

# The Work of the Holy Spirit



Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church  
September 10, 2023



## Thank you

to all who came out and cut and sorted stamps.

A box has been sent to Shell Point Village  
for processing and selling.

If you would like to help by donating old  
stamps, please put them in the black box  
on the kiosk counter.

Don't forget to leave a 1/4 inch around each stamp.

## Annual Vision Meeting & Potluck

### SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, October 8

5PM Dinner

6PM Meeting

childcare provided thru 5th grade



## New Member Class & Luncheon

Sunday, September 17

12PM-5PM

in the LBAC GYM

Interested?

Fill out a Connect Card or contact the office  
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BECOME  
A  
MEMBER

## LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget %</u>
Weekly:	\$14,699.63	\$5,412.00	36.8%
Month-to-Date:	\$14,699.63	\$5,412.00	36.8%
Year-to-Date:	\$14,699.63	\$5,412.00	36.8%
Disbursed YTD:	\$3,305.00	GF Balance:	\$33,101.65

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

# BOOK OF ROMANS BIBLE STUDY

**WHAT IT MEANS TO COME TO CHRIST  
AND WALK WITH HIM**

The Letter of Paul to the  
**ROMANS**

**Thursdays, beginning September 21  
6:30PM**

**At the Holland/Carriveau home  
2680 San Vicente Ave Long Beach**

**CONTACT JOHN CARRIVEAU 714.381.4101 FOR QUESTIONS**

## LADIES' BUNCO NIGHT

**Thursday, September 28 6:30pm**

*Please bring an appetizer or snack to share*

Marilyn Miller's home  
4702 Snowden Ave Lakewood  
**PLEASE RSVP 562.425.0827**

**Saturday, September 30 • 6:30PM**

**ADULT  
Game Night**

**Bring a snack food or appetizer to share**

@ THE MILLERS  
4702 SNOWDEN AVE LAKEWOOD  
CONTACT MARILYN FOR ?S: 562.425.0827

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## **Matthew 3:16-17**

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### **Introduction**

#### **I. Who is the Holy Spirit?**

The Holy Spirit is a member of the Trinity, which is made up of three distinct persons: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

#### **II. Characteristics of the Holy Spirit**

The biblical descriptions demonstrate the Holy Spirit has the characteristics of a personality. For example:

- A. The Holy Spirit has a mind (Rom. 8: 27)
- B. The Holy Spirit has a will (1 Cor. 12:11)
- C. The Holy Spirit has emotion (Isa. 63:10)
- D. The Holy Spirit intercedes for us (Rom. 8:16)
- E. The Holy Spirit teaches us (John 14:26)
- F. The Holy Spirit comforts us (John 14:16)
- G. He bears witness or testifies (Rom. 8:16)
- H. He guides believers into all truth and tells them about the future (John 16:13)
- I. The Holy Spirit grieves and intercedes for us (Isa. 63:10; Rom. 8:26)
- J. The Holy Spirit gives joy (Luke 10:21; 1 Thess. 1:6)
- K. He leads and can be resisted (Acts 7:51; Rom. 8:14)
- L. He strengthens and encourages (Acts 9:31; Acts 5:3)
- M. He can be quenched and blasphemed (Matt. 12: 31-32; 1 Thess. 5:19)
- N. He helps us in our Weakness (Rom. 8:26)

#### **III. Reasons Why God Gives the Holy Spirit to the Believers**

The Holy Spirit is the agent in the new birth (John 3:5-8). He serves as the believer's identifying mark," a promise, and guarantee (Eph. 1:13-14). God gives us the Holy Spirit not only to enable us to live out a Christian life, also to prove that we are precious in His sight. The Holy Spirit works with the Father and the Son in the life of a believer to make him pleasing to God-which is his ultimate purpose for saving the believer (1 Pet. 1:2).



#### **IV. Why Christians Need the Holy Spirit (Gal. 5:1-26)**

The manifestations of the Holy Spirit altogether are what forms the spirit-filled life.

A. The Holy Spirit helps believers conquer their sin nature. He will help us make the right decisions, if we listen to his advice

B. The Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God (Rom. 8:16)

C. The Holy Spirit will produce godly qualities in our lives when we depend on His leading. He helps develop godly qualities known as (the Fruit of the Spirit) in our lives (Gal. 5:16-26)

D. The Holy Spirit helps us follow God's guidelines by giving us the power to maintain a meaningful relationship with God. If we listen and stay focused on Jesus, we won't miss the mark

E. He encourages us to seek God's approval above mere man's praises. We will seek God's glory above our own glory when we submit completely to the Holy Spirit. He makes following Christ a joy rather than a burden

F. The Holy Spirit opens our spiritual eyes (I Cor. 2:10). The deep secret things of the Lord belong to His children and we can't know them except God reveals them to us through the Holy Spirit

Could anyone imagine what this world would be like if the restrainer of the devil, the Holy Spirit, isn't at work (2 Thess. 2:7)? To enjoy the company and manifestations of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we must endeavor to see that He is not:

-lied to (Acts 5:3-5)

-grieved (Eph. 4:30)

-extinguished (I Thess. 5:19)

-resisted (Acts 7:51)

-insulted (Heb. 10:29)

-blasphemed (Matt. 12:31-32)

#### **V. Conclusion**

Do you know, you're "God's masterpiece," which means that His Spirit is working in your life to make you more like Christ and that gives you a purpose for pursuing Christ-like living? Let's go home and pick up from where we lack and ask the Spirit of the Living God to motivate us to live righteously for Him.



**A SEASONAL JOB WITH AN ETERNAL PURPOSE**

## **SAMARITAN'S PURSE NOW HIRING:** **Volunteer Experience Team Member**

Work in a front-of-house role to greet and guide volunteers as they process Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts for children around the world in Jesus' Name.



Seasonal positions are available from approximately mid-November to mid-December at our regional shoebox processing centers:

**Atlanta, GA | Baltimore, MD | Boone, NC**  
**Charlotte, NC | Aurora, IL | Coppell, TX**  
**Englewood, CO | Fullerton, CA**

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Long Beach Rescue Mission presents

# THE HOSANNA HOUSE

## SERVING HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES



### HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT

NAMING OPPORTUNITIES	AMOUNT	# OF GIFTS	PLEDGE OPTIONS
House Partner	\$500,000	1	(4 year pledge of \$125,000)
Bedroom #1	\$250,000	1	(4 year pledge of \$62,500)
Bedroom #2	\$150,000	1	(4 year pledge of \$37,500)
Lobby	\$100,000	1	(4 year pledge of \$25,000)
Patio	\$100,000	1	(4 year pledge of \$25,000)
Bed Pods (\$425,000 total)	\$25,000	17	(2 year pledge of \$12,500)

### MIRACLE FUNDERS

Caná	\$10,000	15	\$150,000 (2 year pledge of \$5,000)
Capernaum	\$5,000	10	\$50,000
Gennesaret	\$2,500	25	\$62,500
Bethsaida	\$1,000	50	\$50,000
Lazarus	\$500	75	\$37,500
Galilee	\$250	100	\$25,000

**Total: 297 \$2,000,000**

### OPERATING COSTS

Operating Costs year 1	\$300,000 <b>SECURED</b>
Operating Costs year 2	\$300,000 <b>PLEDGED</b>
Operating Costs year 3	\$300,000 <b>PLEDGED</b>

**Operating Total Costs: \$900,000**

Note: all gifts over \$1,000 will be recognized on the honor wall plaque of Hosanna House.

# LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

## Sunday, September 10

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

## Monday, September 11

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

## Tuesday, September 12

- 2:00PM 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, September 13

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

## Thursday, September 14

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

## Friday, September 15

- 8:00AM Men's In-Person/Zoom Bible Study
- 8:00PM NA In-Person Meeting

## Saturday, September 16

- 10:00AM Crafty Women

## Sunday, September 17

- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 12:00PM New Member's Class/Luncheon

## MISSIONS

[Information Coming Soon!](#)

## LIFE GROUPS

Contact: [office@lbac.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@lbac.org)

Lydia House Meals Ministry

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month

Women Connecting with Missions

Contact Kathie Metz: [kathiemetz@msn.com](mailto:kathiemetz@msn.com)

Crafty Women

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month @ 10:00AM

## MEN'S MINISTRIES

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

Contact: [mensministry@lbac.org](mailto:mensministry@lbac.org)

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