

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, September 24

8:45AM Baptism Class (Pastor Chris' Office)
9:00AM Morning Coffee
9:30AM Worship & Celebration
11:15AM Foundations Hour

Monday, September 25

6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Tuesday, September 26

7:00PM High School Youth Group
7:00PM Elder Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 27

6:30PM AWANA

Thursday, September 28

7:00PM Junior High Youth Group

Friday, September 29

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

Saturday, September 30

9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
9:00AM New Member's Class (Gymnasium)

Sunday, October 1

9:00AM Morning Coffee
9:30AM Baptismal Service & Celebration
11:15AM Foundations Hour
11:15AM New Member's Interviews #1
12:15PM New Member's Interviews #2

MISSIONS

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

GROWTH GROUPS

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

Mid-week Bible Studies for all Adults

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

Sunday Mornings

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM
Fun-N-Funky Hour @ 11:15AM

AWANA

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

Wednesdays through May 6:30PM-8:30PM

YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

JH & HS Foundations ~ Sundays @ 11:15AM

HS Core Groups ~ Tuesdays @ 7:00PM

JH Core Groups ~ Thursdays @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

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

Woman To Woman Mentoring

Contact: sherylynnlbac@gmail.com

Lydia House Meals Ministry

Contact: robbi@apabrando.com

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

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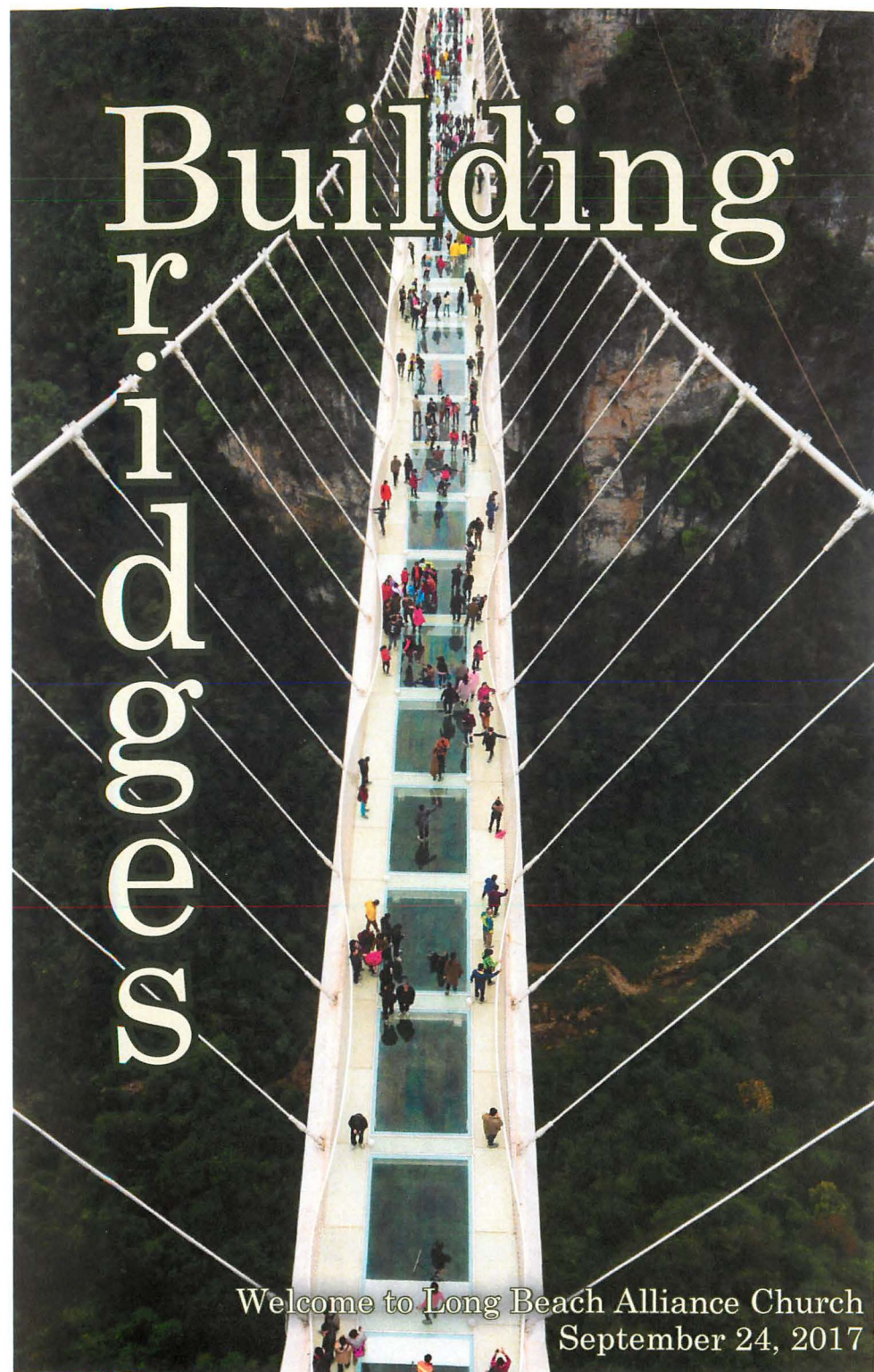
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Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts



Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church
September 24, 2017



THE
ALLIANCE

welcome to long beach alliance church



a community of Jesus followers who
love God, love others, & serve the world



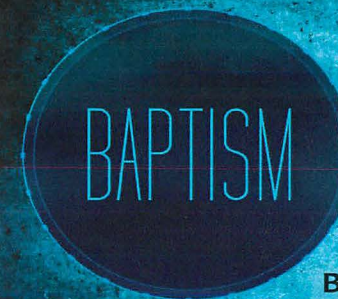
THE CHILDREN OF JAY & LORRAINE STANWOOD
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION OF
LORRAINE'S 90TH BIRTHDAY!!!
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 2:00PM - 4:00PM
EL DORADO PARK NEAR THE DUCK POND
YOUR PRESENCE IS YOUR GIFT TO LORRAINE

Interested In Baptism?

Wanting to better understand what it means to be baptized? Have you been baptized as a follower of Jesus Christ? Would you like to explore whether or not you should be baptized?

Email office@lbac.org for more information or sign-up!

Baptism Service Sunday, October 1.
Sign-Up On Connection Card Today!



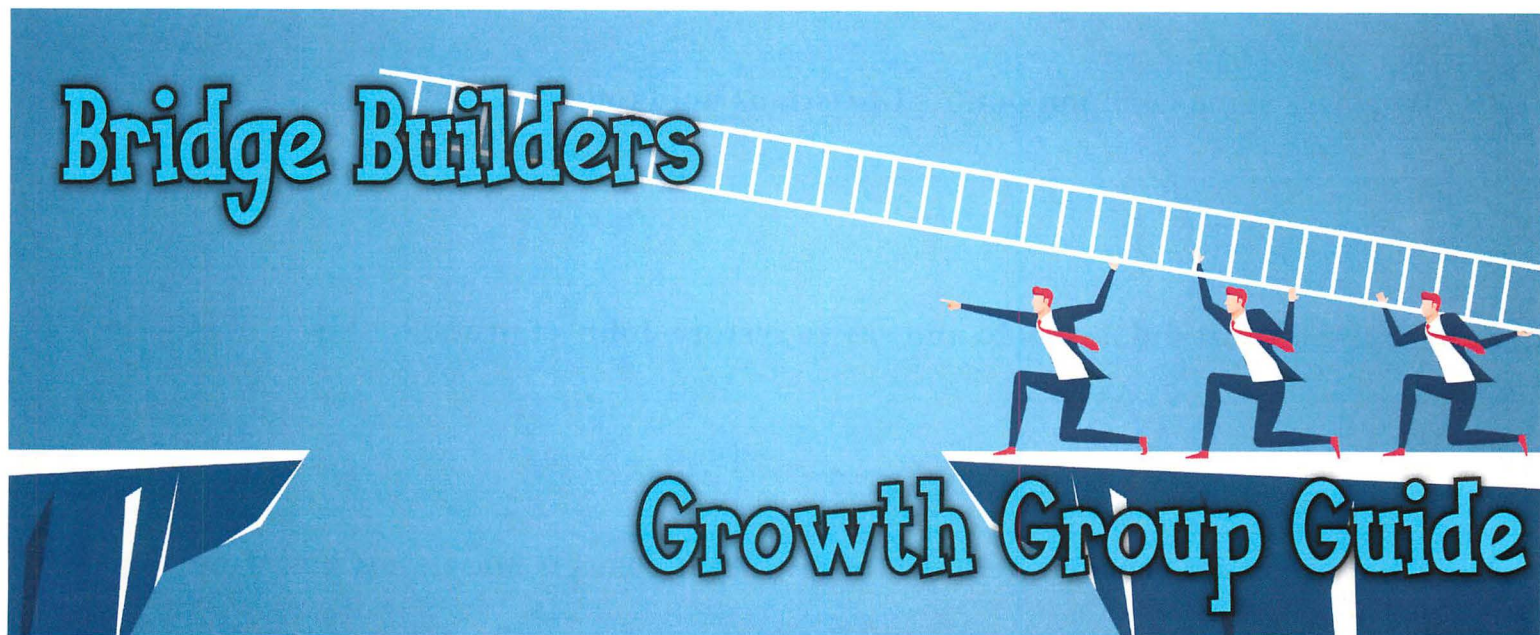
SIMPSON UNIVERSITY
RED HAWKS

Simpson University
is coming to LBAC!

Simpson University • Sunday, October 1
Visit the Simpson Information Booth In our LBAC Courtyard
Before & After Church Next Week!

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

Budget	Required	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$12,041.97	\$7,512.48	62.4%
Month-to-Date:	\$36,125.91	\$27,513.13	76.2%
Year-to-Date:	\$36,125.91	\$27,513.13	76.2%
Disbursed YTD:	\$29,501.06	GOF Balance: -\$1,987.93	



Ice Breaker

- What ideas can your Growth Group develop & do to serve our community during this season of Growth Groups (September–December)?

In-Depth

- *Read Luke 7:18-23*
 - *Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon.*
1. Luke 7:18. Review what we know of John the Baptist (JtB) to this point from Luke 1:39-44; Matthew 3:13-17; John 1:29-34, 3:22-30; and Mark 6:14-20.
 - 1A. Where do we see evidence that JtB already knew (or had enough evidence to know) that Jesus was the Messiah?
 2. Luke 7:19-20. What are possible reasons for JtB's doubt, despite what he already knew?

2A. Name some other Biblical characters who experienced doubt.

2B. What are some common doubts Christians hold today?

3. Luke 7:21-23. What did Jesus do and say to restore John's faith?

3A. What are other reasons we have for faith that Jesus is Messiah (Christ), our Savior?

3B. What are some effective ways of building faith (ref. Hebrews 11:1, Proverbs 3:5-8, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, James 1:5)?

Making It Relevant

1. Where (type of doubt, circumstances, etc.) are you most vulnerable to doubt God?

2. Which of the ways discussed in 3A above would be most helpful for you to be able to "exercise" your faith to strengthen it against doubt?

Was Jesus Really The Messiah?

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1) The Right Question

- Luke 7:18-23; Matthew 11:1-6

When Unexpected Life Events Happen, Asking “Who Is Jesus?” Is The Right Question

- Luke 7:18-20; Mark 8:27-29

Faith In An Unpredictable & Unexpected Messiah Is Often Confusing

2) Actions Authenticate Identity

- Luke 7:21-22

Jesus’ Identity Is Authenticated By His Words AND His Actions

- Hebrews 11:1, 6

No Matter How Much You Know About Jesus, Faith Is Essential For Relationship

3) Jesus Is Never What You Expect

- Luke 7:23

Faith Is Authenticated In Our Actions When Jesus Doesn’t Make Sense