

# LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

## 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

## Monday, October 16

- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

## Tuesday, October 17

- 10:00AM All Staff Team Meeting
- 7:00 PM High School Youth Group
- 7:00PM Women Connecting with Missions

## Wednesday, October 18

- 6:30PM AWANA

## Thursday, October 19

- 5:00PM Lydia House Women's Outreach
- 7:00PM Junior High Youth Group

## Friday, October 20

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

## Saturday, October 21

- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

## Sunday, October 22

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- Foundations Hour Sabbatical

### 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: sherylynnelbac@gmail.com

### Lydia House Meals Ministry

Contact: robbi@apabrandu.com

### Women Connecting with Missions

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 7:00PM

### Crafty Women

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month @ 10:00AM

### MEN'S MINISTRIES

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

Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

Weekly Schedule



THE  
ALLIANCE

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### church staff team

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# Building bridges

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church  
October 15, 2017





# welcome to long beach alliance church

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

NEW  
HOURS

**Tuesday-Thursday**  
**10:00AM-5:00PM**

LBAC'S NEW OFFICE HOURS



## WALL OF HONOR

**WE NEED PICTURES!**

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE HAS SERVED, OR IS CURRENTLY SERVING, IN THE  
U.S. ARMED FORCES, PLEASE SEND AN 8X10 OR .JPG PICTURE (PREFERABLY IN  
UNIFORM) TO THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR OUR LBAC WALL OF HONOR

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE**

HUME  
MEN'S RETREAT

OCTOBER 19-22 2017

Sign up in the Courtyard today or with  
Mike Comstock [comstock7@verizon.net](mailto:comstock7@verizon.net)

## FOUNDATIONS

October 22 (next Sunday): Foundation Hour Sabbath

October 29: Session 2 Foundation Classes Begin

- Reformation: Why We Became Protestants
- Developing Gospel-Centered Friendships
- Griefshare

For the Kids: Fun n Funky or Christmas Musical

## LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

Budget	Required	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$12,041.97	\$12,393.69	102.9%
Month-to-Date:	\$24,083.94	\$26,426.62	109.7%
Year-to-Date:	\$72,251.82	\$65,509.98	90.7%
Disbursed YTD:	\$70,247.06	GOF Balance:	<b>-\$4,737.08</b>



# Children Working Wisdom

Luke 7:31-35

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## 1) The Madness Of Preferences

- Luke 7:31-32

The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ's Day Were \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

Responding to Personal/Group \_\_\_\_\_ Reveals \_\_\_\_\_

## 2) The Message Is What Matters

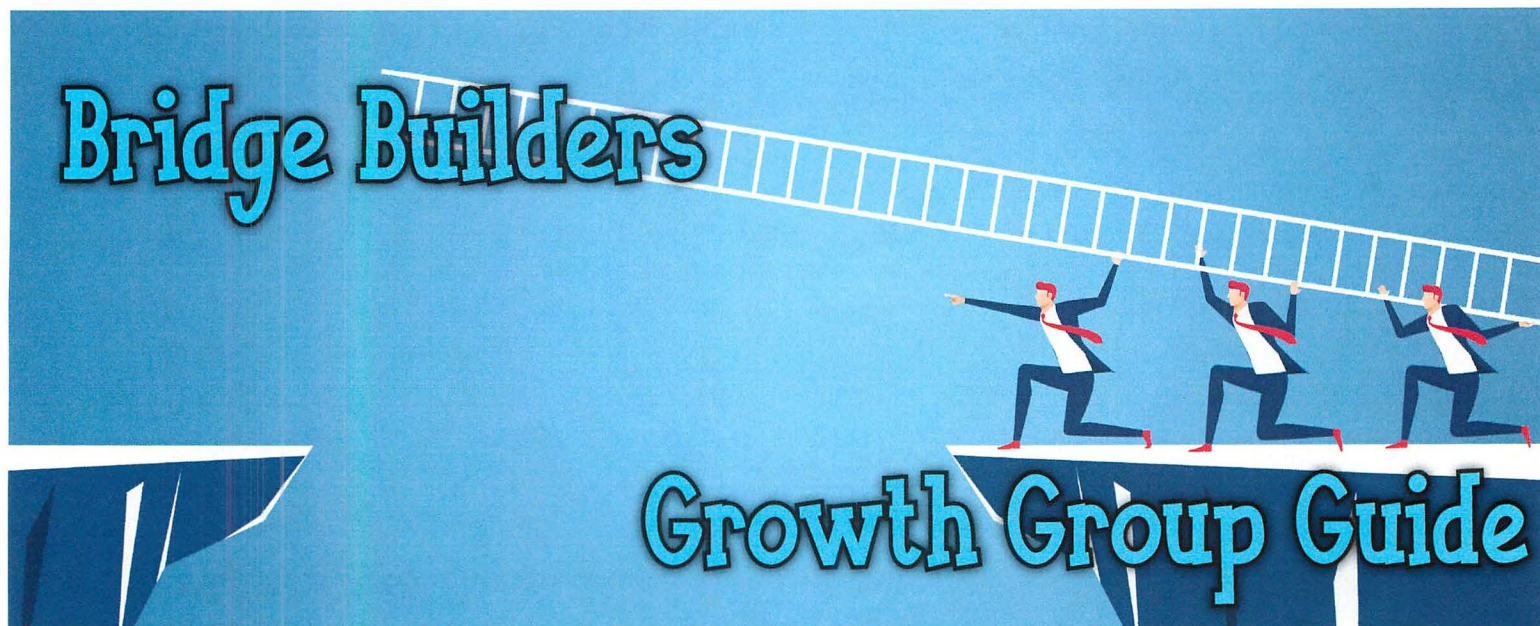
- Matthew 11:18-19; Luke 7:33-34

Creating \_\_\_\_\_ Religi-rules (Legalism) Reveals \_\_\_\_\_ Immaturity

## 3) The Proof Is In The (Quality Of) The Pudding

- Luke 7:35

The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Is Proven In The \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Of God's Children



### **Ice Breaker**

- Chocolate or vanilla? Sport car or sedan? Luke Skywalker or Han Solo? Appetizer or dessert? Drama or sitcom? Beach or mountains? Morning or night?

### **In-Depth**

- *Read Luke 7:31-35*
  - *Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon.*
1. Luke 7:31-32. What is Jesus' motivation for telling this parable? (Luke 7:29-30; also Mark 8:38, Luke 9:41, Luke 17:24-25)
    - 1A. Let's first take the illustration of the children at face value. Describe what's happening, in your own words. How could you modernize the illustration to today's children?
    - 1B. Which kids are the "bad" ones in this illustration? Why?

1C. Now focus on the symbolic meaning of Jesus' parable and describe what each component of the parable represents.

2. Luke 7:33-34. The messages of John and Jesus were drowned out by the preferences and biases of the crowds. What point is Jesus making about their excuses?

3. Luke 7:35. What does this verse mean? How does this continue today?

## Making It Relevant

1. The Protestant church has struggled since The Reformation to decide whether differences were style (preference) or substance (essential). For each of the following, identify which you think it is, and why:

- a. Type of baptism (Acts 2:38; Colossians 2:12)
- b. Evangelism/missions (Matthew 28:19-20)
- c. Worship music (Psalm 95:1; Colossians 3:16)
- d. Fasting at lent, drinking wine, etc (Romans 14:1-6,13)
- e. Scriptural authority (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- f. Church governance (Acts 14:23)
- g. Helping the needy (1 John 3:17-18)
- h. Others?

2. Have you overemphasized "style" or underemphasized "substance?" What can you do to correct this?