

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, December 17

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 7:00PM Youth Leader Meeting

Monday, December 18

- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Tuesday, December 19

- 10:00AM All Staff Team Meeting
- 7:00PM Youth Group- High School

Wednesday, December 20

- 6:30PM AWANA

Thursday, December 21

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

Friday, December 22

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

Saturday, December 23

- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Sunday, December 24

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 6:30PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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 (Resumes in Jan)

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
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

long beach alliance church offices

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www.facebook.com/longbeachalliancechurch
church office hours: tuesday-thursday, 10:00AM-5:00PM

church staff team

michelle crammer, office manager maternity leave	kelly douglas, international worker kelly@lbac.org
jesse duckett, youth pastor ext. 1005 · jesse@lbac.org	chris lankford, lead pastor ext. 1001 · chris@lbac.org
tina rand, receptionist & treasurer exts. 1000 & 1006 · tina@lbac.org	ben shaw, worship & celebration intern ben@lbac.org
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THE
ALLIANCE

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts



A Few Wise Men

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church
December 17, 2017

welcome to long beach alliance church

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



Preschool Workers Needed

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD

Awana Clubs

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Preschool teachers, Nursery workers (during Worship service or Foundations hour,) and AWANA Leaders (for PreK-Grade 2) are needed. Interested? Please notify our church office at office@lbac.org

JANUARY 7

COMING SOON

FOUNDATIONS CLASSES

Crossing Borders Without Passports- Alan McMahan

Parenting Fantastic Beasts- Pastor Matt Swaney

Griefshare- Meghan Brearley

DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!

Swing by the Office during office hours to pick yours up!

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	Budget	Required	Received	Budget %
Weekly:		\$12,041.97	\$12,975.58	107.8%
Month-to-Date:		\$24,083.94	\$23,744.71	98.6%
Year-to-Date:		\$180,629.55	\$168,537.96	93.3%
Disbursed YTD:		\$176,614.00	GOF Balance: -\$8,076.04	

DECEMBER 31

YEAR END GIVING

YOUR GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

A Few Wise Men

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1) The Mystery of the “Magus” Men

• Matthew 2:1-11 (cf. Simon, Acts 8:9-24, Bar-Jesus, 13:6-12)

The “Magi” were highly educated in ‘science,’ esp. religion, astronomy/astrology, and dreams

The phrase “King of the Jews” was Advent-lingo for the anticipated Messiah

2) Indifference, Hostility, and Worship

• Matthew 2:12-18

Herod ruled through fear, intimidation, and murderous violence against any perceived opposition

The greatest joy of the Magi is in giving generous gifts in worship to Jesus

The Magi secretly flee back Eastward, while Mary & Joseph (and Jesus) flee Westward

As the Light of the World begins to shine, three common responses to Jesus are displayed