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9520 Redfern Avenue, Inglewood, CA 90304

## International Missions Cross-Cultural Training

March 7-8, 2003

Friday – 6:30pm – 9:00pm Saturday 8:30am – 4:00pm

held at  
Pacific Baptist Church  
859 Main Street, El Segundo  
310/322/5975

**Cost:** \$20-preregistration  
\$25 at the door

Registration includes: meals, breaks  
and all materials.

Contact the Association Office or  
your church for Registration Forms.

If you're thinking about volunteering overseas, you're probably excited about joining God at work! At the same time, you're probably making lots of lists. But have you also considered how you'll relate to the people you'll encounter overseas? Which of your actions might open doors of witness? Which might close them?

We'd like to help you find some answers through Cross-cultural training. This 12-hour seminar will help you recognize the influences that shape your worldview (how you see others) and how that impacts your ministry. Discover what triggers and reduces culture shock. Discuss the unique challenges of witnessing cross-culturally. Explore the biblical basis of missions.

To literally add international flavor to your experience, you'll sit down to an international dinner as well as a "hunger meal." We've also created a special time of blessing in which prayer, reflection, commitment—and joy—are shared.

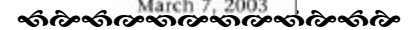
### Training Outline

- **International dinner**—share your viewpoint about the meal.
- **Identification of worldview**—learn that how you see others affects your ministry.
- **The biblical basis of missions**—discover missions principles through a careful search of the Scriptures.
- **Ministering cross-culturally**—possible frustrations to cross-cultural witnessing are identified, including culture shock (and what to do about it).
- **Hunger meal**—individual worldviews are more intently examined in light of cultures that are not as materially blessed.
- **Missiological issues.** Mission trips are sometimes paved with "good intentions." Learn how to avoid them.
- **Incarnational ministry**—engaging other religions, sharing my witness. Three key things to keep in mind when communicating the gospel in another culture.
- **The blessing**—a time of prayer, reflection, commitment and joy.



World  
Day of  
Prayer

March 7, 2003



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### Birthdays In March

- 5 Mrs. Rudolph Irving
- 11 Rev. Bob Dobransky
- 16 Mrs. Roger Kinsey
- 18 Rev. Wyman Jones
- 21 Rev. David Wilson
- 21 Rev. Joe Freeman
- 26 Mrs. Young Min Chung

### Anniversaries In Mar.

26 Rev & Mrs Tsunenori Uchino

## From The D.O.M.



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Christ! I pray all is well with your church. For this month's article I thought I would share with you an idea that has been given to me. Recently, I met with Tom Bellew, who is our State Convention Children/Preschool Leadership Director. He shared an idea of associations setting up a quick response team for when a church calls for assistance in a particular area, the association would respond within a week's time.

Here is what I am looking at and praying about setting up. Within our Crescent Bay Association there are many people who over the years have been trained by the State Convention or other Convention agencies in particular areas of ministry. Many of these people have been certified with expertise to assist churches. It is my belief that we could begin to build what could be called an "Emergency Ministry Team" (EMT) for our association.

This "Emergency Ministry Team" (EMT) would be a quick response team to assist every church who calls for help within our association. Some of our present ministry leaders would become part of this (EMT) response team, however, what I am looking at, is seeking out those who are presently trained in various ministries and are only using their expertise for their own church. I believe that there are many people who desire to assist churches yet have not been asked to help.

It is my belief that we must improve in our response time to the requests of pastors and churches. An "Emergency Ministry Team" (EMT) would greatly improve our ability to accomplish this task. Every

## Director de Misiones

Saludos en el hermoso nombre de nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo! Mi oración es por el bienestar de cada uno de ustedes y de sus iglesias. Esta vez deseo compartir con ustedes una idea que se me ha dado. Recientemente me reuní con Tom Bellew, Director de la Convención Estatal de niños en edad pre-escolar. El compartió conmigo la idea de que la asociación forme un equipo de acción rápida en caso que alguna de las iglesias necesite ayuda en cualquier área. La respuesta de parte de la asociación sería dentro de un periodo limite de una semana.

La idea por la cual estoy orando es la siguiente: Dentro de la Asociación Crescent Bay hay mucha gente, quienes a través de los años han recibido entrenamiento de la Convención del Estado u otras agencias de la convención, en ciertas áreas del ministerio. Muchas de estas personas son certificadas y tienen experiencia en ayudar iglesias. Creo que podríamos empezar a edificar lo que podríamos llamar "Ministerio de Equipo de Emergencia" (MEE).

Este "Ministerio de Equipo de Emergencia" (MEE) respondería lo antes posible para ayudar a toda iglesia que pida ayuda dentro de nuestra asociación. Algunos de nuestros directores de ministerios formarían parte de este nuevo ministerio. Sin embargo, mi mira es envolver a las personas que actualmente están entrenadas en varios ministerios y están sirviendo solamente en sus iglesias. Creo que hay mucha gente con el deseo de ayudar a otras iglesias, a

## FINANCES FOR JANUARY

Balance 12/31/02		29,343.92
Received		
Budget	6,519.08	
Designated	<u>9,920.00</u>	
Total Received		16,439.08
Total Cash		45,783.00
Disbursed		
Budget	13,581.40	
Designated	<u>8,424.10</u>	
Total Disbursed		22,005.50
Balance 1/31/03		23777.50

## CHURCHES WHO GAVE IN JANUARY

Calvary Baptist, Hawthorne	
Central Baptist, Inglewood	
Centro Cristiano Shalom Adonai, Gardena	
Church of the Beach Cities, Manhattan Beach	
Crusaders for Christ, Culver City	
Faith In Christ Missionary, Los Angeles	
First Southern, Culver City	
First Southern, Gardena	
Gardena Korean Mission, Gardena	
Gardena-Torrance S.B.C., Gardena	
Gardena-Torr. Japanese Mission, Gardena	
Good Shepherd Baptist, Santa Monica	
Grant Avenue Baptist, Redondo Beach	
Greater New Bethel Baptist, Inglewood	
Greater New Holy Trinity, Los Angeles	
Holy Tabernacle of God, Inglewood	
Iglesia Hispana Bautista Piedra Angular, Los Angeles	
Iglesia Hispana Central, Inglewood	
Los Angeles Crenshaw Baptist, Gardena	
Mt. Carmel Holy Assembly	
New Mt Calvary Baptist	
New Providence Baptist, Los Angeles	
New Rock of Ages, Hawthorne	
Pacific Baptist, El Segundo	
Podowon Baptist, Gardena	
Rhema Community Church, Lawndale	
Sweet Hill Baptist, Los Angeles	
Temple Heights Baptist, San Pedro	
Triedstone Missionary, Los Angeles	
Way To God Church, Lawndale	
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Total	6,519.08

## Brotherhood & Men's Ministries Fellowship

Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am~12:00pm

3600 W Imperial Hwy, Ingle  
(Concordia Lutheran Church)

The men of our churches are invited to a Continental Breakfast and Fellowship.  
**Let's Talk about: Men's Ministry...Let's put together a Construction Crew to help our churches.**

**RSVP** to Lafayette Funches  
310/679-3400 or [gtebc@aol.com](mailto:gtebc@aol.com)  
or call the association office

# Getting to know...



Rev. Lafayette Funches  
Grace & Truth Evangelical Baptist Church

*By Grace Are Ye Saved – Thy Word Is Truth* “Building People for Christ and the Community”

Grace and Truth grew out of a Bible Study conducted in the home of one of our founding members, Ms. Pennie Turnipseed. On May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1992, Rev. Lafayette Funches was ordained at Central Baptist Church, Rev. Luther B. Keith, pastor, and commissioned to plant a new church. The Lord moved and our Bible Study began to grow; we were led to organize and found a new congregation. On the first Sunday of July, 1994, our first worship service was conducted in the home of Rev. & Mrs. Lafayette Funches, Inglewood CA. Since our first worship service we have continued to serve the Lord as we are led. Over the years we have ministered at four different locations; we are now located in the sanctuary of Concordia Lutheran Church, 3600 W Imperial Highway, Inglewood CA. Our Issues of Life (Sunday School) classes begin at 1:00pm and we worship in the sanctuary at 2:00pm each Sunday.

We believe this is our “Breakthrough” year. The Lord has moved this congregation to *aggressively seek new converts, reclaim brothers and sisters who may have strayed away from fellowship, and develop a full range of ministry services to benefit the community where we are located.* If the church is going to impact the lives of the people then we must be involved with the community. We must be more than a “building on the corner where people come on Sunday.” The Lord is leading us to establish a series of “Community Services Ministries” designed to reach out to the community and draw people to Christ. We extend an open invitation to everyone to come and share with us the joy of the Lord.

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Rev. Lafayette Funches

Iglesia Evangélica Bautista Gracia y Verdad

*Por Gracia somos salvos –La palabra de Dios es Verdad*

“Adiestrando gente para Cristo y para la Comunidad”

Gracia y Verdad surgió de un Estudio Bíblico conducido en la casa de uno de nuestros miembros fundadores, la señorita Pannie Turnipseed. El 29 de Mayo de 1992, el Reverendo Lafayette Funches fue ordenado en la Iglesia Bautista Central. El Reverendo Luther B. Keith fue el pastor y el encargado de planta una iglesia nueva. El Señor se movió y nuestro estudio bíblico empezó a crecer. Fuimos guiados a organizar y fundar una congregación nueva. Gracia y Verdad creció de una congregación. El primer domingo de Julio de 1994, nuestro primer servicio de adoración fue conducido en la casa del Reverendo y la señora Lafayette Funches, en Inglewood, California. Desde nuestro primer servicio de adoración continuamos sirviendo al Señor como El nos dirige. Durante estos años nos hemos congregado en cuatro lo cales diferentes. Actualmente estamos ubicados en el Santuario de la Iglesia Luterana Concordia en el 3600 W. Imperial Highway, Inglewood CA. La Escuela Dominical empieza a la 1:00 p.m. y adoramos en el santuario a las 2:00 p.m. todos los domingos.

Creemos que este es nuestro año de crecimiento. El Señor ha movido esta congregación con el deseo de buscar nuevos convertidos y reclamar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas a unirse en compañerismo, y a prestar servicios a través de ministerios que beneficien a la comunidad donde estamos ubicados. Si la iglesia va ha impactar las vidas de la gente, nosotros debemos estar envueltos trabajando con la comunidad. Debemos ser más que un “edificio en la esquina donde la gente se reúne los domingos”. El Señor nos esta guiando a formar “Ministerios de Servicio” para alcanzar a la comunidad y traer a la gente hacia Cristo. Los invitamos a compartir con nosotros el Gozo del Señor.

# Equipped for Excellence

## *Sunday School Training Conference*

### Registration

Postmarked by April 14 -  
\$25

After April 14 - \$30  
In-n-Out Lunch Included

#### **7:30am Early Bird Features**

- Continental Breakfast
- LifeWay Christian Store
- Christian Growth Study Plan

For a Free Information Packet

### **Call**

### **909/784-2655**

*Sorry, no refunds & no child care provided*

## **April 26, 2003**

### **8:30am – 3:00pm**

Magnolia Avenue Baptist  
Church  
and

California Baptist University

*Keynote Speaker*

**Paul Wilkerson**

Director of Missions  
Inland Empire Association

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## **ADIESTRADO PARA EXCELENCIA**

### *CONFERENCIA DE ENTRENAMIENTO*

### *PARA ESCUELA DOMINICAL*

### INSCRIPCION

Hasta el 14 de Abril \$25  
Después del 14 de Abril \$30  
Precio incluye almuerzo de  
In-n-Out.

#### **Ofertas para los que lleguen a las 7:30am**

- Desayuno continental
- Ver los productos que ofrece la  
librería cristiana LifeWay.
- Recibirá el plan de estudio  
"Crecimiento Cristiano".

Para recibir un folleto gratis de  
información

### **Llame 909/784-2655**

*No habrá reembolsos ni se proveerá cuidado  
para niños*

## **April 26, 2003**

### **8:30am – 3:00pm**

Iglesia Bautista Magnolia  
Avenue

Y

Universidad Bautista de

*Conferencista*

**Paul Wilkerson**

Director de Misiones de la Asociación del  
Inland Empire

## Associate Ministries Director



## Director Asociado de Ministerios

The month of February began with a glorious Trip to Louisville, Kentucky for a seminar for Church Consultant Training, Level 1.

It was an exciting eight hour class led by Dr. Thom Rainer. I cannot even begin to explain how much was gathered from this seminary.

With the help of God and the prayers of the entire Crescent Bay West Los Angeles Association, I am thoroughly confident that what was gathered from this training, great strides can be made in our effort to strengthen our churches and help Pastors in their efforts, in Kingdom building for the Lord.

We thank God for our DOM having such insight and such a vision for the future for the Crescent Bay Association

*Rev. Abel Owens  
Associate Ministries Director*

El mes de Febrero empiezo con un glorioso viaje a Louisville, Kentucky donde se llevo a cabo el primer seminario de entrenamiento para asesores de iglesias.

Tuvimos un emocionante periodo de ocho horas de clase, dirigidos por el Dr. Tom Rainer. No puedo siquiera empezar a explicar todo lo que se ha aprendido en este seminario.

Con la ayuda de Dios y las oraciones de toda la Asociación Crescent Bay del Oeste de Los Angeles, estoy completamente confiada que lo que se obtuvo de este entrenamiento puede ayudarnos en nuestro esfuerzo para mejorar nuestras iglesias y ayudar a nuestros pastores a edificar el reino para el Señor.

Agradecemos a Dios que nuestro Director de Misiones tenga tal entendimiento y visión del futuro del la Asociación Crescent Bay del Oeste de Los Angeles.

## Educational Ministries Director



## DIRECTOR DEL MINISTERIO EDUCACIONAL

**Healthy Churches:** Church health is a product of spiritually transformed people who are growing in obedience to their MASTER. To be a healthy church you must have a plan for discipling believers. While there are many ways a church can provide for discipleship, the method that works best for most churches is to have a ministry that focuses squarely on discipleship. How effective is your discipleship ministry? How can the association assist you to become effective in discipleship?

*Rev. Willard Smith  
Educational Ministries Director*

**Iglesias Saludables:** La salud de una iglesia es el producto de la transformación espiritual de la gente que esta creciendo en obediencia a su Maestro. Para ser una iglesia saludable, debemos tener un plan para disciplinar a los creyentes. Hay muchas formas en que la iglesia puede proveer discipulado. El método que trabaja mejor para muchas iglesias es teniendo un ministerio que se enfoque directamente sobre discipulado. ¿Qué tan efectivo es tu ministerio de discipulado? ¿Como podría la Asociación ayudarte a tener un ministerio de discipulado efectivo?

*Rev. Willard Smith  
Educational Ministries Director*

## Compañerismo de Hermandad y Ministerio de Hombres

Sábado 15 de Marzo de 9:00am - 12:00pm.

3600 W Imperial Hwy. Inglewood  
(Iglesia Luterana Concordia)

Los hombres de nuestras iglesias están invitados a un desayuno continental y compañerismo.

**Hablemos sobre:** Ministerios de hombres...Organicemos un equipo de construcción para ayudar a nuestras iglesias.

**RSVP** a Lafayette Funches 310/679-3400 o [gtebc@aol.com](mailto:gtebc@aol.com) o llame a la oficina de la asociación.

# 2003 CLD

## Contextualized Leadership Development

We are now signing up students for the **Spring Quarter 2003** {April 21<sup>st</sup> ~ June 30<sup>th</sup>}. We are offering two courses: Mondays – Systematic Theology 2; taught by Rev. Hozell Francis and on Thursdays – History of Baptists; taught by Rev. Artis Glass Jr.

There will be no Summer Quarter offered.

It costs just \$25 for your application fee. Classes are just \$60 each {\$70 for non-Southern Baptists} plus the cost of books.

There are three diplomas offered:

Diploma in Christian Ministry (14 courses)  
Diploma in Church Planting (20 courses)  
Diploma of Theology (31 courses)

These are seminary classes. You will be enrolled through Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley. The classes will be held at the Association Office.

The Advisory Council, chaired by Rev. Tom Stringfellow, is in the process of joining together with the Long Beach Harbor Association and the Los Angeles Association to have a joint CLD Program. This will give us an opportunity to have the best instructors, larger classes and the ability to offer more classes per quarter. By having more classes offered, you will be able to complete your diploma in three years.

The joint CLD Program is planned to begin in September 2003. We will be moving the location at that time to be more centrally located for all three associations. We are hoping to offer classes three days per week with two classes per night.

Contact the Association Office for an application or more information.

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## PROGRAMA DE ESTUDIOS PARA DIRECTORES

Estamos inscribiendo estudiantes para el semestre de primavera 2003 (21 de Abril a 30 de Junio) Ofreceremos dos cursos: Lunes Teología Sistemática 2, profesor Rev. Hozell Francis. Jueves Historia Bautista, profesor Rev. Artis Glass Jr.

No se ofrecerán clases de verano.

El costo de la matricula es \$25.00. El costo de las clases es de \$60.00 cada una (\$70 para personas que no sean miembros de la Asociación Bautista del Sur) además del costo de los libros.

Ofrecemos tres diplomas:

Diploma en Ministerio Cristiano (14 cursos)  
Diploma en Implantar Iglesias (20 cursos)  
Diploma de Teología (31 cursos)

Estos son seminarios. La matricula es a través del Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Mill Valley. Las clases se darán en la oficina de la Asociación.

La junta de consejeros, presidida por el Rev. Tom Stringfellow esta estudiando la posibilidad de unirse a la Asociación Harbor de Long Beach y a la Asociación de Los Angeles para planear el programa de Estudios para Directores. Esto nos dará la oportunidad de tener mejores instructores y más variedad de cursos cada ciclo. El poder tomar más clases durante un ciclo facilitara a obtener el diploma en solo tres años.

De ser posible, se planea empezar con este programa en Setiembre 2003. Nos moveremos a un local que este a igual distancia de las tres asociaciones. Nuestro propósito es ofrecer clases tres veces a la semana, con dos materias por noche.

**Para recibir una solicitud de matricula o mas información, llame a la Asociación.**

# Refresher Weekend 2003

April 11-13, 2003

## **"Tiempo De Gracia"**

*Y me ha dicho: "Bástate mi gracia,"*  
2da Corintios 12:9

*Holiday Inn Select,  
Bakersfield*

*Nutriendo tu alma,  
Restaurando tu espíritu,  
Renovando tu mente.*

**Oradora:**  
*Marty Sprague*

## *Actividades del fin de Semana*

- Momentos Misioneros
- Feria de salud para mujeres de California presentado por enfermeras de California en misión, este mini evento estará enfocado en casos comunes de la mujer. Toda información y presentaciones serán dados por expertos en esta área.
- Compañerismo de escritores cristianos de California
- Unidades de educación para enfermeras
- Proyecto misionero – cada mujer se le pide traer una lata de comida para entregar a Tulare Street Center en Fresno
- Seminarios que cambiaran su

**Cost:** \$80 for all three days  
Includes sessions, Sat. & Sun. Breakfast, Sat. Lunch, conference materials.

**Location:** Holiday Inn Select  
801 Truxton Ave,  
Bakersfield 93301  
**Hotel Cost:** \$92.24  
(includes tax) per

April 11-13

## **Seasons of Grace**

*"And He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you.'" 2 Corinthians 12:9*

*Holiday Inn Select,  
Bakersfield*

*Nourish Your Soul.  
Restore Your Spirit.  
Renew Your Mind.*

**Featured Speaker:**  
*Marty Sprague*

## *Weekend Highlights*

- Missionary Moments
- California Women's Health Fair – Sponsored by CA Nurses on Mission, this mini event will focus on current women's health issues; information, displays and presentations by experts in their field.
- National Missions Education Leaders
- California Christian Writers' Fellowship
- Continuing Education Units for nurses
- On-Site Ministry Project – Each woman is asked to bring a can of food to be given to the Tulare Street Center in Fresno.
- Seminars that will change your life!

**Schedule**  
Registration 11:30am  
Friday afternoon 1:30,  
3:00, 4:15pm  
Friday evening 9:30pm  
Sat morning 9:00,  
10:15am

**For information & registration:**  
WMU/Women's Ministries  
678 E Shaw Ave, Fresno 93710

559/229-9533, ext. 256  
[www.csbc.com](http://www.csbc.com)

## In Our Churches

### Churches Searching for a Pastor:

**Faith Baptist Church, Los Angeles**  
**Gardena-Torrance Baptist, Gardena**  
**In Christ Church, Beverly Hills**  
**Los Angeles Crenshaw, Gardena**  
**Philippian Baptist Church, LA**  
**Union Hill Baptist, Los Angeles**

### Calvary Baptist Church in

Hawthorne is accepting resumes for a part time Youth Minister. Send resumes to 4081 W. El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne 90250, atten: Rev. Neal Browning.

**CHURCHES:** Let us know what is being planned in your church, or what special, exciting, inspirational event has already taken place. We would love to share it with the other churches. It may encourage or inspire them. They also would be able to support your work.

## March Dates to Note:

March 1 - State Leadership VBS Clinic  
March 7 & 8 - Cross-Cultural Training, IMB  
March 10 - CLTI 5<sup>th</sup> Semester begins  
March 12 - Ocean Fishing Trip  
March 15 - Men's Ministries Fellowship  
March 18 - Council Meeting  
March 22 - Basketball Tournament  
March 27 - Prayer Walk  
March 29 - Benefit Golf Tournament  
March 29 - VBS Local Sum. Miss. Training

## Planning ahead to april:

March 31~April 3 - DOM State Staff Meeting  
April 5 - Grandparents Who Parent Conference  
April 11~12 - Women's RefresHer Weekend  
April 12 - Beach Strand Bike Ride  
April 21 - Begin Spring CLD Quarter  
April 21~24 - Minister's Bible Conference  
April 24 - Prayer Walk  
April 25 - Local Summer Miss. VBS Training  
April 26 - Equipped for Excellence

## Workers in Our Association

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