## CHAPTER 21 LONGING FOR HOME

Rebuilding
The Walls
by
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# THIS SUNDAY AT CROSSPOINT

King's Kids Grades K-6th

Nursery ages 1-5

11:00 AM The Story Bible Study Worship Center

## Information Table

IF: Gathering For Women

Supercar Sunday North Parking Lot

# THE STORY

READ THE STORY.

EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.



We are two-thirds of the way through The Story and on the last chapter before the hinge of history that changes everything; the birth of Jesus. What will God's people do in these final moments of the Old Testament? Often when God wants something done, he calls us to work side-by-side with each other and with Him.

#### LENT: A SEASON OF PREPARATION

The season of Lent begins this week on Wednesday, March 2 with Ash Wednesday. Lent marks the 40 days leading up to Easter weekend and has historically been a time in the Church to prepare for the reality that Christ died on the cross for our sins and was resurrected from the grave for our salvation. In this season of reflection, we want to journey with Jesus to the cross as we orient our hearts, minds and habits to focus towards Him.

We encourage you to explore the resources for Lent on our website and discover what a Lenten journey could look like for you. We look forward to a season of reflection and preparation together as a church family over the next 40 days.



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Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 1 Peter 5:6

## **COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY**

Next Sunday we celebrate communion together as the body of Christ. The Bible teaches us that we should examine ourselves before we participate in the Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 11:27-29). This examination begins by giving careful thought to any areas of unrepentant sin in our lives. We should take time to pray and invite the Holy Spirit to bring conviction to our hearts and minds. We must also take time to reflect upon our relationships with other believers. Find questions for reflection at crosspointchino.org/sacraments

### hello visitors!

Welcome to CrossPoint, thanks for visiting. We hope you were reminded of God's endless love for you in our service today! Please stop by Guest Central in the lobby after the service to pick up our welcome gift and ministry guide.

You can also send us a

Connection Card at the QR code!



There's a place for you here and

we can't wait to meet you!

Men Connect Bible study meets in person AND on Zoom, Tuesday mornings at 6:30 AM in the Student Center. Join us in person or zoom in! Email Pastor Lon for Zoom ID at Iwagner@crosspointchino.org

#### **GEMS** winter camp

This weekend, 35 GEMS girls and 10 leaders attended winter camp at Forest Home! Pray that God works mightily in the hearts and lives of these girls and all of our 100+ GEMS girls! We are so thankful for this ministry and the amazing leaders who mentor and encourage girls each week.

## **Coffee Break For Women**

Coffee.Connection.Conversation.



Wednesday mornings 9:30-11:00 In Person (Fellowship Hall)



Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:30 In Person (Conference Room)

New Study Begins
Wednesday, March 2, 2022
Discover 1 Corinthians
Wisdom For Living
We're saving a place at the table for you. Join us!





Dordt College Wind Symphony
from Sioux Center, Iowa
Concert on Thursday, March 10 at 7:30 PM
Ontario Christian Albers Chapel
Overnight hosts needed for Thursday night!
Learn more at crosspointchino.org/dordt

## pray for leaders

(Director of Community Life) and Kaylyn Unterkofler (Director of Children and Family Ministries) will be examined at the meeting of Classis California South on Thursday, March 3. Please pray for them on that day and in the next week. Chris Avery (Director of Youth Ministries) will be examined at a later date as well; this is a step on the path for ordination as Commissioned Pastors. We are grateful that God has provided these godly leaders for such a time as this!

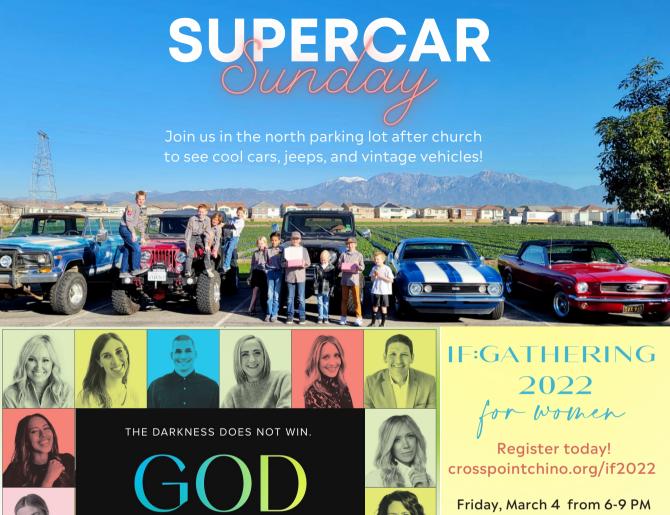
CrossPoint staff members Danny Unterkofler

### in the library

- Born Again: What Really Happened to the White House Hatchet Man by Charles Colson
- Redeeming Love by Francine Rivers The new movie is based on this book
- Soul Survivor: How my Faith Survived the Church by Philip Yancey
- by Philip YanceyThe Books of Ezra and Nehemiah Commentary on
- the Old Testament by F. Charles FenshamRooms / The Five Times I Met Myself Two novels
- by James L. Rubart
   Nerves of Steel: The Incredible True Story of how one woman followed her dreams, stayed true to herself,

and saved 148 lives (Young Readers Edition)

- by Captain Tammie Jo Shults
   Dear Mr. Henshaw Newbery Award winner
   by Beverly Cleary
- Masada: The Last Fortress A novel for young readers by Gloria Miklowitz



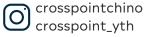
Saturday, March 5 from 9-4

IF:2022 is a two-day event where women all over the world gather in person to be encouraged, equipped, and renewed!

Visit the IF table to find out more about this in-person livestreamed gathering at CrossPoint!

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Sermon Notes | Rebuilding The Walls For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the LORD. and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel. Ezra 7:10 Rebuilding the Walls of Your Life: 1. Ezra: Be committed to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Ezra 7:10 2. Ezra: Ask the Lord to cause the hearts of those in authority to serve God's purposes. Fzra 7:27-28 3. Nehemiah: Obey the Word of God even \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Nehemiah 4:1-2 4. Malachi: Dare to give God your \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Malachi 1:6 Giving God your very best in your... Malachi 1:8 \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord Malachi 2:7-8 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Malachi 3:8-10 readings sermon discussion • In the sermon we talked about "rebuilding the walls." In what areas of your life do The Story the walls need to be rebuilt or strengthened? Chapter 22 • Read Ezra 7:10 and Nehemiah 7:1-6. What would you say distinguishes the life of Ezra? What do you think distinguishes your life? Malachi 3 • In the sermon we talked about the struggles Nehemiah faced while trying to Matthew 1 rebuild the walls. Why did the people resist? What helped him to remain faithful? Matthew 2 Luke 1 In the sermon we talked about three areas Malachi mentions where we need to Luke 2 give God our very best. What are those three areas? Where do you need to Luke 3 strengthen your spiritual walk? John 1 • In the sermon and in the readings there were many challenges. What is one

specific way you can apply what you have heard/read to your life this week?