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CROSS COMMUNITY CHURCH

Newsletter

Ministry Recap

- I know that busy-ness doesn't equate ministry effectiveness but God has been opening doors and we have been walking through them. We have had a busy season of ministry since we last sent a newsletter. Thank you for your grace and patience in the meantime.
 - Since we last wrote to you, we have:
 - o Held 2 Cookout/Movie Nights for the Community
 - o Hosted 3 Mission Teams
 - o Held Vacation Bible School and 2 different Backyard Bible Club Style VBS events with at least 3 salvations!
 - o Participated in Ignite 2025 at the Savannah Convention Center with Greg Laurie and Jeremy Camp. We were a sponsor organization and we hosted a ministry booth and participated in decision counseling with over 100 decisions for Jesus Christ in the Savannah area!
 - o Hosted an Easter Egg Hunt and gained a family from this year's event! They actually attended last year's event and came again this year!
 - o Have helped "pack" meal packs for needy students multiple times at P.A.C.K. (People of Action Caring for Kids) for our Savannah Community
 - o Held 6 different Community Group Discipleship Classes
 - o Attended the Georgia Baptist Convention Spark Conference at Brewton-Parker College
 - o Participated in the Georgia Southern University Armstrong Campus Browse Event, meeting and interacting with over 100 college students and employees.
 - o Fed School Staffs at Windsor Forest Elementary School and Windsor Forest High School
 - o Given school supplies/backpacks to Windsor Forest Elementary School and Pulaski Elementary School/Middle School
 - o Participated in Pulaski Elementary School/Middle School's Learning Lab
 - o Been invited to participate in Pulaski Elementary School/Middle School's Trunk or Treat later this month.
 - o Fed over 100 college students at the BCM at GSU Armstrong on 2 occasions
 - o Participated in assembling care packages for local crisis pregnancy agencies
 - o Prayer walked over 1,000 homes
 - o Asked the question: "How Can I Pray for You?" countless times
 - o Seen our Sunday morning attendance hit highs of 35 and 44 before our 2nd anniversary after launching with just one family.
 - o Seen God move in countless ways and given Him the glory for all of it!



Community Impact

In the spring, we had the opportunity to feed school staffs at two local schools for Teacher Appreciation Week. While we were there, we had the opportunity to speak to Pastors from a local church who were also there volunteering.

They said something that spoke to me. They said: “Congratulations...You are getting a foothold in this community in a short amount of time. Way to go.”

That may not feel like a big accomplishment, but we have been focused on seeking where God was opening doors in our community and are praying for more opportunities and it was refreshing to have another church acknowledge Kingdom Impact for God’s Glory!

When I was going through the North American Mission Board’s Co-hort training in preparation of launching Cross Community Church, we “white boarded” our Core Values out and then contemplated how to measure success with those Core Values.

Our Core Values are: Gospel-Centered, Called to Community, Sent to Share God’s Love, through Powerful Prayer. I was asked how to measure each Core Value. When I got to Sent to Share, I was asked by our leaders: “How do you measure if you are being successful?” I replied: “When people in the community start to contact us and turn to us for help, we will know that we have impacted the community and earned the right to interject the hope of the Gospel into our community’s brokenness.

I am happy to report that is beginning to happen. We have recently been contacted multiple times to help with various needs, including providing Bibles for orphans at Easter. And now to provide gift for orphans at Christmas.

I have recently been contacted by LifeWise about helping get a chapter started here locally in order to teach the Bible to public school students off campus. We are in the early stages of our discussions, so pray for future possibilities of Kingdom Growth.

Also, please pray for the future launch of a MomCo group from our church, to reach local moms and encourage them in their journey toward faith in Jesus Christ. We are in the early stages of planning for a launch soon. MomCo is the agency that used to be called “M.O.P.S.” (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers)

New Worship Ministry Coordinator



Back in May, our “Worship Ministry Coordinator”, Aliyah Ryan graduated from GSU Armstrong and moved home for the summer before pursuing her graduate studies at Valdosta State University.

Kevin has been preaching and leading Worship for most of the last 4 months and we have been praying for what God wanted to do next.

October 12, 2025 was the start date for our new “Worship Ministry and Volunteer Coordinator”, Nilka Bowman. Nilka and her husband, Trent have 2 young children. Nilka brings a great educational and professional background to Cross Community Church. She is an indie performing artist and is a graduate of Belmont University.

We plan on introducing you to her with more details in the coming months.



Meet Cross Community Church: Miguelangel Cajina-Mayorga

Meet “Miguel”, one of our newest college students who is plugging into Cross Community Church.

Hi, my name is Miguelangel Cajina-Mayorga, but you can call me Miguel. I am a freshman at GSU Armstrong studying Computer Science. I moved here from the Warner Robbins area.

I have been at Cross Community Church since August of this year. When I got to the University, I looked online for churches near me and found out that Cross Community Church was meeting in the BCM Building close to the campus. I was like “cool” I will go check this one out. I planned on visiting other churches also, but I ended up staying here because this was a good church.

Since I have been here, God has inspired me to be a little more confident and to just read more into my faith and to be more comfortable in sharing my faith and to just be a more outgoing person.

My favorite part about Cross Community Church is the time we have each Sunday after the sermon where you can just talk to people. My previous church didn't have that. It's not like you need it but it's nice to have it because you get to talk to people and have Christian interaction.

It gives us a sense of community each week.

God is using me to fulfill our Purpose Statement of multiplying Christ-Followers through Gospel Restoration by: in general, I want to start pointing people to come here since it is so close. I want to have conversations with people on this campus. I want to do everything I do with my career and education for God.

For my career, I want to make video games or start a tech company in the future.

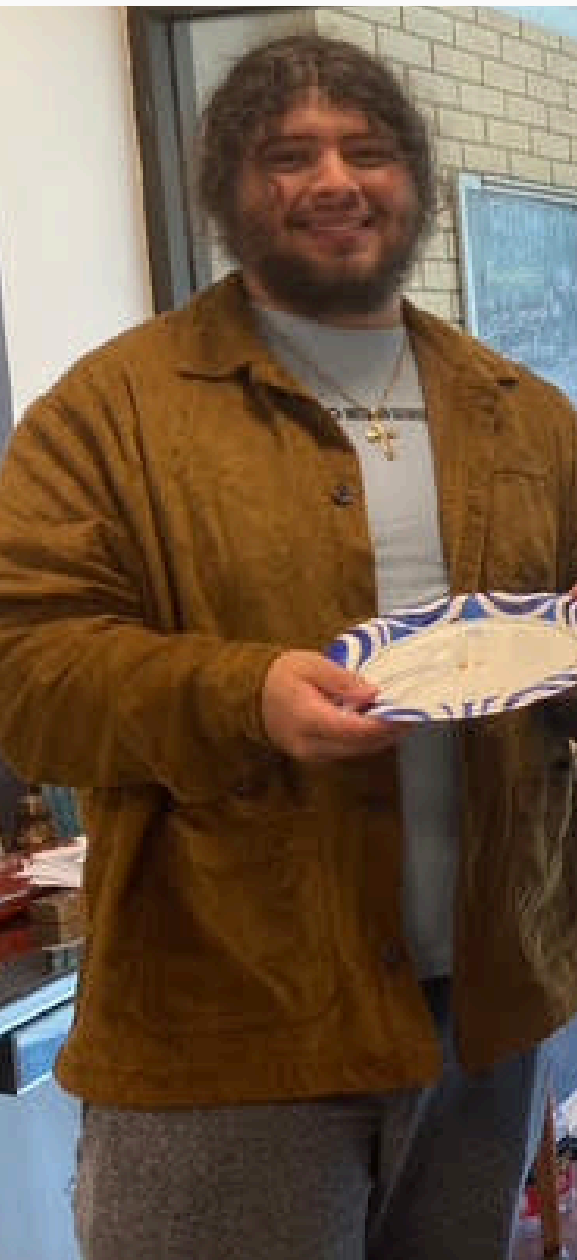
Of our Core Values at Cross Community, the one I am experiencing the most is: Gospel-Centered...very good instruction. I like your preaching (Kevin didn't pay him to say this!). Also, Community.

I haven't gotten to be a part of the powerful prayer walks yet but I want to be a part of the Drive Through Prayer next month.

Please pray for my family and friends to come to faith in Jesus. My mom is Catholic in belief. My dad is Atheist. My little brother hasn't grown up in a household where Jesus was talked about a lot. I was put off in my faith when I was little until I studied it and came to faith in Jesus at 16 years old. I am 19 now.

My favorite Bible Verse is 2 Corinthians 12:10. “For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.”

My favorite Worship Artist is Forrest Frank and my favorite song is “Life is Good.”



Remaining 2025 Calendar



October

Sunday, October 26

- Operation Christmas Child kickoff at BCM Building

Wednesday, October 30

- Trunk or Treat at Pulaski Elementary/Middle School

Thursday, October 31

- Trunk or Treat at BCM Building

November

Tuesday, November 11

- P.A.C.K. (People of Action Caring for Kids) packing party at PACK location

Saturday, November 15

- Drive Through Prayer at the BCM Building

December

Friday, December 5, 6pm at the Connells house

- Fellowship/Outreach

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