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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.

#### 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

#### 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)

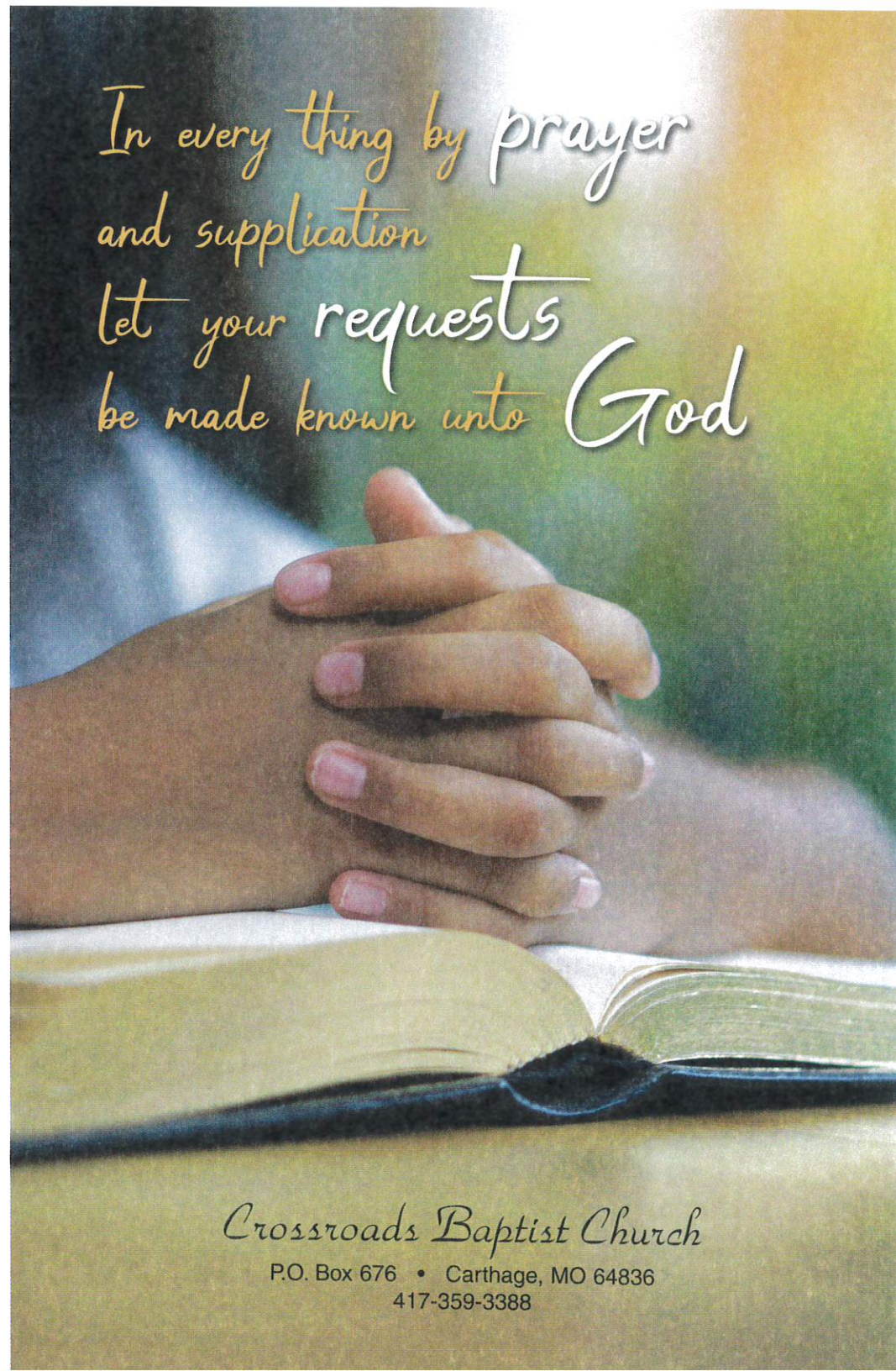
Nurseries are available on Sunday and Wednesday nights.

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*In every thing by prayer  
and supplication  
let your requests  
be made known unto God*



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**FREEDOM IN CHRIST**

The world calls it *addiction*; the Word calls it *bondage*. Sin always makes men slaves, and only Christ can give liberty.

This is very important to realize: enslaving sin is Satan's cheap substitute for what only the Good Master can provide.

What leads to addiction?

- We seek relief.
- We seek release.
- We seek refuge.

All of this is found in Christ! When we run to anything but Him we are choosing a weak substitute that will eventually become a strong taskmaster. Sin's relief is momentary. Sin's release only brings captivity. Sin's refuge becomes a prison.

God's people should not be a slave to anything but Jesus. Remember that even good things can take the place which only the Lord should have in our affections.

Paul said, "All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any" (1 Corinthians 6:12).

Beware of anything that offers escape from the pain and struggles of life. You may begin by trying to "get out of" something, but have you considered what you may be getting into? Only refuge in Christ brings reality and not fantasy, liberty and not bondage.

Bring your struggle, stress, and strain to Christ. There is true and lasting freedom in Him.

"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" (John 8:36).

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage" (Galatians 5:1).



Assistant Pastor Silvertooth

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE FOR PRIOR WEEK**

Wednesday	111	Sunday AM	194
Sunday School	146	Sunday PM	76

**Nursery Schedule for the Week:**

Sunday PM: Kristi & Alyssa Booth  
 Wednesday: Shadyia Watson & Crystal Shelby  
 THANK YOU FOR SERVING!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Paul & Connie Ridley	4	5 Dave & Maribeth Linder	6 Adele Morgan James Soard Ron & Sheri Leiberman	7	8 Gary Ball	9 Sharon Schubert Tony Flesher
10  Hot Dogs	11	12  LIMERICK DAY	13  NATIONAL PICK STRAWBERRIES	14  NATIONAL BISCUIT MONTH MAY 1-4	15	16 Luke McDaniel  G.R.O.W. R Team
17 Josh Schubert	18 Aaron Watson Rick & Jenny Smith	19	20	21	22 Ray Murphy	23 Renea Block Graduation Party
24 Ashley Hall Mary Ritchie Casserole Night	25 Tracy Bailey  MEMORIAL DAY	26 Mary Ball	27 Heber Mendoza Kevin & Deanna Burns	28 Carrie Hunt Boaz Schubert Baily & Lehae Boggs	29	30  G.R.O.W. W Team
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