

# LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

## Sunday, April 8

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 11:15AM Foundation Hour
- 12:15PM Deacon Meeting
- 6:00PM 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 (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: sherylynnlbac@gmail.com

Lydia House Meals Ministry

Contact: robbi@apabrando.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

## Monday, April 9

- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

## Tuesday, April 10

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

## Wednesday, April 11

- 6:30PM AWANA

## Thursday, April 12

- 7:00PM Youth Group-Junior High

## Friday, April 13

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

## Saturday, April 14

- 8:00AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
- 9:00AM Deaconess Meeting
- 10:00AM Crafty Women

## Sunday, April 15

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

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

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church office hours: tuesday-thursday, 10:00AM-5:00PM

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THE  
ALLIANCE

# The Road Less Traveled

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church • April 8, 2018





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

# MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

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**Saturday, April 14  
at 8:00AM**

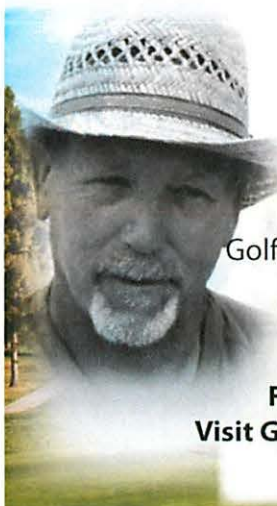
## Gary May Charity Golf Tournament

Friday, May 4 • 1:00PM - 9:00PM  
Recreation Park 18-Hole Golf Course  
5001 Deukmejian Drive, Long Beach, CA

### Golf • Dinner • Silent Auction

Golf Registration @ 11:00AM • Shotgun Start @ 1:00PM  
Banquet Begins @ 6:00PM  
(Banquet only registration is also an option)

For Registration & Sponsorship Opportunities  
Visit [GaryMayGolf.com](http://GaryMayGolf.com) or sign up in the courtyard today!



## FOUNDATIONS CLASSES Begin TODAY at 11:15AM

### Lessons from the Master

Facilitator: John Carriveau  
Located: Room 102

In the gospel of Matthew, Jesus teaches his disciples about the kingdom of God, using parables. He then shows them (and us) how to interpret them.

### Praying

Facilitators: Vince Palacios and Team  
Located: Room 106

Continuing our conversation with God, we will be meeting each week to pray and seek God's care and direction for all of our world and the ministry of the gospel.

### Q Class

Facilitator: Dawn and Scott Trickett  
Located: Room 203

We will examine several contemporary aspects of life using video talks from the "Q" organization, and then discuss the subject using helpful tools and insights to help us share our faith in the world today.

### Childcare & Kids Fun-n-Funky Hour!

Nursery thru Pre-K Contact: [matt@lbac.org](mailto:matt@lbac.org)  
Location: Gym  
Fun activities and games for the kids while parents participate in class.

## LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

| <u>Budget</u>               | <u>Required</u> | <u>Received</u>         | <u>Budget %</u> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Weekly:                     | \$12,041.97     | \$16,755.43             | 139.1%          |
| Month-to-Date:              | \$12,041.97     | \$16,755.43             | 139.1%          |
| Year-to-Date:               | \$373,301.07    | \$366,523.73            | 98.2%           |
| Disbursed YTD: \$357,949.00 |                 | GOF Balance: \$8,574.73 |                 |

# On The Job Training

Long Beach Alliance Church • April 8, 2018 • Pastor Chris Lankford

## 1) Cross-Cultural Training

*(Luke 10:1-11; cf. 9:1-6)*

**The sending out of the 72 two-by-two into the local towns is meant to be an “on-the-job” team training exercise, much like the training Jesus accomplished with ‘the Twelve’ earlier in Luke 9:1-6. First and foremost, Jesus desires His followers (the church) learn ministry by doing ministry.**

## 2) Intentional Dependency

*(Luke 10:3-4; Matthew 24:14; Revelation 7:9-12)*

**The sending out of the 72 into a cross-cultural context illustrates God’s heart of mercy and grace for all people groups of the world, especially as Christ heads to the cross in Jerusalem. Every Christ-follower needs active dependence – in prayer (vertical) and in relationship with one another (horizontal). In God’s Kingdom, the number “one” is never singular. “One” is always inter-dependent unity.**

## 3) Purposeful Follow-Up

*(Luke 10:12-20)*

**The 72 are sent with a message of hope in the Gospel and also with a real-life motivation that life and death are genuinely in the balance. Choosing to “not listen” or to “not be aware” of the Gospel message results in eternal destruction. Ignorance or lack of knowledge does not excuse sin. God’s people are on a genuine desperate rescue mission. Eternity hangs in the balance, nothing else is more important.**





# Growth Group Guide

## The Road Less Traveled

Week #1

On The Job Training

Luke 10:1-20

### Ice Breaker

- Do you have any favorite quotes (non-Biblical)? What makes them a favorite?

### In-Depth

- Read Luke 10:1-20
  - Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon
1. Spend a few minutes with your group reviewing what has preceded today's passage.
    - 1A. What are the similarities and differences between verses 1-12 in this passage and Luke 9:1-6?
  2. Read Luke 10:2. Also Read Matthew 9:35-38. What is Jesus saying? What motivates him to say it? Why does he say it at this time?
    - 2A. Read John 4:35-38. What are the two types of laborers described? Give examples of both kinds of laboring in today's world.

2A. Read Romans 10:13-17. Take this passage sentence-by-sentence and explain it.

3. Luke 10:10-15. Also read Matthew 13:36-43. What is the urgency to send forth laborers?

3A. Is Hell real? Why is Hell so controversial today?

3B. What do Luke 10:12 and Luke 10:14, as well as Hebrews 10:29 imply about punishment in Hell?

## Making It Relevant

1. Do you share in Jesus' compassion and urgency for the lost? What can we as a church do better in this area?

2. Have you had more success sowing or reaping? Why do you think that is? Can you do anything to get better at both?

3. How do you address the topic of Hell with non-Christians?