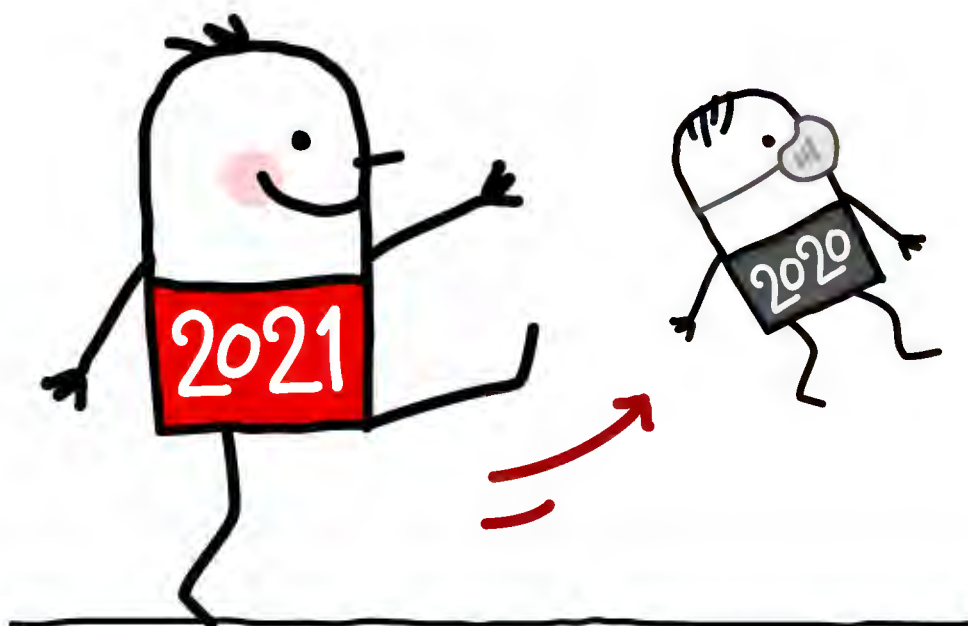




Bible Vision 2021

**Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church
Sunday, December 27, 2020**



YOUR YEAR-END GIVING

MAKES A DIFFERENCE

**Remember, all giving needs to be into the church office
(or postmarked if by 'snail mail') by December 31
to be included for your 2020 giving summary!**

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget %</u>
Weekly:	\$12,803.78	\$25,105.00	196.1%
Month-to-Date:	\$38,411.34	\$53,306.16	138.8%
Year-to-Date:	\$204,860.48	\$207,177.25	101.1%
Disbursed YTD: \$187,609.18		GF Balance: \$60,262.68*	

*Denotes General Fund (GF) balance after subtracting \$47,232.00 of Paycheck Protection Plan (PPP) Small Business Loan funds. LBAC's application has been submitted for the [promised complete loan forgiveness](#) and is expected soon. Until then, we will report the GF balance with PPP funds subtracted.

Worship Songs ~ Sunday, December 27, 2020

Raise a Hallelujah

Verse 1

I raise a hallelujah, in the presence of my enemies
I raise a hallelujah, louder than the unbelief
I raise a hallelujah, my weapon is a melody
I raise a hallelujah, heaven comes to fight for me

Chorus

I'm gonna sing, in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar
Up from the ashes, hope will arise
Death is defeated, the King is alive!

Verse 2

I raise a hallelujah, with everything inside of me
I raise a hallelujah, I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a hallelujah, in the middle of the mystery
I raise a hallelujah, fear you lost your hold on me!

Chorus

I'm gonna sing, in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar
Up from the ashes, hope will arise
Death is defeated, the King is alive!

Bridge

Sing a little louder (In the presence of my enemies)
Sing a little louder (Louder than the unbelief)
Sing a little louder (My weapon is a melody)
Sing a little louder (Heaven comes to fight for me)

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Sing a little louder!

(Raise a Hallelujah cont.)

Chorus

I'm gonna sing, in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar
Up from the ashes, hope will arise
Death is defeated, the King is alive!

Dwell

Verse 1

Though a thousand may fall at my side
Though the enemy war against me
I will not fear the terror by night
I will hide in the shadow of your wings

Chorus

I will dwell in the shelter of the Most High God
I will rest in the beauty of your presence
Your faithfulness is a shield and my great reward
I will not be afraid, I will trust in the Lord

Verse 2

You have set me securely on high
You delivered me out of darkness
And when evil surrounds my life
You commanded your angels to guard me

Chorus

I will dwell in the shelter of the Most High God
I will rest in the beauty of your presence
Your faithfulness is a shield and my great reward
I will not be afraid, I will trust in the Lord

Bridge

No weapon formed against me will prosper
No weapon formed against me will prosper
No weapon formed against me will prosper
Says the Lord

(Dwell cont.)

Chorus

I will dwell in the shelter of the Most High God
I will rest in the beauty of your presence
Your faithfulness is a shield and my great reward
I will not be afraid, I will trust in the Lord

Confession

Father, we come before You as people who are undeserving
of Your love and forgiveness, yet You give to us freely.

Thank You that even when we were still sinners, living in rebellion to
You, You sent Your Son as a sacrifice to pay our debt
and remove our guilt.

As we confess to You now and are made right with You,
fill us with the peace that only You can provide.

Reckless Love

Verse 1

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me
You have been so, so good to me
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me
You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it,
still, You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God

(Reckless Love cont.)

Verse 2

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me
You have been so, so good to me
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it,
still, You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God

Bridge, 3x

There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me

Chorus

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it,
still, You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God

Come Adore Him

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

For He alone is worthy
For He alone is worthy
For He alone is worthy
Christ the Lord

We'll give Him all the glory
We'll give Him all the glory
We'll give Him all the glory
Christ the Lord

Control

Verse 1

Here I am, All my intentions
All my obsessions
I want to lay them all down
In Your hands, Only Your love is vital
Though I'm not entitled
Still You call me Your child

Chorus

God You don't need me
But somehow You want me
Oh, how You love me
Somehow that frees me
To take my hands off of my life
And the way it should go
(repeat...)

Verse 2

I've had plans, Shattered and broken
Things I have hoped in, Fall through my hands
You have plans, To redeem and restore me
You're behind and before me, Oh, help me believe

(Control cont.)

Back to Chorus

Bridge

You want me, Somehow You want me
The King of Heaven wants me
So this world has lost its grip on me
You want me, Somehow You want me
The King of Heaven wants me
So this world has lost its grip on me

Back to Chorus

Outro

You want me
Somehow You want me
The King of Heaven wants me
So this world has lost its grip on me

The Word of God

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*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching,
for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,
that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.
-2 Timothy 3:16-17*

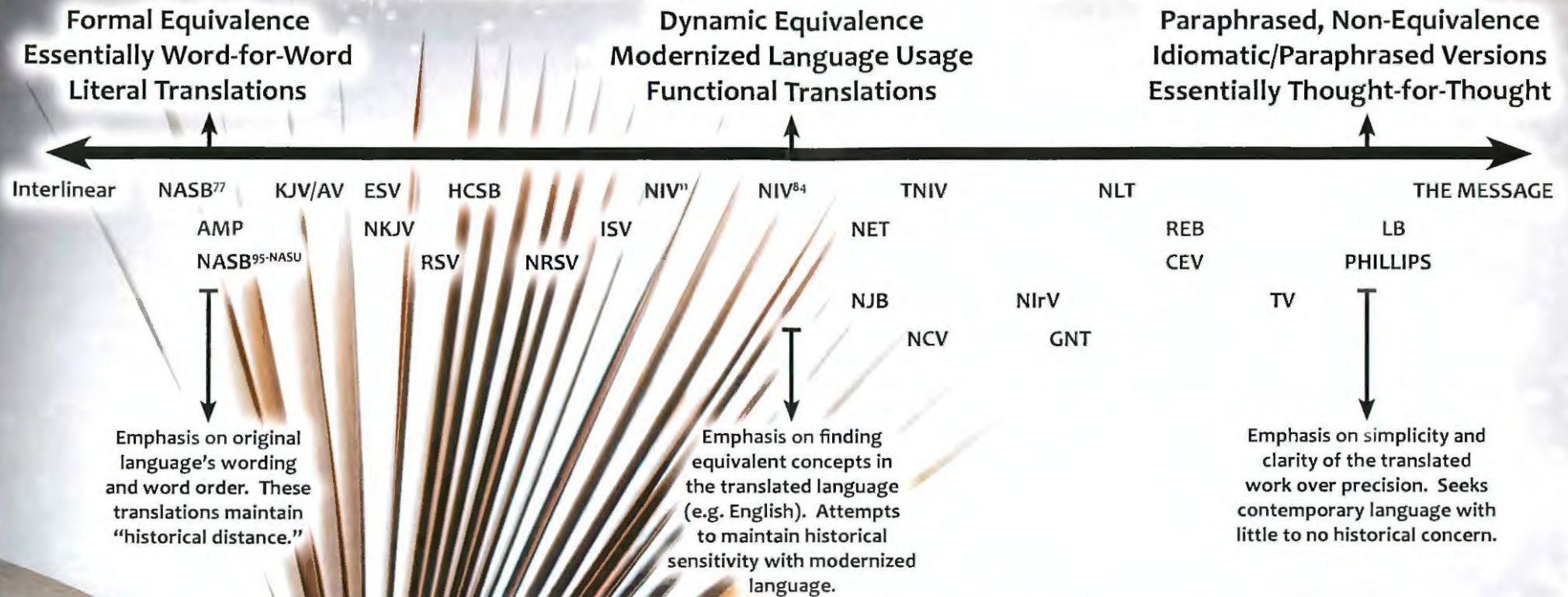
1) The Miraculous Composition of the Bible

2) Some “Problems” with Reading the Bible

3) A Central Theme "Solution" to Reading the Bible

4) Encouragement to Intentionally Read Your Bible in 2021

Bible Translation Spectrum & Version Notes



Abbreviation Key & Publication Dates

Interlinear = Hebrew & Greek Word-for-Word Translation
 NASB⁷⁷ (11-12) = New American Standard Version, 1977
 AMP (11-12) = Amplified Version, 1965
 NASB^{95-NASU} (10-11) = New American Standard Version/Updated, 1995
 KJV/AV (12+) = King James Version, 1769 (Also called Authorized Version, AV)
 ESV (8-9) = English Standard Version, 2011
 NKJV (10-11) = New King James Version, 1982
 RSV (10-11) = Revised Standard Version, 1952
 HCSB (6-8) = Holman Christian Standard Bible, 2003
 NRSV (8-9) = New Revised Standard Version, 1989†
 ISV (6-7) = International Standard Version, 2011*
 NIV¹¹ (4-5) = New International Version, 2011*
 NIV⁸⁴ (6) = New International Version, 1984

NET (6-7) = On-line Translation, Ongoing*
 NJB (6-7) = New Jerusalem Bible, 1985
 TNIV (6) = Today's New International Version, 2005†
 NCV (3-4) = New Century Version, 1991†
 Nlrv (2-3) = New International Reader's Version, 1996
 GNT (4-5) = Good News Translation, 1976
 NLT (6-7) = New Living Translation, 2nd Edition, 2004†
 REB (6-7) = Revised English Bible, 1989†
 CEV (4-5) = Contemporary English Version, 1995†
 TV (3-4) = The Voice, 2012
 PHILLIPS (3-4) = Phillips New Testament In Modern English, by JB Phillips, 1958
 LB (3-4) = The Living Bible, by Kenneth Taylor, 1971
 THE MESSAGE (6-7) = The Message Bible, by Eugene Peterson, 2002

(#'s) Estimated Reading Comprehension Grade Level

* No Gender Neutral Language for God; appropriate Gender Inclusive Language

† Gender Neutral Language

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Matthew 16:24-26 In Parallel Versions

Formal Equivalence

New American Standard Bible, 1995 Edition (NASB⁹⁵)

Matthew 16:24-26

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?"

Dynamic Equivalence

English Standard Version, 2011 Edition (ESV)

Matthew 16:24-26

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?"

New International Version, 2011 Edition (NIV¹¹)

Matthew 16:24-26

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"

Paraphrased, Non-Equivalence

New Living Translation, 2nd Edition, 2004 (NLT)

Matthew 16:24-26

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?"

The Message, 2002 (by Eugene Peterson) ~ Paraphrased Version

Matthew 16:24-26

Then Jesus went to work on his disciples. "Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. What kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? What could you ever trade your soul for?"

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts


Sunday, December 27

8:00AM Red Cross Blood Drive
10:30AM Parking Lot & **Livestream**
Worship & Celebration!

Monday, December 28

7:00PM Pure Desire Outdoor & **Zoom** Mtg
7:00PM SIA Outdoor & **Zoom** Mtg

Friday, January 1

 Happy New Year!
8:00PM NA **Zoom** Mtg.

Sunday, January 2

9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
10:30AM Parking Lot & **Livestream**
Worship & Celebration!

MISSIONS

[Link to LBAC Missions!](#)

GROWTH GROUPS

[Link to LBAC Growth Groups!](#)

Mid-week Adult Bible Studies

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Children's Ministries!](#)

Sunday Mornings:

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

Fun-N-Funky @ 11:15AM (on hold)

AWANA

[Link to LBAC AWANA](#)

Wednesday Nights September-May (on hold)

YOUTH MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Youth Ministries!](#)

[Click Here For Youth Group Live Stream Events](#)

Every Tuesday & Thursday Night @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Women's Ministry!](#)

Women's Ministry Event Information

Contact: deya@charter.net

Lydia House Meals Ministry

Contact: mcoliver789@msn.com

[Women Connecting with Missions](#)

3rd Tuesday each month @ 7:00PM (on hold)

[Crafty Women](#)

2nd Saturday each month @ 10:00AM (on hold)

MEN'S MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Men's Ministry!](#)

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