# **COMMUNITY GROUPS**

A Community Group is a gathering of people who want to connect, build community and grow spiritually. Groups explore a specific area of interest over the course of several weeks, and usually include teaching, personal stories and small group discussion. Below is a list of groups offered. The deadline to register is April 11. For details and to sign up, visit crossroads.net/cgroups, or sign up in the Atrium after services. Childcare is available for most groups.

**GETTING STARTED** 

**GROUPS FOR MEN** 

**GOING DEEPER** 

GROUPS FOR WOMEN

**HEALING AND RECOVERY** 

**RELATIONSHIPS** 

ONGOING GROUPS

# WELCOME TO THE REVOLUTION

Mondays: April 19–May 24, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

Tuesdays: April 20–May 25, 6:30–8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex Discover the essentials of a revolutionary, Christ-following life.

#### UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE

Mondays: April 19–May 24, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Mondays: April 19–May 24, 6:30– 8:30pm at Anderson Center Station

Thursdays: April 22–May 27, 6:30–8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex Learn a simple, step-by-step approach to opening, understanding and applying what you read in the Bible.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

Wednesdays April 21–June 9, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Come learn major patterns and themes of God's story and how they apply to your life.

#### **POVERTY**

Thursdays: April 22–May 27, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Learn the true definition of poverty, how God feels about it and your role in the solution.

#### JUSTICE

Mondays: April 19–May 24, 6:30–8:30 at Crossroads Oakley Learn how God feels about injustice and what that means for your

#### REEL TO REAL (ONGOING GROUP)

First Friday of the month, 7–10pm at Crossroads Oakley

Watch movies and engage in lively discussion on a film's spiritual and philosophical messages.

#### WOMEN'S ONGOING GROUP

Wednesdays: 7–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

Connect and build relationships with other women while exploring your spiritual journey more deeply.

#### MEN'S ONGOING GROUP

Wednesdays: 7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

Connect and build relationships with other men and learn from each other's experiences.

#### GROW

Thursdays: April 22–May 27, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Come learn spiritual disciplines that can increase your intimacy with God.

#### PRAYER

Thursdays: April 22–May 27, 6:30–8:30pm Mason Heights Annex Demystify prayer and experience the fulfillment and joy of simple, two-way communication with God.

#### GOING DEEPER (ONGOING GROUP)

Wednesdays: 7–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

Examine how your thinking impacts your perception of God and how you relate to him.

#### **RUNNING FREELY**

Wednesdays: April 21–May 26, 6:30–8:30 at Crossroads Oakley Learn how to identify and overcome major hindrances that keep us from experiencing joy and intimacy with God.

#### WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Wednesdays: April 21-May 26, 9:45-11:30am at Mason Heights Annex Learn about women of the Bible and how their stories can impact your life.

#### DANIEL

Thursdays: April 22–July 8, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Based on the book, "Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy" by Beth Moore.

#### STUDY OF SONG OF SONGS

Wednesdays: April 14–May 19, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Join other women for a journey into more intimacy with God, as illustrated in the Song of Songs.

## DISCERNING THE VOICE OF GOD

Saturdays: May 1-June 5, 9-11am at Crossroads Oakley

This Bible study is designed to help women recognize the voice of God: His language, character and tone of voice.

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: STUDY OF RUTH

Thursdays: April 15–May 13, 9:30–11am at Crossroads Oakley An in-depth Bible study of the book of Ruth. Learn personal study skills and how to apply relevant wisdom to your life.

### BETRAYED BUT TRANSFORMED

Thursdays: 7-9pm at Crossroads Oakley

A safe place for women who need support regarding the impact of a spouse or partner's struggle with pornography or inappropriate sexual behavior.

#### FATHERS

Fridays: April 16–May 14, 6:03–7:30am at Crossroads Oakley, Anderson Center Station and Panera Bread at Union Centre For married fathers who want to become better husbands, fathers and providers.

#### THE LIFE OF JOSEPH

Mondays: April 19–May 24, 6:30–8:30pm Crossroads Oakley Learn how his story can transform your life and understanding of God.

#### **ID FOR MEN**

Mondays: April 19–May 24, 6:30–8:30pm Crossroads Oakley Discover the stumbling blocks in your life that are keeping you from being who God created you to be.

## HALFTIME: MOVING FROM SUCCESS TO SIGNIFICANCE

Tuesdays: April 20–May 25, 6:45–7:45am at Panera Bread on Mason-Montgomery and Anderson Center For men who want to make their middle years significant. Based on Bob Buford's book "Halftime."

#### RISK FOR MEN

Tuesdays: April 20–May 25, 6:30–8:30pm Mason Heights Annex Saying yes to a relationship with Learn how taking a step towards a relationship with Jesus can have a transformational effect on your life.

#### MEN'S HEALTHY CHOICES

Thursdays: 7–9pm at Crossroads Oakley

Learn how to overcome addictions in a safe environment.

#### MEN'S HEALTHY SEXUALITY (ONGOING GROUP)

Thursdays: 7-9pm at Crossroads Oakley Mondays: 7:30-9pm at Vineyard Community Church, Springdale A program for men who seek healthy life choices around their sexual

#### **BIPOLAR DISORDERS**

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Wednesdays: April 21–June 9 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley This is an educational, support and growth group for those who have bipolar disorder and for those who primarily support them.

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT**

Mondays: April 19–June 7, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Understand the pain and disorientation death brings, through a biblical perspective.

#### CHILDHOOD SEXUAL TRAUMA

Mondays: April 19–June 14, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley For anyone who has been directly or indirectly impacted by childhood sexual trauma and who wants to learn more about healing and growing in recovery.

#### BIPOLAR DISORDERS

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#### SINGLES

Thursdays April 22–May 27, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Grow spiritually to gain an understanding of God's plan for this season of life.

#### **FOSTER CARE**

Saturdays: April 24–May 29, 9–11am at Crossroads Oakley Learn more about God's heart around foster care adoption, as well as how to engage in the process.

#### FREE TO FORGIVE

Wednesdays: April 21–May 26, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Explore the freedom to forgive others, ourselves and God.

## INFERTILITY: FINDING GOD'S PEACE IN THE JOURNEY

Wednesdays: April 21–June 9, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Be part of a community seeking God during this season of life.

#### **LOVE AND RESPECT**

Wednesdays: April 21–June 16, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley For married couples seeking to crack the communication code between husband and wife. Based on the book "Love and Respect" by Emerson Eggerichs.

#### **REAL MARRIAGE**

Mondays: April 19–June 21, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Learn how to pursue unity in your marriage.

# DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Thursdays: April 22–July 15, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Learn how to transform your approach to finances.

#### DIVORCE REBUILDING

Saturday, April 24, 8:30am–4:30pm Wednesdays: April 28–June 2, 6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Discover biblical ways to handle life after a divorce in a safe community.

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I knew I should've picked Kansas to go down in the second round.

# Free\*

#### current message series

We might not be as free as we think we are. Even worse, we may have been duped into believing that a relationship with God is about layering on rules and restrictions.

The Bible says, "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." Not fear. Not guilt. Not morality or religion.

You can experience the kind of joy you thought only kids could have. God's offering real freedom. Get yours.

#### today

The journey of freedom is more than a six-week process. Today we'll be talking about the steps ahead.

\* AS IN FREEDOM

# FIRST

time here? OR SECOND, OR THIRD, OR TENTH...

#### Hang around.

The weekend service is only a part of what goes on around here. It's fine to keep hanging out in the rafters, but when you're ready for some company, come on down. We've got a ton of ways for you to get connected—community groups, serving projects, big and small events. Stop by the Info Center and ask for the latest. We'd love to meet you.

# in the KNOW

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CROSSROADS ❷

#### **ADULT BAPTISM**

The next baptism is taking place at Oakley and Mason in May. To find out if baptism is right for you, attend an upcoming information session on Sunday, April 18 from 1-2:30pm at Crossroads Oakley. For details, please visit crossroads.net/baptism.

#### **NO LAST WEDNESDAY**

There will be no Last Wednesday service in March, due to the journey. The next Last Wednesday service will be April 28 at 7pm at Crossroads Oakley.

#### PARTY FOR A PURPOSE

Benefits the OneCity Foundation. Friday, April 16, from 8pm-12am at the Manor House in Mason. Hosted by Brad and Colleen Johansen, Featuring music from the Menus. Tickets are \$50 per person, or \$45 each for two or more. Purchase online at www.onecity.org or call 513.579.0555.

#### **MAXIMIZE YOUR JOB SEARCH**

Improve your online networking, resume and interview skills through this three-part workshop with experts in the HR and online media fields. Tuesdays, April 6, 13 and 21 from 7-8:30pm, at Oakley and at the Mason Heights Annex.

#### FREE MUSIC AVAILABLE

Kids' Club has created music and videos specifically for the Free journey. You can download them for free at crossroads.net/kc, or pick up a copy of the CD at the Kids' Club Info Center.

#### **MADISON RD CONSTRUCTION**

Oakley is getting new water and sewer lines, and there is construction on Madison Road that may impact weekend traffic at Crossroads. To save yourself time and headache, you may want to take Ridge to Marburg, and avoid going east on Madison. You can park in the gravel lot behind our building, or in the side lot at LA Fitness.

#### **PRAYER**

Available after each service in your Auditorium seat. For other ways to receive prayer, or to find out about serving on the Prayer Team, go to www.crossroads.net/prayer. All requests are held in strict confidence.

For more info on things happening around Crossroads, visit www.crossroads.net

# **ADDITIONAL EASTER SERVICE**

### Saturday, April 3 at 3pm **Crossroads Oakley**

All other service times remain unchanged.

Saturday: 3, 4:30 and 6:15pm Sunday: 8:30, 10 and 11:45am

#### MASON:

Sunday: 9:30 and 11am

# Free\* PRAYER EXPERIENCE

#### NOW-MARCH 29

Don't miss the Prayer Experience at Crossroads Oakley. It's designed to be a simple, personal prayer journey with an audio guide to help you engage with God. It's for everyone, whether you've never prayed, or pray everyday. It's designed to last about an hour, but you can take as long as you like.

For hours and childcare info, visit crossroads.net/free.

# meet

Kelly Firesheets serves with the Poverty Community Group.

#### What led you to serve with Community Groups?

I signed up for the Poverty Community Group on a whim last spring...a friend invited me to go with her, and I was curious to see what it would be all about. I was so excited by the stories I heard and the people I met that I asked if I could stay on for more.

#### What is the benefit of joining a group?

Community Groups give you a chance to challenge yourself spiritually and learn something new.

#### What is your favorite thing about serving?

That's an easy one! The people. I have met the most amazing people through the Poverty Group. It's really fun to see how the group changes every time I do it, because everyone brings something different to the table.

To sign up for Poverty or any of the other Community Groups offered this spring, sign up at the Info Center after service, or go online at crossroads.net/cgroups.

# **SMALL GROUP** WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, APRIL 10 FROM 9AM-2PM AT VINEYARD COMMUNITY CHURCH

Learn the basics of leading a small group and get valuable resource materials.

Visit crossroads.net/workshop for details and registration.