

* The Crawford Family * SUMMER UPDATES

We are so glad to finally be writing down what God has been doing in our lives since we last wrote a newsletter. We have experienced so many blessings, challenges and breakthroughs that it has consumed us. Every spare minute has been used to soak up time with our family. We are so thankful for your patience in waiting for our update this summer while continuing to support us.

UPDATES FROM DAYTON SHOP

Since coming on staff with Dayton SHOP I have begun a regular schedule of prayer room hours that consists of intercession and studying God's Word. One of the greatest blessings of being at SHOP is its location. Anna and I have been switching off attending Saturday night Abide sessions, which are a time of corporate prayer, intercession and worship. Being able to serve together in this manner really allows us to both be part of the ministry while keeping us both spiritually filled.

Anna has been co-leading a Mommy & Me prayer time on Tuesdays from 11am to 1pm. This time has been rewarding for the moms to see their children grow in

prayer while also being encouraged by other moms.

Both Anna and I were able to take part in a 6-week Logos Studies through Jude. This study focused on meditating on Scripture through the week then discussing it together. Anna's ladies study looked at the book as a whole and asking God to highlight verses each week while the men's group study broke Jude into five sections of study. Both created insightful conversations that blessed us in growing our spiritual walks. We were also able to engage some people we knew who were looking for bible studies to be part of this summer. The greatest joy of it all is being able to help others grow in their relationship with God and make their faith their own.



UPDATES FROM THE BUSINESS PRAYER ROOM

The prayer room in the business is taking off rather well with great interaction from employees, clients and the public. I have had the opportunity to pray with individuals really never step into a church and introduce them to a Savior who loves them. Last month we had about 20 plus people in the prayer room - all at once - from around the city. We were able to pray together, and for one another, that day was a huge sign to what God can do in a simple business that says 'yes' to what God desires. I have enjoyed spending prayer time with the staff at the beginning of each week and we are seeing breakthrough from our prayers which is a great testimony to God's power while encouraging them in their faith.

GET INVOLVED - praydayton.org/bhop

I am looking for people who would be willing to dedicate time anywhere from a half-hour to a half-day either - once a week or once a month to praying in the Business Prayer Room. Anyone can do this. All it takes is the willingness to pray. The goal of the BHOP is that it would be a collaboration of many to see God impact the marketplace and the city through prayer.

KEIRSTEN'S ADOPTION

I am so over joyed to tell you that we have begun the process for me to adopt Keirsten. Since beginning this process we have kept the news and updates to a minimum. If you have been trying to see updates on our website I apologize but until the process is over we are trying to keep our 'public profile' limited so that we have as little hick-ups in this process as possible. God has provided once again and covered us financially through this expensive process. This is an extremely exciting time for our family and we ask that you would join us in this joy but also keep us and this process in your prayers so that it moves quickly and swiftly through all the stages. We will keep you informed as things move along.



PREACHING ON FASTING

At the beginning of July I had the opportunity to preach on fasting. The last time I preached I had a few people ask me to record it.

My dad was able to record and post a video online of our second service at Hope. If you would like to watch it it is available at:

jakedcrawford.com/fasting-video

OTHER NEWS & UPDATES

WHOLEHEARTED I haven't shared much of anything about Hope Church other than my preaching engagements in the past because this newsletter is about the ministry we are doing in the Prayer Movement the ministry you are supporting us in. But when God is doing incredible things it is hard to not want to share them with everyone. Over the summer I taught a class called "Intro To Wholeheartedness", which was to stir and equip people to live wholehearted for Christ. Two weeks ago we had a major breakthrough as God allowed an amazing encounter to happen. The only way to explain it is to say that the Spirit of the Man Jesus was present in our time of prayer and worship, so much so that we have not stopped our prayer and worship since. Every Wednesday at 6:30pm we are walking out Jeremiah 29:13, "*You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.*" We are seeking Him and He is answering! When you experience God like we have it's too hard not to share because you want everyone to experience it. So I invite you to join on any given Wednesday at 6:30pm as we seek the Lord in prayer, worship, and in the Word.

CRAWFORD MEDIA LLC In July, I officially started a small business doing marketing, graphic design, and web design. I started this company to help supplement income that we lost in support. God has been revealing that there may be more behind this so please pray with me that God brings vision and understanding to what He wants from this business. Please contact me if you need any work done.



UPCOMING DATES

EVERY TUESDAY - Mommy & Me Prayer Time

11am-1pm @ Dayton SHOP

3822 Knollwood Dr. Beavercreek, OH

WED. SEPT. 10 - Wholehearted Prayer & Worship

6:30pm @ Hope Church

5980 Wilmington Pike. Dayton, OH

SUN. OCT. 19 - Missions Moment at Mt. Zion

All Services @ Mt. Zion Church

428 Shepherd Rd. Xenia, OH

KEIRSTEN'S ADOPTION praying that God prepares a smooth and speedy process ahead of us and thanksgiving for the provision that He has provided.

BREAKTHROUGH IN BELLBROOK praying for revival in Bellbrook, in the schools, and through the community. Prayers for before school bible study for students this school year.

MARKEPLACE REVIVAL praying for the Holy Spirit to lead men and women to live in the power of Christ with the knowledge that they are righteousness in acting on God's leading.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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