

A scenic landscape featuring a sunrise over a mountain range. The sun is low on the horizon, casting rays of light across the sky. The foreground is a lush field of purple flowers, likely azaleas, with green foliage. The background shows rolling mountains under a soft, colorful sky.

A New Day Dawning!

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

20 | ANNUAL MEETING & 24 | POTLUCK DINNER

Sunday
October 20

5PM Dinner
6PM Meeting Begins

Visit the Courtyard table to sign up for a dinner AND side dish OR dessert (singles bring only 1 item)

Need childcare? Sign up today!

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

Beginning Balance September 1, 2023: \$28,084.48

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget %</u>
Sept 2024:	\$61,373.29	\$52,651.42	85.6%
Year-to-Date:	\$61,373.29	\$52,651.42	85.6%
Disbursed YTD:	\$60,886.52	GF Balance: \$19,849.38	

Financial Gifts can be placed in the locked box in the Sanctuary lobby or given to an usher.
You can also use any of the options viewable online at <https://lbac.org/give>

Confusion & Clarity

Long Beach Alliance Church • October 6, 2024 • Pastor Chris Lankford

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

~Ephesians 1:3-5 (ESV)

1) The Spirit Exclusively Provides Eternal Life

- a) The disciples of Jesus (a large group, including The Twelve) find Jesus' saying (cf. John 6:54-58) to be harsh, offensive, and impossible to accept (John 6:60).
- b) Jesus challenges their offense, wondering aloud what it takes for them to have authentic belief (John 6:61-62). Jesus reiterates His words are spiritual which provide spiritual truth and eternal life, which some will not accept (John 6:63-64).

2) God The Father Exclusively Provides Jesus

- a) Jesus has confidence that God is the One who provides living faith (John 6:65, cf. Ephesians 1:3-5). False disciples are spectators, living spiritually powerless lives that deny Christ when faced with life's difficulties. God provides true belief in our souls and power to live as authentic disciples (John 6:66).
- b) Jesus turns to The Twelve, to see if they also want to abandon Him (John 6:67), bringing out an extraordinary confession of faith and authentic discipleship from Peter (John 6:68-69, cf. Matthew 16:16). Jesus takes very little joy in Peter's confession, knowing what is coming, when a spectator will commit a profound betrayal (John 6:70-71, cf. John 6:64 & John 2:25).

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

Sunday, October 6

- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 11:15AM Gospel Project Leaders Meeting
- 1:00PM Vision School- Missions Training

Monday, October 7

- 7:00PM Betrayal & Beyond Mtg @ Eberharts
- 7:00PM Pure Desire Ministry Meeting
- 7:00PM Survivors of Incest Anonymous

Tuesday, October 7

- 7:00PM Governing Board Meeting
- 7:00PM Middle/High School Youth Group
- 7:00PM Men's Bible Study @ the Millers

Wednesday, October 9

- 6:30PM AWANA

Thursday, October 10

- 9:30AM Women's Bible Study @ the Millers
- 7:00PM Betrayal and Beyond @ the Eberhart's

Friday, October 11

- 8:00AM Men's In-Person/Zoom Bible Study
- 7:30PM Betrayal & Beyond Mtg @ Eberharts
- 8:00PM NA In-Person Meeting

Saturday, October 12

- 9:00AM Deaconess Meeting

Sunday, October 13

- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 1:00PM Vision School- Missions Training

MISSIONS

Information Coming Soon!

LIFE GROUPS

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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

LBAC Children's Ministries!

Sunday Mornings:
Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

AWANA

LBAC AWANA

Wednesday Nights September-May

YOUTH MINISTRIES

LBAC Youth Ministries!

LBAC Youth Instagram Page

Every Tuesday Night @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

LBAC Women's Ministry!

Women's Ministry Event Information

Contact: office@lbac.org

Lydia House Meals Ministry
3rd Thursday of each month

Women Connecting with Missions

Contact Kathie Metz: kathiemetz@msn.com

Crafty Women

3rd Saturday of each month @ 10:00AM

MEN'S MINISTRIES

LBAC Men's Ministry!

Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

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