notes

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 to read the rest of 'em.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Here are some ways to keep momentum after A Journey Home.

Join a Community Group.

Community Groups are medium-sized learning environments for exploring specific topics and sharing personal growth. Groups begin the end of January. crossroads.net/cg.

Participate in a follow-up study to A Journey Home. remain at home. It will be available in January.

A JOURNEY Home

download **CHRISTMAS MUSIC**

Can't wait til Christmas? Listen to music from the Awaited show online. Just go to crossroads.net, or pick up a free CD at the Info Center.



REACHOUT

your Angel Tree gift.

Please return them directly to a volunteer in the Atrium. Do not leave them under a tree. Remember, a child or a caregiver is counting on you.

For more info, visit crossroads.net/angeltree.

LOCATIONS, SERVICE TIMES AND DIRECTIONS AT CROSSROADS.NET



This is the last weekend to return

12 The Program 🛽

All kidding aside, the Bengals are crushing it. Who Dey!



current message series

For thousands of years, the Jewish people waited for Him-the Son of the King-to come set them free. He became a legend whispered through the generations—a riddle recited by the mystics. Some wondered if He was the invention of wishful thinking, or if he would ever arrive. Join us as we uncover the mystery and character of the long-awaited Son.

today

We'll be talking about how Jesus' birth brought division.

FIRST 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, and sometimes, the Bengals. 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.)

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WHEELS NEEDS YOUR CAR

Donate your decently conditioned, used car. We'll recondition it, and give it to a member of our community. You'll receive a tax deduction and the satisfaction of knowing that you've blessed someone in need. Call us at 513.731.7400 x8113 or email wheels@crossroads.net.

BUILDING CLOSED

The building in Oakley will be closed beginning Monday, December 10, due to the Awaited Christmas show. There will be no 3500 Open during this time. Regular 3500 Open hours will resume Monday, January 14.

SERVE WITH NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings helps formerly homeless families to furnish their new homes. We currently need volunteers to pick up and deliver donations on the first and third Tuesday of the month, 6-8pm and the first and third Saturdays from 11am-1pm. Heavy lifting involved. Sign up by emailing

newbeginnings@crossroads.net, or call 513.731.7400 x8110.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CROSSROADS 📀

KIDS' CLUB WEBSITE

Kids' Club has its own new website, where you can easily find the latest music, videos and resources for your family. Check it out today at crossroadskidsclub.net.

PRAYER

Prayer is available after each service in your seat. For other ways to receive prayer, or to serve on the Prayer Team, go to crossroads.net/prayer. All requests held in strict confidence.

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



The past year has been one of incredible growth, and even more incredible life change at Crossroads, in our city and across the globe. We celebrated the openings of CityLink, Crossroads Florence and several after-care homes in India, as well as a new partnership in South Africa—all fueled by the generosity of ordinary folks in our community.

If you'd like to learn more about the unheard of things happening around here, pick up a report at the Info Center or visit: crossroads.net/storyofgiving2012.

YEAR-END GIVING

If you've been inspired by this year's stories, or just want to stick it to the taxman, here are some ways you can be generous:

MAIL GIFTS To Crossroads at 3500 Madison Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45209

DROP GIFTS OFF

In the secure slot next to the office entrance at Crossroads Oakley, or at the Info Center during an Awaited show

SUBMIT GIFTS ELECTRONICALLY At crossroads.net (you'll need to sign in)

LEAVE A VOICEMAIL

at 513.731.7400 x1367



Regarding e-gifts and stock transfers for Kim Bauscher

Invite your friends to enjoy the Christmas story in a new way. And be sure to come an hour before the show to enjoy the Christmas festivities in the Atrium—free cookies and hot cocoa, family photo ops and activities for the kids.

Please return any tickets you will not be using, so we can share this retelling of the Christmas story with as many people as possible. A limited number of tickets are still available at crossroads.net/awaited.

HOLIDAY hours

NO SERVICES THESE WEEKENDS

Florence: 12/22-23 and 12/29-30 Mason: 12/23 and 12/30 Oakley: 12/15-16, 12/22-23 and 12/29-30

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Florence: 12/24, 5:30pm Mason: 12/24, 5pm