

CLB Pacific Region - Chad Focus Trip 2018

This spring, I've been in a small group Bible study in the book of Jonah. What an amazing 48 verses of God's Word! The book of Jonah shows us all of God's grace; not just to the world, but His grace for His missionaries and servants. Jonah also serves as a mirror to my own sin; my blindness to God's plans, my hardness of heart toward those He loves, and the immeasurable lengths God will go to demonstrate His love and mercy to everyone made in His image!

Sometimes it takes a brother or sister in the Church or the right opportunity at the right time to move us out of our place of comfort to see an all-holy, all-loving, and all-powerful God at work. Consider me *that* brother and consider *this* your opportunity! Keep reading...





LBIM Mission Mobilizer, Dan Venberg, is **forming a team <u>now</u> of 6-8 participants from our Pacific Region churches** with the goal of better

internalizing our Lord's mission to the unreached peoples of Chad. Another intended outcome is that each mission team member (along with the congregations and region) would be better equipped to pray for, support, promote and engage with God's mission to the unreached of Chad.

The team will visit with Chadian Muslims, LBIM missionaries, Chadian Christians and missionaries, along with participating alongside LBIM holistic ministries (water well ministry, refugee relief, mosquito net distribution, education, etc.)

Dates: January 17-31, 2018, with the application deadline August 31, 2017

Estimated Cost: \$3500 (includes air fare, visa, lodging food, transport and miscellaneous expenses)

For a mission trip **application** and **further details** contact Dan Venberg (<u>dvenberg@clba.org</u>), Keturah Flude (<u>keturahflude@live.com</u>), or Regional Pastor Phil Heiser (<u>pheiser@clba.org</u>)

With a Grateful Heart,

Phil Heiser - Pacific Regional Pastor



Prayer and Praises around the Pacific Region...

- Prayer for Pastor Jim Jensen (CCOJ, Sammamish) who will be having knee replacement surgery on Monday, June 5. Pastor Jim has also announced his resignation from CCOJ, effective later this summer. Pray for the Jensens and CCOJ as they enter this season of transition.
- Pray for Rt. Pastor **Harlod Tjelta and family** (Nampa, Idaho). Pr. Harold's wife, Eileen (82), went to her eternal home with her Lord and Savior on May 6.

- Pray for Pastor **Brandon Pangman**, his family, and Rock of Ages LBC in Seattle. Pastor Brandon has resigned as senior pastor so that his family could be closer to relatives. Pray for the Rock as they make adjustments to their pastoral staff and mission forward.
- Pray for Rev. Dr. **Daniel Berge and his family** as they prepare to transition from Immanuel Lutheran in Eugene, to a full-time call at the Lutheran Brethren Seminary. Pray also for the transition work that needs to be done at Immanuel Lutheran as they seek another pastor to continue the renewal work there.
- Praise for the Lord's provision of our CLB financial need. After all offerings and gifts were received, along with careful control of expenses, we only came in about \$52,300 short of our ministry needs.
 Considering the shortfall going into April, this was a blessed response! Please consider how you and your church could continue, or perhaps even increase, your gift in the year ahead.
- Praise for **Calvary Community** (Fullerton, CA). Current Associate Pastor **Seth Leivestad** has accepted the church's call to serve as their next senior pastor. Pray for Calvary as they now enter a summer of ministry transition with Rev. Jim Erickson's retirement at the end of July.
- Prayer for Good Shepherd Ministries (Buda, TX, just south of Austin) as they continue the search for their next pastor.

Upcoming Events...



YC17 - July 26-30 / YMCA of the Rockies. This is an incredible opportunity for youth to experience great discipleship, worship, and fellowship with other CLB youth around the country! Talk with your church's youth director now!! www.yc17.org.

Family Bible Camp - Warm Beach Bible Camp - June

27 - July 2. Rev. Jay Price (Word of Life, Marysville) evening speaker - theme: "Faith Awakens". Register NOW: www.biblecamprocks.com



Young Leaders of the Pacific Region making their mark this past month!...



Tyler Somers' book launch event at Hope LBC. Tyler's book: "Ministry in a Small Church"



Rock LBC Worship Director, **Mr. Paul Fauquet**, preaching at the Rock! What a blessing!



Mr. Adam Newton, Peace LBC youth director, preaching in Olympia! Great job Adam!