COMMUNITY **GROUPS**

A Community Group is a gathering of people who want to connect with one another, build community and grow spiritually. Groups meet to 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 complete list of groups offered this fall. The deadline to register is September 13. For complete details on each group, and to sign up, please 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

WELCOME TO THE **REVOLUTION**

Mondays: Sept. 21-Oct. 26, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

Tuesdays: Sept. 22-Oct. 27, 6:30-8:30pm at Mason Heights

Jesus didn't come to start a new religion. He came to start a revolution of love and freedom, and he invites you to join. Discover the essentials of a revolutionary, Christ-following life.

UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE

Wednesdays: Sept. 23-Oct. 28, 6:30-8pm at Crossroads Oakley

Tuesdays: Sept. 22-Oct. 27, 7-9pm at Anderson Center Station Learn a simple, practical way to

approach, read and understand the

PURSUIT (ON-GOING GROUP)

Third Thursday of the month, 7-9pm at Crossroads Oakley

First and third Mondays, 6:30-8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex

A place for 20-somethings to connect and grow with God and each other. and journey together in understanding what it means to have a God that loves and pursues us.

OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

Mondays: Sept. 21-Oct. 26, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Whether you've never read it before, or vou've read it cover-to-cover. come and learn about God by reading and discussing highlights from throughout the Bible.

THE SHACK (A BOOK STUDY)

Mondays: Sept. 21-Oct. 26, 7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Read this story of finding God amidst anger, hurt, betrayal and murder, and see if you can relate it to your own journey.

POVERTY

Thursdays: Sept. 24-Oct. 29, 7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Join us as we wrestle with how to respond to the problem of poverty.

REEL TO REAL (ON-GOING GROUP)

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

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

UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE FOR WOMEN

Wednesdays: Sept. 23-Oct. 28, 6:30-8pm at Mason Heights Annex Learn a simple and practical way to approach, read and understand the

WOMEN'S ON-GOING GROUP

Wednesdays: 7-8:30pm at **Crossroads Oakley**

Connect and build relationships with other women while exploring the weekend teaching in a deeper way.

WEDNESDAY MORNING VOMEN'S GROUP

Wednesdays: Sept. 23-Nov. 11, 9:45-11:30am. Mason Heights Annex Connect and build relationships with other women while exploring the weekend teaching in a deeper way.

MEN'S ON-GOING GROUP

Wednesdays: 7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

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

Thursdays: Sept. 24-Oct. 22, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Seeking God, but unsure about what to do next? Feeling empty, or like you've hit a wall? Come grow with us.

PRAYER

GROW

Mondays: Sept. 21-Oct. 26, 6:30-8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex Demystify prayer and experience the fulfillment and joy of simple, two-way communication with God.

GOING DEEPER (ON-GOING GROUP)

Wednesdays: 7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley

Deepen your relationship with God, no matter where you are on your journey. Join us as we translate spiritual truths into present-day application.

THE BOOK OF ESTHER

Thursdays: Sept. 24-Oct. 22, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Examine the Old Testament book of Esther, the story of one girl's obedience and trusting in God for the deliverance of her people.

BODY AND SOUL

Wednesdays: Sept.23-Nov. 11, 6:30-8pm at Crossroads Oakley If you struggle with a poor body image, self-loathing, or feelings of inadequacy, join other women who want to understand the connection between the body and the soul as defined by God.

WOMEN'S STUDY OF ACTS

Thursdays: Sept. 24-May 13, 9:30-11am at Crossroads Oakley An in-depth Bible study of the book of Acts. Learn personal study skills and how to apply relevant wisdom to

BETRAYED BUT

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: Sept. 18-May 14, 6:03-7:30am at:

Crossroads Oakley

Anderson Center Station

Panera Bread on Mason Montgomery For married men with children who want to answer the questions: How do I become the man that my wife genuinely enjoys and my kids seek out? How do I meet my family's needs in the midst of my career? What will be my legacy?

HALFTIME: MOVING FROM SUCCESS TO SIGNIFICANCE

Tuesdays: Sept. 22-Oct. 27, 6:45-7:45am at Panera Bread at Union Centre

Learn how to make your life count by connecting with other men in small group discussions based on the book "Halftime" by Bob Buford.

MEN'S HEALTHY CHOICES

Thursdays: 7-9pm at Crossroads Oakley

If you're struggling with addictive behaviors and you're ready to do something about it, come and learn how to overcome addictions in a safe environment.

GRIEF SUPPORT

Mondays: Sept. 21-Oct. 26, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Be around others who have experienced loss too, and who understand the pain and disorientation it brings.

CHILDHOOD SEXUAL TRAUMA

Mondays: Sept. 28-Nov. 16, 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.

MEN'S HEALTHY SEXUALITY ON-GOING GROUP)

Thursdays: 7-9pm, Crossroads Oakley Mondays: 7:30-9pm at Vineyard Community Church, Springdale Men's Healthy Sexuality (MHS) is a program for men who seek healthy life choices around their sexual behaviors

INFERTILITY: FINDING GOD'S PEACE IN THE JOURNEY

Wednesdays: Sept.23-Nov. 11, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Find peace in your journey through

infertility, recurrent miscarriages, adoption and child-free living, and discover practical and healthy ways to cope.

LOVE AND RESPECT

Wednesdays: Sept. 23-Nov. 18, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Understand the communication barrier between husband and wife by learning how to fulfill the woman's driving need for love, and the man's driving need for respect.

REAL MARRIAGE

Mondays; Sept. 21-Nov. 2, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Learn ways to live as one—and overcome daily obstacles—based on God's design.

DAVID RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Saturdays: Sept. 12-Dec. 12, 9-11am at Crossroads Oakley Learn how to get out of debt, stay out of debt, build wealth and live generously.

DIVORCE REBUILDING

Saturday, Sept. 26, 8:30am-4:30pm Thursdays: Oct. 1-Nov. 12, 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley Discover practical steps for piecing your life back together, and learn biblical ways to make a fresh start.

KIDS OF SEPARATED **FAMILIES**

Thursdays: Sept. 24-Nov. 12. 6:30-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley This group will help kids learn healthy ways to identify and share their feelings, and to communicate with family

29-30 The Program

I love it when Labor Day comes late. It gives me an extra week to wear my white pants.

INSIDE OUT

current message series

Crossroads might seem like a pretty unusual place. But there's a method to our madness. That's why we're spending four weeks talking about who we are and why we do what we do inside this place to affect change on the outside. Join us to discuss the work God's doing inside each of us, and how those changes impact our families, communities and the world.

today

We'll be talking about why it's important to engage in our city, country and world.

FIRST

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

Weekends at Crossroads

Weekends here are for anyone who wants to seek God, from those exploring whether or not God even exists to committed Christ-followers. We present basic, biblical truths and show how they apply to our everyday lives. And we have a lot of fun doing it—we don't believe in disconnecting from the things we enjoy, the music we like or a great joke just because we're "in church."

in the **KNOW**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CROSSROADS ❷

WE NEED YOU

To accomodate growth and to make room for our friends, we're adding a second Saturday service at Crossroads Oakley. It takes an army of volunteers to make weekends happen, so we need your help. Try it out and see how it goes. You just might have fun. To sign up, pick up a serving card at the Info Center, or visit crossroads.net/engage.

BUILDING CLOSED

3500 Open will be closed through Monday, September 7, so the building can undergo routine maintenance. All other events at Crossroads Oakley. outside of services, will be canceled during this time. The building will reopen Tuesday, September 8.

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. No reservations required, and it's free. Tuesdays, September 8, 15 and 22 from 7-9pm. Offered at Crossroads Oakley and Mason Heights Annex.

REEL TO REAL

Friday, September 11, 7-10pm in the Crossroads Oakley Auditorium. Watch the movie, "A Love Song for Bobby Long" and engage in lively discussion on its spiritual and philosophical messages. 18 and up.

CHILDBIRTH CLASSES

Join other expectant families to find out all you need to know about the childbirth process from a certified instructor. Begins September 15 and runs for five Tuesdays at Crossroads Oakley from 6:30-9pm. To register, e-mail us at childbirthclasses@crossroads.net by September 12.

SINGLES SURVEY

We're developing a Community Group for singles and would like your input (if you're single). Please complete the short survey linked from crossroads.net/singles.

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.

meet

Eric Ankenman serves as leader of the Poverty Community Group, and helps coach other leaders.

What is your favorite thing about serving?

I love the fact that I get to use the skills and passions that God has given me to help connect people with him.

Have you learned anything from serving?

By far the biggest thing that I have learned is that regardless of the task in question, it is less about the "job" than it is about the relationships that I build and develop along the way. Serving has taught me that connecting with people really is my primary responsibility.

Why should people consider joining a Community Group?

Community Groups as a whole provide a way for us to be stretched and grown in a safe environment, then sent out into the world to make a difference.

If you'd like to join a Community Group, sign up online at crossroads.net/cgroups or in the Atrium after services.

whizLing

Whiz Kids is a tutoring and mentoring program that helps to break the cycle of poverty for at-risk kids. We have over 300 volunteer opportunities for you to impact the life of a child during the school year. From weekly to as-needed, time commitments are as varied as the roles.

Crossroads Oakley Info Sessions:

Sunday, September 13 at 1pm Tuesday, September 15 at 6:30pm

Crossroads Mason Info Session:

Sunday, September 13 at 11:45am



your kids will

At Crossroads, kids have their own space called Kids' Club. While you're in service, your kids are hearing fun, engaging lessons and participating in small groups where they can ask questions and be themselves. They also have plenty of hang time with other kids and our (background-checked) volunteers. Don't let them tell you all they did was play; they learned something, too. Check out this week's lesson at crossroads.net/kc.

If you've got questions about Kids' Club or you'd like to spend time hanging out with some great kids, contact Kim Botto in Oakley at kbotto@crossroads.net or Beth Peery in Mason at bpeery@crossroads.net.



TIME CHANGE

at Oakley

NEW SATURDAY SERVICE TIMES WILL BE: 4:30 & 6:15pm

To make room for our friends, we're adding a second Saturday service at Crossroads Oakley, beginning September 12.

Sunday service times will remain the same.