

FAQ DECEMBER 22 WALK THIS WAY

Why is Crossroads not having experiences on December 22?

Crossroads is having Church on the 22nd, we just are not meeting at Adrian High School. The people are the Church so we are taking a strategic opportunity to GO be the church. On December 22nd Crossroaders will gather as individuals, small groups and families to Worship and GO. God wants to change lives in Lenawee County this year and we want to pray for and around the people here.

So what is going to happen on December 22nd then?

On the morning of Sunday, December 22, Crossroads will have a video on our website www.ilovemychurch.org. This video will contain Worship elements for the day including music, teaching, an invitation and a charge to go out in our community and pray. You will be able to jump online watch the video at your leisure, engage in Worship, learn from Pastor Scott and then go out and change lives. Crossroads will also have prayer guides on the website that morning for you to download and follow. It will outline what to do and give you some suggestions on what to pray. Do it as a family, as a small group, with your neighbors or friends or even by yourself.

What happens if I don't have internet?

If you do not have access to the internet please contact the church office. We will help you with a small group or other ways for you to access the material.

Will you have printed versions of the prayer guides available prior?

For people with no internet access or ability to print we will have limited copies available of the Prayer Guide. On December 8 or 15, stop by the What's Happening Center and pick one up.

Where do I prayer walk?

Anywhere. You pick. We suggest your neighborhood, but it is your choice.

What is Prayer Walking?

A prayer walk is exactly what it sounds like - a walk filled with prayer. It involves walking around your neighborhood, community or specific location and praying for the people and places you see around you. You may plan to stop at specific locations or walk and see where the Spirit leads.

I'm not super spiritual or a pastor. Can I mess this up?

No. You cannot.

What should I do to prepare?

- Are there any specific things you are to pray about? People you know, relationships you have started or hope to start.
- Pick a block or neighborhood. If you are part of a large group, you may want to consider walking in several small groups throughout the location(s) you choose.
- Decide how long you will walk.
- Get dressed. The object of a prayer walk is not to draw undue attention to yourself, so it's best to leave the monk's robe and incense-box-on-a-rope at home. Wear clothing appropriate for the season and location (culture) along with comfortable walking shoes.
- Have supplies for communion. Bread or cracker, juice etc.

As You Go

- Start where you are. Don't worry about whether you do everything just right, or what other people may think of you. Have fun spending time with God talking about people.
- Walk naturally. While praying, there's no need to take on any particular posture that tells others you are praying. Simply walk and talk silently with God. Have fun, enjoy the company of the people around you.
- Open your eyes and ears. Open up your senses of sight and hearing, allowing God to help guide you on the things you need to pray about. We might see things that help us better pray for others, such as seeing children's toys in a front yard might prompt us to pray for the children in the home.
- Be you. You can pray spontaneous prayers or you can memorize Bible verses or prayers written by others to pray as you go.
- Don't be a crazy person. Simply walk and pray, be in community with God and the people you're with. You do not need to circle up and shout prayers or lay hands on people. These are all biblical things but in this context inappropriate.
- Be careful. This can be a powerful time but don't let the prayer walking itself distract you from Jesus. Don't let the prayer walking itself distract you from that giant dog running after you or that giant truck coming toward you.

What about the offering?

Crossroads will take it's normal offering during our Christmas Experiences.



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