

METROGRACE

Developing Urban Churches

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MetroGrace is developing gospel-centered, community-based churches with Crossroads Community Church of Philadelphia in the neighborhoods of Holmesburg, Wissinoming and Bridesburg.

Stories of New Life!

Last month MetroGrace churches baptized ten people who wanted to publicly express their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Faith and Savana grew up in our Kingdom Kids ministry. When they completed their Baptismal Request form, I was glad for their clarity about the gospel. As I spoke with them about their salvation I was impressed with their understanding. Please pray for these young girls as they grow in the Lord.



Katrell is a student in our Thrive ministry. Pastor Pete baptized her at Crossroads Wissinoming last month. Katrell has been a willing servant, always ready to help with ministry. Please pray for Katrell as she deals with urban challenges through her teenage years.

Nelly came to know the Lord in response to a salvation invitation on television. She lives around the corner from Crossroads Holmesburg. She began attending worship services, shared her story and participated in Bible Babes, a monthly women's ministry. Many family members witnessed her baptism. Please pray for Nelly's growth. Pray, too, that her family would trust Christ.



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Like many in Philadelphia, **Ann** was raised as a Roman Catholic. Coming to personal faith in Jesus was a process. Separating grace and faith from good works takes some time. Ann has faithfully attended Crossroads and participated in Bible Babes for several years. Baptism was a big step of public proclamation! Please pray for Ann as she continues to live for Jesus.

Mary and her daughter Samiah have been part of Crossroads for a number of years. During that period, each of them placed their trust in Jesus. Mary wanted Samiah to learn the Word, so she worked hard to send her daughter to Holmesburg Christian Academy. Now, as Samiah begins high school, they decided to be baptized together. Many family and friends came to share in their celebration. Please pray for this young family.



Samantha came to Crossroads with a friend during a difficult time in her life. As she sorted through her struggle she came to know Jesus as Savior. She worked through the Growing in Christ course; and, last month, she declared her faith before friends and family!

Alberta is Samantha's mother. As she saw the transformation in Sam, she began attending Crossroads, too. She listened to the Word over a period of years, responded to the gospel and placed her trust in Christ. She shared how the Lord has been changing her. She had experienced some pain that made forgiveness unlikely. Now, God has opened her heart to forgive. Please pray for Alberta as she continues to walk with the Lord



Elvis began attending Crossroads with Samantha. He came to trust Christ a little over a year ago. Shortly after that, he spent six months working through the Growing in Christ course. Elvis is a gentle man who is learning to walk with Jesus. Please continue to pray for Elvis.

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