

# LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

## Sunday, February 25

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 11:15AM Foundation/Fun N Funky Hour

## Monday, February 26

- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

## Tuesday, February 27

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

## Wednesday, February 28

- 6:30PM AWANA

## Thursday, March 1

- 7:00PM Youth Group-Junior High

## Friday, March 2

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

## Saturday, March 3

- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
- 9:00AM IF:Gathering

## Sunday, March 4

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 11:15AM Foundation/Fun N Funky Hour

### 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

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

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

## long beach alliance church offices

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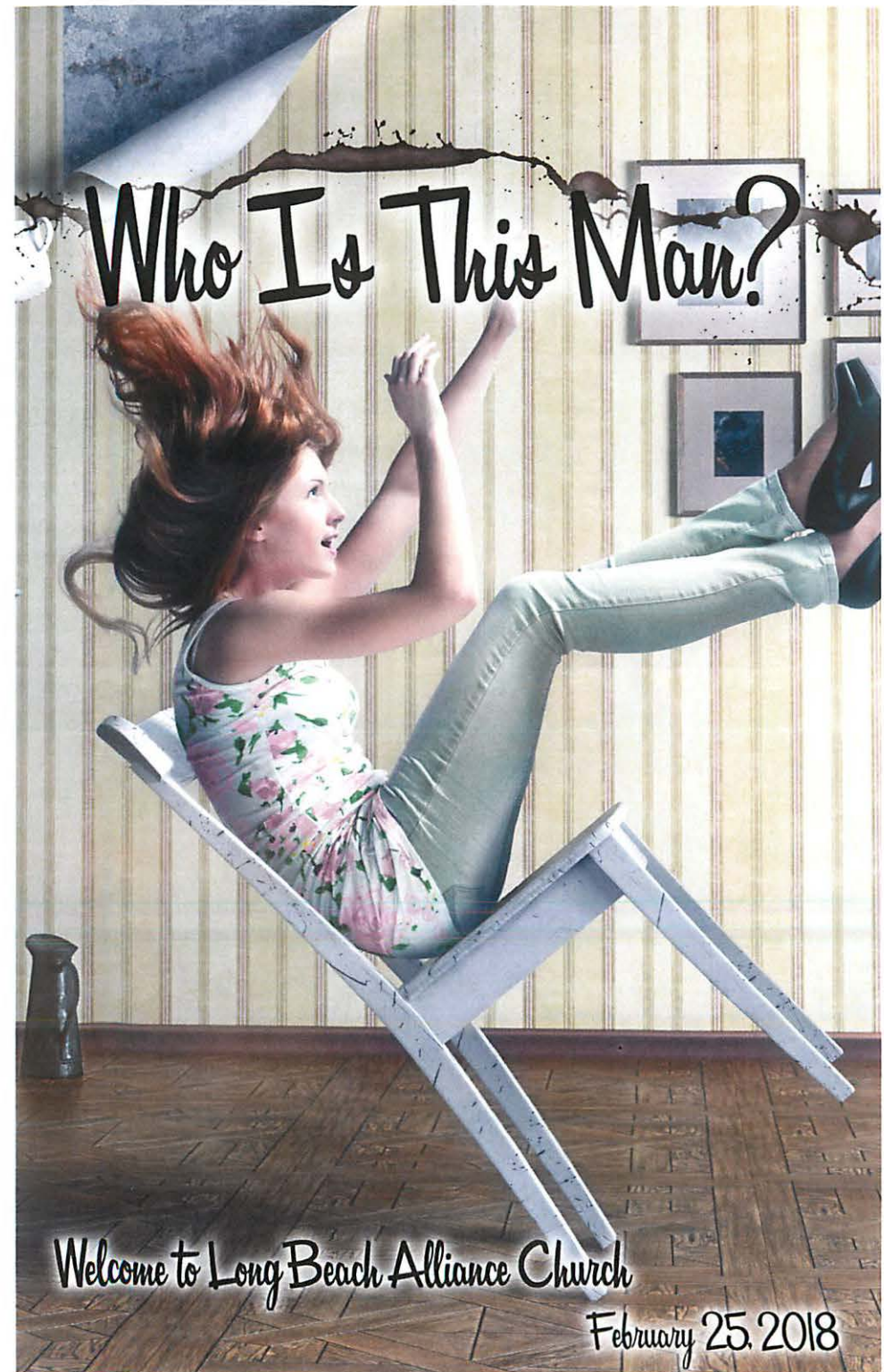
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THE ALLIANCE



Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church

February 25, 2018





welcome to long beach alliance church  
a community of Jesus followers who  
love God, love others, & serve the world

**Gary May Charity Golf Tournament**  
Golf, Dinner and Silent Auction  
Friday, May 4th  
**Recreation Park 18 Golf Course**  
5001 Deukmejian Drive, Long Beach, CA

Golf Registration 11:00 am, Shotgun Start 1:00 pm  
Banquet 6:00 pm

For registration and sponsorship opportunities,  
please visit [GaryMayGolf.com](http://GaryMayGolf.com)  
Questions? Contact Greg Coles 310.293.9518

**\$125** Golf, Dinner Banquet, Silent Auction and Raffle  
**\$40** Dinner Banquet, Silent Auction and Raffle

Proceeds benefit LBAC's children and youth camps and ministries.

Listening • Conversation • Alignment • Power

# Prayer

Four classes that change everything

Begins today, 11:15 AM!

**February 25**  
**March 4, 11, 18**

Questions? Contact: [tcoll@lbac.org](mailto:tcoll@lbac.org)

**An All-Church  
Foundations Hour**  
In the Sanctuary

## LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

Budget	Required	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$12,041.97	\$8,994.53	74.7%
Month-to-Date:	\$36,125.91	\$33,338.78	92.3%
Year-to-Date:	\$301,049.25	\$290,141.70	96.4%
Disbursed YTD: \$274,018.00		GOF Balance: \$16,123.70	

**LBAC WOMEN!**

YOU CAN BE  
A PART OF

IF:GATHERING  
**2018**

MARCH 2-3, 2018  
SIGN UP TODAY!

You can also sign up online: [www.lbac.org](http://www.lbac.org)  
Need More Info? [meghan\\_brearley@verizon.net](mailto:meghan_brearley@verizon.net)

**Fun-n-Funky Hour Begins Today!**  
**For Kids From Pre-K thru 5th Grade!**  
**Great Games, Crafts, & Sweet Snacks!**

11:15AM-12:15PM

Sign-In begins at 11:00AM, in the Church Office  
Need More Information? Contact [matt@lbac.org](mailto:matt@lbac.org)



# Focused

## **1) Fabulous Fame Challenges Faithful Focus**

- **Luke 9:43b-50 (Matthew 17:22-23; 18:1-5 (cf. 10:42); Mark 9:30-41)**

**Jesus' Popularity in Galilee Expands & Explodes, Dazzling All with Astonishment**

**Jesus Avoids Growing Fame & Urgently Reminds His Disciples of True Gospel Purposes**

**The Disciples Did/Could Not Comprehend Why Jesus Said Such Distressing Things**

## **2) Drunk With Expectations of Influence**

- **Luke 9:46-48 (Matthew 18:1-5; Mark 9:33-37; see also James 2:1-4)**

**Ironically, as Jesus Predicts Suffering His Disciples Argue About Their Future Greatness**

**The "Lowly" Are Most Honored In God's Kingdom By God Through Relationship to Jesus**

## **3) Expectations, Comparisons, and Competition**

- **Luke 9:49-50 (Mark 9:38-41; cf. Matthew 10:42;  
cf. John 13:4-5, 12-17, 15:15-17)**

**Disciples in God's Kingdom Reject Comparisons and Competition Between One Another**

# Growth Group Guide

## Who Is This Man?

Week #8

Focused

Luke 9:43-50

### Ice Breaker

- What was your first job? Was it a humbling experience or confidence-builder?

### In-Depth

- Read Luke 9:43:50
  - Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon
1. Luke 9:43-45. "But while they were all marveling at everything he was doing, Jesus said..." Why did Jesus bring up the topic of his death at this time?
    - 1A. Jesus is "about to be delivered into the hands of men" by whom? See John 13:2; Luke 22:47-48; Mark 15:1; Acts 3:12-14; Mark 15:15; Romans 8:32.
    - 1A. Why do you think understanding was "concealed from them, so that they might not perceive it"?

2. Luke 9:46-48. Also read Mark 10:35-41, Luke 22:24. What are the apostles arguing about and why?

2A. Why is pride so dangerous? See Proverbs 16:11; Proverbs 8:13; Proverbs 21:4; Psalm 10:4; James 4:6

2B. What is Jesus' response to their pride? What should be our response (e.g. Romans 12:3, 2 Corinthians 10:17-18)?

3. Luke 9:49-50. What was the motive of the disciples in v49?

3A. Read Philippians 1:15-18. What is the lesson Jesus teaches in verses 49-50 and Paul follows?

## Making It Relevant

1. In what areas are you most vulnerable to pride?

2. How can you combat pride that sneaks (or roars) into your life?

3. Is pride ever ok? Is promoting self-esteem in our kids ok?