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McKnight Crossings Youth Group Newsletter

9/14/2026 - 9/21/2026

Happy Monday MXYG Family! Many of us returned yesterday from a weekend of serving at Bread Shed in Poplar Bluff. Between the work on Saturday and Sunday, we helped to feed roughly over 500 people. Look at God go!! We're so appreciative of all the work that everyone put in and for the hearts of service that continue to grow here. Thanks to Matthew, Rachel, and Alicia for helping to make this trip a huge success!



THEO this Sunday — studying 1 John.

Continuing the process of our study from last year, we will read the book(s) of the Bible before we come together and study them. This Sunday we are only studying the book of 1 John (5 chapters). As we did last year, there is an optional Bible plan to do so we can pre-read it together and make comments on it. The plan starts tomorrow (Tuesday) and ends on Saturday.

Click HERE to join the 1 John reading plan!

While I might not tell someone to not come to THEO, I do *discourage* coming to THEO if you do not read the material... SALT and THEO are for those who want to go deeper and take things more seriously — it is not simply another opportunity to "be with my youth group." This month is a short 5 chapters that only takes 5 days reading 1 chapter a day, which is very doable. What this also may be is an opportunity for parents to read and digest with their kids! Parents, don't hesitate to read and study 1 John with your kids as they prepare for THEO on Sunday. Always look for those opportunities for at-home discipleship!

2026-27 Theme & Verse of the Year

“Through His Eyes” (2 Corinthians 5:16-18 NIV)

This year, we will focus on learning to see the world through God’s eyes—how we see ourselves, how we see others, how we see problems, and even how we see ourselves as ministers of reconciliation.



This Week’s Events

Wed | Sep 16

Last week we learned about the tool of fasting. This week we learn another tool for life!

NEXT Wednesday (9/23) is the Mid-Series Debrief Kahoot. Students will need a device to participate. Feel free to bring extras for those who may not have one!

Keep up with the Series:

- Part 1 - The Foundation
- Part 2 - Prayer
- Part 3 - Fasting



Sun | Sep 20

Continuing in the Gospel Project this Sunday for Bible class.

Our first THEO of the school year will be at Matthew and Rachel Bardowell's house! 5-7:30 PM. We will study the book of 1 John, as stated above.

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Available Registrations on Tithely:

- The 24 (Oct 2-3)

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This Fall we're going to test out a camping trip, called "The 24," with the intention of it being a simple 24 hour trip (give or take a few). It only costs $15!

More details will come out as time goes on, but ***for now, I just want to know who all is interested in going***, so sign up below!!

Register HERE!



Church Family Initiative — Fall 2026:

Sept 20 THEO — Matthew & Rachel Bardowell (825 Louwen Dr, St. Louis, MO 63124)
Oct 4 SALT — TBD
Oct 11 THEO — Alec & Wanda Hill (247 S Forest Ave, St. Louis, MO 63119)
Nov 1 SALT — TBD
Nov 15 THEO — Bret & Kari Ferguson (9727 Graystone Terr, St. Louis, MO 63119)
Dec 6 SALT — Legrand & Carrie Strickland (18045 Shepard Ridge Rd, Wildwood, MO 63038)
Dec 13 THEO — Andrew & Lydia Owens (618 Blair Ave, Alton, IL 62002) *** Transportation will be provided***

Please let me know if you'd be interested in hosting this semester!!

Important 2026 dates to save:

- The 24 - Camping Trip (Oct 2-3)
- Refuge 2026 (Nov 6-8)

Looking ahead to 2027:

- Youth in Action Kansas City (Jan 15-18)
- Camp Neotez Staff Training (Mar 5-6)
- RESET (Mar 19-21 OR Apr 2-4) — TBD
- SALT Retreat (Apr 17-18)

Fall 2026 Calendar







Winter 2026-27 Calendar DRAFT







Blessings

Be blessed by today's verse of the day — "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be

discouraged.” - Deut. 31:8

As always, please don’t ever hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Blessings,
Nathan



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