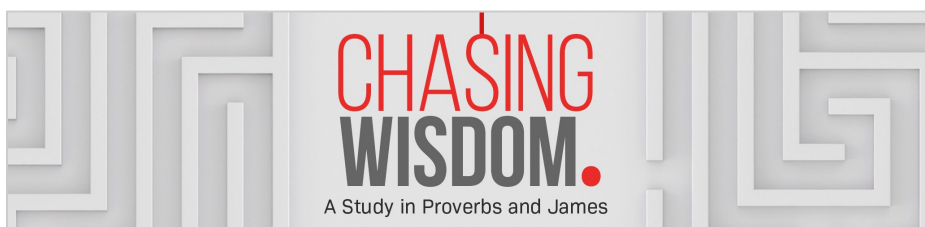


# Lebanon Area Evangelical Free Church

## AUGUST 2025

*"Knowing, Living, Sharing... the Heart of Jesus"*

## Community Connection



We invite you to be a part of a **LIFE GROUP** at LAEFC!

**Experiencing JESUS Together**

See the lobby sign-ups or call the church office for more info. Direct questions to Pastor Ken.



Lebanon Free Church will be offering a new **GriefShare** support group session, beginning in September. For those who may be grieving the loss of a spouse, we will be offering a single-session *GriefShare* class on August 28 at 6:30pm in Room C1. It will provide practical help and give you reasons for hope. Direct questions to John & Jenn Nelsen.



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### Lebanon Free's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual

**5k & 1-mile Fun Run**  
8:30am

**Pancake Breakfast**  
7:00-10am

**Saturday, September 27th**



**All proceeds will benefit AFCA!**



**Registration forms & QR codes at the lobby counters!**

**OR Sponsor "A Mile in Their Shoes" (\$30) to AFCA!**

Lebanon Free Church will be hosting another **Blood Drive** on Saturday, **August 16**, from 8am to 1pm for Central PA Blood Bank.

To schedule your appointment, go to [717GiveBlood.org](http://717GiveBlood.org) or call 1-800-771-0059.

Participants will receive a \$10 gift card to Good's Store and a Blood Donor T-shirt!

*Be the Difference. Donate Blood. Save a Life.*

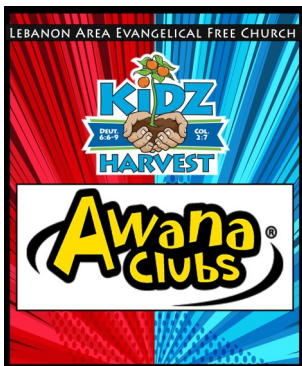


## KIDZ HARVEST AUGUST 2025 Events:

**August 13 - Kidz Harvest “End of Summer” Blast** - at the Lebanon Free Church Pavilion from 11am-3pm. There will be a “Hot Dog” lunch provided at 12 noon for everybody. We will close the summer by playing some water games and sliding down a HUGE INFLATABLE WATER SLIDE and connecting with each other. This is not a drop-off event. We would like parents and guardians to stay and connect as well!!!

COMING SOON

**August 31 - MOVE-UP SUNDAY** - Our “OFFICIAL” start to our 2025-2026 Ministry Year!!! Beginning with those who are entering Pre-school through those who are entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade... all children will begin their new classes starting Sunday, August 31st!!!



Clubber  
QR Code

### AWANA 2025-2026 Online Registration is LIVE

Awana is for “potty-trained” 2-yr-olds to 5th Graders. **Opening Night** is Wednesday, **September 10th** from 6:30-8:00pm. Register your clubber(s) and consider volunteering as shepherds.



Shepherd  
QR Code

## Young Adults

Join us on Sundays in Room C1 at 10:45am, for time in the Word, prayer, and shared friendships; as well as Wednesday eves, 7:00-9:00pm.

**August 6** - Pizza Party at the Burns' home

Follow Facebook (Lebanon Free Young Adults) and Insta posts!

## Student Ministries - Middle School/High School

**SMT (Sun Morn Truth) - Sundays at 10:40am for MS & HS\***  
(2nd floor—Youth Worship Center)



**TUESDAYS, 6:30-8:30pm**

**August 5, 19, 26** - No RISE

**August 12** - End of Summer Blast!



**MONDAYS, 6:30-8:30pm**

**August 4, 11, 18** - No HSM

**August 25** - HSM Worship Night

### \*SMT (Sun Morn Truth) Schedule for August

August 3—Testimonies, August 10 & 17—No SMT, August 24—Special Guest

**Combined Events (RISE and HSM) with Lebanon County Youth Network:**

Aug. 3- (Sunday) Worship Night at Cleona Park 6-8pm

Aug. 10- (Sunday) Guppy Gulch Trip (Pre-registration required)

## MEN'S MINISTRY

### ***Band of Brothers Men's Retreat at Camp Orchard Hill***

When? Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, Oct 12<sup>th</sup>. Join your brothers in Christ for a weekend of action, adventure, and solid teaching from God's Word. Awesome worship & fellowship! Cornhole tournament, basketball, archery, fishing, climbing wall, zip lines, flag football, Chef Steve's "man food" and more! Scholarship funds are available for those facing financial hardship. Registration will begin in mid-August. Watch for details in the lobby.

### ***Men's Prayer Breakfast***

Meet other men. Make new friends. Share prayer concerns. Get encouraged. Dig deeper & grow in faith. We meet 8:00-9:00am on the first Saturday of each month at Heisey's Diner. See you there!

### ***Men's Weekly Bible Study at LAEFC***

Mark your calendars. Every Wednesday, beginning September 10th! Two time options available - Offered 6:15am in the Fellowship Hall for early risers (coffee included), and again at 6:30pm in Room 012. This is a terrific opportunity to meet other men and grow in Christ. Plug-in. Get connected. *If you haven't joined us before, you'll want to join us in September.*

### **Men's Ministry Questions or Comments?**

Contact Joe Vangeli

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## EAGLES MINISTRY (ages 55+)



### **An Eagles Bedtime Story...**

Once upon a time there was an old bald eagle who had difficulty flying for the late spring and summer. But Someone, whose eye is on the sparrow, also had His eye on the bald eagle and made him well. The old eagle was very grateful to the One who had healed him and grateful to his fellow eagles who had prayed for him. As the bald eagle began to feel better, he was eager to share lots of upcoming events with his birds of a feather.

(Most of you know the old bald eagle is Pastor Gary who is so grateful to the Lord and all those who have uplifted him and Joan at this time!)

And here's the upcoming events he would love to share with everyone:

**September 21** - Hymn Sing in the Church lobby

**September 22** - PA March for Life in Harrisburg

**October 3** - Game Night and Fellowship at the Hoover's home

**October 10** - Collingsworth Family Concert in Harrisburg

**November 7 or 8** - Nursing Home "Hymns and Prayers" Outreach

**November 11** - Sight and Sound Theatre Trip to see "Noah"

And this story ends with, if we have put our trust in Jesus, *"And they all lived happily ever after!"*

*Congratulations to our church softball team for winning the league championship in July!!*



### ***Celebrate Recovery (CR)***

Celebrate Recovery meets throughout the summer. Are there areas in your life that are holding you back from the walk with God you desire? Why not consider

Celebrate Recovery?

CR is a safe place to learn how to lay down your hurts, habits and hang-ups at the foot of the Cross and find freedom in Jesus!

You can learn more about Celebrate Recovery every

Thursday at 6:30pm upstairs in the Youth Worship Center.



### ITEMS NEEDED FOR AUGUST:

cake/cookie mixes, Jello, applesauce, peanut butter, squeezable jellies, Ranch dressing, and reusable tote bags

Food and household donations are given to the Jonestown Outreach Pantry (JOY). *Please consider bringing several items each month to help others in need.*

Collection baskets are located in the youth hallway by the church mailboxes.

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### Sundays at LAEFC

Worship Services at 9:00am and 10:45am

If you are unable to worship with us in-person, join us Sunday mornings at 10:35am on YouTube (LAEFC Church).

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[www.lebefree.org](http://www.lebefree.org)

Office hours:  
8:00am-4:30pm

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

*"Sweet friendships refresh the soul and awaken our hearts with joy, for good friends are like the anointing oil that yields the fragrant incense of God's presence." -Proverbs 27:9 TPT*

### NEW! Women's Bible Study Beginning Fall 2025!

**THE GOSPEL ON THE GROUND** with Kristi McLelland Join us for this 7-series study as we unpack the life of the early church in the book of Acts that shows us that the kingdom of God is always on the move, always looking outward to bring meaning and joy to a world searching for true fulfillment and hope. Explore the call of Jesus to His disciples then and to us today. See how God's Word can sustain us even in the most difficult of times, and embrace the transformative grace we experience as children of God in His kingdom of celebration. Bible Study registration begins Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> both in the church lobby and online [www.lebefree.org](http://www.lebefree.org) – women's ministry. **BOTH studies meet every other week.**

**Marketplace** Bible Study begins **Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall. If childcare is needed, please contact Erika Ebersole ([Erika@lebefree.org](mailto:Erika@lebefree.org)).

**Truthseekers** Bible Study begins **Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am** in the Fellowship Hall. Registered childcare IS available.

**Ladies' Prayer Breakfast** - held at Heisey's Diner in Lebanon at 8:45am each third Saturday morning of the month. Gail Foster leads

### ALIVE! WOMEN'S RETREAT - OCTOBER 3-5 at CAMP ORCHARD HILL!

Register ONLINE at [www.camporchardhill.com/women'sretreat](http://www.camporchardhill.com/women'sretreat)  
BE SURE TO REGISTER as a part of our group, Lebanon Free Church! Cost of Retreat is \$200 (includes lodging, meals & all events) Saturday attendance only is also available. See more info at the lobby counters! We hope you'll join us for a GREAT weekend together!

### ANNUAL COMMUNITY CLOTHING GIVEAWAY - Saturday, October 25, 2025

We will begin collecting CLEAN, USED clothing in GOOD condition on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> and continue through October 19<sup>th</sup>. Please consider donating clothing items for all ages to bless those in our surrounding communities. PLEASE WAIT UNTIL AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup> TO BRING IN CLOTHING. More info to follow.

**Women's Connection Classes** are available on Sunday mornings, August – December at 10:45am in Room 012. See Women's Ministry info at the church lobby counters for current class info and start date.