are going to be people with a forgiving heart, an obedient heart, a serving heart...and a praying heart. I hope you'll make it a point to be here as we examine these very important distinctives. Remember, Ezekiel is speaking about us. What we are to be like. What we are to be.

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### SUNDAY STATISTICS

February 27, 2011

Morning Worship	607
Sunday School	
General Offering	\$12,758.56
Covenant Offering	\$7,926.83

March 6, 2011

Morning Worship	579
Sunday School	341
General Offering	\$21,728.73
Covenant Offering	\$6,801.98

March 13, 2011

Morning Worship	529
Sunday School	
General Offering	\$17,760.24
Covenant Offering	\$10,289.46

March 20, 2011

Morning Worship	503
Sunday School	
General Offering	\$14,131.17
Covenant Offering	\$3,008.46

March 27, 2011

Morning Worship	581
Sunday School	
General Offering	\$20,707.49
Covenant Offering	\$6,363.00

**Please note:** The 2011 General Fund budget requires an average weekly offering of \$15,575.00. The weekly Covenant needed—\$7,307.69.

## EVERYDAY HEROES

presented by  
The King's Kids

and

"The Praise Team"

presented by  
The Cherub Choir

Sunday, April 17  
6:30 p.m.

## YOUNG AT HEART

(for those close to 50 & older)

**Sunday, May 15**—Gaither Homecoming Tour at Freedom Hall. Cost for the ticket is \$22.50. Plan on eating lunch after church (details to be announced later) and then head to the concert which starts at 3:00 p.m. **Sign up and pay early (at the Information Center) to secure your seat.**

Deadline is April 3.  
Make checks payable  
to Rebecca Sapp.

**Special Easter Offering—April 24**—On Easter Sunday a special offering will be taken as part of the Crossroads Covenant. For those who may not know, the Crossroads Covenant is the current capital fundraising campaign to pay for our new Children's & Student Ministry Building and Community Courtyard area, known as "The Front Porch". This offering will be above and beyond the pledged amounts for the Covenant. Please prayerfully consider participating as we return a portion of what God has blessed us with. If you are not yet a part of the Covenant, then this offering could serve as your "first fruits" as you take the next step in our journey here at Crossroads. Special offering envelopes will be in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

COMING MAY 1



A night of high-powered, inspirational music and sketches presented by



Crossroads' Student Ministry Choir  
Sunday, May 1  
6:30 p.m.

There will be a



BRIDAL SHOWER

for  
Amber Stykes  
(bride-to-be of Brian Campbell)  
Sunday, April 10, 2011  
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.  
in the Lobby Classroom.

Registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond

**BBQ Take Out Lunch**  
Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>,  
immediately after church

Sponsored by: The Honduras and Philippines Mission Trip Members (to raise money to help cover expenses for the mission trips)

Homemade BBQ Lunch  
**\$6.00 per lunch**

Menu: BBQ Pork Sandwich  
Baked Beans  
Chips  
Cole Slaw  
Cookie  
Drink

The lunch can be picked up immediately after church (around 12:00 noon) in the front lobby.

**Tickets may be purchased April 3 in the Lobby.**



Easter Lilies in honor or memory of loved ones can be purchased at the Information Center in the Lobby April 3 through April 17. Cost is \$10.00 each. Checks only please. Make checks payable to Crossroads Christian Church.





## News

### 5. Parents! Check out April's Issue of the Parentlink Newsletter!

It is packed full of information and activities for you and the entire family! Pick one up at the Children's Information Center! We will be printing the Parentlink monthly and will be available to you the first Sunday of each month!

### 6. Summer Church Camps at Camp ACC -

If you haven't registered your child to attend a session at Camp ACC, please pick up a Camp ACC brochure and take a look. Children's lives are brought closer to Jesus during each day they spend at camp! There are several sessions to choose from. Camp ACC brochures can be found at the Children's Check-In Centers.

### 7. Young Discipleship Meeting:

**Date of Event:** Sunday, May 1

**Time of Event:** 4:00—5:00 PM

**Place of Event:** The Lab 56 Room of the Dig Site (Building #2)

### 8. Crossroads Kids Children's Ministry - A GREAT PLACE TO SERVE:

With the opening of the Dig Site, there comes many opportunities for us to get involved in serving. Several areas of the Children's Ministry are looking for volunteers. If you are interested in being a part of the Children's Ministry please contact Mr. Jim. There are many blessings just waiting for you! Please contact Jim Goehner (Children's Minister) for more details: Call 477-2229 ext. 32 or email [jim@crossroadsgray.org](mailto:jim@crossroadsgray.org).

### 1. Easter Egg Hunt Candy Donations

Help make our Easter Egg Hunt the best that it can be! We are collecting **plastic Easter Eggs** and individually wrapped **chocolate/candy** now through Wednesday, April 20. Please make sure the candy can fit into a plastic Easter egg. Buckets will be located downstairs near the glass doors and upstairs in the lobby in building #1 and on both levels in building #2 (The Dig Site). If you would like to make a financial donation for the Easter Egg Hunt, please place it in the plastic Easter container at the Information Centers.

**Event Contact:**

**Name:** Jim Goehner **Phone:** 477-2229 ext. 32

**Email:** [jim@crossroadsgray.org](mailto:jim@crossroadsgray.org)

### 2. Easter Stuffing Egg Party

If you are 13 (7th grade or older), please come join us as we stuff thousands of plastic Easter Eggs to get ready for the Easter Egg Hunt!

**Date:** Thursday, April 21

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Where:** The Student Ministry Facility

**Event Contact:**

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### 3. Easter Egg Hunt

Come join us at Crossroads' Easter Egg Hunt! Bring your Easter baskets or bags and hunt for plastic eggs filled with candy. Maybe you will be the one to find the special golden egg (one per age grouping).

**Date of Event:** Saturday, April 23

**Time of Event:** 10:00 AM **Sharp**

**Place of Event:** We are meeting in the gym and the hunt will take place in several different age grouping areas. Wear appropriate clothing. If it is not raining, the hunt will be outside.

**Event Contact:**

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### 4. Children's Ministry Team Leaders' Meeting:

**Date of Event:** Wednesday, April 13

**Time of Event:** 1:00 PM—2:30 PM

**Place of Event:** Dig Site

The Children's Ministry leaders meet every other month to plan and discuss current and future programming. We are always interested in ideas and needs that you and your children might have pertaining to the Children's Ministry here at Crossroads. If you would like to make suggestions or present ideas, please either email them to me at [jim@crossroadsgray.org](mailto:jim@crossroadsgray.org) or to Neil Johnson at [nvljohnson@embarqmail.com](mailto:nvljohnson@embarqmail.com).

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## DECISIONS

December 19, 2010

### Membership

Jerry & Connie Goehner—132 Bishop Rd. Johnson City, TN 37601

February 27, 2011

### Baptism

Olivia Blevins—606 Sharon Dr. Johnson City, TN 37604

Emilee Head—246 Ford Creek Rd. Gray, TN 37615

March 6, 2011

### Baptism

Brandi Stanley—P.O. Box 1646 Elizabethton, TN 37644

### Membership

Casey Johnson—234 N. Harr Trail Rd. Blountville, TN 37617

Laura Duncan—623 Bear Hollow Rd. Rogersville, TN 37857

March 20, 2011

### Baptism

Matt & Will Barker—1207 Hillendale Rd. Gray, TN 37615