



POWER UP

RAISE YOUR GAME

God Mode

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance
'Church In The Park'
Willow Grove @ El Dorado Park
June 23, 2019

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

Sunday, June 23

- 9:30AM Morning Coffee & Donuts in the Park
- 10:00AM Church in the Park Worship
- 12:15PM Deacon Meeting
- 6:00PM VBS JH Leader Meeting

Monday, June 24

- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
- 7:00PM Pure Desire
- 7:00PM Survivors of Incest Anonymous

Tuesday, June 25

- 7:00PM The Deep (JH & HS Groups)
- 7:00PM Elders Meeting

Thursday, June 27

- 10:00AM Youth Beach Days
- 10:00AM VBS T-Shirt Pick Up Begins!
- 6:30PM Summer Youth Group

Friday, June 28

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

Saturday, June 29

- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
- 5:00PM AWANA Leader BBQ @ Slade's

Sunday, June 30

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration
- 6:00PM VBS JH Leader Meeting
- 7:00PM Nominating Committee Mtg.

MISSIONS

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

GROWTH GROUPS

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

Mid-week Adult Bible Studies (on break)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

Sunday Mornings

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

AWANA

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

Wednesday Nights through May

YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

The Process High School ~ Tuesdays @ 7:00PM

Junior High Live ~ Thursdays @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

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

Woman To Woman Mentoring

Contact: sherylnnelbac@gmail.com

Lydia House Meals Ministry

Contact: mcoliver789@msn.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>

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Long Beach Alliance Church



June 23, 2019



Pastor Chris Lankford

1) It's Almost "Power Up" Time!

- A. We are **ONLY** three weeks from VBS! Hundreds of kids and over 100 volunteers will soon be descending onto Long Beach Alliance Church for our 2019 Vacation Bible School "VBS 2019: Power Up!" It will be an amazing week for kids and families!
- B. In previous weeks we have been preparing for VBS by learning that God has built us for relationships, not only with each other, but also with Him! Additionally, we learned that God has revealed all we need to know about God and Jesus and how mankind was designed to live life through the great gift of His Word, the Bible!
- C. So, let's keep it simple... God has made us for relationship, and the Bible tells us how great our lives would be if we could have a true and genuine relationship with Him.

His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

~ 2 Peter 1:3

- D. But how? How can we have a relationship with God? Even though God has designed us for relationship with Him, and even though He shows us the great life he has for us, a terrible truth leaves us powerless to achieve any relationship with God.

There is no one righteous, not even one. There is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death...

~ Romans 3:10-11, 23; 6:23a

2) God Provides The Power

- A. Even though we are powerless because of our sin, God is not.

What the law could not do, since it was weakened by the flesh, God did. He condemned sin in the flesh by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh as a sin offering, in order that the law's requirement would be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

~ Romans 8:3-4

B. God provides the power because He loves all of mankind and wants to have a good relationship with us. This is why God sends Jesus!

This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all...

~ 1 Timothy 2:3-6

C. Jesus sacrifices His life as payment for sin so that we could have a relationship with God through Jesus. We receive a relationship with God by turning from sin (self-directed life) to trusting our lives completely to Jesus Christ (God-directed life).

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

~ 2 Corinthians 5:21

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

~ Ephesians 2:8

D. This is God's gift of love and mercy for us, the provision of all we need that we could never achieve on our own. When we are weak, God is our strength. When we are lost, God finds us. Even when we are far away from God, His love is consistent and seeks us out.

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of his great love that he had for us, made us alive with Christ even though we were dead in trespasses. You are saved by grace!

~ Ephesians 2:4-5

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

~ James 1:17

E. This is the good news! Once God rescues you, you will never be alone again. Once you've been found by God, you'll never be lost again. Living your best life is lived in the power and love of Christ!

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

~ Romans 8:38-39



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VBS 2019

QUESTIONS?

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July 8-12

**for kids from pre-k
through junior high!**

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