

CrossWay Covenant Church

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August 2025

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Dear Friends,

Opponents of scripture will often point to a lack of archaeological evidence for various important events in the Bible, and use this lack of evidence as reason for not believing in the Word of God. Nevertheless, despite the passage of centuries and even millennia, tremendous amounts of archaeological evidence has been found in support of the Bible, and new findings are uncovered every year.



One such finding occurred earlier this year in Megiddo, the ancient city in northern Israel which is better known to us by its Greek name, Armageddon. To set the stage, 2 Kings 23 tells us: "While Josiah was king, Pharaoh Necho king of Egypt went up to the Euphrates River to help the king of Assyria. King Josiah marched out to meet him in battle, but Necho faced him and killed him at Megiddo. Josiah's servants brought his body in a chariot from Megiddo to Jerusalem and buried him in his own tomb."

In other words, Egyptian forces, under Pharaoh Necho, while fighting the Assyrians, also defeated Josiah in battle at Megiddo. 2 Chronicles 35 provides more details, saying that Josiah was mortally wounded by an arrow. He was then carried back to Jerusalem, where he died.

The town of Megiddo has been extensively excavated, but in recent years archaeologists have dug in a new portion of the site which they dubbed Area X. To their surprise, pottery fragments were recently found in the remains of a building in Area X which are of Egyptian origin. The fragments are also of the kind of humble pottery which would have been brought along by soldiers, not something traded from one civilization to another. Moreover, they date back to the exact same period when Megiddo was overthrown and King Josiah was killed.

What the pottery shards and other artifacts demonstrate is that this biblical battle must have occurred, as it is the best explanation for such a sudden change in populace and culture. Modern archaeology is rife with examples of findings which support or downright prove ancient facts found in the Old and New Testaments. The Bible is a book of truth, and that includes historical truth, as science continues to discover.

Blessings,
Pastor Bill

Pastor's Office Hours:

Thursday, August 7th & 21st from 6:30-8:30PM or by appointment

Saturday, August 16th, 8:00am-2:00pm

Blood Drive, Bake Sale, Breakfast & Lunch Available

New Market Community



It's time to start going through your basement, attic and closets to look for your unwanted treasures to donate to our Church Rummage Sale. If you have any question you can contact Marci Welliever at 918-7332.

Blood Drive
#SaveLivesDonateBlood

Saturday, August 16th, 8:30AM-12:30PM

Mobile Unit will be east of the church front lawn

[You can schedule your appointment by going to Versiti website.](#)

Click Donate Blood, put in your zip code and search. CrossWay Covenant Church should be at the top of the list. Click Schedule and click your time preference. Fill out your information. If you have any questions call the office or Judy Welliever, we would be glad to help you in any way.

BAKE SALE We are having our bake sale in conjunction with the rummage sale August 16. Please have your items bagged and labeled so that we know what each item is. (It's hard to tell what some cookies and breads are.) We sell cookies by the dozen or by bags of two, three, etc. Breads go over really well, but anything you bake is fine. If you don't have anything to donate for the rummage sale, this is your chance to join in the big money maker for the maintenance fund. Ask Dixie if you have any questions about the bake sale. Remember to have your items "sell" ready. Garden items are welcomed. No cream pies or items that need refrigeration please. You are welcomed to sit at the table with us and work or just visit.

FOOD COURT If you would like to help at the food court at the rummage sale or have any questions, please contact Dan or Jamie Welliever. Breakfast and lunch will be served during the rummage sale while supplies last.

BLESSINGS & JOYS

- Collin and Lauren Bartlett are expecting twins in December. So exciting!
- Toby and Tegan came to church while visiting with their grandparents Dave and Marcia Shaw and had a great visit.
- Sheila Chadd had a great trip to New York; Jamie Welliever and Rachel Welliever enjoyed their trip to Canada; Stacy Burkhart had an awesome trip to Alaska.
- Judy Welliever, Marci Welliever, and Bill Pike had good visits with Patricia Pruett.
- Bion Ruggles, the New Market Proud group, and the New Market Firefighters hosted the New Market Summer Celebration. Thank you to those who worked at our church table passing out free bubbles, cross keychains, fans and pens. Thank you to everyone who came out to support the New Market community.



BY THE NUMBERS - ATTENDANCE & GIVING

June 29

Sunday School Attendance: 16
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 12.00
 Worship Attendance: 36
 Sunday Offering: \$ 1,224.00

July 6

Sunday School Attendance: 15
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 30.00
 Worship Attendance: 22
 Sunday Offering: \$ 2,164.00

July 13

Sunday School Attendance: 22
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 18.00
 Worship Attendance: 33
 Sunday Offering: \$ 1,222.25

July 20

Sunday School Attendance: 20
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 24.00
 Worship Attendance: 34
 Sunday Offering: \$ 1,211.00

PRAYER REQUEST

- Dick Chadd
- Dave & Melanie Duncan
- Sue Foy
- Gary Fruits
- Larry & Louise Hulse
- Glenellen King
- Korhorn family
- John Kraynak & wife
- Mandy & Cathy Pointer
- Vera McAlister
- Patricia Pruett
- Barb Runyon
- Mary Servies
- Larry & Sharon Sharp
- Curt & Jeannie Stevens
- Bill & Billie Ann Thomas
- Mary Zerby
- Texas Hill Country
- Church Growth
- Our Country's Leader
- Our Overseas Military
- Israel
- Global Christians

*Our sympathy to the
 family & friends of
 Ernie "Butch" Estelle
 Ted Tague
 Keith Pickering
 Kandace Wireman*

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Prayer Meeting

Fellowship Hall
 Every Monday, 4:00PM

Holy Communion

Sun, August 3, 10:45AM

The Women's Group

No meeting in August

Men's Fellowship Group

Fellowship Hall
 Wed, August 13th, 7:00PM

Administrative Council

No meeting in August

VOLUNTEERS

Greeter

JoElla Haffner

Usher

Joe & Cecie Kraynak

Liturgist

3rd Mary Ann Lowe
 10th Rhett Welliever
 17th Marcia Shaw
 24th Sylvia Green
 31st Marci Welliever

Nursery

Sheila Chadd
 Kelly Clifton

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The outreach committee sent a box of greeting cards to St Jude's Ranch for Children. Thank you for saving your used cards and donating them to the church. Remember they need only the front of the cards and can use nothing with personal writing. The children make greeting cards with these donations for one of their money-makers. Cards may be taken to the first Sunday school classroom on the left.

TEXAS FLOOD RELIEF

We are collecting money for Texas flood victims. You may send a donation to Texas Flood Relief at Global Methodist Church, MidTexas Conference, PO Box 5015, San Angelo, TX 46902. If you want, you may give your check to Judy Welliever and we will keep all of them and send them with our church donation. If you want to give cash or your personal check to our church, that is okay too. Just tell Judy. She will deposit the cash and church check in a separate deposit and we will send everything together in the middle of August. Thank you in advance.

CROSSWAY AT THE SUMMER CELEBRATION



Proceeds for the church from the New Market Proud event were \$184.00. Thank you to everyone who brought items to sell. It was a good day until about 1:30 PM when the storm hit. We carried all our soaked items to the basement to dry. By 4:00 PM the storm had passed and the celebration continued but the vendors had gone and we did not set up the table again. The money will be put in the maintenance fund. Sheila Chadd and Dixie Ruggles helped with the tie dye booth and had a good time with the kids. Marci Welliever and Rachel Welliever took care of our church table. A special thank you to our CrossWay member, Bion Ruggles for being a part of the New Market Proud Team and helping with the Summer Celebration. Thanks again to everyone.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The Men's Fellowship Group met on July 9th, with four members present. As in past Julys, the group went out for ice cream. Pastor Bill drove the group to A Scoop Above in New Market. During the business portion of the meeting Dan Welliever explained that there had been 12 attendees at the father/son banquet, and Rhett, Jamie, and Dan Welliever took turns speaking. The total cost for the event was \$21.96. As noted in last month's newsletter, a tree has been planted behind the church at a cost of \$109. Our next meeting will be August 13th at 7:00 p.m., at which point we will discuss the annual food court.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Four women met in fellowship hall July 2, 2025. President Marci Welliever opened the meeting reading, "Remember We Can Pray if Life's Burdens Get Too Heavy", a poem her great grandmother had saved. She then gave prayer.

The secretary and treasurer reports were approved.

Correspondence: Marci gave Sheila some requests for donations to be discussed at a fall meeting when we disperse contributions. She also read a thank you from Kendra Swick, the winner of the first Women's Group scholarship. Kendra will be studying at Ball State this fall.

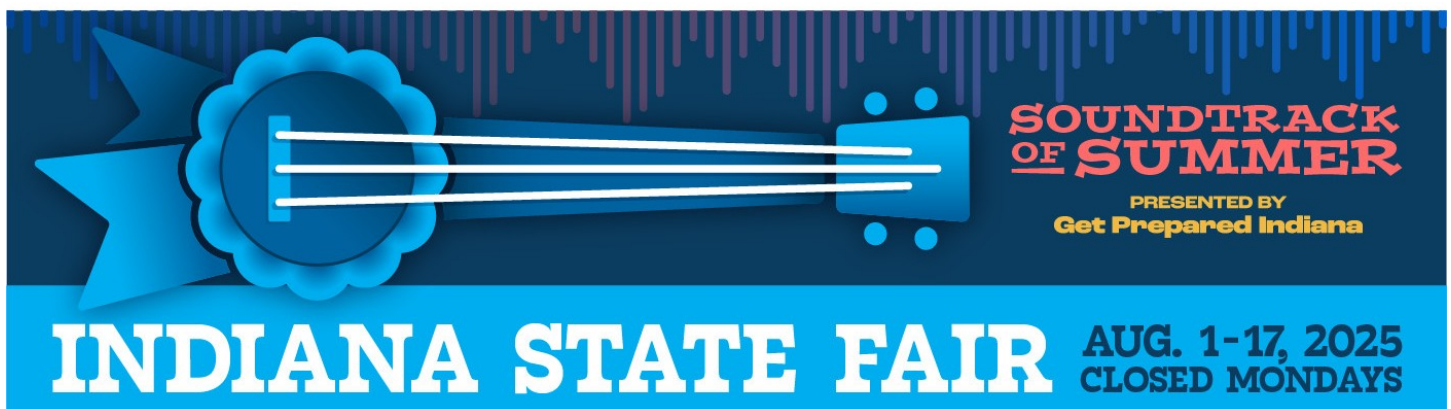
Unfinished Business: The banner will be prepared soon. At the February meeting Hebrews 10:22 was selected as the verse for the banner.

New Business: The menu for the 50+ meal on July 11 was finalized. There is no meeting scheduled for August, but Marci suggested a field trip to Guion Hill Amish House. Details will be given later.

Blankets will be made at the October meeting. Sheila Chadd and possibly Marci Welliever will vounteer at the tie dye booth at the July 19 New Market summer celebration.

Marci then led the group in the study of chapter 8 (Friends in Low Places) of the study book Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgins. Jezebel was an evil, corrupt woman who dominated her also evil husband Ahab. Their quest for wealth and property led to the stoning of an innocent man. Jezebel worshiped a foreign god and mocked the true God. She was eventually trampled by horses and eaten by dogs. A lesson learned is that people cannot mock God.

Closing: Marci closed the meeting with prayer at 8:29 PM. The next meeting is September 3 at 7 PM in fellowship hall. Program will be chapter 9 in the study book.





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BOAT	KAYAK	SUN	WARM
GARDEN	BARBECUE	SHADE	LAKE
CAMPFIRE	OCEAN	VACATION	TOWEL
BIKING	CANOE	SWIMSUIT	POOL
FLOATIE	PICNIC	SWIMMING	PARK
FISHING	BEACH	POPSICLES	CAMPING
RIVER	ICE (as in ice cream)	READING	SUNSET
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Holy Communion 10:45AM	4 Prayer Meeting 4PM	5	6 No Women's Group	7	8	9
10	11 Prayer Meeting 4PM	12	13 Men's Fellowship 7PM	14	15	16 Rummage Sale Blood Drive Food Court Bake Sale Lana Welliever Birthday
17	18 Prayer Meeting 4PM	19	20 No Ad Council Meeting	21	22 Brain Bartlett & DJ Ruggles Birthday	23
24 Jamie Welliever Birthday	25 Prayer Meeting 4PM	26	27	28 Tom DeBusk Birthday	29	30 Chandler Burkhart Birthday
31		Saturday, August 16th New Market Rummage Sale 8AM-2:00PM Blood Drive 8:30AM-12:30PM Food Court available for Breakfast and Lunch Baked goods, produce, homemade items will be for sale				

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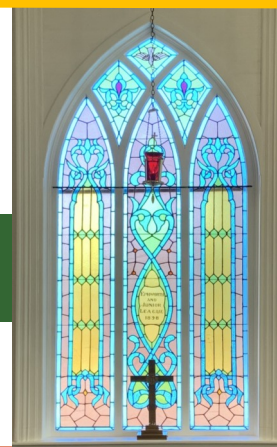


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Come Worship With Us

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Worship Gathering: 10:45 AM



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Just search CrossWay Covenant, New Market, Indiana and select Facebook.

If you have any pictures or events you want posted, please contact Lori Hedrick.

Find Us On Our Website!

Just go to www.crosswaycovenantchurch.com or google CrossWay Covenant, New Market, Indiana

If you have any thing you would like to put on the church website, please contact Rachel Welliever