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WALL OF HONOR

WE NEED PIETURES! IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE CAS SERVED, OR IS CORRECTLY SERVING, IN THE U.S. ARMED FORCES, FLEASE SEND AN EXTO OR JPG FLETURE (PREFERABLY IN UNIFORM) TO THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR OUR LOAG WALL OF HONOR







Sign up in the Courtyard today or with Mike Comstock comstock7@verizon.net



LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

 Budget
 Required

 Weekly:
 \$12,041.97

 Month-to-Date:
 \$12,041.97

 Year-to-Date:
 \$60,209.85

 Disbursed YTD:
 \$52,146.36

ReceivedBudget %\$14,032.93116.5%\$14,032.93116.5%\$53,116.2988.2%GOF Balance: \$969.93

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, October 8

9:00AM Morning Coffee 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service 11:15AM Foundations Hour 12:00PM Fellowship Lunch Annual Business Mtg Childcare Opens 12:45PM 1:00PM Annual Business Meeting

Monday, October 9

6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Tuesday, October 10

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

Wednesday, October 11 6:30PM AWANA

Thursday, October 12

7:00PM Junior High Youth Group

Friday, October 13

Weekly Schedule

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

Saturday, October 14

9:00AM Deaconess Meeting 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous Crafty Women 10:00AM

Sunday, October 15

9:00AM Morning Coffee 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service 11:15AM Foundations Hour 12:15PM **Deacon Meeting** 7:00PM Youth Leader Meeting

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

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts 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: sherylynnelbac@gmail.com

Lydia House Meals Ministry Contact: robbi@apabrandu.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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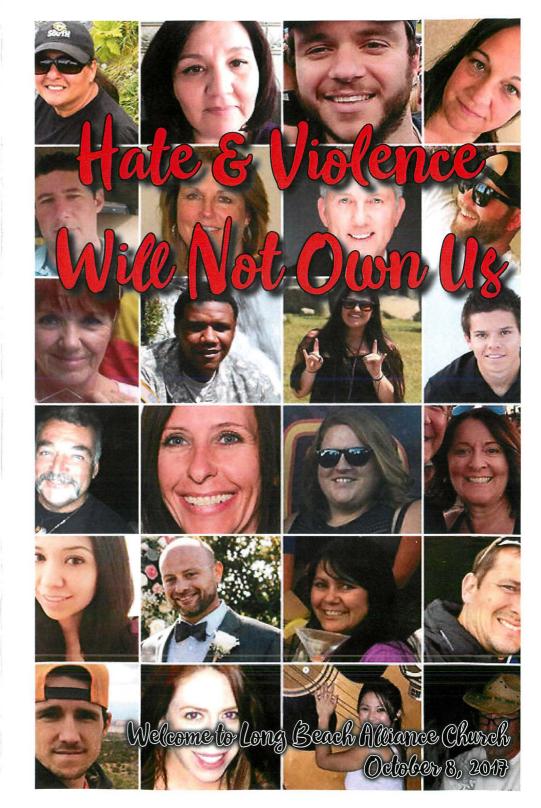
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Hate & Violence Will Not Own Us

ONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH - OCTOBER 8. 2017 - PASTOR CHRIS LANKFORD

1) Responding To Powerlessness

• Psalm 44:23-26

Experiencing Undeserved or Inexplicable Evil Produces Pain, Terror, and Fear

Human Responses To Pain, Terror, and Fear Are Faith-Revealing



• 1 Corinthians 15:54b-58

There Is Nothing Quite Like The Gospel Because There Is No One Quite Like Jesus

The Power Of The Gospel Comes From Jesus' Resurrection From Death

3) Follower Of Christ, This Is Your Moment!

Colossians 1:27

Christ Is Alive In You, Display The Hope Of Glory In The Face of Pain, Terror, and Fear

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Growth Group Guide

Ice Breaker

• When you encounter stories of tremendous human tragedy, what kinds of responses do you have? How do the people around you respond?

Group Discussion

- Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon.
- 1. Why do bad things happen to good people? Why do good things happen to bad people? Does following Christ make any difference in what happens to you before Heaven?
- 2. Many people ask *"Where was God?!"* when natural disasters or human tragedies occur. If God is truly loving, how can He remain passive in the face of terrible natural disasters, genocides, and/or other evil acts against humanity to occur?
- 3. If God created all things, is He the source of evil? If so, how can God be both perfect and the source of evil simultaneously? If not, how can evil exist if God did not create evil?
- 4. Read Romans 12:14-15, Psalm 44:23-26, and James 1:2-4. What are some helpful ways to show those around you how to handle tragedy? What are some unhelpful ways?
- 5. In his outline from Sunday, Pastor Chris wrote "follower of Christ, this is your moment!" in response to the recent tragic events in our world. What are some biblical connections between suffering and faith in Jesus Christ?
- 6. If someone asked you to show them God's response to human tragedy in the Bible, what story or teaching in the Bible would you read to them?