

August 2024

LABA Newsletter

"...working side by side for the faith that comes from the Gospel." Philippians 1:27

QUARTERLY GATHERING:

Join us on Monday, August 26 12:00 PM at Wayland Baptist University Lubbock Campus. Wayland has traditionally hosted the August meeting as a LABA Appreciation Lunch. They have asked if they could do it for us again. We look forward to seeing you there as we welcome Dr. Donna Hedgepath as the new President of Wayland Baptist University.



100 YEARS OF COLLABORATION

It is coming quickly. The annual Gathering is where we will be celebrating what God has done for the last 100 years of LABA life.

What an exciting time! The legacy of those who have gone before us is rich and beautiful. A few churches gathered in 1924 and in time birthed what is now 120+ churches scattered all over the South Plains and beyond. There are now churches that associate with the Partnering Churches from coast to coast. Please put on your calendar, Sunday, October 6th at Southcrest Baptist Church, 4:00 PM. It will be a time of celebration and challenge as we look back and celebrate where God is leading us forward.

If you are a former LABA paid staff member who served in any capacity, please plan on attending the celebration as our special guest. In addition, if you know a former staff member who will not receive this newsletter, please let them know about the celebration and invitation to attend. We will take time to recognize all those who served with each Director of Missions through the years.

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Monday-Thursday 8:30-4:30
(closed Noon-1:00)
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Leadership Development Center

Join us on October 6, 2024, at the LABA Annual Gathering, where we will celebrate the graduation class of our Leadership Development Center.

As we honor our graduates, we also look forward to welcoming the next generation of leaders. If you know someone in your congregation who might be called to pastoral roles, youth ministry, children's work, missions, or other areas, encourage them to apply for the 2025 Leadership Development Center class.

Our program provides training in missions, Bible study, administration, outreach, and preaching. We are accepting 20 students this year, with 14 spots currently available. Enrollment closes on August 26, 2024, and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information or to enroll, contact Ed Sena at (806)252-2057
Let's work together to invest in the future of ministry



MEXICO MISSION TRIP

This summer, LABA is partnering with Alliance Church as they organize a mission trip to Anapra, Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, México August 9-11. The mission aims to share the Gospel in a community marked by poverty and violence. They will host a children's festival and distribute over 100 backpacks to children in need. Each donation of \$25 will supply high quality backpacks filled with school supplies. We invite you to pray for this outreach and if you would like to give or attend, please contact David J. Ramirez at (806) 620-0263 spanish@alliancechurch.us



Join us on August 11, 2024, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at WaterRampage, 6602 Marsha Sharp Freeway, for the LABA Private Party - Back to School Bash. This private event is exclusively for LABA member churches and tickets are on sale at the LABA office and are only \$10 a person (2yrs and under get in for free). Don't forget money for the concession stand. No food is allowed in the park but you can take bottled water in the park.

NOTE: Deadline to purchase tickets is Wednesday, August 7th at noon. Call our office at (806) 791-4442 to get your tickets!

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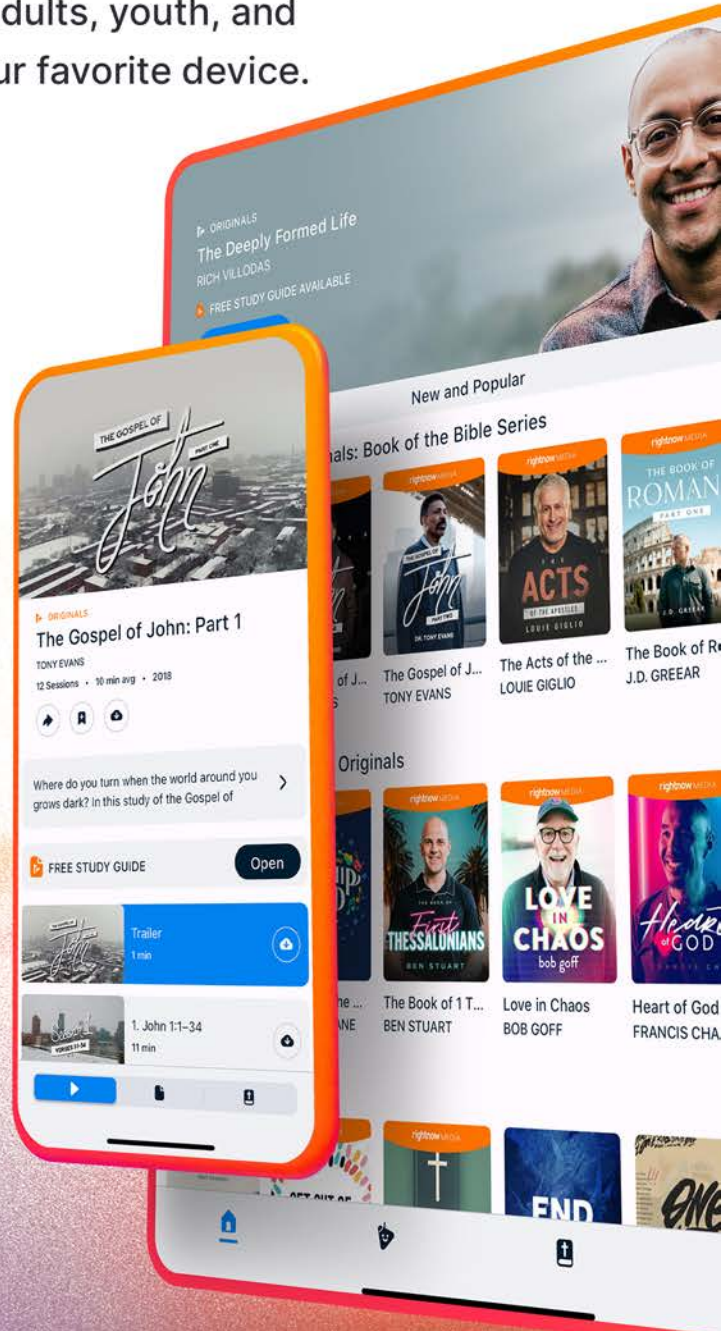
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Praying
FOR CHURCHES

If you have a passion for prayer and want to support fellow believers, we invite you to join our prayer campaign. Each week, we focus on praying for three specific churches, their pastors, and the communities they serve. Subscribe today by visiting lubbockbaptist.org/prayersignup



HOPE for the
HURTING HEART

When a parent loses a child, only those who have walked the same path can truly understand. Hope for the Hurting Heart is a faith-based support group for these parents, offering understanding and compassion.

This isn't counseling or therapy, but a community where parents share their sorrow and challenges. Using the GriefShare curriculum, we provide guidance from professionals, pastors, and testimonies from other grieving parents.

If you know someone in need, invite them to join us. There's no pressure to share until they are ready, and no judgment here. They don't have to face this alone.

Hope for the Hurting Heart Wednesdays at 6:15 PM, Room 215
September 4 - November 23, 2024 at Bacon Heights Baptist Church 5110 54th Street (at Slide Rd)
For more information or to register, call Bev Allen at 806.368.1574.

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