



GLOBAL IMPACT CELEBRATION

from your country



MARCH-APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER

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Our Annual Mission Conference Kicks Off March 29

One of our goals and purposes at LVBC is to make disciples of all nations. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we seek to proclaim the message of the Gospel to every tribe, tongue, and nation.

Our annual *Global Impact Celebration: Go From Your Country*, will kick off on Sunday, March 29 at 9:30 am. This year's conference is designed to inspire and motivate you to become a part of God's mission to make disciples of people around the globe.

During this year's conference, March 29-April 1, missionaries who serve all over the globe share their lives and ministries with us. There will be events for adults, students, and children to interact with and hear from these workers. We will also hear motivating sermons from two dynamic guest speakers, Brian McKanna and Sean Cooper.

We invite you and your family to join us as we gather together for an unique opportunity to fellowship with those who serve locally in Chattanooga, as well as the ends of the earth. You won't want to miss this extraordinary week in the life of our church, as we develop and strengthen our desire to obey the Lord's command to Abram in Genesis 12:1: *"Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you."*

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

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| 9:30 AM | Small Groups
(On Campus) |
| 10:45 AM | Celebration Service
(Speaker: Brian McKanna) |
| 6:00 PM | World Briefings
with Small Groups
(Off Campus) |

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

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| 10:30 AM | Global Partners &
Senior Adult Lunch |
| 6:30 PM | Missions Fair |

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

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| 5:30 PM | Church Family
Supper |
| 6:30 PM | Commitment Service
(Speaker: Sean Cooper) |

CHURCH EVENTS

MARCH

- 3 WMU Meeting
- 8 Daylight Savings Begins
- 10 LV Senior Adult Meeting
- 11 Member's Meeting
- 14 D-Group Training Workshop
- 15 Kingdom Kids Special Performance
- 18 Youth/College Puerto Rico Mission Trip Interest Meeting
- 29 Global Impact Celebration Begins
- 31 GIC Senior Adult Lunch
GIC Missions Fair

APRIL

- 1 Global Impact Celebration Concludes
- 3-4 Ark Encounter Trip
- 7 WMU Meeting
- 8 No Wednesday Activities (Spring Break)
- 10 Good Friday (Church Office Closed)
- 12 Easter Sunday (No Small Groups)
- 14 LV Senior Adult Lunch
- 25 New Member's Class
- 26 Puerto Rico Mission Trip Fundraiser Lunch
Youth Outing to Lookouts Game

PRAY FOR OUR PARTNERS

Brian McKanna
Training Leaders Intl.
(Sunday's Speaker)

Ramona Beam
IMB Missions,
Zimbabwe

Charlie Harris
NAMB Missions,
Ontario

Jeff & Dee Donaldson
Training Leaders Intl.
United Arab Emirates

Rick & Shanna
IMB Missions,
East Asia

Jim & Siony
IMB Missions,
South East Asia

Sean Cooper
Traveling Team (Wednesday Speaker)

Nehemiah Teams
IMB Reps, Luigi & Kari

Patti Harris
Child Evangelism
Fellowship

Christina Barber
Choices Pregnancy
Resource Center

Patrick Addison
Tennessee Baptist
Children's Home

Steve Roper
Baptist Collegiate
Ministries @ UTC

Dennis Culbreth
Hamilton County
Baptist Association



PRAY FOR OUR MISSION CONFERENCE

Here are some specific ways you can pray for our mission partners leading up to our Global Impact Celebration.

- **Pray as they prepare and as they travel.** Ask God to prepare their hearts and minds in the days ahead, for God to supply every need, and protect them on their way.
- **Pray as they share with us.** Ask God to fill them with His Spirit and to give them clarity and vision to communicate their burden and ministries.
- **Pray beyond our conference.** Pray for their work of faith, labor of love, and steadfast hope in Christ Jesus. Pray for Gospel fruit and for God to be glorified around the world.

There are many other requests we could make for ourselves, our church, and our conference. But we begin here: mention our partners by name and pray for them specifically. We are excited to hear from them and to see what God has for us in the days ahead. Soon, you will be hearing from us about some opportunities for you to reach and serve our community through our local missions and evangelism. Global impact starts here. What a glorious truth - we have been brought in and given this charge! (Acts 1:8, 2 Corinthians 5:18-21)

A LETTER FROM PASTOR TROY

WHY DO PEOPLE ATTEND CHURCH ON EASTER?

On April 12, churches will be packed across our country as many go to celebrate the most important event in the world: the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. If the previous 12 Easter Sundays I've been at LVBC are any indication, we will have a VERY packed worship center that morning.

I asked myself this question, "*Why do people attend church on Easter, but not any other day of the year.*" Here are some of my thoughts:

- They would feel guilty if they didn't.
- It counts more to God to attend on Easter than any other Sunday.
- Others will see them and know they haven't completely abandoned their faith.
- It's fun to dress up and show off our Easter outfits.
- Mom will be mad if they don't come.
- It's a nice tradition.

Sadly, most people who attend only on Easter, do so because of the impression they think it will make on others, or on God. Whatever the reason people attend on Easter, I see it as a great opportunity to influence them with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

With that in mind, we are excited about our Easter Celebration Service on April 12. We will have one service, at our regularly scheduled time of 10:45 am. There will be no Small Groups meeting that day. The choir and praise band are working diligently to lead us in worship. Concurrent to the service, we will have a very special Easter Children's Event featuring music, games, crafts, and an Easter Bible lesson.

If you've ever considered inviting a friend to church, Easter is a great time to do it! More than likely, they'll be more inclined to come. Would you prayerfully consider who you could invite this Easter? When they do come, it is my prayer that they will personally encounter the resurrected Christ!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Troy

WELCOME HOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



During our bi-monthly Member's Meeting in January, our congregation voted to receive Rickey, Amy, Macey, and Bodey Cope as new members into our church family! If you see one of our newest church members, please take a few moments to introduce yourself and welcome them to LVBC!

MEMBER'S MEETING

Wednesday, March 11 @ 6:30 PM

On Wednesday, March 11, at 6:30 pm, we will hold our bi-monthly Member's Meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

Prior to our meeting, we invite you to join us as we gather together for a Fellowship Dinner (see March's bulletin for cost and menu). Dinner will be served at 5:45 pm. Following the Fellowship Dinner, our Member's Meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 pm, where we will welcome new members, discuss membership issues, and hear about what the Lord is doing in and around LVBC.



EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 12 @ 10:45 AM

As we approach Easter Sunday, it's important for us to remember that the true story of Easter isn't about a bunny, flowers, eggs, or candy. The true story is about Jesus' death on the cross, his burial, and ultimately his miraculous resurrection.

This Easter at LVBC, we are celebrating the sacrifice Jesus made for each one of us, choosing death on a cross, so that we could have eternal life. We invite you and your family will join us on Sunday, April 12, at 10:45 am, as we dive deep into Isaiah 53:1-12 to discover why *Hope Rises* and how each one of us can find eternal hope in through the death and resurrection of our Savior!

CHILDREN'S EASTER EVENTS

We invite your children to join us on Sunday, April 12, for the Children's Ministry Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt!

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| 10:15 AM | Preschool Egg Hunt (Ages Birth - 5 years old) |
| 10:45 AM | Children's Event |
| 12:15 PM | Elementary Egg Hunt (Grades K-5) |

Community Sunrise Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 12 @ 7:00 AM

**RACCOON MOUNTAIN
EAST OVERLOOK**

Surely he has born our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned – every one – to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:4-6

LVBC MUSIC MINISTRY

"THE FEEL OF WORSHIP"

"But I, through the abundance of Your steadfast love, will enter Your house. I will bow down toward Your holy temple in the fear of you." Psalm 5:7

Most modern sheet music contains a tempo or movement description. It's there to give you an idea of how the song feels. I always find them funny. I looked at some of our music coming up and found a few examples. Descriptions like: *"Lively Folk Feel"*, *"Joyful, driving Pop Country"*, *"With Passion!"*, *"Power Ballad"*, *"Soulful, Black Gospel Feel"*, and my favorite – *"With Conviction"* in case you needed reminding that the truths we sing needed to be sung with conviction.

Many of the Psalms have similar descriptions to give us insight to the movement and feeling of the music contained in the verses. Psalm 5, for instance, is described as a song, *For the Flutes*, and has the heading *"Lead Me In Your Righteousness."* David pleads with God to hear his prayer and give attention to his words. He acknowledges that the Holy King of Heaven alone can help him in his trouble. He also acknowledges that there is preparation that must be made. *"In the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch"* (v.3), David says. Why? He acknowledges in verse 4 that God is *"not a God who delights in wickedness,"* and David knows his own heart. He admits that he is boastful, evil, dishonest, bloodthirsty, and deceitful, and that kind of person cannot *"stand before Your (God's) eyes"* (v.6). Then what hope does David have? What hope do we have? The Psalm should end here.

But it doesn't. *"But I, through the abundance of Your steadfast love, will enter Your house..."* David enters into the presence of God through the abundance of His steadfast love and bows down in worship and reverence to this gracious and holy God. How much more do we understand this picture? Paul tells us in Romans 5 that we are justified, given peace with God through Christ Jesus, given access in Him, and now rejoice. We have hope because this steadfast love has been *"poured out"* in our hearts by His Spirit. We were weak, enemies of God, and His wrath was set on us. **But** God shows His love this way: *"while we were still sinners, Christ died for us"* (Romans 5:1-8). What is our response to such love? David gives us an example of what a proper response looks like in the close of Psalm 5:11,12.

"Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread Your protection over them, (so) that those who love Your Name may exult in You. For You bless the righteous, O LORD; You cover him with favor as with a shield."

UPCOMING MUSIC

This is an exciting and busy time of year for our Music Ministry. If you haven't been with us in practice lately, you may have missed several big announcements, as well as new music we are currently working on. The good news is, it's not too late to catch up and join in! In fact, there has never been a better time! See Tracy Trivette for more information on how you can join our music ministry.



Special Services:

- "Hear The Call"
Missions Conference Sunday
- "Lamb of God"
Easter Sunday

Other Services:

- "What Mercy Did For Me"
- "Say Amen"
- "My Story"



ARK ENCOUNTER

Friday, April 3–Saturday, April 4

We still have a few spots left for you and your family to travel along with us April 3-4, for an exciting trip to experience the Ark Encounter! We will leave the church at 5:00 pm and travel together to Georgestown, Kentucky, where we will spend the night. On Saturday, we will head to the Ark Encounter at 9:00 am and return to LVBC around 10:00 pm. **Registration deadline is Wednesday, March 4**, and a deposit of \$25 per person is due upon registration. Please see the registration page or contact the church office for more information.

GROUP TICKET PRICES

\$ 7.00	Children 10 & Under
\$40.00	Youth (Ages 11-17)
\$49.00	Senior Adults
\$59.00	Adults

D-GROUP TRAINING



Our D-Group Training has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 14, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. D-Groups are gatherings of three or four people of the same gender for the purpose of bible study, prayer, and accountability. We want to help you form, grow, lead, and become part of a D-Group this year. If you are interested in discipleship, please register for this upcoming workshop by using the QR Code.

KINGDOM KIDS SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

Join us on Sunday, March 15, at 10:45 am, as the Kingdom Kids sing during our worship service. The Kingdom Kids will practice during their class time on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. If your child is performing, please have your child here at 9:30 am on Sunday, March 15, for our final practice before service. For more information, contact Amber Walliser.

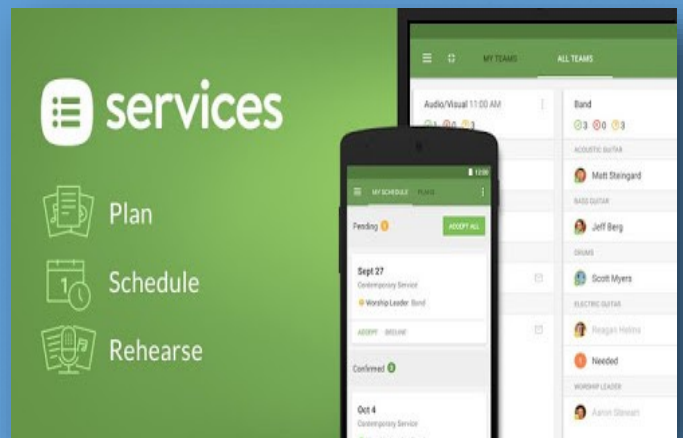


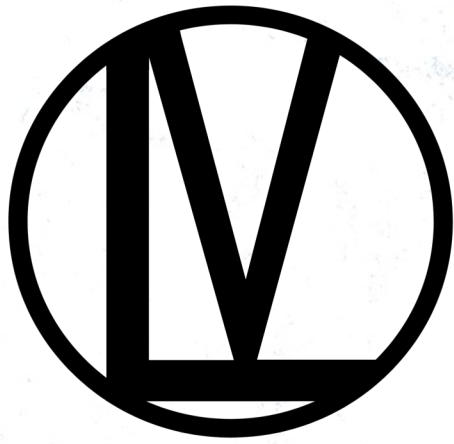
PLANNING CENTER

A New Tool For Our Music Ministry

In February, we introduced our choir to **Services Planning Center**. Planning Center is a resource that our Praise Team and Musicians have been using for a while. Planning Center allows team members access to the service line-ups complete with the song set, sheet music, MP3's, and other resources for practice and rehearsal. Team members know what is planned, what to practice, who is scheduled, as well as many other resources. All of this in an app on your phone, or on a website!

Our teams are set up by parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and in most cases even have specific rehearsal tracks for their part. This resource offers communication and extra time to practice that we often don't have outside of Wednesday night rehearsals. This resource is available to choir members or anyone interested in joining the choir. If you would like more details about joining the choir, Planning Center, or our upcoming music, contact Tracy Trivette (tracy@lookoutvalley.org).





UPCOMING EVENTS

FUNDRAISER LUNCH - *April 26*

On Sunday, April 26, immediately following the Worship Service, our youth and college students will hold a Mission Trip Fundraiser Lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Cost of lunch will be by donation only, and all proceeds assist our students with the cost of their upcoming trip to Puerto Rico. If you are a student or parent, please contact Christina Wilson regarding how you can assist in this important fundraiser!

LOOKOUTS GAME — *April 26*

Join us on Sunday, April 26, as the LVBC youth head to AT&T Field to cheer on our Chattanooga Lookouts as they take on the Birmingham Barons! We will leave LVBC at the conclusion of the Mission Trip Fundraiser Lunch. First pitch is at 2:15 pm. Cost is \$7, plus spending money for food. Contact Christina Wilson to sign-up for this outing.

PUERTO RICO MISSION TRIP INTEREST MEETING— *March 18*

This June, our students are headed to serve in Puerto Rico to serve along side Jorge Santiago.

If you are interested in serving on this trip, please mark your calendars and make plans to attend an interest meeting on Wednesday, March 18, immediately following the evening service. This meeting will be held in the Level: the Youth area of the Activities Building. This trip is open to all 8th Graders—College ages students.

Please contact Christina Wilson or Tracy Trivette for more information.

SENIOR ADULT MEETINGS

Join the Senior Adults of Lookout Valley as they meet at 10:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall, for a time of good fellowship and good food. Upcoming meetings are listed below.

MARCH 11 — Potluck with special guests, Wade Casey & Tracy Trivette

MARCH 31— Global Impact Celebration Lunch with World Partners

APRIL 14 — Potluck with special guest, Bo Cox





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