



CROSSWALK  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."  
Acts 16:31



# OIKOS EXPERIENCE

SUNDAY MAY 7TH, AFTER SERVICE  
11:15AM: REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED  
11:30AM: MEET IN THE QUAD

COME LEARN HOW TO SHARE JESUS WITH PEOPLE IN  
YOUR OKIOS (HOUSEHOLD)

# INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY

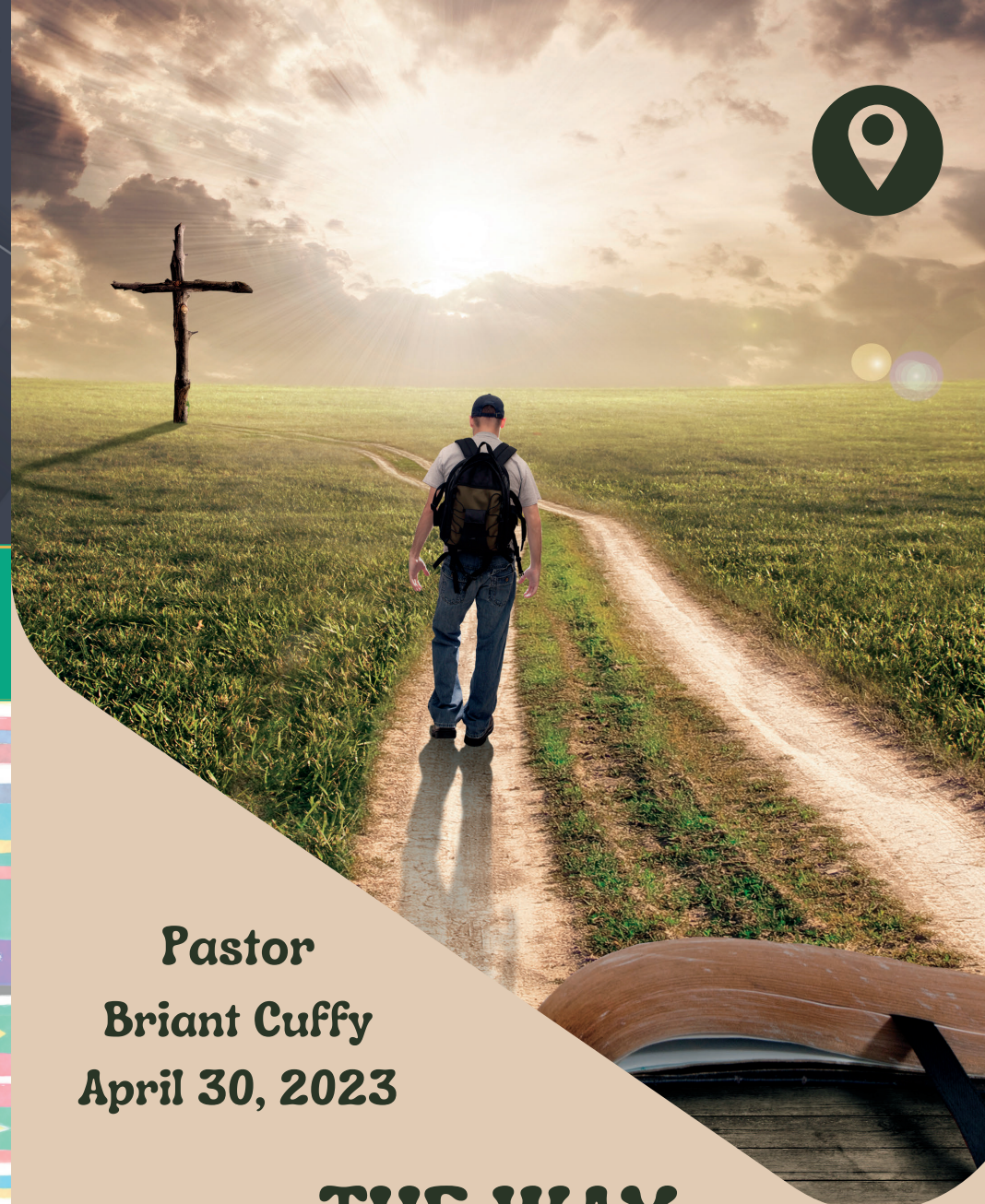
MAY 28, 2023

Celebrating diversity within  
Crosswalk Church and our community

All are invited to dress in traditional clothing and bring an  
international food dish to share after church



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Pastor  
Briant Cuffy  
April 30, 2023

# THE WAY

WHY FOLLOWING JESUS IS NOT SAFE

DO LIKE JESUS  
MATTHEW 6:5-13

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## The Lord's Prayer

“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



# CROSSWALK AT THE REFUGE

JOIN US FOR A TIME OF MINISTRY

**3PM** Saturday May 6

ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH SUNNYVALE

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TO VOLUNTEER



**CROSSWALK**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

**VBS**

**READY, SET,  
MOVE!**

*FOLLOW JESUS HERE,  
THERE, AND EVERYWHERE*

DATE: JULY 10 - 14TH

TIME: 9AM - 12:30PM

LOCATION: CROSSWALK COMMUNITY CHURCH

PRICE: \$25 FOR ONE KID  
\$20 FOR TWO OR MORE KIDS





## Journey Notes

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You ask, why is that? Well, Jesus is the Way. We can't find God or meaning, or victory, or power to live life without him. It's nothing like following someone on Instagram. It's much harder.

On Instagram, all you do is check the request box. You don't even have to "follow" them. You can silently ignore them. But we can't ignore Jesus. Not if you are an actual follower.

Before you even think about how to forgive, read Philippians 4:13 which says, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

- (1) Start by praying for that person. Pray for their good. Ask God to help you love them as He loves them. Remember it's his kingdom you're in, not yours. (See v. 10)
- (2) Ask God to help you. Remember forgiveness is giving up the right to be angry. God says, be angry and sin not (Eph. 4:26-27)
- (3) Don't give up after the first time. Forgiveness is a process, don't quit on it. (Col. 3:13)

God is going to deliver us from evil as we pray for the courage to be like Jesus in the area of forgiveness. Never forget the words of Jesus to his accusers: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." We are following Jesus, remember?

When you forgive, you're acting like Jesus and setting yourself and others free. That is the will of the Father in heaven, that we all be free.

Praying with you,  
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