



(events/dates/times are subject to change)

2024

<i>Revelation</i> (chapter by chapter) Bible Study begins	Wed, Apr 24
Speaker: Lay Minister Luis Rodriguez	Sun, Apr 28
<i>Brother2Brother</i> Men's Conference	Fri-Sat, May 3-4
Communion	Sun, May 5
<i>Mother's Day</i> Celebration	Sun, May 12
Board Meeting	7pm, Mon, May 13
<i>Pentecost</i> Sunday	Sun, May 19
<i>Seniors' Day</i>	10am-3pm, Sat, May 25
Speaker: Minister Dorian Saunders	Sun, May 26
Water Baptism	to be announced
State Bishop's Biannual Love Offering Received	Jun 1-30
Communion	Sun, Jun 2
<i>The Mylon Hayes Family Singers</i> at Moore's Chapel Church	4pm, Jun 2
<i>Pee Wee</i> Youth Camp	Tues-Sat, Jun 11-15
<i>Father's Day</i> Celebration	Sun, Jun 16
<i>Hot Shot</i> Youth Camp	Mon-Sat, Jun 17-22
Summer begins	Thu, Jun 20
Speaker: Lay Minister Luis Rodriguez	Sun, Jun 23
<i>Middle School</i> Youth Camp	Mon-Sat, Jun 24-29
<i>Crossroads'</i> Annual Church Conference	Sun, Jun 30
No Bible Study (holiday)	Wed, Jul 3
<i>USA Independence Day</i>	Thu, Jul 4
Communion	Sun, Jul 7
<i>High School</i> Youth Camp	Mon-Sat, Jul 8-13
Board Meeting	7pm, Mon, Jul 15
International Assembly of the Global COGOP	Wed-Sun, Jul 31-Aug 4

Birthdays & Anniversaries & Holidays this Week:

Apr 18 – Imri Cunningham

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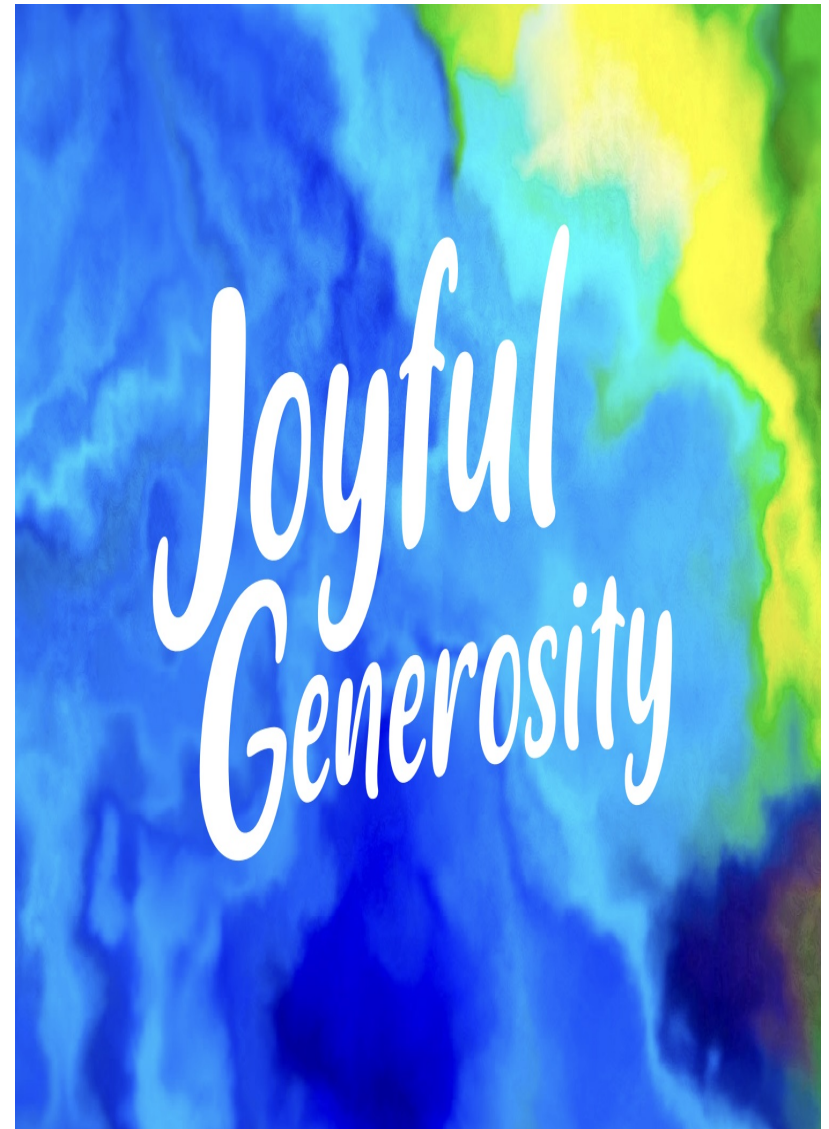
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April 14, 2024

Crossroads Community

Church of God of Prophecy

Loving God – Loving People

Welcome to our Church

First-time guest? Please complete a guest card or email us your contact information at crossroadscommunitychurch1807@gmail.com.

Weekly Gatherings & Events

Sundays

Zoom Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 851 9948 0654; Passcode: 022886

- 10:00 am Greeter/Usher: Deacon Morris McAulay
Snacks, Welcome, Call to Worship: Deacon Johnny Vaughn
Music & Songs: Worship Leader Randy Helms & Praise Team
Lord's Prayer, News, Giving, Praises, Requests: Elder Gary Hunt
Bible Teacher and Speaker: Bishop Ben Duncan
Children's Church Teacher: Minister Dorian Saunders
Asst. Publisher/Bookkeeper: Secretary/Treasurer Sherry Vaughn
A/V & I/T: Elder Gary Hunt; Lay Minister Luis Rodriguez
Showing His Love, Shining His Light, Sharing His Life: All of Us
- 3:00 pm *Casa de Amor y Salvación*: Pastor Sabiel Martinez

Tuesdays

Zoom Meeting ID: 880 3308 4350; Passcode: 154353

- 11:00 am Prayer Meeting (Online): Deaconess Sandra McAulay
7:30 pm *Casa de Amor y Salvación*: Pastor Sabiel Martinez

Wednesdays

Zoom Meeting ID: 839 4741 7842; Passcode: 179084

- 7:00 pm Bible Study (Online): Pastor Ben Duncan

Thursdays

- 7:00 pm *Casa de Amor y Salvación*: Pastor Sabiel Martinez

Fridays

- 7:30 pm *Casa de Amor y Salvación*: Pastor Sabiel Martinez

Saturdays (Monthly)

- 7pm – 5am, 1st Fri, Prayer Vigil, *Casa de Amor*: Pastor Sabiel Martinez
6am – 4pm, 3rd Sat, Fasting & Prayer, *Casa de Amor*: Pastor Sabiel Martinez



Let's Worship God: We have resumed our "in person" meetings on **Sunday mornings only**. We also Zoom our Sunday morning worship. For now, our other services continue to meet via Zoom only.



Scheduled Offerings: The Sunday Offering is for our **Budget**; except on 2nd Sundays when it is for **Harvest Ministries** (i.e., supporting our local outreach and global missions). We appreciate your faithful support via your generous gifts of tithes and offerings enabling us to operate our ministries and meet our financial obligations. Thanks!

Give in person (while attending); **Give by mail** (our [Post Office Box](#)); **Give online** (visit www.crossroadscommunitycogop.org); or **Give your way** (discuss options at johnnysberry1038@gmail.com).

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Mask Guidelines

Masks and other precautions are optional (but recommended).
If you feel sick, then please isolate at home.

New Bible Study

Beginning Apr 24th, we will start a new Bible Study via Zoom in *Revelation*. It will be a *chapter-by-chapter* expository taught by our pastor each week (for 22 weeks). Please plan to join us.

Men's Retreat Coming Soon

The *Bro2Bro* Men's Retreat will take place on Fri-Sat, May 3-4 at Camp Maranatha in High Point. Visit www.nccogop.org and/or see the insert for more details.

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

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Prayer List

- Baby Waylon
- Baltimore Bridge Collapse (affected families)
- Baucom-Johnston, Pam
- Calhoun, Nola
- Casa de Amor y Salvacion
- Crossroads Community Church
(Families, Elderly, Revival, Outreach, Water)
- Diseases: Coronavirus, Flu, RSV
- Duke, Deena
- Duncan, Pastor Ben & Tammy, & Anna
- Freeman, Dwight
- Grahaam, Tavis
- Green, Recinda
- Green, Jonas
- Gun Violence to cease
- Helms, Stephen & Randy
- Hendricks, Ronald
- Hunt, Gary & Myra
- Ingram, Essie
- Israel
- Love Life

- McLaughlin, NC State Bishop George & Sandra
- Missions: Dem. Rep. of Congo; One Child Orphanages; Kara & Johnathan (Bolivia)
- Ms. Merlin
- Moore, Carol
- Pardue, Barry
- Pastors and church leaders
- Peace in the World (Ukraine & Russia; Middle East; Israel & Gaza)
- Persecuted Believers in the world
- Rogers, Joyce & Family
- Russell, Annette
- Schools
- Teel, Julie
- Traveling Mercies
- United States of America, The
- Unsaved loved ones to know Christ
- Vaughn, Sherry
- Vipperman, Brenda
- Wallace, Scottie
- Youth in college: Joseph Baldwin; Tim Baldwin; Alyssa Brito; Riley Contee; Erica Johnson; Sherry McAulay; Ciana Rodriguez
- Youth in all our communities
- Families in mourning:

Note: Please inform Deaconess Sandra McAulay when your prayer request is answered. We can rejoice with you and clear it from the list to make room for others. You may email praise reports and/or prayer requests to crossroadscommunitychurch1807@gmail.com. Thank you.



God
Answers
Prayers

Teacher: Bishop Ben Duncan

Time: Sunday Morning, April 14, 2024

Title: "The Amazing Results from Godly Giving"

Text: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (Printed and Presented)

6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. 9 As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." 10 Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, 11 while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. 12 For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God, 13 while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal sharing with them and all men, 14 and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you. 15 Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

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Tale: What is this passage talking about?

Corinth was an international hub with great wealth. In such an environment, many callous and selfish attitudes prevailed. Even in the church, charitable kindness was woefully absent. So, Paul encourages believers to be countercultural and give generously to their church and community. Paul explains to the Corinthians (and us) about the astonishing effects released via godly giving.

Truth: What do these scriptures mean to us?

Sadly, uncaring attitudes and self-centeredness still prevail. Barna reports (2022)² within the modern local church (USA) among self-identifying Christians, only 21% give 10 percent or more of their income, 54% give less than 10%, and 25% do not give to their church at all. Yet, when the truth about the blessings of generosity is finally discovered and then faithfully practiced by the believers, it blesses both the givers and the recipients in so many ways.

Thot 1: God's Law of Reciprocity is Explained for Us (6)

Thot 2: God's Love of Generosity is Expressed about Us (7)

Thot 3: God's Lavishing of Prosperity is Exported upon Us (8-10)

Thot 4: God's Liberality causes a Thanksgiving that is Exemplified through Us (11-15)

A. Our Unselfish Giving Sustains/Substantiates our Ministries, Sending God Exaltation (11-14)

B. God's Unspeakable Gift of His Son, our Savior, the Messiah, Serves as Our Example (15)

Transformation: How should this truth change me?

I will be a blessing to others through giving and sharing of what God has entrusted to me to manage. Hereafter, I will tithe 10% of my income, and give offerings above my tithe, to my local church. Moreover, I will give to others and to worthy charitable causes as God directs me!

²U.S. self-identified Christians, November 12-19, 2021. Source: Barna Group © 2022 Barna.com



Your weakness. God's STRENGTH!

The Book of Judges: Chapters 6, 7, and 8

April 17, 2024

6th and Final Session

"Who is Your King?"

Presenter: Priscilla Shirer; Facilitator: Ben Duncan

1. Priscilla says that we often think of ourselves as *human beings having a spiritual experience*; but she says that we should rather think of ourselves as *spiritual beings having a human experience*. Discuss.
2. Read Judg. 8:22; 21:25; Deu. 17:14-15; Jos. 24:15; Mat. 6:24; Rom. 6:16-18. Now, answer, "Who or what has authority in my life?"
3. Read Deu. 6:10-12; Judg. 8:23; Psa. 75:6; Isa. 14:12-15; 1 Cor. 2:1-5. To whom have you been giving the credit? Do you often take the credit? What is the danger in doing so?
4. Read Deu. 20:13-14; Judg. 8:24-25; 1 Chr. 26:27; Isa. 42:8; Jer. 9:23-24; Acts 12:21-23; 1 Tim. 1:17; 1 Cor. 1:31. Do you deflect glory back to God? If so, then how do you do it? If not, then why not? What is the danger in not doing so?
5. Read Judg. 8:27; Mal. 3: 8-12; Eph. 6:10-11; 2 Cor. 6:14-18; Jas. 1:12-15. *It became a snares to Gideon and his household.* Are we keeping anything that belongs to God? Do you notice any possible *snares* in your life right now? What are some ways in which some people take what is rightfully God's? What is the remedy?
6. Read Gen. 1:26-28; 6:5-9; 12:1-3; Deu. 28:1-14; Jn. 3:16. What is the *Suzerain/Vassal covenant*? Which is the greater and protects and provides for the lesser? Which one is the lesser and is submissive, obedient, in service, and pays tribute to the other? How is it seen in God's covenants with Adam, Noah, Abraham, Israel, and mankind? Can you think of more examples found throughout the Bible?
7. Read Deu. 6:4-9; Jos. 24:14-15; Judg. 8:32-35; Psa. 78:1-8; 128:3-4; Prov. 22:6; Eph. 6:4; Col. 3:21. After their miraculous victory, how does the story of Gideon and the nation of Israel conclude? What do you understand caused this result? How can we avoid a similar outcome? What responsibilities do we parents have?



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The Mylon Hayes Family Singers
<https://www.themylonhayesfamily.com/>
 Sunday, June 2, 2024
 4pm at *Moore's Chapel Church*
 (10601 Moore's Chapel Rd. CLT, NC 28214)



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The International Assembly will be held at the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel in Orlando, Florida from July 31 – August 4, 2024.
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