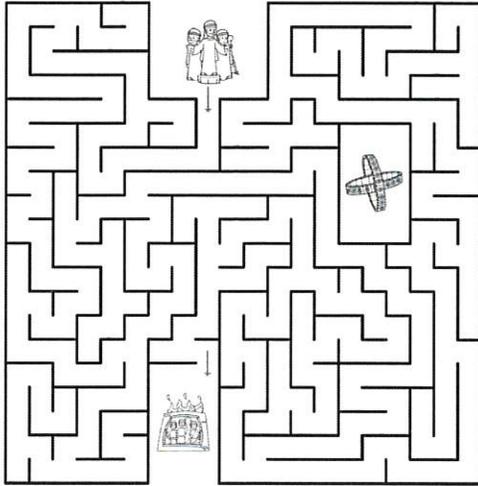




Bible Maze

Can you make your way through the labyrinth?



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WELCOME TO CROSSROADS

We are delighted you have chosen to join us in worship today! We would like to take this opportunity to share with you some important information about our service.

We are here to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and to glorify God by living faithfully for Him and serving Him as He directs us.

MINISTERING TO OUR CHILDREN

At Crossroads we encourage each family to determine when their children are ready to join us for the entire worship service. We understand that this is a process and varies from child to child and from family to family.

We offer the following options for your children:

- Nurseries on the West Hall for Infants & Toddlers.
- Nursery #3 on the South Hall (front entrance) for 2-3 years old

Children's Churches are available for children from age 3 through 6th grade. (Morning only)

Nurseries are available on Sunday and Wednesday nights.

SERVICE & MINISTRY TIMES

Sunday School: 10:00am

Sunday Morning Service: 11:00am

Adult Choir Practice: Sundays at 5:30pm

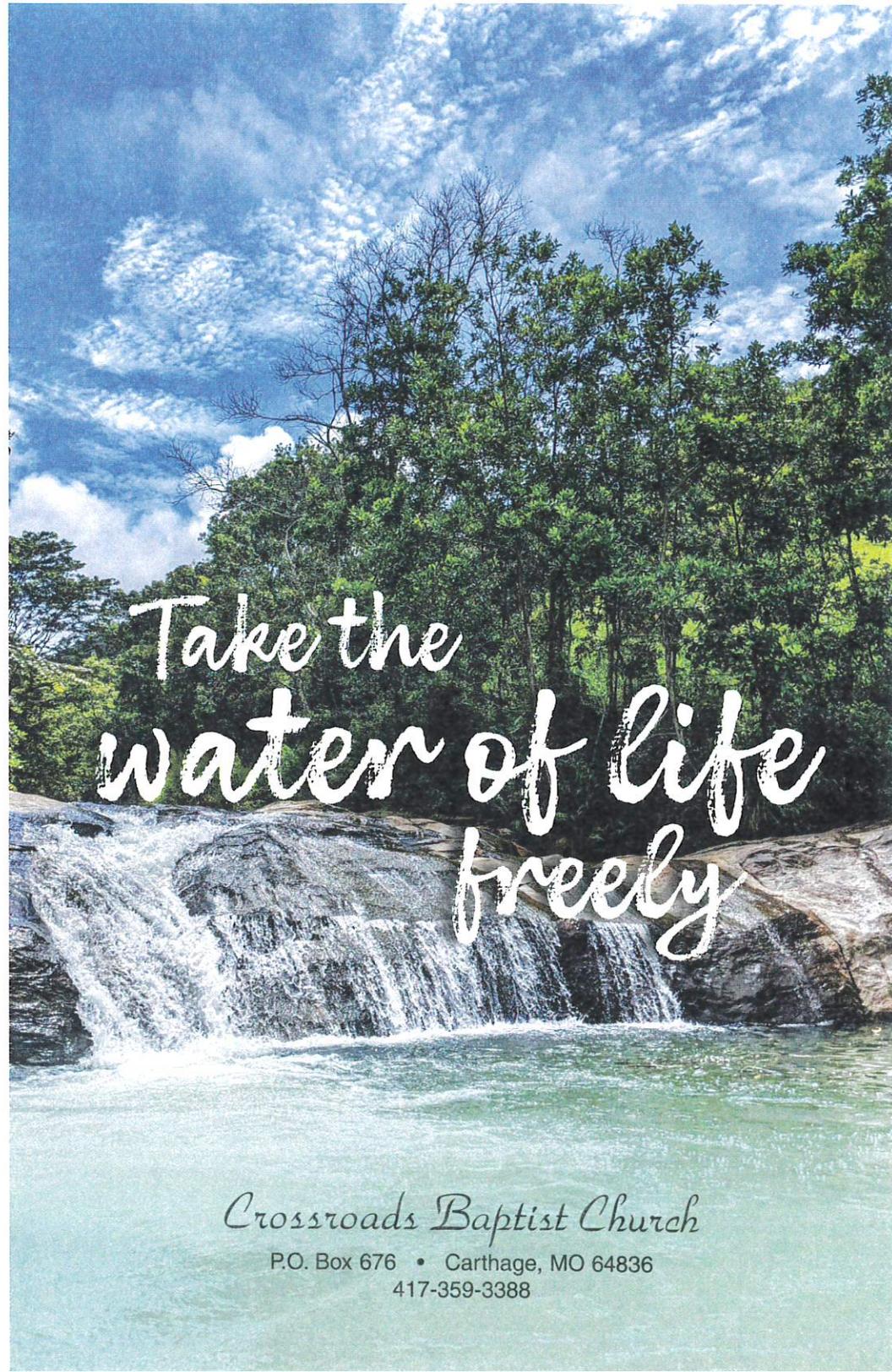
Orchestra & Youth Choir Practice: Sundays at 6:00pm

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Welcome

We're Glad You're Here!

MARCH 22ND

WHEN LIFE BRINGS US TO OUR KNEES

Have you ever been so weak, so weary, so wounded that your legs gave out? You did not even have strength to stand up! Occasionally, I have heard people use the expression "weak in the knees." It is just another way of stating what all of us experience at some point: we cannot stand on our own!

Spiritually speaking, this is the reality that God is working to bring to our understanding. Psalm 147:10 says that God "taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man." He is not impressed by our ability to move things forward, how tall we can stand, or how quickly we can move. We are all weak flesh and we must learn not to lean on our own strength (Proverbs 3:5).

When figuratively your legs let you down and you fall on your face, it is a reminder that your greatest need is to bow before the Lord and depend on His power. In the darkest days of the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln said, "I have been driven to my knees many times by the realization that I had no where else to go."

This is not just true on difficult days; it is true every day. We need God. We have no where else to go!

God will even allow crutches you have rested on to be knocked out in order to teach you to lean only on Him. Anything - everything - that brings you low is actually a gift. The lower you go, the nearer you come to God. "The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart..." (Psalm 34:18). "Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off" (Psalm 138:6).

In so many ways, the condition of our world and the pressing need all around us serves to drive us to our knees. But the only way to advance is on your knees! You cannot stand on your own and you cannot move forward without God.

And here is the amazing truth. When we fall on God, He gives us His strength to stand in. He says, "Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees" (Hebrews 12:12).

Are you weak in the knees today? Good! You are about to hear from God. "And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong" (2 Corinthians 12:9-10).



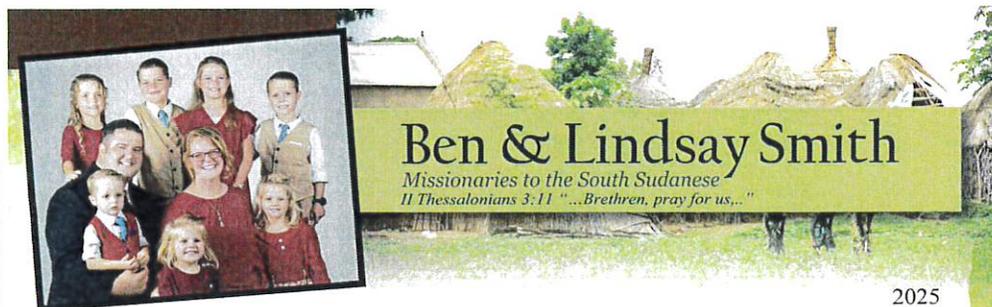
Assistant Pastor Silvertooth

Bro. Randy's Retirement

Friday, March 27th, 5:30pm—7:30pm
Church Fellowship Hall
No gifts needed.

Fellowship Dinner

March 29th
Ham will be provided.
You bring sides and dessert.



Ben & Lindsay Smith

Missionaries to the South Sudanese
II Thessalonians 3:11 "...Brethren, pray for us..."

2025

God is still at work in the hearts of people.

Praise the Lord there were twelve young people who trusted Christ for salvation during the children's Bible school in Uganda. These are fruit to your account.

We have had numerous opportunities to share the gospel while soul winning at our home church in Kansas. It was especially exciting to see a young couple visit the church that we met while soul winning in December.

While not everyone that we win to Christ chooses to serve God with their whole life, their salvation is secure. One young man that was faithful to ride my bus route when I was in college, came to a service just to see us in November. We pray that he will decide to be faithful to attend church once again.



November/December Blessings and Update



Happy New Year to each of you! I hope you all have enjoyed time spent with family and friends during the holidays. We have enjoyed our time with family on the furlough. The Lord has blessed our travels in the month of November and first part of December. We were in Kansas, Arkansas, and Virginia. Meanwhile, the church is continuing to move forward in Arua, Uganda. They had a children's Bible school, with a high number of 52 in attendance. Then teen camp, went well also. Fourteen attended from our church, and there were several other churches in attendance as well. The teens made good decisions, for which we are thankful.

Please pray for our friend and fellow Missionary Matt Gardener who suffered a car accident while traveling in the capital city of Kampala in December. His wife Savannah, the mother of their two young boys, went to Heaven that day.

Serving an Amazing God!!

One of our biggest blessings we happily received from the Lord this year, was the arrival of our eighth child. Thank you for your prayers for Lindsay and the baby. Micaiah John Robert Smith, born Dec. 30, 2025 at 2:03pm weighing 10lbs. 2oz. Mama and the baby are doing very, very well. God is so good!



The biblical name "Micaiah" means "Who is like God" emphasizing God's incomparability. As you may recall, Micaiah was a prominent figure in the books of I Kings and II Chronicles, and was known for his unwavering spoken truth against false prophets and King Ahab. I Kings 22:14 "And Micaiah said, As the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak."

We pray that little Micaiah will grow up to speak the truth of the Word of God boldly. The name "John" was chosen because that is the fourth gospel and he is the fourth boy. Robert is after two preachers who impacted Lindsay's life...Bob Ross and Bob Smith.

Serving an Amazing God,
Ben & Lindsay Smith

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CHURCH ATTENDANCE FOR PRIOR WEEK

Wednesday	102	Sunday AM	198
Sunday School	136	Sunday PM	90

Nursery Schedule for the Week:

Sunday PM: Darlene Miller & Maggie Hinojoza
Wednesday: Katlyn Baugh & Crystal Shelby

THANK YOU FOR SERVING!