

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, January 19

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration
- 11:15AM Foundations Class: Session 3: Week 3
- 12:15PM Deacon Meeting

MISSIONS

<http://www.lbac.org/missions>

GROWTH GROUPS

<http://www.lbac.org/gg>

Mid-week Adult Bible Studies

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/children>

Sunday Mornings: Gospel Project @ 9:30AM
Fun N Funky @ 11:15AM

AWANA

<http://www.lbac.org/awana>

Wednesday Nights September through May

YOUTH MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/youth>

The Process High School- Tuesdays @ 7:00PM
Junior High Live - Thursdays @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/women>

Women's Ministry Event Information
Contact: deya@charter.net

Lydia House Meals Ministry
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Women Connecting with Missions
3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00PM

Crafty Women

2nd Saturday of each month @ 10:00AM

MEN'S MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/men>

Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

Monday, January 20

- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
- 7:00PM Pure Desire Ministry
- 7:00PM Survivors of Incest Anonymous

Tuesday, January 21

- 6:00PM Student Leaders
- 7:00PM Governing Board Meeting
- 7:00PM The Process-High School
- 7:00PM Women Connecting with Missions

Wednesday, January 22

- 6:30PM AWANA

Thursday, January 23

- 7:00PM Junior High Live

Friday, January 24

- 6:30AM Men's Bible Study on Campus
- 8:00PM Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, January 25

- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Sunday, January 26

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration
- 11:15AM Foundations Class: Session 3: Week 4
- 5:00PM Giving Campaign Launch

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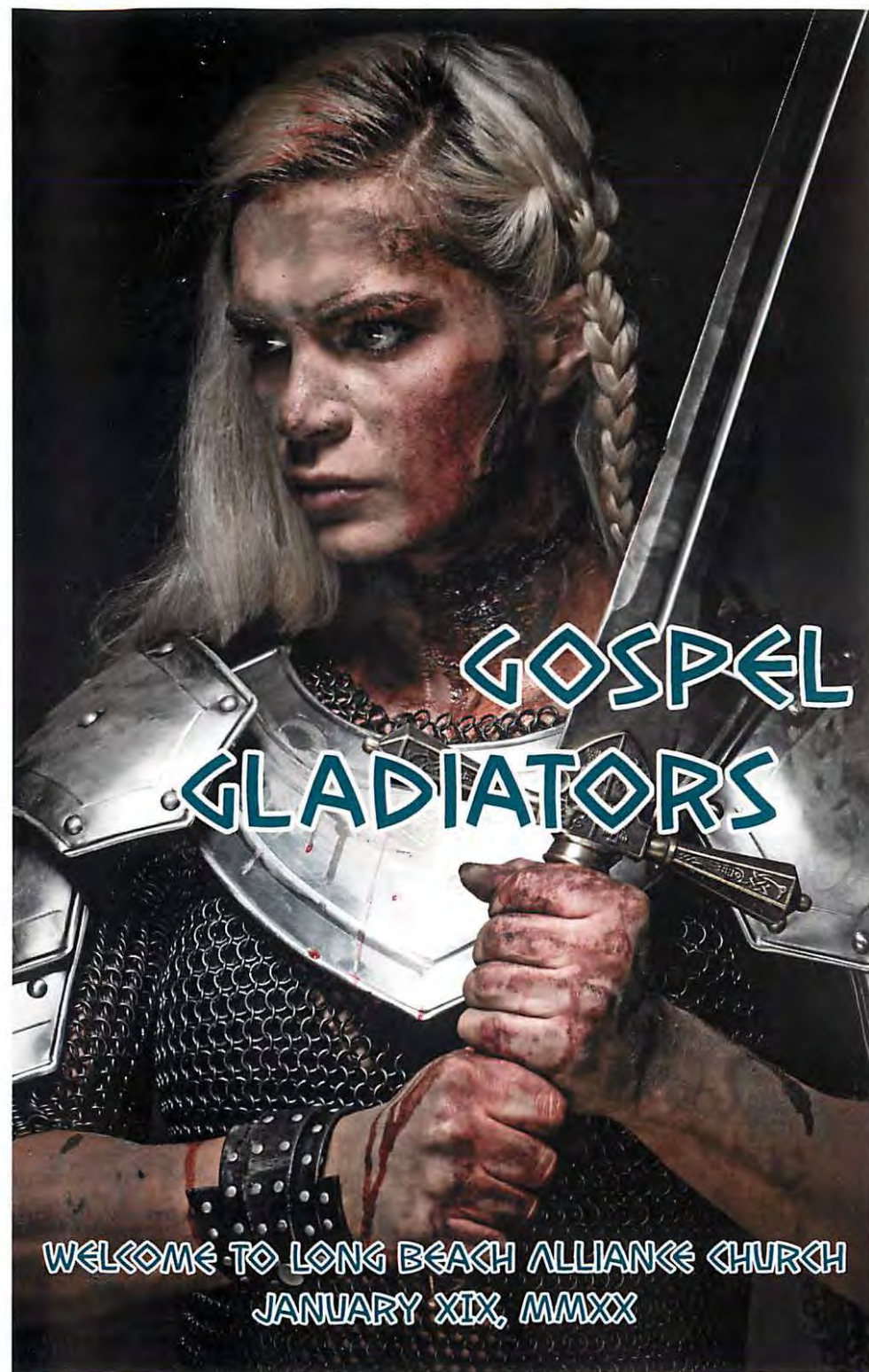
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THE
ALLIANCE

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts



WELCOME TO LONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH
JANUARY XIX, MMXX

You're Invited...

Giving Campaign/All Church Meeting

Sunday, January 26

5PM Potluck Dinner

6PM Meeting

sign up for the potluck today!

Childcare provided after dinner Age0-Grade 5

BIG GAME PARTY

Sunday February 2, 2PM

Craig & Katie Hooper's House

3142 Mainway Drive, Los Alamitos

Meat provided, but please bring another dish to share

Contact Katie Hooper 310.922.3352 for questions

Women Connecting with Missions

Join us & connect with our Alliance International Workers around the world.

Tuesday, January 21
7:00PM

Yvonne Turco's house

For questions contact:
Kathie Metz 562.425-5937
Beth Zimmermann 562.852.2771

BAPTISM

Interested In Baptism?

Wanting to better understand what it means to be baptized? Would you like to explore whether or not you should be baptized?

Email office@lbac.org or fill out a Connect Card for more information or to sign-up!

Baptism Service Sunday, April 5



ALLIANCE YOUTH

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

MARCH 13, 2020

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW AT
ALLIANCEYOUTHGOLF.COM

WE ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLE DONATIONS. IF YOU HAVE AN ITEM OR SERVICE TO DONATE OR KNOW OF A COMPANY THAT MIGHT BE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE BRING DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE. QUESTIONS? MEGHAN BREARLEY 562.708.9261

Giving Statements Are Available

Today & January 19
Pick Up in the Courtyard today!

the rest will be mailed after January 19.

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	Budget	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$12,715.40	\$6,422.88	50.5%
Month-to-Date:	\$25,430.80	12,846.88	50.5%
Year-to-Date:	\$254,308.00	\$246,660.77	97.0%
Disbursed YTD:	\$232,644.00	GF Balance: \$14,016.77	



GOSPEL GLADIATORS

"MATHEMATICS OF GRACE"

LONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH • JANUARY XIX, MMXX • ROMANS V:12-XXI • PASTOR CHRIS LANKFORD

I) WHEREVER THERE IS DEATH, YOU ARE SEEING THE PENALTY OF SIN

- A. By going back to the beginning of human history, to the time of Adam & Eve and the beginning of the plague of sin among all people, the Apostle Paul has to address whether or not sin was counted against a person in the absence of a rule or Law (Romans 5:12-14).
- B. On the one hand, Adam was given a very specific "law" from God which allowed him to eat of any tree in the Garden of Eden, but prohibited him from eating the fruit from the one "tree of the knowledge of good and evil" (Genesis 2:16-17). However, from that time until the Law of Moses, was anyone actually guilty of violating God's rules or laws?
- C. The answer, of course, is a resounding "YES!" Why do we know that mankind was guilty? Because they died, and death is the penalty for sin. Even in the absence of an explicit code of laws, and even though people did not sin in the same manner as Adam himself (cf. Romans 5:14), men died because they were, in fact, guilty of sin against the Creator.

II) THE MATHEMATICS OF SIN AND GRACE

- A. Sin infected the entire human race through Adam's sin. For Paul, this is "proved" by the universal condition of death (a result of sin) which mankind clearly suffers (Romans 5:12). The primary focus (here) is on the result of Adam's sin, and not the source of sin for each person.
- B. However, Paul is also concerned to note Adam is a "type" of Christ (historical characters or institutions which foreshadowed Christ and the initiation of God's ultimate reign over all things, 5:14). While Paul is primarily viewing death as a natural result of personal sin, he is also viewing all mankind as Adam's offspring resulting in mankind's universal "sin nature" (note 5:19). Both truths are in view, all mankind is corporately sinful (by nature, as Adam's offspring), and all mankind is individually sinful (deliberately sinful, individually).



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- C. Like the “federal” vote of our local U.S.. Representative in the House of Representatives, their ‘one vote’ represents all of our local constituency. Likewise, the penalty for sin is death (Romans 5:15, see also 6:23), and death “federally” extends to all men through Adam’s sin. Adam’s sin seems small, but its impact infects all of mankind like a plague!
- D. Unlike Adam’s one sin, God’s free gift of Jesus Christ is not small. Rather, the gift of grace in Jesus covers a multitude of sins, the sins you can remember and the sins you cannot remember (or don’t even know about)! Adam’s sin started small, but the sacrifice of Jesus was never small! It has always been greater in every possible way than sin (5:15-17).
- E. While death began its reign because of the sin of Adam and multiplied to all men, grace and justification by faith (the declaration of righteousness from God) suddenly and dramatically reigned in abundance through Jesus Christ **MUCH MORE**! This is the “good math” of Heaven! Faith in the death-defying life of Jesus Christ is sufficient for all men to be forgiven, declared righteous, and defy death for life eternal (Romans 5:18)!
- F. The question for us all is “which man will we identify with for eternity?” Will our identity be with Adam, the “head” of the human race? Or will our identity be “in Christ,” our Creator and the rightful ruler of Heaven? One Adam sinned, and death multiplied. The ‘Second Adam’ died sinless, and conquered death once and for all (Romans 5:19).
- G. This is the final equation of the mathematics of grace! The provision of grace is infinite! There is no way to “out-sin” the grace of God in Jesus Christ (Romans 5:20-21)! Grace always wins, because the sacrifice of Jesus Christ brings life which can no longer suffer from the effects of death! Where there is no sin, there is no death. By God’s grace, this is the life provided in Jesus Christ, justification by faith forevermore!

Growth Group Guide

Gospel Gladiators:

Sin vs Grace

Week #3 • Romans 5:12-21

Ice Breaker

Do you prefer sitcoms, crime shows, dramas, game shows, reality TV, news shows, or some other form of TV? What draws you to that type?

In-Depth

- Read Romans 5:12-21
- Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon

1. Original Sin

Original sin is the sin and its guilt that we all possess in God's eyes as a result of Adam's sin.

- A. Roman 5:12-21. Where in this passage do you see original sin discussed?
- B. Read Psalm 51:5; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 7:23. In what ways do you see evidence of the fallen state of mankind in your own life and in others?
- C. Does God hold people accountable for Adam's sin or their own sins? Is this "fair"?

2. The Gift

- A. Romans 5:15-17. How many times is “gift” or “grace” used in this passage? What is the gift that is being described?
- B. What is Paul’s point in comparing Adam and Jesus?

3. The Power of Grace

- A. Romans 5:18-21. Also read Romans 3:21-24; Ephesians 2:8-9. What does it mean to be saved by grace?
- B. Summarize Romans 5:21 in your own words. How would you explain this to someone who doesn’t know Jesus?
- c. Is it “fair” that God doesn’t hold accountable for their sins those whose faith is in Jesus?

Making It Relevant

- 1. How would you answer someone who says people are basically good?
- 2. How good are you at giving grace to others?