

- 4:45pm** **Check-in and Dinner Served**
- 5:00pm** **Prayer and Welcome**
Jonathan Rasmussen
- 5:10pm** **Small Group Leader Introductions**
Jason Finley
- 5:20pm** **Vision Casting**
Jeremy Chasteen
- 5:35pm** **Breakout Sessions**
Returning Leaders: Room 180
New Leaders: Room 150
- 6:15pm** **Women's Discipleship Introduction and Vision Casting**
Jason Finley and Katelin Domanski
- 6:25pm** **Local Missions Update**
Chad Ferrell
- 6:35pm** **Fall Sermon Series Update: Romans**
Ken Lewis
- 6:40pm** **Announcements**
John Henschen
- 6:50pm** **Prayer Around Tables**
- 6:58pm** **Hymn: *To God Be The Glory***
Jimmy Thomas, Church Member
- 7:00pm** **Depart**



Mission

Our mission is to make disciples of all people for God's glory.

Vision

Our vision is to be a people transformed by the gospel, living daily on mission, and sending laborers to the nations.

What is a disciple of Jesus?

One who is being transformed by the gospel and living daily on mission.

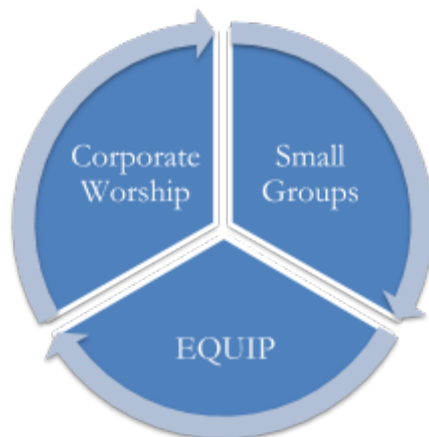
Core Values

- Scripture reveals truth
- Fellowship encourage growth
- Worship exalts God
- Sending advances the gospel

Strategic Components

- Biblical worship
- Develop leaders
- Meaningful membership
- Plant churches
- Reproduce groups
- Generous stewardship
- Equip families

Crosspoint Church's Discipleship Strategy



What a Small Group is NOT...

- A club (Acts 17:6)
- A clique (1 Cor 12:13)
- Static (2 Tim 2:2)
- One day a week (Acts 2:42-47)
- A classroom (Col 3:16)
- Just a "Bible study" (James 1:22; 1 Cor. 8:1)
- A therapy group (2 Ti 3:16-17)
- A band of renegades (Heb 13:17)

Our Mission : To make disciples of all people for God's glory

Our Purpose: To see people transformed by the gospel, experience biblical fellowship, and reproduce new groups.

Our Strategy: Pursue Growth Together

Healthy Leader, Healthy Group

A healthy small group leader is a growing disciple who pursues people and navigates the life of the small group.

A Growing Disciple

1. Personally pursues spiritual growth (see the Gospel Wheel).
2. Sets an example by participating in the life of the church and in leadership development opportunities.

Who pursues people

1. Loves, pursues, and prays for his group members.
2. Meets with each new group member 1-on-1 or couple-to-couple at least once during the year to hear the person's testimony and Gospel clarity.
3. Intentionally apprentices one or more group members to plant more groups in order to make more disciples.

And navigates the life of the small group

1. Delegates standing responsibilities to other group members (ex. Inreach & Outreach coordinator).
2. Leads group to participate in local outreach at least once per semester.
3. Utilizes Church Community Builder (CCB) for following up with contacts, tracking attendance, and pursuing missing small group members.
4. Reviews "Group Agreement" regularly with the group for vision and expectations.

Developing New Leaders

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. - 2 Timothy 2:1-2

TRAITS: What to Look for in Potential Leaders & Focusing on a Few

A helpful tool in considering who to apprentice or develop as a leader is the F.A.T. model. Consider who is faithful, available, and teachable in narrowing down potential leadership candidates.

Faithful - Are they attending and involved as a healthy group member?

Available - Are they willing to invest additional time outside of group meetings? Does their life reflect a concern for others' spiritual growth?

Teachable - Are they humble in receiving correction? Do they seek wisdom from others?



Potential Apprentice

Overcoming Potential Obstacles

1. *"I just don't have the time."* People invest time toward those things that they count as important. Share the importance of the mission of the church. Cast a vision for the fruit that can occur in reaching new people and starting more groups as they accept the challenge of leading a group with you.
2. *"I don't have the gift of leadership."* Encourage people by reminding them that leadership is mostly about character. There is no substitute for character and it must be developed over time. Leadership skills also take time to develop, but they can be learned and practiced. If someone has the basic character qualities of a potential leader, remind them that the church will make sure they get the appropriate training they need to be effective.
3. *"I'm not the leadership type."* At this point you need to examine what the person means by "leadership type." Perhaps they have a definition of leadership that is not biblical. They might view leadership as someone in control, as opposed to someone who can facilitate life change through shepherding, discipling, and loving others.

TOOLS: How to Launch New Leaders

Model - I do, you watch.

Assist - I do, you help.

Watch - You do, I help.

Launch - You do, someone new watches.

1. **Model** - I do, you watch.

Steps:

- ❖ Pray regularly for an apprentice to disciple and for your group to multiply.
- ❖ As you share responsibilities with group members, watch for F.A.T. people.
- ❖ Identify your apprentice(s) and encourage them by celebrating the evidences of grace in their life (victory over sin, spiritual growth, ability to lead with a servant's heart, etc).

Talking Points:

- ❖ Hear and affirm their testimony. Confirm their church membership.

2. **Assist** - I do, you help.

Steps:

- ❖ Pray regularly for your apprentice(s) and for the multiplication of your group.
- ❖ Begin to meet regularly with your apprentice, and engage with them in Gospel Wheel discussion.
- ❖ Give specific tasks they can handle at this stage (opening/closing group discussion in prayer; hosting the group; coordinate food; etc).
- ❖ Attend discipleship trainings and conferences **with** your apprentice; bring them along in what you are already doing.

Talking Points:

- ❖ Discuss with them the spokes of the Gospel Wheel. Discern their spiritual health and family health.

3. **Watch** - You do, I help.

Steps:

- ❖ Begin to give responsibilities in leading the group (i.e. organize fellowship and outreach events for the group; let them lead all or part of the group discussion, with plans for debrief and evaluation from both parties). Seek to challenge and encourage them in this.
- ❖ Create a rotating schedule for leading group discussion.

Talking Points:

- ❖ How are they pursuing people? Are they concerned with the spiritual growth of others? What fruit do you see in their personal disciple making?

4. **Launch** - You do, someone new watches.

Steps:

- ❖ Pray weekly with your apprentice for the opportunity to multiply the group.
- ❖ Have apprentice identify 4 other people to start a new small group with, have prayer and logistical discussions with them (location, meeting, food, worship, etc), and have the apprentice meet with your small group coach.
- ❖ Launch the new group, and rejoice with your group about the multiplication.
- ❖ Begin to pray and identify a new apprentice.

Talking Points:

- ❖ Complete their small group leader application. Plan and coordinate details to launch a new group.

NEXT STEP

What is one achievable goal I can take toward developing a new leader this semester?

YOU | GROUPS | CHURCH

Crosspoint Local Missions 2018-19

Vision: To be used of God to see the gospel permeate every corridor of our community.

YOU

A disciple of Jesus is being transformed by the gospel and living daily on mission. In other words, the normal Christian life includes a concern and effort to share the good news with people in our spheres of influence: family, neighbors, friends and co-workers.

MONTHLY MISSION CHALLENGE

Get ready to embrace the call that disciples of Jesus live daily on mission. This fall, we're once again joining together in a monthly challenge to spur us on in making disciples of all people for God's glory. God has sovereignly placed each of us in a specific location to make his name known. Begin praying for God to move in our spheres of influence to bring people to himself.

September – Why share the Gospel? Memorize 2 Cor. 5:17-21.

October – Who can you share with? List and pray for lost people in your life.

November – What do we share? Learn “3 Circles” method and share with others.

December – What do we share? Practice your testimony and share with others.

GROUPS

Working together in outreach spurs us on in our personal spiritual growth and deepens our experience of fellowship. Therefore, we desire to see **all of our groups on mission together at least once per semester**, whether that be in their neighborhood or through serving together in one of the following areas of outreach. Don't let finances hinder your efforts. The church can assist financially in many of our groups' outreach efforts.

1. Apartment Outreach

- Creekwood weekly Small Group led by Jonathan Rasmussen- jrasmussen@generationlink.org; 864-653-3045
- Lemans Block Parties

2. International Students

- Contact Heath Fulmer- hfulmer@generationlink.org; 864-653-3045
- Host Family Opportunities
- Bollywood Nights & Cricket Tournaments

3. Foster Care

- Contact Chad Ferrell- cferrell@crosspointclemson.org; 919-698-0800
- Gift Cards for DSS workers
- Caring for families in our church who are fostering
- Volunteering at Foster Closet

4. Mercy Ministry

Contact Art Sandy- artdisandy@bellsouth.net; 864-653-3045

Partner with our mercy ministry to meet the physical needs of the needy in our community.

5. The Dream Center

Contact Chad Ferrell- cferrell@crosspointclemson.org; 919-698-0800

The Dream Center in Easley encourages, educates, and empowers Pickens County residents in need through the love of Jesus Christ. They serve those in need by providing a hand *up* instead of a hand *out*.

6. On Campus Evangelism

Contact Alyssa Poole- apoole@generationlink.org; 864-653-3045

7. Neighborhoods

Use holidays like Halloween, Christmas, or another local event to display Jesus's Worth to a strategic neighborhood where your group members live.

CHURCH

Our whole church body will serve together in several outreach efforts this year.

1. Freshman Move-in

2. Fall Festival

Oct. 27

3. Foster Care Packages

Bag Packing Party

4. Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday morning, April 20, at Nettles Park in Clemson

5. Atlanta Summer Mission Trip

June

50+ Participants

Partner with Parkside Church with community outreach.

6. International Mission Trips

We have opportunities each semester to serve in India and Prague.

One Mission Opportunities

- Evangelism Training | August 21
- Family Ministries Training | August 23
- Welcome Back Week | August 20-26
- Welcome Back Lunch | August 26
- Family Ministries Kick-Off | August 26
- College Lake Day | September 2
- Engaging Muslims With the Gospel Training | Sept. 9
- Discovering Crosspoint | September 16 & 30
- Short-Term Mission Trips to India:
 - September 17-25
 - November 24 – December 1
- Parenting Foundations | September 23
- Fall EQUIP Night/Small Group Leader Training | October 4
- Fall Getaway | October 5-7
- EQUIP Classes Begin | October 7
- Next Members Meeting | Wednesday, October 10
- Winter Small Group Leader Training | January 9, 2019

EQUIP Classes | Fall 2018

The Gospel Centered Life | Sundays at 10:30am | Begins Oct 7

Biblical Theology I | Taught by Rob Emmons | Sundays at 10:30am | Begins Oct 7

Women of the Word | Sundays at 10:30am | Begins Oct 7

Parenting with Paul Tripp | Information coming soon

Men's Prayer | Starts back up September 4 | 6:30 - 7:30am in the Foyer

Seminary Class Offerings:

Christian Theology I: Taught by Will Jackson. Will meet four Wednesdays in the semester from 8:00am to 5:00pm beginning August 29. Contact Abbey Cook or Will Jackson to register.

Christian Leadership: Taught by Jason Finley. Will meet eight Tuesdays from 7:00-10:00am beginning September 4. Contact Abbey Cook or Jason Finley to register.

To God Be the Glory

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1 To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done; so loved he the
 2 O per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur - chase of blood, to ev - ery be -
 3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

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world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
 liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who
 joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er and high - er and

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tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our glad - ness, when Je - sus we see.

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Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice! Praise the

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Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the

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Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry; great things he has done.