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Lisa and I are grateful to serve the Lord with the church family at Crossroads Church. It is a privilege to share life with a congregation that loves God and others while making disciples.

For this decade, Crossroads has committed to the theme, **Be Strong**. It's biblically informed by 2 Timothy 2:2,

“The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

Toward that end, the church seeks to develop strong disciples, strong families and strong congregations. This year, recent converts have been building solid foundations by working with mentors through the Growing in Christ course. Crossroads Kids employs a

comprehensive curriculum to teach children the word. The Souls on Fire ministry has challenged teens to know Christ, understand the Bible and share their faith with others. And, Crossroads Bible Training provides adults with weekly opportunities to read, understand and apply God's word. Congregational Worship honors God and strengthens believers by providing opportunities for praise, prayer, giving, preaching and service.

Please ask the Lord for significant growth in the coming year. Thanks for all you do to help advance the gospel!



Thank you for supporting MetroGrace this month! Please include this cut-off with your next gift and use the back to indicate any changes to your contact information.

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- General Fund \$ _____
- Jim and Lisa Brown \$ _____
- Pete and Danielle Forshtay \$ _____
- Rick and Kristin Dobrowolski \$ _____
- Other \$ _____

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Pete and Danielle Forshtay serve the Lord with the



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congregation at Word of Grace Church in the Wissinoming neighborhood of Philadelphia.

They connect with neighbors by serving with the Wissinoming Civic Association, hosting regular meetings at their facility. They produce regular outreach events, inviting their community to build relationships and find Christ. The Forshtays use the Design for Discipleship series to host a weekly study in their home. And, their growing church family gathers for worship each week. The Lord is developing a growing group of young adults and couples who want to serve the Lord together!

Anthony Elliott is preparing for eldership in the Northern Atlantic Fellowship of Charis

Churches. Please pray for Anthony and his wife Katie as they partner with the Forshtays to reach the city for Christ.

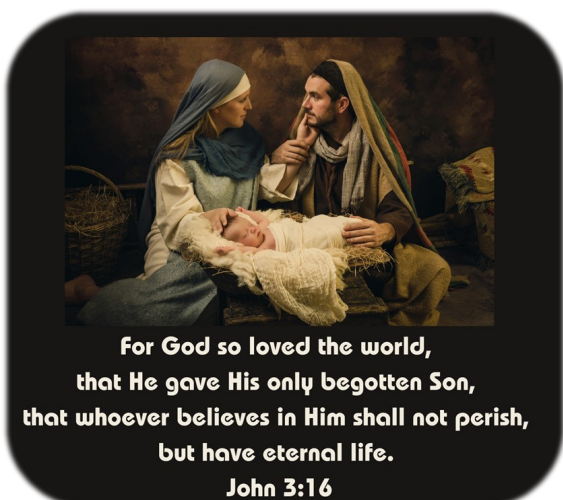
With your support, Word of Grace was able to replace the roof on their facility. Thank you for sharing to make that possible!

Please pray for meaningful growth in the coming year.



Pastor Rick Dobrowolski—rickdob7@icloud.com

The Lord is using Rick & Kristin Dobrowolski and their family to reach their neighbors in Allentown, PA. Citylight Bible Church is rejoicing in God's blessing over the past few years as they merged two churches together, bought a building and begun a new chapter of ministry. The Lord is using this church family to reach out to those experiencing homelessness, grow children and teens, strengthen adults and develop leaders. Please pray for substantial growth as they continue to serve in the new year.



**For God so loved the world,
that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoever believes in Him shall not perish,
but have eternal life.
John 3:16**

As we approach Christmas, we're encouraged that God is a Giver who provides for our deepest need.

We're grateful that He is using you to provide for the needs of our urban ministries! Thank you!

Please pray for His continued supply. Contributions to our General Fund have been down more than twenty percent. Please ask the Lord to provide.

Merry Christmas!