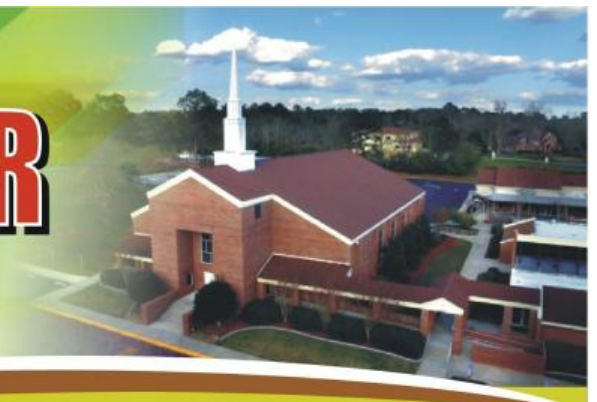


CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH

# COMMUNICATOR

GATHER, GROW, GIVE, GO!

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# Fall FESTIVAL



at Crossroads

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 31 - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy games, candy, prizes, inflatables, and food available for purchase. Invite your friends and neighbors to come!

Candy donations are needed. Drop off your individually wrapped candy in the orange containers in the Worship Center or the church office. Come and enjoy this time of great family fellowship! It's going to be lots of fun!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! CONTACT PASTOR JAMIE WARNSHUIS AT 229.242.7636.

# B&B FOR P&Z!

BIKES + BIBLES FOR PASTORS IN ZIMBABWE

If someone wants to purchase just a bicycle: \$120.00  
Just a study Bible: \$40 or both would be: \$160.00

Please make checks payable to Crossroads Baptist Church to be part of this project.



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Crossroads BAPTIST CHURCH

3001 Country Club Drive - Valdosta, Georgia 31602  
Office: 229.242.7636  
Prayer Request Line: 229.249.PRAY (7729)

## INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

The Intercessory Prayer Ministry is a chain of prayer maintained in one-hour slots from early morning until late night.

To be a part of this important ministry, or to learn more about it, join Dr. Ken on Sunday, September 30, for an orientation at 4:30 p.m. in the Worship Center.



**OCTOBER 2018**

AS WE MOVE INTO THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, we will be gearing up for one of our biggest events of the year, our Fall Festival. On the last night of the month, Wednesday, October 31, we will be hosting this annual event on our front lawn from 5:00 to 8:00.

Our Fall Festival provides a safe and wholesome alternative to Halloween, and it provides us with the opportunity to show our community that we are a family-friendly church that really loves kids. We will have hundreds upon hundreds of folks on our campus that night, many of whom do not have a church home. What a chance to make an impact for Christ and His church! Crossroads family, I want to encourage you to make our Fall Festival a priority! We will need many of you to serve that evening as volunteers at the different stations, whether it be in the food area or the games area. Please contact Jamie Warnshuis, our Children and Families Pastor, if you are willing to take an hour and a half shift that night, or if you will be available to serve for the entire three hours. All of us can get involved in the event by providing individually wrapped candy to give to the children that night by bringing bags of it to the church over the next few weeks. Let's all do our part to make this year's Fall Festival our best one ever!

**I WILL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF LEADING A SPECIAL STUDY FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS** on the first four Wednesday nights of October at their weekly College Bible Study. College students, I hope that you will join me for this study, which I am calling, "Know Why You Believe." CBS meets in The Connection at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.

**ONE OTHER MAJOR EMPHASIS IN OCTOBER WILL BE OUR "B & B FOR P IN Z" EFFORT.** That title stands for "Bikes and Bibles for Pastors in Zimbabwe." We once again have the opportunity to change the lives and ministries of pastors in that country, which is located in southern Africa. A gift of \$120 will provide a bicycle for one of those godly men, and a gift of \$40 will provide a study Bible. A gift of \$160 will provide a pastor there with both a bike and a Bible. Please prayerfully consider what you can give toward this great project, which we are doing in cooperation with Wayne Dorsett Ministries. Brother Wayne, one of our own members who trains pastors in Africa, will be making four trips to Zimbabwe next year, and he will personally direct the funds that we provide through "B & B for P in Z." Let's get behind this great cause and support it generously!!

You are loved,  
Dr. Ken

Follow me on Twitter  
 @drkenalford

# WE ARE SATURATING VALDOSTA

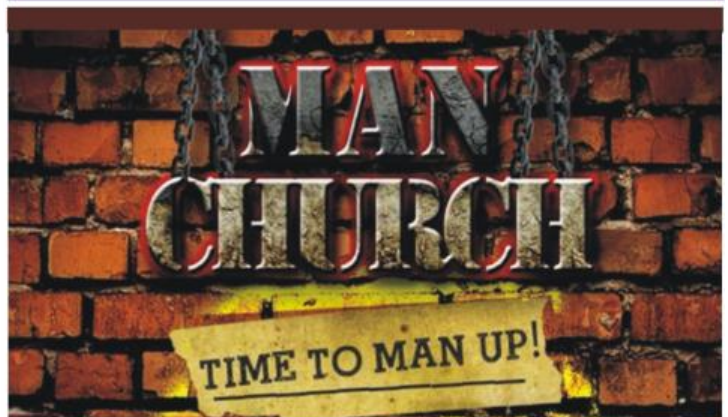
We will be joining with other churches in our area in an effort to make a gospel contact with every home in Valdosta. This project involves our leaving on the doors of every home a bag containing a tract with the plan of salvation, a brochure about our church, and a DVD of "The Jesus Film." Crossroads has committed to contacting 5,000 homes! We will need around 150 to 200 volunteers to fulfill this mission!



**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Sunday, October 21** - Lunch at the church followed by "assembly line" stuffing of door hanger bags
- Sunday, October 28** (if needed) - Lunch at the church followed by the completion of preparing the door hanger bags
- Sunday, November 4** - "Saturate" visits to 5,000 homes to leave the door hanger bags (3:00 - 5:00 p.m.)

Please use the "Connection Tab" in the Sunday bulletin to sign up to be a part of this effort. You may also sign up online at our church's website. Be a part of saturating our area with a gospel touch!



**October 18 - Join us for a great time!  
Food and fellowship begins at 6:00 p.m.**

**Cost: \$6**



*"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

Crossroads Family,

Every so often the Lord sticks a concept in my brain and keeps it there while I ponder it. Right now the concept is "generosity and impact." You and I both know people in our lives who are generous. Think about words that describe them. Maybe they are words like: "kind," "thoughtful," "joyful," "dedicated," "loyal," "impactful," or "giving." Can you describe them in a negative light? Not usually. Generosity implies an open hand and a caring heart. Others who give with impure motives or expect something in return are not normally called "generous."

Now think about how you give. Do you do so in a way that others can use those same words to describe you? When we talk about discipleship, that is being conformed into the image of Jesus, we sometimes miss the easy stuff. Jesus was amazingly, miraculously generous with everything that He had. My heart's desire is that you will, over time, conform into His image. I want you to be able to be called "kind," "thoughtful," "joyful," "dedicated," "loyal," "impactful," and "giving" as your discipleship journey continues.

What is the impact of your giving? Well, you bound down the path of discipleship and begin focusing your life on Kingdom issues -- eternal opportunities instead of short-term problems. And the church begins to serve others with greater impact: more hear about Jesus, more are disciplined, and lives are radically changed! Much of our church's eternal impact is tied to your current generosity.

So, I challenge you, for the cause of Jesus... level up your eternal impact, move from not giving to giving something, move from giving something to giving 10% obediently, or move from giving 10% obediently to giving with an open hand and a caring, joyful heart!

Blessed beyond measure,

Pastor Mark  
[www.crossroadsbaptist.com/give](http://www.crossroadsbaptist.com/give)

## Crossroads Baptist School NEWS

Please call the school office at 229.241.1430 for more information.

### October 5 & 8

It's time for a quick break from reading, writing, and arithmetic! It's fall break time for our students and teachers!

### October 11

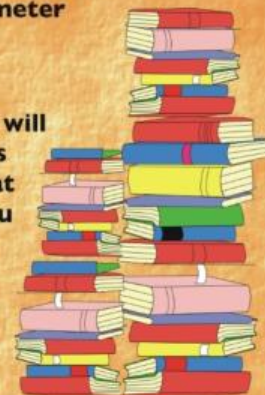
It's Chick-fil-A Spirit Day! Crossroads Baptist School will receive a portion of the proceeds from all sales all day at the Perimeter Road location.

### October 16

It's Spirit Day at Zaxby's! C.B.S. will receive a portion of the proceeds from all sales between 5-8 p.m. at the Perimeter Road location. You must mention that you are with Crossroads Baptist School.

### October 31

Dress in your farm attire for FARMER BROWN Day!



## DISCOVER CROSSROADS

LEARN MORE ABOUT CROSSROADS!

New Member Orientation Class  
WEDNESDAY, October 3

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in Pastor Mark's office

To register, contact Leah Harrison at 229-242-7636  
[crossroadsbaptist.com/discover](http://crossroadsbaptist.com/discover)



A new Connect Group class for young families will be taught by Clint Bowen at 9:00 a.m. in The Link #1. This class is for young married couples ages up to mid - 30s. The class will begin on Sunday, October 7.

