

Community Groups

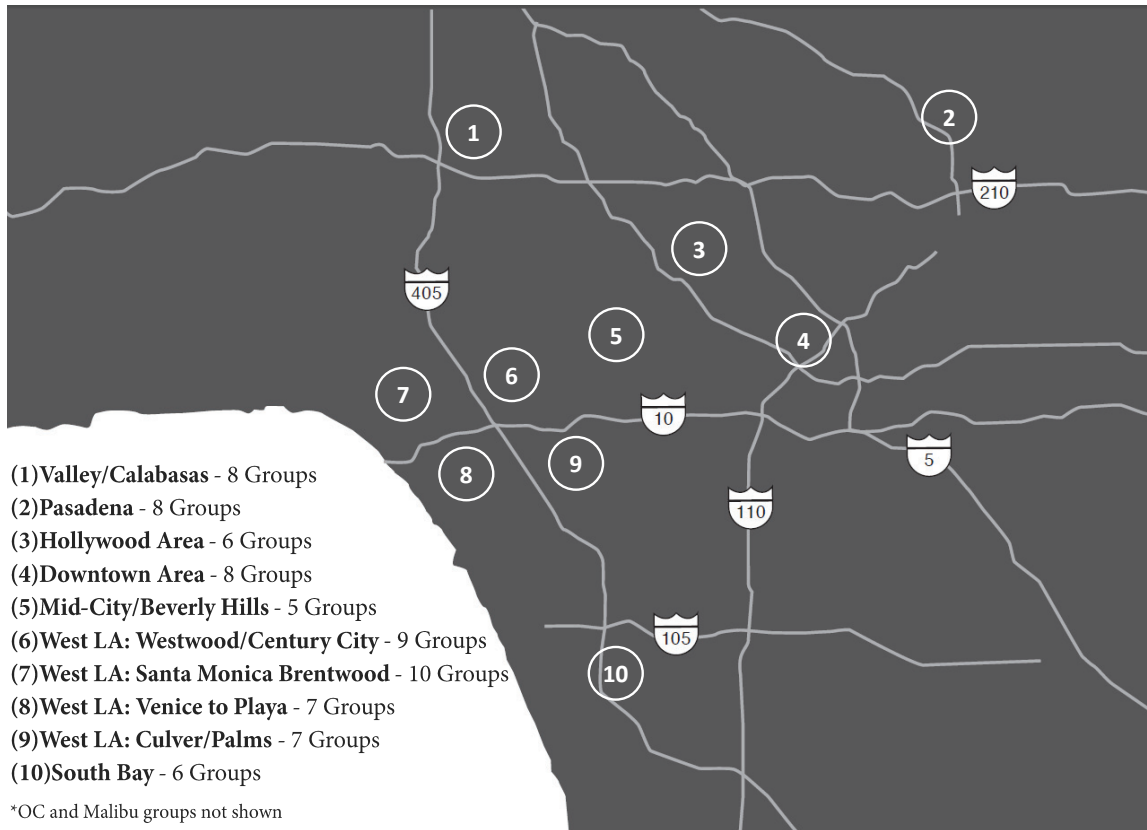
God created us to live in relationship with one another and to be a part of something bigger than ourselves. We hope our community is a place where Jesus is experienced so that both our own lives and our city are changed.

Community Groups are weekly gatherings in homes and offices around Los Angeles where people meet to know one another, pray, read the Bible and serve our neighbors by promoting justice in our city. These groups are not only one of the best ways to meet people at Crossroads—they are one of the best ways to experience everything we talk, pray and sing about on Sundays.

To get a list of all our Community Groups, visit the **Community Group Fair** after the service. Also, you can utilize the interactive map on our website to find a group that is right for you:

www.PacificCrossroads.org/Community

If you have questions, please email community@pacificcrossroads.org or call 310.551.0081.



For Community Group interactive map, visit: PacificCrossroads.org/Community



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Community Group Fair Recap: Last Sunday was our biannual Community Group Fair where many people signed up for Community Groups and Launch Groups around Los Angeles. If you were not able to come to the fair, email community@pacificcrossroads.org to let us know what kind of group you're looking for, and we will help you find one that's right for you.

Launch Groups start tomorrow. If you're new to Crossroads or haven't found a Community Group yet, consider joining one of our Launch Groups. These groups are like other Community Groups except for the fact that everyone is new to the group. Launch Groups meet just for 6 weeks to start, eventually becoming the foundation for new Community Groups. For more info, visit PacificCrossroads.org/Launch.

Genesis to Revelation: Understanding the Bible as Story, a new Christian Education course, begins today, February 19, 11:00 a.m. at John Adams Middle School. The Bible is not a textbook of systematic theology. It is a story, God's story of how He saves His people. This narrative approach to theology will help you understand your own place as an actor in the unfolding drama of the Kingdom. This 6-week class, taught by elder and screenwriter Brian Godawa, will practically equip you to read the Bible from a gospel perspective.

Business Community Event, today, February 19, at 3:00 pm. Join us for an informal business social event to find counsel, network, and hear a few short remarks regarding business. We are hoping to establish a place for business owners, executives, entrepreneurs, and those with P&L responsibilities to meet like-minded people and build stronger relationships within our business community, as we seek out to better understand how the gospel intersects our professional lives. Email daveswallace@gmail.com to RSVP and for the location. Please bring an appetizer to share.

Careers at Crossroads

To apply for any of the following positions or for more info, email jobs@pacificcrossroads.org.

Downtown Site Operations Coordinator—This part-time Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating all the preparation, physical, logistical, and clean-up aspects of our Downtown site on Sundays.

Downtown Children's Ministry Coordinator—This high-level, part-time Coordinator will be responsible for all aspects of Crossroads' Children's Ministry at our Downtown site, including goal setting, operations, family care, volunteer recruiting/care, and communications.

Support Staff for Children's Ministry—In this part-time role, the Support Staff will serve as the primary assistant to the Children's Ministry Coordinator, recruiting and assigning volunteers, planning events, planning for the childcare at events, and administering other duties.

To receive weekly updates, sign up for our E-Newsletter at: PacificCrossroads.org/ENews

Fellowship

Do you live on the Westside? Come out to SmithHouse Tap & Grill in Century City on Tuesday, February 28, 6:00-9:00 pm, and get to know others who live in your area. For more info and to RSVP, please email Laura@pacificcrossroads.org

Men's and Women's Breakfasts: You're invited to a biweekly time of discussing the Bible. Men meet on Tuesday, February 21, 6:50-8:00 a.m., at two locations: on the Westside at the church office (10351 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 430, Los Angeles, 90025), and Downtown at Philippe's restaurant (1001 N. Alameda St., Los Angeles, 90012). Women meet on Wednesday, February 22, 6:50-8:00 a.m., at the church office.

Celebrate Recovery is a place to experience God's healing power from addictive and dysfunctional behaviors by sharing experiences, strengths and hopes with one another. Join us on Thursdays, 7:00 pm at the church office (10351 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 430, Los Angeles, 90025). Snacks provided. Email Scott at RecoveryMen@pacificcrossroads.org; or Robbye at RecoveryWomen@pacificcrossroads.org.

Prayer

The 2011-12 Thy Kingdom Come Prayer Book is available at the Welcome Center. This week's prayer focus is **Pornography**. Please pray that producers and consumers of pornography will repent before God and know that He is the only one who will satisfy our deepest longings for intimacy. Pray also that ministries like XXX Church and Celebrate Recovery, which offer a message of healing and freedom from sexual addiction, will reach those most in need.

Global Missions

Partner Update: Phnom Penh. Cambodia remains one of the poorest nations in the world, with over 1/3 of the population living on less than 45 cents a day. Buddhism is the dominant religion, and Christians comprise roughly 1% of the population. Virtually all Christian leaders were killed in the Khmer Rouge genocide. Please pray for Crossroads mission partners Tim and Moonsook Lim as they prepare to move to Phnom Penh to help plant Christ-centered churches throughout the region.

Hope for LA

Hope for Los Angeles mobilizes volunteers to serve the poor and marginalized in Los Angeles through partnerships with community organizations. Stop by the Welcome Center after the service if you would like a recent newsletter and a complete list of our ministry partners. Visit www.HopeForLA.org, or email us at info@hopeforla.org.

TODAY – Worship Service at Boys Home (2:30 - 3:30 pm)

Help with a Christian worship service at Optimist Youth Home in Highland Park, a home for boys who have been in trouble with the law. A couple volunteers are needed to speak, read scripture and interact with the youth. Contact Craig at craig.thompson@lausd.net or 323.737.5591.

TODAY & Sunday, 2/26 – Loving the Wise (3:00 - 4:00 pm)

Love and encourage the elderly residents of Santa Monica Convalescent Center, at 2250 29th Street in Santa Monica, by participating in a worship service. Contact Kathy at Lovinkat427@yahoo.com.

Tuesday - Thursday, 2/21 - 2/23 – Tutor At-Risk Youth (3:00 - 5:30 pm)

Read, do arts & crafts, play sports, and lead a Bible lesson with middle school students on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon at S.A.Y. Yes!, a youth development organization. Contact Dan at DLjeung@gmail.com.

Tuesday & Thursday, 2/21 & 2/23 – Homework Club (5:30 - 7:30 pm)

Help elementary, middle, and high school students with homework at the Homework Club at Faith In Christ Ministries in South LA. Commitment through May is strongly encouraged. Visitors are welcome. Contact Yohanna at yobrowne@gmail.com.

Thursday, 2/23 – Mentor Foster Teens (7:00 - 9:00 pm)

Volunteers are needed to help out at the youth club night of Impacting Hearts, a foster teen ministry in Inglewood. The night consists of playing games, eating dinner, befriending teens and hearing a gospel message. Contact Michael at michael.won.kim@gmail.com.

Friday, 2/24 – Ice Cream Social (7:30 - 10:00 pm)

Serve ice cream and encourage residents of Samoshel homeless shelter at 505 Olympic Blvd. in Santa Monica. If you can make brownies, please bring them. Contact Allen at Allen@pacificcrossroads.org.

Saturday, 2/25 – Clean South LA Pregnancy Clinic (11:30 am - 1:00 pm)

Join a team of volunteers and help the Westside Pregnancy Clinic (WPC) in South LA stay clean and bright. The WPC is a network of counseling and support centers that offer life-affirming pregnancy support. Contact Harold at hjacosal@gmail.com.

Saturday, 2/25 – Games with Families in Silver Lake (12:30 - 3:00 pm)

Come play bingo and board games with the residents of Alegria House – temporary and permanent housing for families affected by HIV and AIDS. Contact Natalie at nataliethenut@gmail.com.

Sunday, 2/26 – Serve Breakfast at PATH (6:00 - 8:30 am)

Come and serve breakfast to residents of PATH Westside (People Assisting the Homeless). We will start cooking at 6:00 am and will serve at 7:00 am. Contact Tom at Tbajoras@artlogic.com.

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