

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, September 8

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration
- 11:15AM Foundations Classes: Session 1, Wk 1

Monday, September 9

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

Tuesday, September 10

- 7:00PM Governing Board Meeting
- 6:00PM Student Leaders
- 7:00PM The Process- High School

Wednesday, September 11

- 6:30PM AWANA

Thursday, September 12

- 7:00PM Junior High Live

Friday, September 13

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

Saturday, September 14

- 8:00AM Men's Breakfast
- 9:00AM Deaconess Meeting
- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous
- 10:00AM Crafty Women
- 3:30PM Women's Ministry Book Group

Sunday, September 25

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration
- 11:15AM Foundations Classes: Session 1, Wk 2
- 12:15PM Deacon Meeting

MISSIONS

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

GROWTH GROUPS

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

Mid-week Adult Bible Studies

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

Sunday Mornings

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

AWANA

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

Wednesday Nights September through May

YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

The Process High School- Tuesdays @ 7:00PM
Junior High Live - Thursdays @ 7PM

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>

Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

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THE
ALLIANCE

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

GOSPEL GLADIATORS

WELCOME TO LONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH
SEPTEMBER VIII, MMXIX



GROWTH GROUPS

BEGIN TODAY!

Register online at lbac.org/ministries/growth-groups
or contact Luke Schaub via email: schaubl@gmail.com



REGISTRATION

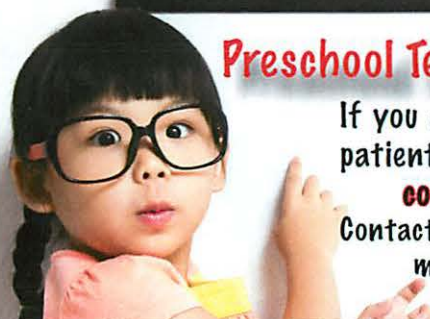
is now open!

To register go to :

lbac.org/awana-registration

or see Tom Gerl in the
Courtyard today!

Questions? Contact the office 562.420.1478



Preschool Teachers Needed

If you are friendly, caring,
patient and love little ones,
consider teaching.

Contact Meghan Brearley at
meghan@lbac.org

Men's Breakfast

FREE CHILDCARE PROVIDED!

**Saturday, September 14
8:00AM
LBAC Gymnasium**

Got Questions? Call Greg Coles @ 310.293.9518

FOUNDATIONS! CLASSES

CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

① Early Church History

The history of the Christian Church from the Fall of Jerusalem
in AD 70 to the eve of the Protestant Reformation in AD 1500
Elder Luke Schaub, Room 102

**Please Note: "Early Church History" runs September 15-October 20*

② Christians, Muslims & Jesus

Understanding Muslims and building
better bridges for Muslims to understand Jesus
Kelly Douglas & Diana Burg, Room 203

③ Worrying Praying Moms

Moms do you worry about your kids? Or worry you could/should be
a better mom? Join in committing to replace worry with the spiritual
discipline (gift) of prayer.

Melinda Lankford Room 106

④ Youth (*Only) Class: In Christ

What does it mean to have an identity "In Christ?" In Romans 8, we
will discover 6 examples of what having an "in Christ" identity means!

Pastor Jesse Duckett, Room 202

⑤ Children's Fun-n-Funky

Nursery & Kids Activities for all Kids
Parents: Check-In Kids @ Nursery & Gymnasium!

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget %</u>
Weekly:	\$11,977.03	\$19,264.00	160.8%
Month-to-Date:	\$47,908.12	\$55,423.38	115.7%
Year-to-Date:	\$622,805.56	\$653,704.20	105.0%
Disbursed YTD:	\$640,331.00	GOF Balance: \$13,373.20	

GROWTH GROUP GUIDE

Gospel Gladiators:

Introduction to Romans

Week #1 • Romans 1:1-15

Ice Breaker

Share with your group one or two things you did this summer.

In-Depth

- Read Romans 1:1-15
- Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon

1. EPISTLES

- A. Romans is an epistle (letter). In what ways are epistles different from other scripture (e.g. gospels, Acts, Psalms)?
- B. Why did the apostles write epistles?
- C. Read 1 Corinthians 11:4,14; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; 1 Timothy 5:23; Romans 13:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:26. What challenges can we encounter in trying to understand an epistle?

2. PAUL

- A. Read Romans 1:1. Review the extraordinary history of Paul: Philippians 3:5-6; Acts 8:1-3, 9:1-23; Galatians 1:11-2:2; 2 Corinthians 11:24-28; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

B. How does Paul identify himself? In what ways do 1 Corinthians 9:16; Galatians 1:1; and Acts 26:15-18 help explain his identity?

3. ROME

A. What was Rome like in the time of Paul? What made it important?

B. Luke 1:7-15. What do we learn of the Roman church from this passage (name 4-6 things)?

C. Why did Paul write to the Roman church?

Making It Relevant

1. Are you a servant of Christ? What does that mean to you? How would 1 Corinthians 9:16 end if it were applied to your life: "For I am under compulsion. Woe is me if I do not..."?

2. What are you hoping to get out of the study of Romans?

GOSPEL GLADIATORS

"FROM JULIUS CAESAR TO JESUS CHRIST, DAMASCUS AND ONTO CENCHREA"

(A PAINFULLY SHORT INTRODUCTION TO THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS)

LONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH • SEPTEMBER VIII, MMXIX • INTRODUCTION/ROMANS II-XV • PASTOR CHRIS LANKFORD

45 BCE

- 365-Day Calendar instituted by Julius Caesar

44 BCE

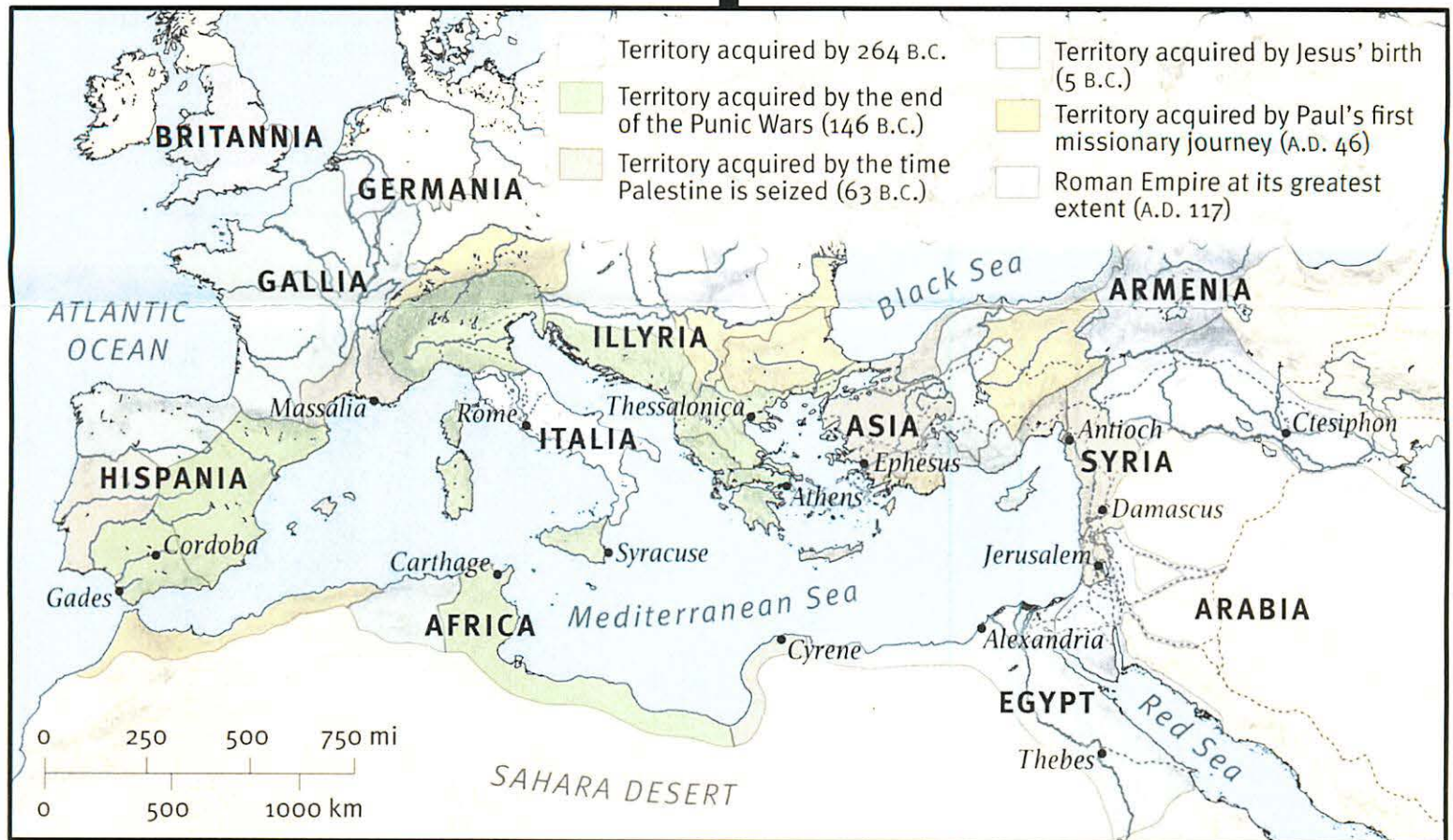
- Julius Caesar declared 'Dictator for Life'

44 BCE

- Julius Caesar assassinated (Ides of March)

27 BCE

- Roman Empire 'born' under Julius Caesar's adopted son Octavian, who receives the honored title of "Caesar Augustus," first Emperor of the Roman Empire.



26 BCE

- Caesar Augustus appoints 4,500 men from the Roman 'special forces,' or 'Praetorian Cohorts,' as his personal bodyguards and police force.

26 BCE

- Caesar Augustus establishes the Pax Romana or 'Roman Peace' throughout Rome's Empire. This begins a time of economic flourishing, an expansive and improved road system, and broad rights for Roman citizens.

12 BCE

- Caesar Augustus became Pontifex Maximus, the religious (as well as political) head of Rome.

14 CE

- Caesar Augustus dies, Tiberius Caesar becomes the second Roman Emperor.

5/4 BCE

- Jesus Christ born in Bethlehem.

33 CE

- Jesus Christ crucified for sedition against Rome/Caesar with beatings followed by crucifixion on cross. Jesus Christ is resurrected from the dead three days later, and 40 days later ascends to heaven.

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JESUS NAZARENVS REX JUDAEORVM
ΙΗΣΟΥΣ Ο ΝΑΖΩΡΑΙΟΣ Ο ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ ΤΩΝ ΙΟΥΔΑΙΩΝ

37 CE

- Tiberius Caesar dies, and is succeeded by his grand nephew Caligula who was known for his gladiatorial games and bizarre leadership, was likely mentally ill.

35/36 CE

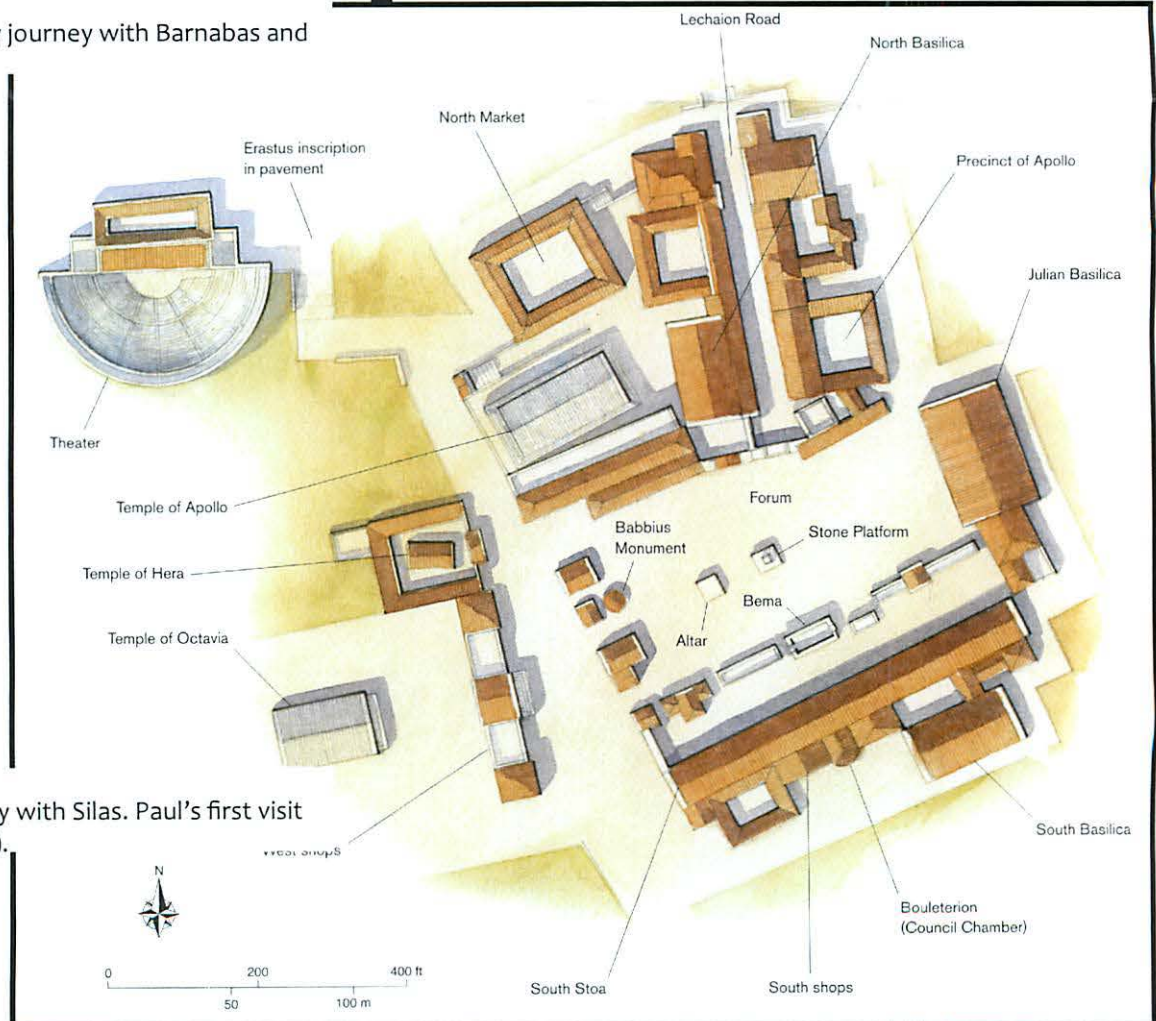
- Saul, a Jewish Pharisee, confronted by Christ while traveling to Damascus, leading to Saul's conversion to Christ & subsequent name change to 'Paul.'

41 CE

- Caligula is assassinated by his Praetorian Guard, and is succeeded by his uncle, Claudias Caesar.

46-48 CE

- Apostle Paul's 1st missionary journey with Barnabas and John Mark (Acts 13-14).



50-52 CE

- Paul's 2nd missionary journey with Silas. Paul's first visit to Corinth (Acts 15:22-18:23).

49 CE

- Jews expelled from Rome by Claudias Caesar (Acts 18:2) due to conflicts with new Christians.



53-57 CE

- Paul's 3rd missionary journey, where he spends 3 years establishing the church in Ephesus and visits Corinth and the port city of Cenchree again (Acts 19:1-21:16).d

54 CE

- Emperor Claudius dies, poisoned by his wife so that her son from a previous marriage could immediately ascend to the throne. Her son, Nero, becomes Rome's Caesar.

57 CE

- While in Corinth, Paul completes his letter to the Christians in Rome, sending it for both delivery and reading with Phoebe, a church leader and sister in Christ from Cenchreae (Acts 15:22-18:23).

Rome in the Time of Paul

The city plan below shows most of the features of the city of Rome that archaeologists have so far identified as dating from the time of Paul. Sections of the city would have been very impressive in his time, but most of the outstanding buildings visible in Rome today date to after his death.

