

UPCOMING EVENTS



MEN'S CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 18-19 AT 5:00 PM

Men of CBC! Registration is now open for our 2024 REBEL Conference! We believe that as men of God, we have been called to a life that refuses compromise, no matter the pressures or challenges we face in today's world. Through a powerful weekend of teaching and fellowship from Pastor Alex Himaya, Battlecreek Church in Tulsa OK, we'll equip and encourage one another to draw a clear line in the sand and make Joshua 24:15, "As for me, I will serve the Lord" our personal declaration. We are also excited to have two former San Antonio Spurs joining the weekend - Antonio Daniels and George Hill. Register and reserve your spot today at communitybible.com/events



MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL RETREAT

OCTOBER 25-27

6-8th grade students are invited to register for a weekend away at Camp Eagle in Rocksprings, TX! Join us this year at Fall Retreat for a fun-filled weekend focused on building community. At Fall Retreat, students will have the opportunity to worship together, participate in exciting outdoor activities, and develop friendships that help them grow closer to Jesus! For more information or to register, visit communitybible.com/events

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WEEKLY RHYTHMS

CARE GROUPS
TUESDAYS AT 6:30 PM

CBC Care Groups are here to offer support and help you find community.

MDWK - ALL CAMPUSES
WEDNESDAYS AT 6:45 PM

Join us for our midweek gathering for 6th-12th grade students!

COMMON GROUND
THURSDAYS AT 7 PM

18-25 year olds - join us for our Thursday gathering!

RECOVERY GROUPS
FRIDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Recovery community for adults, students and kids.

Celebrate Recovery: Adults

The Landing: Students

Celebration Place: Kids

NEW BELIEVERS & FIRST TIME GUESTS:

If you have accepted Jesus as your Savior, we'd like to celebrate with you! Stop by our Next Steps space or text **CHRIST** to **210-762-4747**. If you are visiting for the first time, we want to welcome you! Stop by one of our First Time visitors' tents for a free gift or text **GUEST** to **210-762-4747** so we can reach out to you at a later time.

NEEDING PRAYER?

We have a pastoral team at our CBC Cares area in the lobby ready to pray with you. You can also scan the QR code to complete a prayer request form.

CAMPUSES



GIVE THROUGH CBC



PRAYER REQUEST FORM



Trending

Border Security, Illegal Immigration and the Christian's Response

DR. ED NEWTON

CLARIFYING TRUTH FOR
CULTURAL TOPICS

Title: Border Security, Illegal Immigration and the Christian's Response

Text: "He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" Micah 6:8

Target: The calling of God on a nation is to uphold justice, extend compassion and ensure security.

I. Bible Framework of Immigration:

- A. **One People Under God:** Tower of Babel and the dispersion of the nations (Genesis 11)
- B. **Boundaries Determine Nations:** "And he made from one man every *nation* of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the **boundaries** of their dwelling place" (Acts 17:26)
- C. **Sojourners/Strangers Become Citizens:** "When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. **You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you**, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God." (Leviticus 19:34)
- D. **Required Submission to the Law:** "But you shall keep my statutes and my rules and do none of these abominations, either the **native or the stranger who sojourns among you**" (Leviticus 18:26)
- E. **Laws Govern FOR the People:** "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God." (Romans 13:1)

II. See the Immigrant in Immigration:

- A. **Imago Dei:** Every person crossing the border is an image bearer of God (Genesis 1:26-27)
- B. **Seeking Economic Opportunity:** Economic instability, unemployment rates, poverty (Leviticus 25:35)
- C. **Escaping Violence and Crime:** Safety and protection (Zechariah 7:10)
- D. **Political and Religious Persecution or Instability:** Seeking asylum (Deuteronomy 1:16)
- E. **Social Services & Better Life:** American dream (Galatians 2:10)
- F. **Family Reunification:** Reunification of family (1 Peter 2:13-16)

III. The Crisis at the Border:

- A. **Safety for Border Agents and Border Towns:** Outnumbered and overrun
- B. **Criminal Activity:** Human smuggling & trafficking, drug trafficking
- C. **Exploitation of the Vulnerable:** Desperate people do desperate things
- D. **Strain on Social Services:** Children services, health care, education, social welfare, FEMA
- E. **Threat to National Security:** Criminal activity, domestic threats
- F. **Community Overcrowding & Employment Shortage:** Causing animosity and disruption

IV. Balanced Approach to Immigration:

- A. **Comprehensive Immigration Reform:** Bipartisan effort that makes security the priority of our borders and the interest of all Americans, not at the expense of humanitarian needs.
- B. **Empowered Enforcement of Policies:** Hold lawmakers accountable for encouraging and rewarding the breaking of INA policy and allow border officers to enforce the law fully.
- C. **Enhanced Border Security:** Increase physical barriers, expand use of technology to cover more territories, increase personnel.
- D. **Unify the Mission:** Federal agencies, state and local law enforcement must work together to create security.
- E. **Asylum Policy Defined, Visa Caps Expanded:** Clarify and streamline the process with pre-arrival documentation, address the backlogs, increase shortage of immigration judges, and create legal assistance for proper documentation.
- F. **Family Reunion Credibility Checks:** Children cannot be given over to someone without proper documentation and verification of relation.

V. Churches Response to the Immigration Crisis:

- A. **The Great Commission is being fulfilled:** Matthew 28:18-20
- B. **Non-Profit Ministry Support:** Support or serve within agencies that provide services to immigrants in your community.
- C. **Immigration Lawyer Services:** Allow membership to be reconnected with fellow congregants who need assistance.
- D. **ESL:** English as a Second Language. (Allows you to share your Faith)
- E. **Language Based Community Groups:** Language based groups allow people from different countries to find a piece of home.
- F. **Mobilize Evangelicals to Vote:** Hold policy makers who create open borders with the question of why overrun the process at the expense of the American people.

Takeaway: The border crisis is not just a political issue, it is a Gospel issue.

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