# **LBAC's Family Calendar & Events**

#### Sunday, October 6

9:00AM Morning Coffee

9:30AM Worship & Celebration

11:15AM Foundations Classes: Session 1, Wk 5

5:00PM Annual Vision Dinner

6:00PM Annual Vision Meeting

### Monday, October 7

6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous Sunday Mornings: Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

7:00PM Pure Desire

7:00PM Survivors of Incest Anonymous

## Tuesday, October 8

6:00PM Student Leaders

7:00PM Governing Board Meeting

7:00PM The Process- High School

## Wednesday, October 9

6:30PM AWANA

# Thursday, October 10

7:00PM Junior High Live

# Friday, October 11

8:00PM Narcotics Anonymous

6:30AM Men's Bible Study on Campus

## Saturday, October 12

8:00AM Men's Breakfast

9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

10:00AM Crafty Women

## Sunday, October 13

9:00AM Morning Coffee

9:30AM Worship & Celebration

11:15AM Foundations Classes: Sess. 1, Wk 6 Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

#### 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

Fun N Funky @ 11:15AM

#### **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: sherylynnelbac@gmail.com

#### Lydia House Meals Ministry Contact: mcoliver789@msn.com

Women Connecting with Missions 3rd 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

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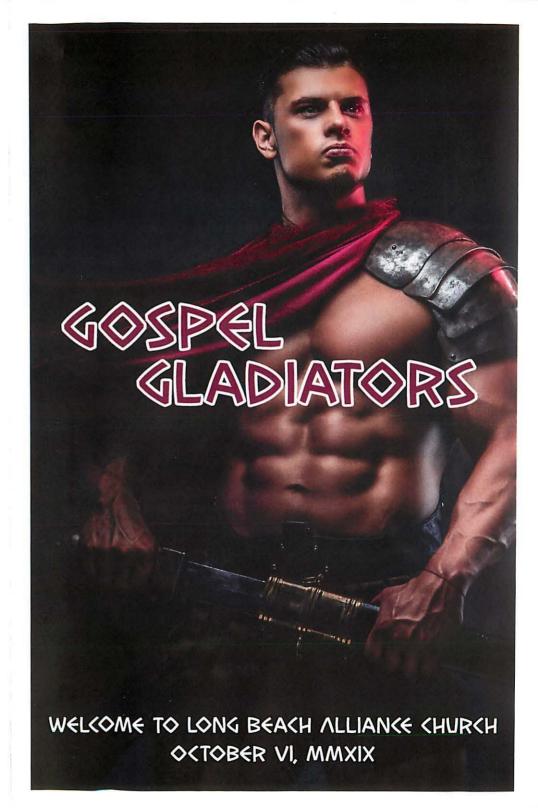
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It's time to say goodbye ... The Cannons are moving out of state!

RETREAT



Join us for a light lunch and a chance to say farewell to Mary & Loy as they head into their next venture.

> Sunday, October 20, 2019 11:15aM > Gym

October 24-27

2019

HUME MEN'S RETREAT

SEE MIKE COMSTOCK IN THE COURTYARD TO SIGN UP!

> Questions? Mike Comstock 562.505.8398





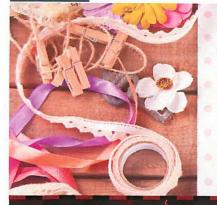




So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

Informational Meeting Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 7PM in the Gym

Sign up in the Courtyard today! A Women's Ministry Gathering Event



# Please join us...

Saturday, October 12 10AM-4PM - Room 102

Questions? Contact Donna Neel Text: 562.335.9088 Email: donna@neel.com

# LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	<u>Budget</u>	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$12,715.40	\$13,679.78	<b>/107.6</b> %
Month-to-Date:	\$63,577.00	\$59,008.93	92.8%
Year-to-Date:	\$63,577.00	\$59,008.93	92.8%
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# GOSPEL GLADIATORS

#### "THE COMMON GRACE OF NATURAL LAW"

LONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH · OCTOBER II. MMXIX · ROMANS II:XII-XVI· PASTOR CHRIS LANKFORD

#### I) IMPARTIALITY IS IMPOSSIBL<del>e</del>!

- A. God's impartial judgment of both the 'selfless do-gooder' and the 'selfish do-whatever'er' (Romans 2:6-11) melted two different kinds of people into one group. Group #1 was the Jews, the recipients of the Law of Moses. Group #2 was the Greeks (representing all non-Jewish people), who had not received the Law of Moses (2:12).
- B. How could both of these groups be logically placed under the same standard?! This seemed impossible for Jewish thinkers:
  - i. The Greeks never received the Law of Moses, which meant they were lost and without hope. It made sense to the Jews that the Greeks would never know God, unless they converted to actively believing and practicing Judaism.
  - ii. The Jews were the recipients of the Law, and (to them) they were obviously God's favorites. The Jews believed that by virtue of having/hearing the Law, their righteousness in God was secure.

# II) IMPARTIALITY EXPLAINED

- A. God's impartiality means that those who sin without the Law of Moses are still judged based on the natural law God places in all human souls (Romans 2:12, cf. 1:19-20).
- B. Then the bomb gets dropped! Doing the Law of Moses is the requirement of being a recipient of the Law of Moses (2:13). Knowing the Law is of no advantage, you actually have to follow what God says in order to be "justified" (right with God).
- C. Ignorance of the Law is also of no advantage. All laws are by God's design, and even random rules/standards reflect God's "common grace," and are enough for God's righteous judgment (2:14-15).
- D. Is there any hope?! There is "good news" in God's judgment (2:16) because even the judgment of a man's secrets (terrifying) will be good news when they are through the life of Christ Jesus!

# GROWTH GROUP GUIDE

# Gospel Gladiators: Written on Our Hearts

Week •5 • Romans 212-16

# Ice Breaker

What is something great (other than God/Jesus) that you think most people are missing out on only because they haven't experienced it (food, place, entertainment, event, etc)?

# In-Depth

- Read Romans 2:12-16
- Discuss what you learned from this week's sermon

# 1. Those who know and those who don't

- A. Read Romans 2:12. What two groups of people is Paul addressing in this verse? What are their fates?
- B. Read Romans 1:18-21; Romans 2:14-15. Why does God hold sinners who have not heard the gospel accountable for their sins?
- C. Read Romans 9:1; Acts 24:16. What is our conscience?
- D. Read Luke 12:42.48. What does this parable teach about those who do and don't know the master's will?

E. Read Matthew 11:20-22; Hebrews 10:26-29. Who today might these verses apply to? What is the warning to them?
<ul> <li>Hearers or Doers</li> <li>A. Romans 2:13. Also read James 1:22-25. What does it mean to be a hearer only?</li> </ul>
B. Read Matthew 7:24-27. What are the consequences of hearing but not doing? Give examples in modern life.
Making It Relevant  1. How would you answer someone who says it's not fair for God to judge those who never had the chance to hear the gospel?
2. What areas of your life are you most susceptible to be a hearer but not a doer? How can you become a doer in these areas?