



Monthly Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM PRESTON

Often times I wonder "what if." I wonder what life would have been like if circumstances were different. But I can honestly tell you all that because of Crossroads Church my life has been changed. I don't think I would be in a relationship with Jesus if it wasn't for this church. I would not be married to Sydney if it wasn't for this church. I wouldn't be having a son in a few weeks if it wasn't for this church. I wouldn't be a Youth Pastor now if it wasn't for Crossroads Church. There are so many "what ifs" in life but I know that the investment that was made and is continuing to be made by the Crossroads family will forever have changed my life. Thank you to all that have invested in this church.

Preston Smith
Pastor of Student Ministries



OUR STORIES



My wife and I joined the small group of Albert Lea residents that planted Crossroads Church and soon realized that this was the church we wanted to be a part of. We really liked the people, the lively inspirational music, the informality (come as you are), and a vision that so many were passionate about. Although we travelled during the winter months it was a joy to rejoin them in the spring and experience the fellowship we sorely missed. Looking back at the first eight years, I have many wonderful recollections. Pastor Glen preached his candidating sermon in the sanctuary of the Episcopal Church. We began meeting in the Middle School Little Theater and every Sunday morning all of our equipment was set-up and torn down by the set-up team. We outgrew the Little Theater and moved to the Albert Lea High School auditorium. Once again, the set-up team handled all of the equipment before and after every service. The first church office was a small building that once served as the projection booth of the old drive in movie theatre. Our business meetings were held in various church basements. The first capital campaign was launched from St Theodore's.

Moving around as we did seemed inconvenient, improvisational, and hard work but we never lacked for enthusiasm!

Many volunteers gave of their time in the construction of both Phases I & II - it saved a lot of money. I've always been impressed with the dedication and energy of so many people who served in the ministry. The dream of Crossroads Church would never have come to fruition without them! It seemed there were always new and fresh ways to present the Gospel. Worship was always uplifting, prayer was sincere, and love among the people was awesome! I was privileged to participate in all three capital campaigns. In both #1 & #2 we exceeded our goals. I'm confident that will happen again.

I am so glad God allowed me to experience this miracle at Crossroads Church and I'm asking Him for a little more time to witness more of it.

May God richly bless Crossroads Church!
-Ted Spain

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How will the money be distributed as it comes in?

We will use \$10,000 of every \$100,000 received for targeted ministries. \$90,000 of each \$100,000 will go towards Capital improvements or debt elimination.

When can I give to the HOME Campaign?

The campaign is over a 3 year period. Initial gifts are asked to be given May 30th.

Can businesses donate to the HOME capital campaign?

Yes, businesses are welcome to donate to the HOME campaign

IMPORTANT DATES

Advanced Commitments due: April 24th

Home Journey Sunday - April 28th

All-Church Commitment cards due: May 15th

Home Celebration Sunday: May 19th