notes

HILLS we die on

Cincinnati is known as the city of seven hills. Crossroads has seven hills, as well—we call them the "seven hills we die on." Simply calling these "values" doesn't cut it. All too commonly, values have come to signify mushy, sentimental ideals for which we rarely fight. As a church, we believe that if something is worth living for, it is worth dying for. We realize we can't do everything but what we, as a community, are called by God to do, we do with excellence.

The Seven Hills We Die On are applications of biblical truth expressed through the unique personality of Crossroads. We remember these seven hills as ABCDERG (we really did try to find an "F" that worked, but finally gave up and went on to bigger things).

For more info and to see them all, visit the Info Center.

the daily

The Daily is an electronic tool designed to help you foster connection with God through Bible reading, reflection and prayer. Here's what folks in our community have to say about it:

"I think it's a great format. It's simple, but thought provoking."

"I find this opening up my communication with God and enlightening me daily."

"I needed help getting started, and this has been a tremendous help."

Subscribe to The Daily at crossroads.net/grow.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT

This is the last weekend to sign up for Community Groups. Sign up now at crossroads.net/cgroups or in the Atrium between services.

The deadline to register is September 12. Childcare is available for most groups.

COMMUNITY

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 asneeded, time commitments are as varied as the roles.

WHIZKIDS

Crossroads Oakley Info Sessions: Sunday, September 12, 1–2pm Tuesday, September 14, 6:30–7:30pm

Crossroads Mason Info Session: Sunday, September 12, 12:15–1:15pm

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Is week one too early to throw in the towel on my fantasy football team?

SUPER STORIES FROM THE BIBLE

current message series

Everybody loves super-heroes. Maybe it's because we're inspired by stories of everyday people moved to action for something they believe in. The Bible has its share of "super-heroes," the faithful, who show us through their actions that faith isn't static—it's life in action. Join us as we take a look at some heroes of faith to learn how to become people of action in our own lives.

today

We'll be talking about what it looks like to be faithful in your profession.

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

Hi.

Just because you're new we won't ask you to stand and shout your name, but that doesn't mean we're not happy you're here. We're happy as big fat clams. But as soon as you want to start meeting some people, swing by the Info Center and we'll start the introductions.

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UPCOMING ADULT BAPTISM

If you've decided to follow Jesus and would like to get baptized, the next adult baptism will take place at Crossroads Oakley during the month of October. Sign up is required. If you're not sure, you can attend a baptism information session on Sunday, October 12 from 1-2:30pm at Crossroads Oakley. For more info and to sign up, visit crossroads.net/baptism, or email baptism@crossroads.net.

AREA 56 BAND

No, Area 56 isn't some government testing site in New Mexico. It's a cool place for fifth and sixth graders to hang out and learn about God. They also have a sweet, live band. To audition, if you're a (13 years or older) musician or singer, email mklingler@crossroads.net.

WHEELS NEEDS YOUR CAR

If you have a used car in decent condition, consider donating it to Wheels. The Wheels Team will recondition it, make minor repairs and give it to someone in need in our community. You'll also receive a tax deduction. To make a donation, call 513.731.7400 x584. GAME CHANGE CAMPAIGN Want to find out more about what's coming up this fall for our campaign? Visit crossroads.net/gamechange.

HERO STORIES NEEDED

If you know a spiritual hero, someone who lives faithfully day-in and day-out in regular, everyday ways, we'd love to hear about them. We're collecting stories for our current message series. Share your stories by emailing thefaithful@crossroads.net.

PRAYER

Individual prayer is vailable 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 crossroads.net/prayer. All requests are held in strict confidence.

For more info on things happening around Crossroads, visit crossroads.net, or "like" us on Facebook at facebook.com/crdschurch.

your kids will **LOVE** this



Want to serve in Kids' Club but don't know what to do with your own kids for that extra hour?

Adventure Club is for kids from three years old through sixth grade to hang out with their friends while their parents are serving. Talk to a blue-shirted Kids' Club volunteer for more info. (But don't try to check in your kids so you can hang out in the Atrium for another hour. Adventure Club is for volunteers' kids ONLY!)

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.

meet KATHY

Kathy Beechem helps lead the Grief Support Community Group. She started the group after the death of her husband, Pete Nadherny.

What is your favorite thing about serving? The opportunity to see God show up so vividly in my own healing and in the healing of others.

Why would you encourage others to join a Community Group? We grow when we are surrounded by others who are on journeys like our own.

If you're interested in joining a Community Group, sign up at the Info Center this weekend, or visit crossroads.net/cgroups. The plar and the

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What's with all the plasma screens?

Find out the answer to this and any other questions you have at the next Context Live event this **Sunday, September 19 at 1pm at Crossroads Oakley**. You'll also discover more about the vision behind Crossroads and how you can get involved (if you want). Meet some people. Get some questions answered. Eat some (free) lunch.

Childcare provided. For more details and to RSVP, visit crossroads.net/contextlive.



'tis the **SEASON**

The holiday season may seem far off, but it takes months of planning to pull off things like the Thanksgiving Food Drive and Angel Tree. We're looking for folks now to serve behind the scenes for several of our ReachOut initiatives.

ANGEL TREE

Help provide gifts to children with a parent in prison. To learn more and sign up, visit crossroads.net/angeltree.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Help provide meals to churches in Cincinnati and to our partner church in Mamelodi. Check out a video of last year's event and sign up at crossroads.net/tfd.

FALL FEAST

Prepare and serve meals on Thanksgiving with City Gospel Mission. For more info and to sign up, visit crossroads.net/thanksgiving.