



# November 2011



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### November 1

Elder's Meeting

### November 6

TIME CHANGE

Dorothy's Kitchen

### November 7

Board Meeting

### November 8

W@C Calendar Meeting

### November 13

Congregational Meeting and  
Thanksgiving Dinner  
Shoebboxes due

### November 14

Missions Team Meeting

### November 19

CCC Clothes Closet

### November 24-25

Thanksgiving Holiday  
~office closed



## Thanksgiving Reflections

“When we were young and our Dad’s were strong...” I took this line from Art Scheck’s book, “A Fishing Life is Hard Work.”

He wrote this as he was faced with the loss of his grandfather. He was reflecting on the past, of fishing trips with his Dad, and “Pop Pop.”

Sometimes stories like this cause me to look back on my past. Times spent with my Dad, Sunday afternoons spent in places like Meramec Park in central Missouri. Picnics, Wiffle ball games – then a trip to the fish hatchery to see trout that seemed as long as my leg, swimming and fishing in water that seemed clean enough to drink.

Fishing trips to the Sac River, in southwest Missouri, with Dad and his brothers. Listening to them talk to each other the way that brothers talk, teasing one another, telling stories from their youth. If these stories are true, it is but by the grace of God that they lived to be old men!

“When we were young and our Dad’s were strong.” These are the days for which I long (my line). But that was then, and this is now.

Paul tells us in Philippians 3:13-14, “*but I focus on this one thing. Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.*”

We just returned home from our elder’s and wives retreat.... an evening and a day of reflection and discussing where we have been at Crossroads during the past year. But, more importantly, where we are going, or should I say, where God is going to take us.

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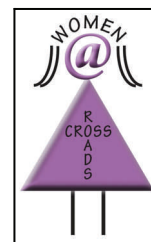
**Our Vision: GLORIFY GOD**

**Our Mission: Grow in Christ, Serve in Love, Bring Others to Jesus**

Is it just me or is anyone else wondering where the year has gone? I can hardly believe that we're welcoming November and that Christmas is just around the corner! WoW... time truly flies when you're having fun!

As the leaves turn and we look forward to turning our clocks back (and gaining an hour ☺) at the beginning of this month, Women at Crossroads will start working on the 2012 master church calendar. We'll be looking ahead to schedule opportunities to:

serve  
fellowship  
invite friends/family  
help with youth activities  
get involved with congregational activities  
... and more!



If you have ideas for 2012, we'd love to have you attend our 2012 planning session on Tuesday night, November 8<sup>th</sup>. That's all we'll be doing... just calendaring (is that a word?) ... so if you're into "planning ahead" with your CCC sisters, come on out. It's always a fun time to look ahead to what God has placed on people's hearts and minds for the coming year. I know I'm looking forward to it. If you can't make it, but have some dates that you'd like to see on the calendar, please email me or give me a call before the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Have a wonderful month as fall is upon us... families take time to be thankful... and winter approaches... I am thankful for each one of you!

Love, in Christ -

Ginger Stark  
2012 W@C Coordinator



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At this time of Thanksgiving, I am thankful for my past, the blessings God has given me. But, I also am thankful for you, and I look forward to working and serving with you, here at Crossroads Christian Church. I know God will show us great things in the days and years to come.

I pray one day, you will look back on these days with fond memories. Thanks for listening.

Jerry Lemmon

# Missions Matters

**GIVE PRAISE TO OUR GOD!** He has blessed FAME thru Crossroads with \$1050.00 in donations and 3 boxes of supplies. This is the largest total for a FAME project to date! We definitely filled more than "FIVE for FAME" boxes! Thank you to all for participating!

## NOVEMBER: **THE MBORE TRANSLATION PROJECT** Pioneer Bible Translators

Almost 30 years ago, Dave and Alice Parrish, of Pioneer Bible Translators, went to Papua New Guinea, and began the process of translating the Bible into a language that had no alphabet or written word. And now the project for the Mbore people group is nearing completion! They will be able to read the Scriptures in their own language!

The Parrishes, along with David Robinson, a fellow translator, returned to Papua this summer. David worked on checking translated portions for several weeks and he sent us an update on their progress. They still have a lot of work to complete but their goal is to have the dedication ceremony for the Mbore translation of the New Testament in 2015!

David Robinson will return next summer to work on I & II Thessalonians and James. He asks for prayers that God would grant good health for the native translators, Steven and Denny, as well as himself. They are striving to work as quickly as possible! Come November 6 to find out why- it's exciting!

Crossroads sends monthly support to ensure the completion of the translation of the Scripture into the Mbore language. Crossroads has been vital, in bringing the Gospel to this language group, one of the "*uttermost parts on the earth.*" If you would like to join us, monies may be donated thru Crossroads to "**Mbore.**"

Prayers for the health of Steven, Denny, and David are appreciated!

DECEMBER: Join us, as we are '*sent to serve*' close to home, for  
a "**BROWN BAG CHRISTMAS!**"

Sent to Serve, the Missions team



## Operation Christmas Child: (Shoeboxes)

Susanna is a 22-year-old school teacher, interestingly, an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox she received 8 years ago helped her confirm her calling. She still has—and uses—the little pink notebook that was among the items in her box. “I have less than 20 blank pages left,” she said. “When I run out of space, I think I will just add more pages to the notebook!” She also serves as the Sunday School Director for children at her church in Lima, Peru.

Joy is contagious, give a shoebox to catch the JOY the children receive with their very own shoe box. Last OPPORTUNITY to participate is November 13.

# Congregational Meeting and Thanksgiving Dinner November 13 at 5pm



Time changes at 2am on November 6

Board Meeting November 7 at 6:30pm

W@C Calendar Meeting at 6:30pm on November 8

Office closed: November 24-25 Thanksgiving Holiday

## WORKDAY November 19



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### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

DIANE LAWSON	11/01/1975
BRANDON THOMAS	11/05/1985
BRAYDEN MCVAY	11/10/2004
JOSH KAISER	11/12/1997
SARAH THOMAS	11/12/1981
PERRY VARGAS	11/12/1959
FRANCES LEMMON	11/17/1934
AVERI DUNN	11/18/1998
PHILIP LANDIS	11/22/1936
CLINTON MC COY	11/25/1947
JORDAN WHITE	11/26/1984
LEE INTERRANTE	11/28/1964
BRANDON FREDERICK	11/29/1995

### NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

IVAN & GLORIA HALL	11/07/1965
MIKE & JENNIFER MCVAY	11/20/1999
BRANDON & SARAH THOMAS	11/22/2009

### CURRENT GROWTH GROUPS/CLASSES

#### Sunday Morning Classes

Nursery thru Adult (9am)

Nursery/Toddlers (10am)

Pre-K (10am)

Kindergarten-5th (10:30am); no class 1st Sunday

#### Sunday

5:30pm Growth Group, CCC

5:30pm Growth Group, Vargas Home

#### Wednesday

9:30am Ladies Growth Group, CCC

6pm Gospel of John, Palacios Home

#### Friday

7pm Growth Group, Lemmon Home

#### Youth Groups

Junior High Youth Group, Second Sunday

High School Youth Group, Second Sunday