



Lifeline

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH

How to connect at Crossroads:

Preschool and Children:

Sunday evenings 5:30-6:30 on the NorthRidge

Students 7th grade and up:

Wednesday evenings 6-7:30pm on the NorthRidge

Men and Women Ministries:

Wednesday evenings 7:00- Watchmen Ministry on Zoom and in person & Kingdom Women at 6:30pm in person

LIVE With Pastor Robert:

6:30pm Wednesday nights on Facebook Live

Sunday morning:

10:00- Worship with us in person on the NorthRidge or visit from your home at youtube.com/MyCrossroadsCC

*Doing Life
Together*

JUNE 2020



AN INTERVIEW WITH JANE

As many of you know, our sweet Jane Barrett has been diagnosed with Breast Cancer. We wanted to take a few minutes to sit down with her and talk about what God is doing in the midst of her storm.

June 1st I found a lump and just three days later on June 4th I found out I had breast cancer, In an unbelievably quick time frame I have been able to see an Oncologist, Cardiologist, Surgeons, etc. The Lord has orchestrated every single step of appointments and testing. Thankfully, the cancer has not metastasized anywhere in the body-it is self contained. The moment I heard the words "It's Cancer", I have known that God is walking with us. I have a beautiful peace that only comes from The Lord. I know that I am in His hands and while he did not give me cancer, He is walking right beside me as we go through this. God does not make mistakes and I know that He is going to use this to grow His kingdom. I know that He will heal me one way or another and I am trusting in Him and His leadership through this. No matter what He has for me, I am thankful to walk with Him through this. I don't think God is through with me yet- I believe He wants to use this as another tool for me to share the gospel with people locally and at MD Anderson. My only goal through this is to honor and glorify Him and to spread His word. Everytime we get a test result or a delay in anything the first thing I say is "Thank you God"! I want the first thing on my lips to be praise for his provision over all of this.

As of the time of this writing, my surgery is scheduled for July 27th. I will have a double mastectomy on that day-less than two months after finding a lump-Only God can orchestrate that incredible timing in the midst of a worldwide pandemic.

MD Anderson has been such a blessing and I know The Lord has us there for specific reasoning. Kanny and I are firmly convinced that MD Anderson is the place God wants us to be. We have met with several doctors and nurses there and we know that the team there is the team that God has for me. We have not had a single bad experience with any of them. Several doctors have said they were praying for me and I have a holy peace about the care I will receive there.

How can we specifically pray for you and your family right now? Pray that I stay healthy and safe. I am having to take major precautions to be safe and stay well over the next month. Pray specifically that I can have only one surgery-there is a lead to my pacemaker that has to be moved and we are praying that it can be done with the mastectomy. Pray for traveling mercies as we travel back at the end of the month. Specifically pray for my surgeon and the team that I will be under their care.

We love our church family and we are counting on your prayers and support during this time.



CONCRETES AND CRANES VBS

Big changes concerning Concretes and Cranes! This year we will be having VBS every Wednesday night in August! We are so excited to try this new set up and hope to get everyone involved. We will be meeting every Wednesday night at 5:30 for a dinner and then starting VBS at 6pm. Pick up will be at 8pm! We are very excited that the Children's wing will be able to be used for the first time in such a fun and different way!

We still need lots of volunteers in every aspect of VBS! If you can participate or help in any of the following areas please get in touch with Chelsea soon!

Chelsea Kellum

chelsea@crossroads.family

(334)-

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

HAPPY JULY CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH!

Wow! I can't believe we are half-way through 2020 – What a CRAZY YEAR it has been so far! Well, at least we know one thing for sure – none of 2020 has taken The Lord by surprise! He is still in control and has GREAT things in store.

As tough as it may be to see the bright side of things these days, I want to encourage you to continue to SHINE THE LIGHT of Jesus every single day! Remember the words of King David in the Psalm 118:24, "This is the day the Lord has made; let's rejoice and be glad in it." We must press on and we must press in to all the things The Lord has in front of us in these days – we must be HIS WITNESSES!!!

As we continue to worship on The NorthRidge in the month of July, we know that being FLEXIBLE is the key. We feel that with the number of COVID-19 cases still not going down to safe levels, that we need to continue our outside services. We will change the time beginning Sunday, July 12th to 9am instead of 10am. We feel that it will be cooler at 9am and our crowd will still be good to gather at that time. We are currently making tentative plans to meet in the building beginning in August. More detailed plans will be announced as they become reality.

I am VERY EXCITED about our gathering and celebration on Sunday July 5th at 6:00pm on The NorthRidge called, FAITH & FREEDOM! We will have a food truck there ((Price is roughly \$10 per plate) and you are welcome to bring your own food and drinks as well. Bring your Lawn chairs, yard games, and great smiling faces as we celebrate our freedoms in the USA and thank The Lord for His provision. We will have patriotic music, conversation, and great encouragement from scripture as well as worship to Lord! You definitely want to mark your calendars and plan to be a part! (*We will have a 10am worship on YouTube that morning as well!)

I want to encourage you to continue in your faithfulness. The Lord DOES have great plans for us as an OIKOS (Faith Family) and we must remain faithful in our encouragement, Bible reading, giving of our tithes and offerings, and meeting needs of those around us! So keep on shining the light in every area of your life!

Many Blessings and I Love You All!

Dr. Robert Mullins

Lead Pastor



Arjay Gruspe with his wife
(Tara) and daughter (Kainani)

THANK YOU CROSSROADS!

Dearest Pastor Robert and the Crossroads family,

I do not have enough words to say how humbled and thankful I am for this generous display of God's love that you have given to me and my family in our time of great need. Just to let those of you that don't know: my older brother, Arnold, passed away on May 22 from COVID-19, and since then, my mom, Cindy, dad, Arnold, and younger brother, Armand, have all tested positive and have had to be admitted for hospital care. This is a tremendous time of grief and struggle for our family. Your compassionate support has been an incredible answer to prayer and is received with very humble and thankful hearts. It will go to help in so many ways.

From the bottom of my heart, I thank you on behalf of my family. I thank God for an amazing man of God that you have leading you in Pastor Robert. I thank you, Crossroads Community Church that responds to great needs around the world. I truly am thankful for my family in God, so thank you Crossroads CC and Pastor Robert for reflecting God's heart in this time of need.

Philemon 1:7 "For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother (and brothers and sisters of Crossroads Community Church), because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you."

Aloha and Mahalo.

Arjay Gruspe- Director of Baptist Collegiate Ministries for Hawaii Pacific Baptist Convention and Lead Pastor at Pawa'a Community Church in Honolulu, HI

PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN MINISTRY

Our preschool and children have been meeting on the NorthRidge on Sunday evenings. They have been doing Bible study and a fun activity! This has been great for our kids and we would love to have you join us!



July 12: Bible Study and Slipp N Slid

July 19: Bible Study and Family Fun

July 26: Pool Party at Harms' 3-5pm (Lifeguards on duty)



BAPTISM ON THE NORTHRIDGE

On June 21st, Father's Day, we had the wonderful privilege of watching Roman Boyer be baptised and make his commitment to The Lord public!



"I am so thankful to have been able to baptize Roman outside enjoying His creation. I got so overwhelmed by how loving our church family

is. It has been a team effort and we will forever be grateful for the massive impact our oikos has had and will continue to have on our children.

The best part of being on the NorthRidge was hearing the birds and seeing His beautiful sky. I was hesitant at first just because of a change but honestly it was such a blessing



and a special day to remember for sure!" Jordyn Boyer

FAITH AND FREEDOM CELEBRATION

We are so excited about our Faith and Freedom celebration on July 5th at 6pm. We will have Fire Meats Wood's food truck in the parking lot from 6-7pm and then start our celebration and worship afterwards!

Please feel free to bring any yard games you wish to play as well as lawn chairs, blankets, etc. You will also want to bring drinks for your family!

This is a great event to invite your neighbors to! Have them come out and get to know our family in a relaxed environment!



@MyCrossroadsCC
www.crossroads.family

July 2020

Volume 33

Issue 6

The Lifeline is published monthly by
Crossroads Community Church
P.O. Box 279
Elmore, AL 36025

Postmaster: send address change (x) 2nd class postage