

SAVE THE DATE

Worship Workshop -Everyone is invited

Part 1 Aug 20 1-3:30 pm

Part 2 Aug 27 1-3:30 pm

Light refreshments will be provided.

Contact Susan, Beryl or Maggie for more information.

Operation Christmas Child It's that time of year to start picking up items here and there for the shoeboxes we plan to fill in November. School supplies are already going on sale so please take advantage of the good prices and stock up on pencils, pens, crayons, paper, erasers, colored pencils, markers, pencil sharpeners, etc. A donation box will be in the narthex. (What is Operation Christmas Child? A mission that all can participate in by stuffing shoeboxes with gifts, delivering them all over the world, and sharing the Gospel. Sponsored by Samaritan's Purse.)

This Week at Crossroads

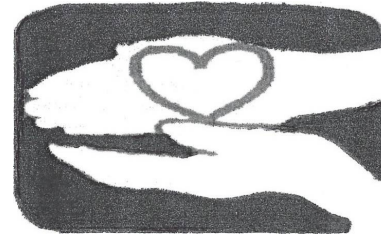
Vessels Women's Class, Barnabas Men's Class, and children's church-Summer Break

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Living Word Class	Parlor
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	Convergence Church	Room 2
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	WATC	Parlor
Saturday	2:00 p.m.	Praise Team Practice	Sanctuary

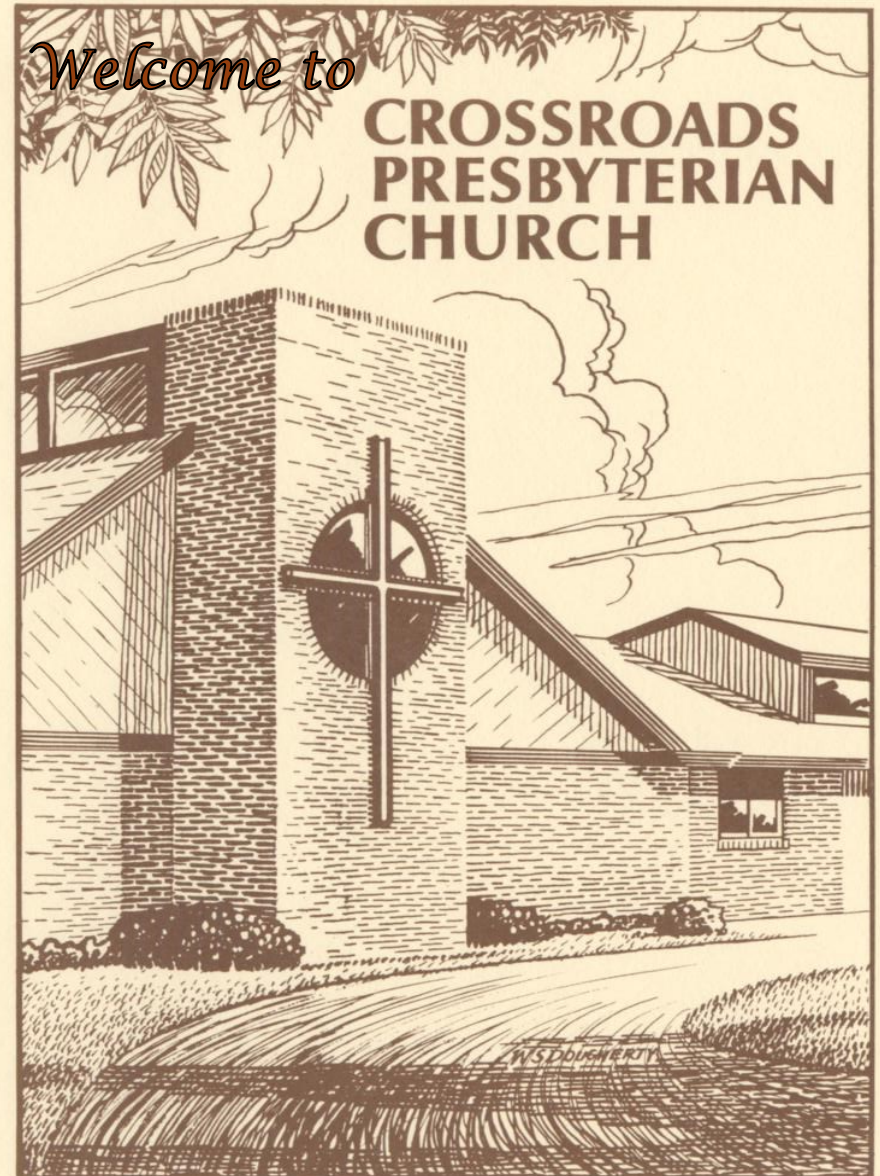
Call the church office for more information about any of these events.

Please remember to reserve a room before planning an event/meeting.

Pastoral Care- The Session will actively support our congregation this summer while Pastor Farmer is on a sabbatical from June 1 through August 31. If you have a need for pastoral care--prayer, visit, illness--please contact Judie Morgan (404 735-3512). She will speak with an elder who will contact you to provide pastoral care.



Heartlines
July 30, 2023



BIOGRAPHY of Today's Speaker:

James (Jimmy) McGee III

James is often referred to as Jimmy McGee. He was born in Milwaukee, and later moved with his family to the Southside of Chicago where he grew up. He returned to Milwaukee to attend Marquette University, graduating with a Bachelor of Art in Sociology. After college, he re-located to Atlanta, Georgia to serve with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. For ten years he served black students who attended the Atlanta University Center. (The Atlanta University Center is a consortium of historically black schools, Morehouse College, Clark Atlanta University, Spelman College, and Morris Brown College.) In that capacity he has impacted college students' lives through mentoring, training, and directing conferences. During his tenure with InterVarsity he had other responsibilities before leaving December 2004. His last role was as the **Director, Pilgrimage for Reconciliation (2002-2004)**: a program to help InterVarsity grow deeper in its intent to become a welcoming organization to all ethnic communities by looking at racial/ethnic conflict domestically and globally through the lens of Shalom Theology.

Jimmy is now the **CEO/President of The Impact Movement, Inc.** Similar to his work with InterVarsity. The Impact Movement is a 501(c)3 ministry that is focused on reaching black students in the academy. Formerly associated and linked with Cru, formerly known as Campus Crusade for Christ. Impact is in partnership with Cru, serving students at HBCU's, Primarily Black Institutions, and Primarily White Institutions.

Jimmy has a Master of Arts in Applied Anthropology from Georgia State University. Jimmy is the founder and president of **The Bitumen Group, Inc.** Married to Genie, together they have 3 sons; James (Jay), Noah Aslan, and Asher Cross.

Town Hall Meeting- The Session is calling a Town Hall meeting today after worship to present the 5-Year strategic plan so that you can get the details for discussion. We will also talk about the CAT (Congregation Assessment Tool) survey you received this week which will gather information about Crossroads as we move into pastoral transitions.



Prayer Requests



Healing - *The following persons are in need of prayer:*

Jarvis Hall (Roz Fuse-Hall's husband)
Henry Stevens (Alex's brother)
Edward & Uvalyn Patterson
Rosa Crowley (Pamela Gruduah's aunt)
John Gregory (Sharon's husband)
Kim English (Deloris Rose's Niece)
Jewel Walker (friend of Pat Bogus)
Esan Simon (son of Irving & Dorothy)
Karen Fors Brown (daughter of Dave & Joy Fors)
Anna Clarke (Maggie Sofidiya's niece in S. Africa)
Jimmy Ford (nephew of Annette Smith)
Preston Watson (Priscilla Wilkinson's father)
Hannah Rader (Kristi Helfen's daughter)
Our Missionaries (*See bulletin back for list of names*)

Lonice Fryer
Michael Hairston
Denise Romney
Ben Wilkinson Jr.
Joan Stevens
Kimberly Harris
Larry Steele

Bereavement- Beryl Lindsay (*sister Ioy Samuel*)



Crossroads News



Church Survey This week everyone got a copy of the survey-- Congregation Assessment Tool via email or regular mail. Please complete it by August 10. (For those that were mailed a survey, please mail back by August 7.) We want to gather your insights about Crossroads: who we are now and who we would like to be in the future. If you did not receive one, you may pick up a copy in the narthex.

No One Alone Ministry- extends greetings to everyone and invites you to join us on Saturday, August 19th from 12 noon- 1:30 PM for an afternoon of fellowship and fun for the entire family. We will be showing the movie "Heaven is for Real". Please **RSVP** by **August 12th** to Dorothy Jones (404-561-1563) or Lilieth Hunt (646-591-7397) in order that we may prepare accordingly. Refreshments will be provided. See you there!

Church Retreat! It's time to register for our Church retreat. Our theme is "A New Thing" and we'll be thinking about the upcoming changes that we'll experience together. Please stop by the Retreat table in the Narthex to register, ask questions and get more information about the Calvin Center, housing and meals.