

Message by Barron Geiger



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Meeting at EASTVIEW COMMUNITY CENTER
4101 E 42nd St, Des Moines, IA 50317
Sundays at 10:00am

Family News and Events

Eastview's Breakfast With Santa Event

Eastview's Annual Breakfast With Santa is **Saturday, December 2nd from 9:30-11:30**. This event is a fundraiser for Toys for Tots, which benefits kids right here in our neighborhood. Check out the **signup sheet** on the back table for volunteer opportunities!




Stocking the Blessing Box

Thanks to everyone who has brought food for the Blessing Box! We can always use more back-up stock so that we can keep it filled through the week. Suggestions include peanut butter, canned chicken and tuna, canned veggies and fruits, and items that don't require any cooking.




Welcome to CrossWay

If you're visiting for the first time, we welcome you! Please introduce yourself to us if we don't find you first. We also ask you to consider filling out the **Connection Card** in your bulletin. We hope to get to know you better!

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CrossWay Leaders

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Deacons: Jeff Cole • Phil Meyer • Dave Holschlag • John Fulmer • Bob Appel

Missions November Spotlight: Eastern Europe

Constantin & Yana Kurmantsev, Krasnoyarsk, Russia

We've been on staff with Campus Crusade for Christ from 2000. For nine years we have been developing the campus ministry in Krasnoyarsk (Siberia). This ministry in our city started with our family and led hundreds of students to Christ. Some of them even became missionaries or Christian workers, dozens became strong Christians and church members. Now we develop the ministry with professionals and graduates in Siberian region in Russia. Yana is also doing ministry with orphans teaching Bible to them. We are Pioneers in this ministry in our region.



Our city is an industrial center with 1,000,000 population and developing business. The city we serve is one of the main Siberian centers, but most of people here are non-Christians and negative to speak about the Gospel. Evangelical Christianity in Krasnoyarsk is less than 1% of all population.

Who will lead them to Christ? We are nationals. We live here, we know people, know Russian language and culture, and have good connections with churches in our area.

Just think what a great opportunity to be next to local missionaries with your prayers and financial support leading hundreds to Christ, reaching unreached in Russia without going to Siberia, studying Russian language and culture, surviving in climate of -40 F in winter!

Pray Together

November Prayer Focus: This month, Pray for church unity, one mindedness, and maturity.

“He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.” Ephesians 4:16)

CrossWay is a family devoted to praying for one another, our leadership, and our community. Join us Sunday mornings at 9:15am, for prayer together.

CrossWay Students 6th-12th Grade



High School: WEDNESDAYS @7PM at THE FOSTERS HOME!

Lesson Series: What's the Point? A Study of Ecclesiastes

Jr. High: MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

Study and Life Groups

Women's Bible Study: Fall Study Fridays 10AM. Child Care Provided!

Men's Bible Study: Saturdays at 8am at Eastview CC. Father/Son Breakfast 1st Saturday each month!

Life Groups: Groups are currently meeting on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings – See the brochure on the Welcome Table for details!

“Gratitude is an offering precious in the sight of God, and it is one that the poorest of us can make and be not poorer but richer for having made it.”

—A.W. Tozer

Today at CrossWay Welcome!

Praise and Worship

How Great Thou Art

Forever Reign

Stronger

Worthy Is The Lamb

Offering

Announcements

Kids Dismissed/Meet and Greet

Message: Ready To Serve

Closing Forever

November 26 Kids Volunteers: Nursery: Martha Meyer, Tina Shannon | 2s-4s: Melissa Walker, Caleigh McGregor | K-5th: Mia Vannoy, Jacque Thompson

Connection Cards

Please take a moment to fill out a **Connection Card** and drop it in the offering box on the welcome table so we can keep you informed of what is going on at CrossWay, and ways to serve and grow. They are also a great way to communicate to us your **questions, interests, prayer needs, and praises!**

Offering

For those who call CrossWay their church home, **contributions** are collected during the service, or you may drop it in the offering box on the welcome table. You may also find details about **online giving** on the CrossWay website, CrosswayAltoona.org

This Week at CrossWay

Sun | 9:15am Prayer Group | 4:30pm Sun Life Group 3 | 5pm Sun Life Group 1
| 5pm Sun Life Group 2

Tue | 7pm Tue Life Group 1

Wed | 7pm Wed Life Group 1 | 7pm High School Student Group

Thu | **THANKSGIVING**

Fri | 6:45pm Fri Life Group 1

Sat | 8am Men's Group

Coming Soon | 12-2 Breakfast With Santa



1. Understanding your Gifts

- a) We _____ have gifts and your gift has a _____.
- b) Your gift is _____.
- c) Your gift must be used in _____.

2. Share your Gifts

- a) Start prioritizing _____.
- b) Radically commit to deep _____.
- c) Make a daily _____ to give yourself away.

Questions for further thought or discussion:

1. Why is it important to deeply examine your faith before considering the Bible's teaching on life in community?

How does baptism relate to life in community?

2. Where did your gifts come from? What is their purpose?
3. What types of words describe the way in which you should use your gifts?
4. Why is your commitment to the church family so important when it comes to sharing your gifts?

PERSONAL COMMITMENT

Lord, draw us into deep community so that we can effectively use our gifts to encourage and strengthen the church family.