



Relationships Cultural Bridges

October 1st

WELCOME TO church of the beach cities

Drawing all people to God

We hope you will sit back and enjoy the encouraging message,
uplifting music, and warm and friendly atmosphere here at
Church of the Beach Cities.

Church of the Beach Cities exist to:

- ✓ *Communicate God's Word*
- ✓ *Celebrate God's Presence*
- ✓ *Incorporate God's Family*
- ✓ *Educate God's People*
- ✓ *Demonstrate God's Love*

**WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE TODAY!
YOU MATTER TO GOD AND TO US!!!**

GIVING to CBC

We have had requests from people to provide more flexibility on how to give money to our church. We now have several ways for people to provide support:

- Via check: just put your check in an offering envelope and place it in a basket held by an usher as you leave the church service
- Via the CBC website: go to www.cotbc.info and click the link that says "Donate Now"
- Via credit card: please see the pastor as you exit the service

Please do not feel obligated to give.

The offering is for people who consider Church of the Beach Cities their home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greeters, Ushers, Media Teams

We are in need of Greeters, Ushers, and Media (overhead projector) for both services. If you are interested in blessing our church by serving on any of these teams, please contact JoAnn at JoAnnTennell@gmail.com for more information.

Prayer

We meet the second Tuesday of every month at 7pm. The dates are September 12th, October 10th, November 14th, December 12th.

Adoption

Larcenia Freeman is selling her paintings to raise money for the adoption of her two daughters. If you would like to buy a painting or donate money, contact Larcenia at larcyfree@yahoo.com

CBC Church Potluck/Picnic

We will have a church-wide Potluck/Picnic at Hilltop Park (picnic area #5 (on Maryland St. nearest the parking garage) on the 15th of October after the second service ends (approximately 12:45 pm). Please bring a main dish, side or dessert to share (drinks, plates/utensils/napkins will be provided). The park is near the corner of Maryland St. and Grand Ave, El Segundo. There is a nice playground for the kids. We look forward to some eat food and fellowship!

Parenting Small Group

YOU'RE INVITED to a Book Discussion Group: By reading and discussing "Keeping Your Kids on God's Side" by Natasha Crain, we'll equip ourselves to empower our kids [or anyone else, for that matter] to respond well to the hard questions that threaten their faith, whether it be at school, with friends or online.

Research shows that 60-88% of kids turn away from Christianity during or after their teens. Ms. Crain summarizes the reason as "A lack of robust spiritual training [that] has resulted in featherweight faith...[which] is being blown away by attacks from our secular culture." In *Keeping Your Kids on God's Side*, we'll find "clear, easy-to-understand responses to 40 of the most common challenges kids face" that we can then discuss with our kids. We'll meet 2-3 Sunday evenings a month starting on October 15th, 6:00-7:30, at the Ciccarello's home in North Torrance (telecon is also an option). The book is ~\$10 per copy. Please RSVP to Lisa at ciccarellicl@sbcglobal.net or [937-269-9994](tel:937-269-9994) (text).

Women's Small Group

The Women's Ministry will be hosting a seven session Bible study called "We Saved You A Seat." This study explains 7 practical ways to find and keep lasting friendships. Lisa-Jo and friends from (in)courage explore our relationship with Jesus as the ultimate model for authentic friendship. Friendship can be hard, making new friends even harder, and maintaining genuine friendship the hardest of all. But nothing shapes us like the impact of a friend—it's how Jesus radically and intimately connects with us. So instead of chasing perfection, overcome your fear of being known and find the courage to connect. We will meet Wednesday evenings, at the church, at 7 pm, beginning October 4th. If interested please email Michele Roberts at michelejamesroberts@gmail.com

Serving Dinner at the Long Beach Rescue Mission

We are scheduled to serve dinner at the Long Beach Rescue Mission on Saturday, Oct 21st, 5pm. Help us be a blessing to someone that needs a meal. If you are available to join us as we are blessed to be able to serve those in need, please contact JoAnn at JoAnnTennell@gmail.com. This will be our last visit for this year, next visit will be January 2018.

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