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## HILLS we die on

#### WE ARE COMMITTED TO:

#### growth

We don't expect anyone who walks into Crossroads to be a committed Christ-follower, but we do expect everyone who is around our community for any length of time to be growing. We expect every person to be moving closer to reflecting the complete image of Christ in every area of life. This is a safe place for everyone. But safe doesn't mean comfortable. The answers aren't always comfortable. In fact, we often **grow** only when we are pushed out of our comfort zone. Colossians 1:10

The Seven Hills We Die On are applications of biblical truth expressed through the unique personality of Crossroads. Check out the Info Center for the rest of 'em.

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

Hi.

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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. TRIVIA IMPRESS YOUR FRIENDS AT PARTIES

The fall television season is underway. See if you can guess which of these story lines are from new TV shows, and which are from the Bible.

**Q1:** A national leader is caught in a career-jeopardizing affair and must own the responsibility of putting his life back together, as well as lead a nation struggling with major internal and external conflict.

**Q2:** A man blind at birth has his sight restored by an untrained doctor, causing widespread excitement and alarm. The story centers on the man, his family and local authority figures as they try to understand what happened and find the true identity of the doctor.

**Q3:** Three women suddenly discover they have powers of sorcery and begin to figure out how to use them. This discovery comes about with the help of a mysterious man cloaked in mystique and intrigue.

**Q4:** A group of people come together to understand why everyone seemed to temporarily black out and glimpsed part of the future. The episodes center on what these people saw and how it affects the world.

**Q5:** A federal ship transporting prisoners to a highsecurity prison is caught in a major storm, threatening to destroy all on board. The story centers on the choices guards have to make, as well as key prisoners, as they are forced to work together for survival.

**Q6:** This story line centers on the lives of five sisters and the choices they make as they enter adulthood. The main themes are morality, marriage and education.

A: 1) Bible: 2 Samuel 11–12; 2) Bible: John 9; 3) TV show: Eastwick; 4) TV show: Flash Forward; 5) Bible: Acts 27; 6) TV show: State of Romance

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# **10-11 31-01**The Program ©

I couldn't decide between costumes so I'm going as Jon Gosselin with the swine flu.



#### current message series

Your life is a garden God has given you to cultivate. If you want the garden to produce fruit, you have to be intentional about tending it. Join us as we explore the fundamentals and disciplines of healthy growth.

#### today

Depending on how you prepare for them, storms can bring either destruction or growth. Today we'll be talking about how to grow in the midst of storms in our lives.

#### **Daily Exercises**

#### Read James 5:7-8

#### **Reflect:**

Our culture is obsessed with results. But sometimes God is unfolding a process that requires patience, much like a crop that's growing for months before it yields fruit. The farmer has to weed, prune and fertilize for a long time before he gets to experience the fruit of his labor.

Are there any areas of your life where you're trying to force fruit prematurely? Where do you need to be more patient?

What disciplines do you need to build into your life to fortify the crops while you're waiting for the harvest?

#### Pray:

God, teach me to be patiently active. Show me how to experience joy in my waiting, while fixing my hope on what's yet to come.

### in the **KNOW**

#### **GOING DEEPER**

Grow in relationship with God, regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey. Going Deeper is an Ongoing Community Group that meets on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley. Includes topical Bible study with real-world application. For more info, visit crossroads.net/cgroups, and click on "Ongoing Groups."

#### MOMS PRAY FOR CHILDREN

Saturday, November 14, from 9am-1pm, Moms In Touch International is hosting a worldwide prayer event at Crossroads Oakley to pray for children and schools around the world. Register now at www.momsintouch.org. For more info, contact Karen at kkpitz@yahoo.com.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE

Enjoy the soulful sound of singer/songwriter Holly Spears, as she and her band perform songs from her new album, "Redemption Road." Friday, November 6, at 7pm at Crossroads Oakley. Free concert.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CROSSROADS ⊗

#### **REEL TO REAL**

Friday, November 6, from 7-10pm at Crossroads Oakley. Watch "Mr. Holland's Opus" and engage in lively discussion about its spiritual and philisophical messages. For those 18 and up.

#### 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.

# meet

Tim Kerr has been serving in Kids' Club for seven years. Currently he serves in the second grade room.

Why did you choose to serve in Kids' Club? I enjoy spending time with kids. They actually energize me!

What is your favorite thing about volunteering? When the boys that I have been working with seek me out to be at my small group table. It reinforces that they actually are listening because it's not always apparent.

#### What is so special about this class?

My hope is to continue to move up with the boys in the second grade class and hopefully build lasting friendships that have a positive impact on their lives.

If you'd like to serve in Kids' Club, contact Kim Botto at kbotto@crossroads.net.

# your kids will

#### this

Kids' Club is designed to attract, connect and transform the lives of kids around here. All of the songs, lessons and videos in Kids' Club are created just FOR kids, to help them learn something that is relevant to their lives each week.

To see what your kid learned this week, go to www.crossroads.net/kc to view the lesson and the small group discussion questions.

If you've got questions about Kids' Club or you'd like to spend time hanging out with some great kids, contact Kim Botto at kbotto@crossroads.net or 513.731.7400 x520.









#### What is this?

Let's start with what it's not. It's NOT: Attendance at the weekend service Number we're serving in the deli Seconds remaining in Brian Tome's message Last four digits of Chuck Mingo's social security number

It's the pager system that Kids' Club uses to notify parents if their child needs them. These pagers are in the Auditoriums at Oakley and Mason, and also in the Atrium in Oakley. If the number showing on the screen matches one of your stickers, your child needs you. Do not pass GO. Do not stop and refill your coffee. Just go.

Got a question? Ask me at TheProgram@crossroads.net.

#### REACHOUT

# **THANKS-GIVING DAY** WITH CITY GOSPEL **MISSION**

Cooks, meal servers, hospitality people and delivery drivers needed. For more info and to sign up, visit crossroads.net/diner.