notes LOCATIONS, SERVICE TIMES AND DIRECTIONS AT CROSSROADS.NET.

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

Relax

It's OK to laugh at church. We don't take ourselves too seriously, but we take what we do VERY seriously. As a result, we like to make fun of ourselves. We believe that God has a sense of humor and that you should, too. But if you don't think it's funny, feel free to email us, and later we'll have a good laugh at what you wrote. (Kidding! See? We did it again.)

your kids will

Kids' Club is for ALL kids, regardless of their personality, energy level or special needs. All kids with unique needs can be paired with a "buddy," an adult volunteer

that will work with their parents to develop

a specific plan so that they can participate

Mason: Special Needs is offered at the

Oakley: Special Needs is offered at the

To register your child or to serve as a special needs

in Kids' Club as fully as possible.

10 and 11:45am services.

buddy, email heathermeyer@fuse.net.

SERVE

Help us create the Atrium experience for Awaited.

Roles include parking, greeting, serving hot cocoa and cookies, etc. You'll need to be at Crossroads Oakley two hours before the show.

For more info and to sign up, visit crossroads.net/awaitedvolunteers.



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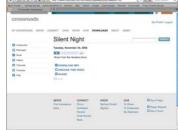
CHRISTMAS

Listen to the Awaited Christmas music online at crossroads.net in the downloads section. Includes a new, original song from Kids' Club celebrity Mae Klingler (aka Music Mae.)



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I think the writer of "Deck the Halls" ran out of words. What is a Fa la-la-la-la?





current message series

We probably all have ideas about what we're "supposed to be" as friends, spouses, parents or single people. Often fueled by the media (and especially sitcoms), these perceptions can make it hard for us to be single, married or a parent without feeling typecast as a certain kind of person. Join us as we ditch the stereotypes and take a fresh look at how God intends these roles to play out.

today

We'll be talking about fighting for your marriage.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

No regular weekend services at Oakley or Mason on December 19–20 or 26–27. (Awaited runs December 17-24.)

Regular weekend services will resume at both locations January 2–3.

No Last Wednesday service in December.

Except for the Awaited shows, 3500 Madison will be closed December 14–January 8, and will reopen on Saturday, January 9, 2010.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CROSSROADS ☺

HELP DECORATE

Help create the Atrium experience for Awaited.

Monday, December 14 and Tuesday, December 15, from 10am-8pm both days. Email decorating@crossroads.net to sign up.

DONATE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

New Beginnings helps families who have been homeless furnish and equip their new homes. There's a need right now for gently used or new kitchen items such as small appliances, dishes, pots/pans and cutlery, as well as towels, sheets and blankets. Email newbeginnings@crossroads.net for drop off times and location.

ADVENT ACTIVITY BOOK

As you prepare for Christmas, go online for special spiritual exercises and activities you can do as a family. Simply go to crossroads.net/kc and click the link to download.

SINGLES COMMUNITY GROUP

Starts January 14 and runs through February 18. Group will focus on spiritual growth as a single person. Sign ups will begin online January 2.

THINK TAX DEDUCTION

If you have a used car in decent condition, consider donating it to Wheels. We'll recondition it, make minor repairs and give it to a member of our community. You'll receive a tax deduction and, more importantly, the satisfaction of knowing that you've been a huge blessing to someone in need. Call Brian at 513.731.7400 x584 or email bcollings@crossroads.net.

HOLIDAY SING-ALONG

Bring the whole family for a Christmas sing-along under the tree, featuring Bill Smith and Mae Klingler (aka Music Mae). Friday, December 11, from 7-8pm at Crossroads Oakley. Be sure to wear your pajamas.

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.

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Christmas Eve Service
Thursday, December 24
at 6:30pm

There will be no regular weekend services at Mason December 20 or 27.

ANGEL TREE

REACHOUT

Share the spirit of Christmas by giving a gift to a child in need. We'd also love your help delivering the gifts on Saturday, December 19. Stop by the angel trees in the Atrium after services to pick up a gift tag or to get info on serving. And don't forget to bring your wrapped gift back next weekend.

For more info, visit crossroads.net/angeltree

GIVING

It's the generosity of everyday people like you that fuels life change and blesses people around our city and the world. Here's some ways you can give:

- 1) Mail them to Crossroads' office: 3500 Madison Road, Cincinnati, OH, 45209
- 2) Drop them in the slot next to the office entrance at Crossroads Oakley
- Drop them off at the Info Center during any of the Awaited shows
- 4) Submit them electronically via crossroads.net (you'll need to sign in to the site)
- 5) Leave a voicemail for Kim Bauscher at 513.731.7400 x367 (re: E-gift) or Tait Paul at 513.731.7400 x356 (re: stock transfers) before the end of the year. They'll get right back to you.

For more info on how Crossroads views money, and how it's spent around here, check out crossroads.net/money.

