

JUSTIN CRAWFORD

serving with

CRU LIFELINES

REACHING THE NEXT GENERATION THROUGH THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Hi! My name is Justin, and I serve with Cru Lifelines, the outdoor ministry of Cru (formerly Campus Crusade for Christ). My wife Jenna and I live in Bend, Oregon, with our son Gabriel, where I help college students encounter Jesus—often in the middle of God’s beautiful creation.

College was when Jesus radically changed my life, and I know how powerfully God can move in that season. Now I get to walk alongside students as they explore faith, grow in discipleship, and even hear about Jesus for the very first time.

Through rock climbing, rafting, backpacking, and other outdoor adventures, Lifelines creates space for deep conversations and life-changing encounters with Christ. In addition to these trips, I also serve students on two local campuses in Bend, building relationships through ongoing outreach, mentorship, and discipleship.



Interesting in giving or finding out more about Lifelines? Simply scan the QR code to the right or visit the link below to visit my personal Giving Page.

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Acts 8:26-40 | ²⁶ Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. ²⁷ And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸ and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” ³⁰ So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹ And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³² Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. ³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.” ³⁴ And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵ Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶ And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” ³⁸ And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹ And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea. [Mark 2:1-12]

COMMUNICATING THE GOOD NEWS:

- ✓ **Go because _____.** (v. 26)
- ✓ **Excuse the _____.** (v. 27)
- ✓ **Give _____ to the Holy Spirit.** (v. 29)
- ✓ **Personalize the question.** (v. 30)
- ✓ **Wait for the _____.** (v. 31)
- ✓ **_____, don't sell, the good news.** (v. 35)

It's my job to _____ & it's God's job to _____.

ANSWERS: (1) God (2) excuses (3) permission (4) invite (5) Share (6) share (7) save

what's happening

WE WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU!

FREEDOM
CHURCH

WELCOME PARTY | TODAY @ 12:15 | LOWER LEVEL

If you're new to the church in the last couple months, we would love to meet you! Join us for pizza and drinks in the lower level following the 10:45 service at South.



MEET THE CHEF DAY | SATURDAY AUGUST 9TH | 10AM | IMAGINE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Join us at Imagine Community Garden for meet the chef day! A fun, hands-on event for kids and families! Discover how to turn fresh garden veggies into tasty, healthy meals with tips from a local chef. Come explore, taste, and learn how to make the most of the harvest together!

GUEST
MINISTRY

Andrew & John Eastmond | Next Sunday August 10th

We are honored to welcome back a beloved guest ministry on Sunday, August 10th, as they return to minister through both music and the Word. Join us for a rich time of worship and encouragement you won't want to miss this sacred moment together.

Connect Picnic | Sunday, August 17th | North Campus

All "Connect" folks (those 60 years old and "better") are welcome to join us for a Connect Picnic at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 17th at the North Campus (339 Ontario Street). Please bring a dish-to-pass. Hotdogs will be provided. Please bring a lawn chair.



CONNECT
Dish - to - Pass
Picnic

The High Ground Men's Retreat | Thurs, Sept 11th-Sat, 13th

All college age and older Freedom Church men are invited to participate in our Men's Retreat! It's that time of year again, HERE, HERE! September 11th-13th we will head to Camp Hickory Hill where we will enjoy fellowship, games, a challenge course, Braveheart themed laser tag, warrior training, encouraging teaching, food, relaxation time and more! The cost to attend is \$140 (+ processing) and covers everything! Register with the QR code, our website or the app.



DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST

FREEDOM CHURCH WILL BE COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS FOR THE BUFFALO CENTER'S MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Please place donations in the bins in the foyer at either campus beginning in August.



CONGRATULATIONS
CODY & CORINA WILTSE

On the birth of their baby girl, Sienna Renee



Ways to GIVE

➔ Drop **Envelopes** in the back black boxes in the back of the sanctuary
➔ Text "GIVE" to 716-714-4480

➔ **Online - see -->**
➔ Mobile **app** "MinistryOne" from the App Store!

Give by check online



Give Online Credit



Next Steps for the Hope Center

1. Pray - Pray - Pray!

2. Create a New Non Profit Entity

3. Create Two Teams

4. Work on Business Plan

5. Fundraising
Give by cash, check note



Use QR code to give online

welcome.

Sunday, August 3rd, 2025 | Freedom Church

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WELCOME GUESTS

LET US KNOW YOU WERE HERE



For the Kids:

Newborn - 4th Graders may be checked in to the Freedom Kids check-in hub located in the foyer.

Check in begins at 10:30AM. Freedom Kids meet in the Youth Sanctuary, and Nexus Teenagers, 5th - 8th grade, meet upstairs in the lounge.

Today

CLOSED MOUTHS
CAN'T OPEN HEARTS
WITH JUSTIN CRAWFORD

A SEAT AT THE
CONFIRE

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor Craig Campbell | Lead Pastor
Peggy Belfield | Seniors Pastor | Ext. 100
Jennie Campbell | Worship Director | Ext. 100
Kerith McDonald | Office Administrator | Ext. 100
Lou Mead | Youth Director | Ext. 201
Michael Peacock | Ministry Assistant | Ext. 206
Curt Waugaman | Ministry Assistant | Ext. 205
Dominique Wroten | Children's Director | Ext. 200

CHURCH ELDERS:

Ron (Doris) Campbell
Jim (Ann) Hood
Bill Nimetz
Mark (Linda) Rathke
Matt (Kerith) McDonald
Jim (Debbie) Randle
Adam (Steph) Schifferle

*If you'd like to contact an Elder, please call the church office.

THE CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN Mon-Thurs FROM 9AM - 4PM | 716-434-5451 *please ring doorbell or call the church office to be admitted into the building.

Reach the Lost.
Disciple the Found.
See Lives Set Free and
Stay Free in Jesus Christ.

Current Sermon Series



Worship

I Thank God
All About You
Everything At Your Feet
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
Reign Above It All

This Week

Nexus | Wednesday | 7pm
Meet The Chef Day | Saturday | 10am

Today

Guest Speaker: Justin Crawford

WELCOME PARTY | Today | 12:15pm

If you are a recent Freedom Church guest please join us today in the lower level following service for pizza, pop and a conversation..

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