

# The Crestwood Chronicle

January 31, 2024

Greetings Crestwood Family!

As January draws to an end, let's take a look back at some of the ways God moved in us:

**6th** - Volunteers came together on Day of the Visitation (The official end of the Christmas Season) to take down and put away our Christmas decorations until Advent 2024.



**7th** - Our Shepard and Servant of God, Pete Wulfing, retired from the Elder Board. He remains a beloved member of the church, available to provide wisdom and encouragement when called. We also received a new Shepard and Servant of God in his place: Ron Casper has joined our Crestwood Elder Board

**14th** - Mark Borges, Julie Fista, and Lisa Jacobsen became the first three graduates of our University of Ephesus program as we honored the Class of 2023 for their 20 hour commitment to studying God's Word.

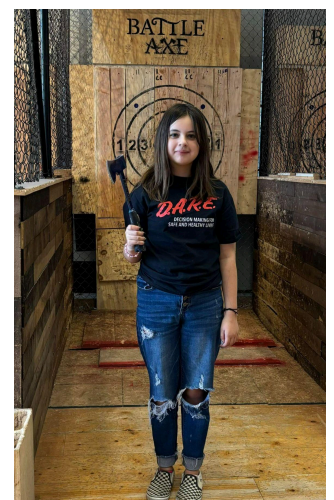


**20th** - Although the year began with a loss for a family member, we celebrated the life of Vinny's daughter Leticia Rucobo with a service that was filled with testimony after testimony of the Holy Spirit's work in the various lives of those who got up and spoke. The Gospel of Christ was shared to a completely packed sanctuary that day.



**21st** - Our sister Liana Borges was baptized during our Sunday Service.

**27th** - Several of the ladies celebrated Michelle Herrera's turning 13 and welcomed her into Teen / Young Adulthood by going out for Sushi and Axe throwing.

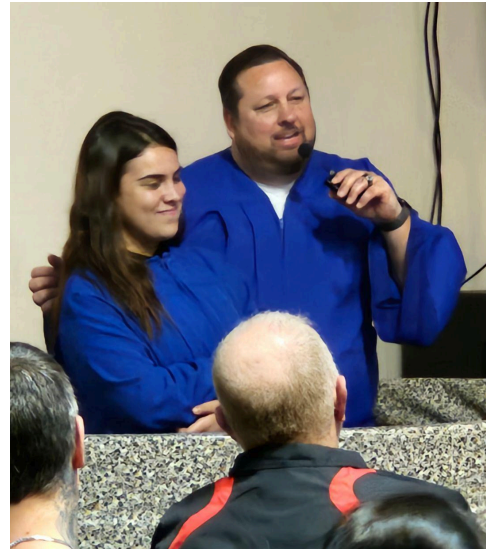




**28th - BUSY day in Sunday Service:**

1. We followed up Michelle's celebration with a presentation of a new Bible.
2. Our sister Faith Collar was baptized.
3. We celebrated our Shepard and Servant of God Keith Smith, who is taking part in the California "Texodus", as he leaves for Texas this week.

We pray that Keith has a good and safe move as he drives out. We will all miss him very much, but we echo his words from the stage, that where there is loss, there is opportunity. He is leaving several hats behind that he wore that will need to be filled. If you feel the calling of the Isaiah prayer ("Here I am Lord, send me") then now is a great time to step up and get more involved with our family.



# Upcoming Events

## February:

1: Anthony Belton's Birthday

### 4: University of Ephesus 2024 Session 1

Class 1 by Ron Casper

Theology 101 Fundamentals of God: Who is God and What is The Trinity?

Class 2 by Anthony Belton

Library Skills 170 Research Methods: What is the Bible and how do you study it?

5: Lesley Talbot's Birthday

6: Dorothy Mogavero's Birthday

8: Sharon Neimer's Birthday

13: Mark & Liana Borges' Anniversary

14: Keith Smith's Birthday / Valentine's Day

This is also the beginning of the season to prepare your hearts for Easter (Some denominations of Christendom call this "Lent" though we do not collectively celebrate Lent at Crestwood, we do encourage you to begin to prepare your hearts for Easter as we approach the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord)

15: Thursday Night Small Group with Frank Souza (aka "Frankly Speaking") New Study begins!

Have you read *The Purpose Driven Life* by Rick Warren? If you have, have you read it in the last five years?

Are you already in a small group on Thursday nights?

Well if you answered "No" to those questions, we would love for you to join us Thursdays at 8pm at the Crestwood Cafe as we go through the study *The Purpose Driven Life* and explore the question, "Why am I here?"

16: Liana Borges' Birthday

17: Kitty Connolly's Birthday

19: Chris Downing and Theo Washington's Birthdays

20: Robert Datu's Birthday

22: Kevin Herrera's Birthday

23: Pete Wulfing and Elena Fabela's Birthdays

### 24: Nathan Collins 13th Birthday Celebration

Men! Join us for Lunch and Bowling at Rancho Bowl (128 E. Donovan)

Time: 12pm Cost: \$15 (for 3 games) and your own lunch

We will meet for lunch in the party room at Noon sharp then 18 bowlers will play 3 games in a tournament to see who gets "The Collins Cup of Bowling" and bragging rights for best bowler in the church.

Please sign up on the sheet at the welcome table or by emailing: [anthony@crestwoodchristian.net](mailto:anthony@crestwoodchristian.net)

28: Mark Borges' Birthday

## March:

2 Frank Souza's Birthday

### 3: University of Ephesus 2024 Session 2

Class 1 by Ron Casper

EMS 321 Advanced Cardiac Life Support: Salvation: What is it and how do we obtain it? Also a brief look at Calvinism & Arminianism

Class 2 by Anthony Belton

Legal Studies 201 Family Law: What "Being Saved" means, our adoption into God's family, our inheritance from God and our new Citizenship.

4: Dave Renshaw's Birthday

7: Christina Vasquez's 17 year sobriety

### 10: Daylight Savings

Please remember to set you clocks an hour forward so that you will not be an hour late for church

### 16: Crestwood Chilli Cook-Off

Dust off your cookbooks and stock up on Tums / Pepto because it's time for our annual Chilli Cook-off!

20: Becky Warren's Birthday

23: Francine Hershey's 19 year sobriety

### 24: Palm Sunday

Celebrate with us as we rejoice in the King of King's Coronation Day

25: Curtis & Leanne Gregory's Anniversary

### 29: Good Friday Service

A special evening service to reflect on Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

### 31: Easter Sunday & Wes Wilson's Birthday

Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with us, get there early if you want your regular seat.

#### Directory Correction:

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We apologize for any confusion.

Cleaning Schedule	
Date	Group
Feb 3	Tom Talk
Feb 10	Mens
Feb 17	Herd of Turtles
Feb 24	Vagabonds
Mar 2	Tacos & Torah
Mar 9	Womens
Mar 16	Frankly Speaking
Mar 23	Tom Talk
Mar 30	Mens