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Who We Are

Our Mission

Connecting people to Christ...Equipping them for life!

Our Vision

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Our Affiliation

Crosspoint is part of Converge PacWest, the Northwest District of Converge Worldwide (formerly known as the Baptist General Conference).

Converge's focus is to *Connect, Ignite, and Transform: Connecting God's people around God's purposes, that He might ignite movements of reproduction for the purpose of transforming lives and communities with Christ's love and truth.*

From Pastor Pat

January 2013

Dear Crosspoint family,

2013, can you believe it? A year and a half into our 5-year vision! Here it is:

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More than reaching a specific number of people, my heart's desire and most fervent prayer is that we all grow in Christ-likeness. The Apostle Paul wrote in Philippians 3:14, "I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." It's this idea of "pressing on" that is crucial in being a committed Christ follower - as Paul was. The question is, are you...am I? Spirit-filled consistency is the key. What if everyone who called Crosspoint their home church did the following ten things with Spirit-filled consistency?:

1. Welcome in the New Year with praying & fasting.
2. Set aside time each day to study God's word and pray.
3. Forgive those who sin against you.
4. Use your spiritual gifts to minister to others.

5. Cheerfully, generously, and regularly give of your finances.
6. Meet each others needs.
7. Bare one another's burdens.
8. Disciple others - share with others what God is teaching you.
9. Seize every opportunity to share Christ.
10. Attend worship service every week and on time.

The question is, how different would our church body be? How different would you and I be? Would being consistent in these areas cause us to make a greater impact for Christ in our families, neighborhood, workplace and world? Absolutely! Now, we don't know what struggles and challenges await us in 2013. But, we do know the One who is able to see us through anything, bring comfort when needed, and empower us to live for Him!

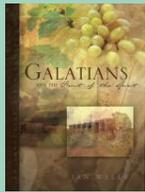
As we look to Jesus, let's choose to be faithful, compassionate and... key word: "consistent" in the things of God. As we do our part (and God does His), we will press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. I love you all with all my heart. You're in my prayers constantly, and I look forward to pressing on together in 2013!

Pastor Pat



Women's Bible Study

The Book of Galatians



Join a wonderful group of women who will come together to spend time in a study of the Book of Galatians. The lessons of the study investigate Galatians' timeless truths that convict and inspire people of all ages. The lessons will equip believers to be stronger and more mature in their walk with the Lord Jesus.

Included in each lesson is an in-depth study of each of the **Fruit of the Spirit** as well as a study of the role and ministry of the Holy Spirit in the life of every follower of Christ.

The lessons use the Bible as its primary source of information and include the four dimensions of inductive study: *observation* of the text to carefully and accurately *interpret* the Scriptures, while looking for *eternal principles* to help one *apply* the Scriptures to the circumstances of one's own life.

The class will meet weekly to discuss the homework, designed to take from 1 to 3 hours each week.

At Crosspoint.

Monday evenings,
6:30 – 8:30pm

January 14th - May 6th.

To register:

Call Jan Wells: 829-2956.

or email:

jan.sunergosbible@gmail.org

Family Ministry Corner

The new year is upon us. One of the great things about January is that it's full of fresh beginnings, a new start. It gives us a chance to look back at where we've been and look forward to where we're going. It allows us to chart our course, to decide in what direction we will head.

The same is true of our Children and Student Ministries this coming year. We've been moving in a positive direction these past few months and are looking to continue doing so, in new and exciting ways, this next year.

But here's the problem with most new year's resolutions. By February (or January 10th, for some of us), those resolutions begin to fade, our resolve is not as strong, and we find ourselves falling back into old habits. How can we avoid that? Well, when it's in our strength, we often lack the power...so where could we go to find the source of all power? Hmmmm...

Of course, our source for power to change and move in a positive direction comes directly from God, and that is why I'm asking for your prayers.

Please pray for our Family Ministries this upcoming year, that we can accomplish what God has laid on our hearts to accomplish in 2013. Specifically, pray for us to implement new ways to bring families from the church together.

Pray for the workers we need, so the great volunteers we already have don't get burned out. Pray for the growth of our student ministries, that we can reach out to new students and that the students we do have will be strengthened in their faith.

Pray that God will bring us more and more young people to share His message with, and that we can not just teach the children but that we can train the parents in how to be the spiritual leaders in the home. Pray for Family Ministries at Crosspoint in 2013!



by Mike Baker, Pastor of Family Ministries

Music Notes: January 2013

Christmas is now in our rearview mirror.. and what a wonderful time it was. We re-emphasized that God is with us through the Crosspoint Chorus (and company) and sang together of His glorious birth on Christmas Eve. I want to take this time to thank all of you for your encouraging words and gifts during that time. God was truly lifted up in our services and through your generosity and compassion toward us.

As we look to the new year (2013), it is a good time to consider how you can be involved in worship at CCC. There are basically four ways you can participate. The number one way is to develop a lifestyle of worship whereby: "whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God (I Cor. 10:31). The second way is a reflection of the first whereby on Sunday mornings we "Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!" (Psalm 100:4). The third way would be to get involved in our "activities"

of worship that we do on Sunday mornings. These activities include the worship teams (vocals/instrumentals), the sound-tech team (sound/lighting/powerpoint), and the Crosspoint Chorus (2-3 presentations during the year). The fourth way would be to pray for this part of our Crosspoint ministry. We want God to be glorified, believers to be blessed and moved to serve, and unbelievers to be drawn to the Savior. This can only be accomplished as we all work together in unity toward this common goal (Phil.2). Perhaps, during your day(s) of "prayer and fasting" you would consider devoting part of that prayer time to seeking the Lord about your role in worship here at Crosspoint Community Church.

Soli Deo Gloria (To God Alone Be The Glory)

by Jim Humphreys, Director of

Worship Services 2

Missions : January 2013

MISSIONS AT CROSSPOINT is still exciting as we start a new year of **praying for** and **blessing** our Crosspoint Missionaries. YOU are a very important part of Missions as you pray and give.

Larry Caldwell As he travels to our Converge Worldwide Headquarters in Orlando, FL, he has the awesome responsibility of helping train new missionaries and is used by Converge in various ways in Missions.

Also serving in a similar capacity is **Mike Flinchum**, who also travels globally. He is also Regional Director for Latin American outreaches.

Joel Wright continues on behalf of Converge Worldwide to help grow Brazilian and Portuguese-speaking churches in several places here in the United States. His wife Barbara also serves in the Accounting Dept. of Converge Headquarters in Arlington Heights, IL.

Our Converge PacWest connection is ably handled by **David and Sandy Yetter** in Tracy CA, and we are fortunate to learn of needs and pray for new Converge churches in their outreach in Northern CA and HI.

Bill and Robin Harris work with OM in the area of ethnomusicology and worship, and travel the world encouraging Christians to worship in their own languages and styles. God is using them in many ways, including leadership at Urbana 2012, an outreach for college students who wish to consider going into the mission field. Robin is now teaching at the Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics (GIAL) in nearby Dallas, TX. Bill supports the ministry through visual/video arts.

Forrest and Purity Haskins continue to work with Africa Inland Mission with the Datooga tribe in Tanzania, East Africa, and are helping those people, who had never before heard of Jesus Christ, learn to worship Him instead of inanimate objects. Currently we are fortunate to have

Forrest and Purity here in Santa Rosa, worshipping with us and helping Missions in various other ways.

Bill and Cholpon Walsh in Kyrgyzstan (west of China) are reaching out to people who have not understood who God is and how He loves them. The Walshes show them through ministering to their various needs. They are currently in Arnold, CA, with Bill's family, but need to raise additional money to return to Kyrgyzstan. If you can give a special gift this would help. This is putting legs on your prayers.

Jerry and Jan Jacobson are currently living in Santa Rosa because of their parents' health needs. They need your assistance through missions giving and prayer here at Crosspoint, but also travel to Latin America as needed by United World Mission.

Nick and Lolly Nickerson live here in town and minister to immigrants through teaching English as a second language (ESL), but also travel to other parts of the world to teach English. In January they plan to travel to southern India to teach at an orphanage. God has blessed in helping Lolly to recover from a brain tumor.

Of course, we also do not want to forget other ministries here in town such as the **Redwood Gospel Mission**... and Crosspoint's Seniors are blessed each month by attending Kaleb's Kids at **Mt. Gilead Bible Conference** grounds.

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO DO MINISTRY THROUGH PRAYER AND GIVING TO CROSSPOINT, AS A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR OFFERINGS IS SET ASIDE FOR MISSIONS. LET'S KEEP IT UP THROUGHOUT 2013!

by Irene Barton, Missions MTL

40 Days of Prayer And Fasting



Crosspoint family, welcome the New Year with 40 days of prayer and fasting.

**January 1
to
February 9**

There is a poster board-sized calendar in the Lobby with tags on each date, along with brochures on fasting. Choose a date, take a tag and a brochure, and follow Christ's example of this often-lost discipline in the Christian faith.



Actively pursue God in your life, family, church and community!

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Crosspoint News
January 2013

Upcoming Events & Classes :

- January 1 to February 9: **40 days of Prayer & Fasting.** Actively pursue God in your life, family, church and community! (Read all about this church-wide effort on page 3 of this newsletter)
- January 18: 10am-2:30pm. Women's Ministry event at Mt. Gilead Bible Conference in Sebastopol: **Creating Order out of Chaos.** For more info or to register, call 823-4508 or visit www.mtgilead.org/programs/competent-to-minister.
- January 18: 9am-5:30pm. **Lifeline Screening** at Crosspoint. (More information on this same page)
- January 19: 2pm in the Ministry Center. All the ladies are invited to **Zoë Baker's Baby Shower.** Save the date!



Coming in February... **Faithlife.** This is a powerful, innovative way for Crosspoint to connect with one another and disciple others. Stay tuned to hear more about this exciting online tool.

BIBLE STUDIES:

- **REVIVE TEACHING HOUR:** ➤ **Sundays at 11:15AM.** Our current series is, "**Romans**".
- **STUDENT MINISTRY** ➤ **Bible Study: Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30PM.** Jr. High & High School. Questions? Contact Pastor Mike.
- **MEN:** ➤ "**Relying on the Holy Spirit**" (Charles F. Stanley). Experience the joy-filled walk with God by learning to hear His voice.
Johnnie Vandevier leads: 539-9299.
Mondays at 6:30pm in the Ministry Center, Room 2
➤ "**Forgiveness: Breaking the Power of the Past**".
This new series begins January 5. Men of all ages are welcome to attend.
Hal Mickens leads: 575- 7087.
Saturdays from 8:30 to 9:45am in Ministry Center Room 2 .
- **WOMEN:** ➤ The Bible study on Titus concludes January 7.
Starting January 14, this group will study the book of **Galatians.** (read more on page 2 of this newsletter)
To register: Call Jan Wells: 829.2956 or email: Jan.sunergosbible@gmail.com
Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30pm in Ministry Center Room 1.
➤ "**Resting in Him**" : Bible study led by Laura Harden at 1654 Wishing Well Way, SR. 526-5484. Study the Bible, and get support and encouragement.
Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:pm

Financial Report: November 2012

General Fund Tithes	Use Fee	Total Income
\$43,905.68	\$3,441.23	\$47,346.91
Expenses	Net	Benevolent Offering
\$41,025.83	\$6,321.08	\$720.00