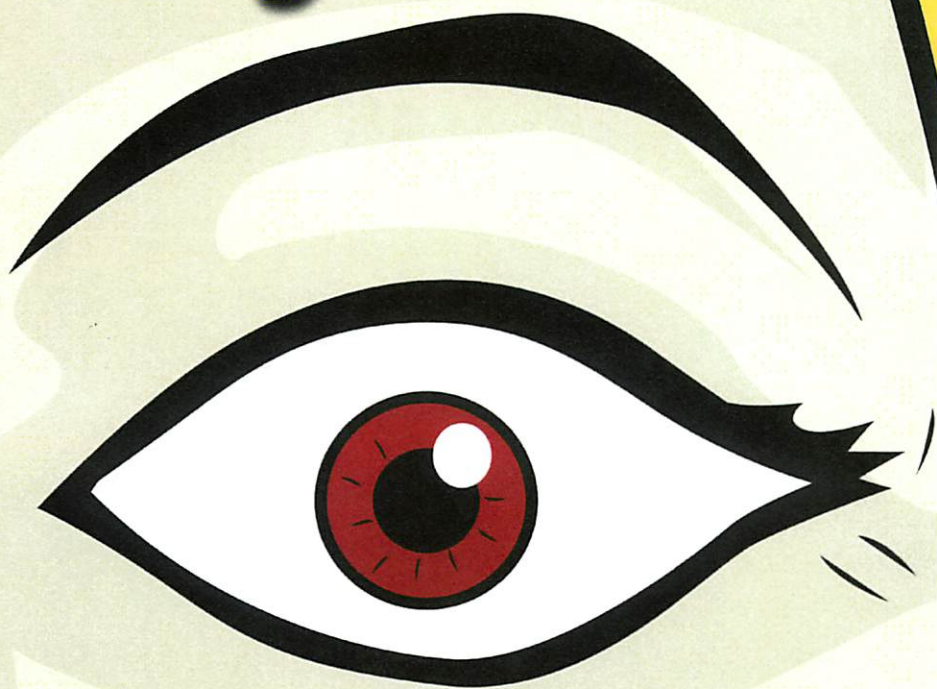


Crazy Mad World



Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church
August 13, 2023

Crafty Women

Saturday
August 19
10AM-4PM

SIGN UP
IN THE COURTYARD
TODAY!

Contact Donna Neel for any questions 562.335.9088

All Church WORK DAY

Saturday, August 26
8AM-12PM

Lunch will be served

Sign up in the
Courtyard Today!

Contact Jeremiah Holden 760.224.4178 for questions

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	Budget	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$13,332.06	\$27,875.00	209.1%
Month-to-Date:	\$13,332.06	\$27,875.00	209.1%
Year-to-Date:	\$653,270.94	\$736,093.88	112.7%
Disbursed YTD:	\$681,976.00	GF Balance:	\$77,751.85

Offerings can be placed in the locked box in the Sanctuary Lobby or given to any usher

Why Jesus is the Answer

(Even Though It May Seem He is Not)

Matthew 15:21-28

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- I. **Jesus is the answer because He reaches out to all**
 - A. Including non-Jewish people, Matthew 15:21, 22-24, 25-27; 2:1-12; 8:5-13; 27:54; 28:19
 - B. Including Canaanites, Matthew 15:22; Deuteronomy 7:1-26
 - C. Including women, Matthew 15:22; Luke 7:11-17, 36-50; 8:43-48... See bonus outline below.
 - D. Including you! Matthew 11:28; John 7:37-38; Revelation 21:6
- II. **Jesus is the answer because He is compassionate, Matt 15:28; contrast 15:23; 14:15; 19:13**
- III. **Jesus is the answer because He is powerful**
 - A. Over disease, Matthew 15:28
 - B. Over demons, Matthew 15:22
 - C. Over desperation, Matthew 15:22
 - D. Over delay, Matt 15:28; Hebrews 11:1-40; 10:39; Mark 5:25-26; 5:21-24, 35-43; John 11:21
- IV. **Jesus is the answer because He is wise**
 - A. With a lesson for His enemies, Matthew 15:21, compare 15:1-20
 - B. With a lesson for the disciples, Matthew 15:23
 - C. With a lesson for the woman, Matthew 15:22-28
 - D. With a lesson for her unbelieving countrymen
 - E. With a lesson for you and for me

V. Jesus is the answer especially when you...

- A. When you recognize Jesus' power and provision,
Matthew 15:27-28; Luke 1:37; Romans 8:31-32; Ephesians 3:20
- B. When you humbly accept God's view of who you are,
Matthew 15:22, 25, 27; Mark 7:25; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 7:18;
8:7-8; Ephesians 2:1-3; 4:17-19, 22
- C. When you resist the temptation to be resentful,
Matthew 15:23, 24, 26
- D. When you continue to believe in spite of obstacles,
Matthew 15:22-28; Hebrews 11:1-40; 10:39
- E. When you understand your desperate need for Jesus,
Matthew 15:22, 23, 25, 27; Mark 10:47-52

BONUS SECTION #1: A Partial List of Characters in the Gospels Who Are Said to Have Faith

Like those mentioned in Hebrews 11, the following people demonstrated faith in different ways. How?

Those who carried the paralytic, Mark 2:5; Luke 5:20; Matthew 9:2
(and the paralytic also?)

The centurion with the ill servant, Matthew 8:10; Luke 7:9

A sinful woman, Luke 7:50

The woman with the hemorrhage, Mark 5:34; Luke 8:48; Matthew 9:22

Two blind men, Matthew 9:29

The Canaanite woman, Matthew 15:28

The father of the demon-possessed boy, Mark 9:23-24

The tenth leper, Luke 17:19

Blind Bartimeus, Mark 10:52; Luke 18:42

What qualities do they show that you should imitate?

BONUS SECTION #2: Womankind: How Did Jesus Relate to Women in the Gospels?

The woman at the well, John 4:3-42

The widow of Nain, Luke 7:11-17

The unnamed sinful woman, Luke 7:36-50

The timid woman who touched His garment, Mark 5:25-34

Mary and Martha, Luke 10:38-42; John 11:1-44

The woman with a bent back, Luke 13:10-17

The Canaanite woman, Matthew 15:21-28; Mark 7:24-30

Martha's sister Mary again, John 12:2-11; Matthew 26:6-13; Mark 14:3-9

The widow who had an offering, Luke 21:1-4

The weeping women of Jerusalem, Luke 23:27-31

His mom, Luke 2:41-52; Mark 3:31-35; John 2:1-11; 19:26-27

Mary Magdalene, Luke 8:2; John 20:11-18

Who were the first witnesses of the resurrection? Luke 24:1-11

See also Mark 1:30-31; Luke 8:1-3; 18:1-8; 23:55-56; John 8:1-11

Can you think of others?

BONUS SECTION #3: Matthew 14-20: Every Single Passage Involves the Disciples!

14:13-21	Jesus feeds the 5,000
14:22-33	Jesus walks on the water
14:34-15:20	Jesus disagrees with the Pharisees and scribes regarding the tradition of washing hands
15:21-28	Jesus delivers the Canaanite woman's daughter
15:29-38	Jesus feeds the 4,000
15:39-16:12	Jesus responds to the demand for a sign, then warns disciples about the Pharisees and Sadducees
16:13-20	J declared to be the Christ, the Son of the Living God by Peter; Peter honored
16:21-28	J foretells His death and resurrection; call to discipleship


BONUS SECTION #3 continued...

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| 17:1-13 | J transfigured; discussion of Elijah and JB |
| 17:14-21 | J heals the demon possessed son |
| 17:22-23 | J predicts His death and resurrection a second time |
| 17:24-27 | J explains freedom of the sons of the Kingdom, then tells Peter to find temple tax in a fish |
| 18:1-20 | J teaches on humility, children and stumbling blocks |
| 18:21-35 | J teaches on forgiveness |
| 19:1-12 | J in Judea responds to the Pharisees' question about divorce |
| 19:13-15 | J blesses the children |
| 19:16-30 | J challenges the rich young man, then discusses possessions with the disciples |
| 20:1-16 | J presents the parable of the workers in the vineyard |
| 20:17-19 | J predicts His death and resurrection a third time |
| 20:20-28 | J corrects the disciples' view of being first in the Kingdom |

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Awards Clubs®




Our AWANA ministry is designed for children from preschool through 12th grade. We are dedicated to discipling and teaching kids about Jesus through the study and memorization of God's Word and having a great time while we do it! We strive to make each club night an exciting, meaningful experience for clubbers through the use of games, theme nights, scripture memory work, Bible lessons, and other activities.

Beginning September 6, 2023
All clubs meet Wednesdays 6:30PM-8:30PM
(Cubbies end at 8:15PM)
at Long Beach Alliance Church.

SIGN UP TODAY

kids: www.lbac.org/awana/
volunteers: www.lbac.org/awanavolunteer/

Contact Meghan at 562.708.9261 or
meghan@lbac.org with any questions.



LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

Sunday, August 13

- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service

Monday, August 14

- 6:30PM Life Group @ the Rands
- 7:00PM Pure Desire Ministry Meeting
- 7:00PM Survivors of Incest Anonymous Mtg

Tuesday, August 15

- 2:00PM All Staff Team Meeting
- 7:00PM Betrayal & Beyond Mtg @ Eberharts
- 7:00PM Governing Board Meeting
- 7:00PM High School Youth Group
- 7:00PM Men's Bible Study (offsite)

Wednesday, August 16

- 6:30PM Betrayal & Beyond (Zoom/Eberharts)

Thursday, August 17

- 9:30AM Women's Life Group @ Miller's
- 5:00PM Lydia House Women's Outreach
- 7:00PM Betrayal & Beyond Mtg @ Eberharts
- 7:00PM Middle School Youth Group

Friday, August 18

- 8:00AM Men's In-Person/Zoom Bible Study
- 6:00PM Youth Beach Day & Baptisms
- 8:00PM NA In-Person Meeting

Saturday, August 19

- 10:00AM Crafty Women

Sunday, August 20

- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 11:30AM Youth Leader Meeting

MISSIONS

Information Coming Soon!

LIFE GROUPS

Contact: office@lbac.org
Mid-week Adult Bible Studies

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Children's Ministries!

Sunday Mornings:
Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

AWANA

Link to LBAC AWANA
Wednesday Nights September-May

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Youth Ministries!
Link to LBAC Youth Instagram Page
Every Tuesday & Thursday Night @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Women's Ministry!
Women's Ministry Event Information
Contact: office@lbac.org

Lydia House Meals Ministry
3rd Thursday each month

Women Connecting with Missions
Contact Kathie Metz: kathiemetz@msn.com

Crafty Women
3rd Saturday each month @ 10:00AM

MEN'S MINISTRIES

Link to LBAC Men's Ministry!
Contact: mensministry@lbac.org



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