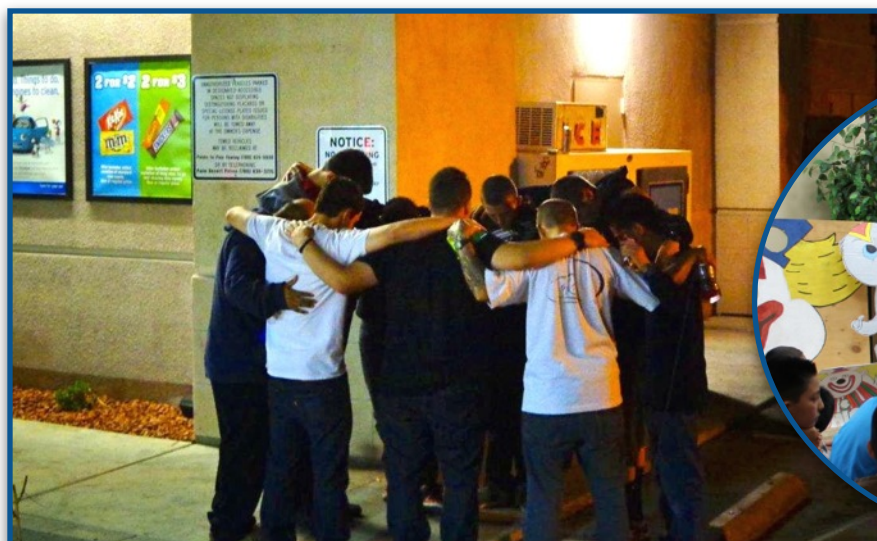


The Barnabas Newsletter

Teen Challenge

Teen Challenge changes lives and provides hope to youth, adults, and families with an effective and comprehensive Christian faith-based solution to life-controlling drug and alcohol problems in order to become productive members of society. By applying biblical principles they strive to help people become mentally sound, emotionally balanced, socially adjusted, physically well, and spiritually alive. There are nearly 200 residential Teen Challenge centers across the USA providing care for people of all ages.

Immediate needs: Teen Challenge needs volunteers to help provide expertise in areas of management and how to run an organization. Consider hiring Teen Challenge graduates to assist with their transition or tutor at their Life Skill Schools to work with students from challenged neighborhoods who need assistance with homework. TC also needs members who are willing to complete the screening process in order to be involved with adolescent prevention programs. For more information, please visit www.teenchallenge.org. You may also contact Paulette Nagle at paulette.nagle@teenchallenge.org or (951) 682-8990.



Terence Chatmon

Keynote speaker, Terence Chatmon, is President and CEO of Fellowship of Companies for Christ International (FCCI). He spoke about the Kingdom Company/Kingdom Leader model. Does your business build God's Kingdom or build yours? Is your business based on eternal values? As Christian business people we have the capacity to be bold and courageous using God's word to impact those around us. What would happen if we focus on 2 Chronicles 7:14? "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." The result could be huge and we could affect many for Christ in our daily workplace.

5 disturbing trends occur today:

1. Growth of Islam over Christianity
2. Destabilization of youth groups (millenials)
3. Rise of persecution
4. Technology moving power to the edge
5. Non-readers on the rise

If we sought eternal values while running our business we could affect negative trends and institute change. Are we bold and courageous standing up for the Gospel? Are we using technology to bring forth love of Jesus Christ around the world? Do we use the 66 books of the bible to influence non-readers? These are important considerations for all Christian business people. God calls business leaders to participate in the building of His Kingdom through our business. If you sold your business to God with Jesus in the corner office as CEO, what would change? For more information, please visit the FCCI webpage at www.fcci.org. You may also contact Terence Chatmon at terence@fcci.org.



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Business as Mission and Transformational Ventures

Business as Mission and Transformational Ventures equips local entrepreneurs to create jobs through profitable businesses in struggling communities around the world. To do this, they equip Christian business people in the United States to engage with those entrepreneurs and with other opportunities. They integrate their efforts with spiritual outreach, health care, education, and justice initiatives. **Immediate needs:** Coach entrepreneurs and small business owners via Skype and site visits in Nairobi, the Philippines, Costa Rica, Brazil, Bolivia, and Myanmar. Help grow Business Development Centers and assist their for-profit company in such areas as sales tax compliance and web portal. Assist T-Ventures as they cast vision for Business as Mission and mobilize business people and their churches to engage; become a part-time coach among churches and businesses in your area. For more information, please visit

www.TransformationalVentures.com.

You may also contact Bruce Swanson at bruce@TransformationalVentures.com or (720) 283-2000, ext. 2710.



iThink Big



iTHINKBIG has 20 passionate young adults ages 18-25 years old from around the United States who have dedicated themselves to 9 months of intense discipleship. These young adults are mobilized to do public school assemblies totaling 100,000 - 150,000 students annually. They inspire students toward achieving their goals, overcome obstacles, and see thousands commit their lives to Christ each year at evening events called "Afterparties". **Immediate needs:** Attend a local school assembly to better understand the iTHINK ministry and provide ongoing encouragement and counsel. For more information, please visit www.ithinkbig.org. You may also contact Chad Furlong at chad@ithinkbig.org or (858) 945-7304.



Abortion Changes You

Abortion Changes You invites men, women, and family members from around the world to find after-abortion healing; creates resources; and trains international leaders, counselors, pastors, health professionals, and pregnancy centers to assist those touched by abortion.

Immediate needs: Sign note of support on urxalone.com and ask 5 others to also sign, provide leads/introductions for speaking engagements, volunteer and/or participate in Life Walk (5K run/walk). For more information, please visit www.AbortionChangesYou.com. You may also contact Michaelene Fredenburg at michaelene@abortionchangesyou.com or (619) 698-5433.



Institute for Faith, Work and Economics

IFWE are content providers that translate biblical principles for flourishing into practical resources like books, blogs, webinars and curriculum that will help Christians integrate their faith in the workplace and become better stewards of what God has given them.

Immediate needs: Sign up for their blog to receive spiritually rich and practical information on integrating whole-life stewardship practices into your life, help identify leaders and networks so they can share content and expand the scope and impact of their message (Christian business groups, universities, schools, associations, etc.), or attend an upcoming regional Business Leader Forum to discuss how Christians can bring about flourishing and transformation in the marketplace and society. For more information, please visit www.tifwe.org. You may also contact Hugh Whelchel at Hwhelchel@tifwe.org or (703) 962-7877.



Association For Life



AFL is an association of life ministry, with centers and clinics throughout San Diego County offering life-affirming help and hope to those facing unplanned pregnancies and those struggling with past abortion(s). **Immediate needs:** Tour your local pregnancy center and meet with the center director, volunteer to help build a website for AFL, or assist marketing efforts of your local center. For more information, please contact Julie Dowler at Julie@capsonline.org or (619) 207-9207.

Royal Family Kids

Royal Family Kids mobilizes the faith community to serve as counselors and mentors to foster children. They change the trajectory of abused and abandoned children. **Immediate needs:** Come to Summer Camp for one day! They will bring business and church leaders (and spouses) to camp for day visits to see a living model of their program and hear directly from the people it impacts. RFK is seeking business and Christian ministry mentors with background in Board Development;

Fundraising ideas and relationships; Accounting Systems; and experience in transition management. They also have opportunities for community fundraising events and need volunteers and interested sponsors. There

are 13 active locations in Southern California and you can "adopt" one for your company or church. For more information, please visit www.royalfamilykids.org.

You may also contact Chris Carmichael at office@royalfamilykids.org or (714) 438-2494.





Matt Daniels

Keynote speaker, Matt Daniels, spoke about Hope for the Gospel and our Children as Law Turns Against Faith in America. He is the founder of Good of All which exists to promote the most fundamental freedoms enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Their goal is to advance universal human rights around the world through online public education that is informed by the best legal and academic scholarship.

Today there is a tsunami of legalities against people of faith. Faith-based people and organizations are considered second-class citizens and at some point Faith Based Organizations (FBO's) could be banned in the United States as they are in Europe. What strategies are we using to STOP the tsunami of legalities that is coming?

Currently, we preach/proclaim Gospel only, we care for the oppressed and poor, we hope to mobilize and win back America, or we use the Ostrich strategy and bury our head in the sand to avoid the problem thinking it will go away. We must take a stand and get involved to institute change. Please consider helping Good of All get into schools and universities and become involved in the human rights movement, join them on Facebook and Twitter to join the conversation about the importance of freedom worldwide and be their ears to report human rights violations. For more information, please visit www.goodofall.org. You may also contact them via email at info@goodofall.org.

Real Battle Ministries

Real Battle Ministries is an educational organization that offers information, research, support and practical help for parents and children on the issues of technology overuse and video game addiction. The goal is to maintain a balance between technology use and productive activities necessary to grow and succeed. The Real Battle mission is to raise awareness on the issues surrounding video game addiction and technology overuse conflict in the home. **Immediate needs:** Connect them with leaders in your churches, schools and community to host Real Battle Seminar, help develop and distribute educational materials to churches and schools or assist in writing grants to fund distribution of educational materials to schools. For more information, please visit www.realbattle.org. You may also contact Andrew Doan at Andy@andrew-doan.com or (319) 321-5786.



National Managing Partner- Rick McCarthy asked, “Why TBG”?



It's normal to just think you're a part of this cool, local, “holy huddle” called The Barnabas Group. I'd like to share with you that God's bigger vision is that you're actually a vital part of a National movement, indeed an Eternal movement! Over 1400 ministries have been blessed by over 800 members!

Let me share some cool happenings across the United States. We currently have 11 groups in 9 cities. The original in Orange County plus San Diego, Inland Empire, Los Angeles, East Bay near San Francisco, Charlotte, our newest group last year in Minneapolis, along with 2 groups each covering Chicago and Houston. Dallas and Charleston are planning to launch in 2015.

Some groups have done missions trips together to Vietnam, Peru, Costa Rica, and more; another is taking an Israel trip together this year; others have had great name speakers like Dr. James Dobson or Steve Arterburn; most chapters allow non-

presenting ministries to also have tables to share who they are; one chapter has partnered with Containers of Hope to provide backpacks and school supplies; one gives video links to ministries of their presentations for them to use on their websites and emails; many have provided volunteers to serve at various ministry events; one is testing a partnership including internships with Pepperdine University; many have a variety of social opportunities for members and ministries to network further with each other; a few are collaborating with Pinnacle Forum to take folks deeper in their relationship with God; there have even been a few marriages come out of TBG!

Founded in 2000, our vision is to engage thousands, to release generosity, and to launch groups across the United States alongside The Master's Program and National Christian Foundation. We do it through exposure, engagement, education and encouragement. National provides governance, branding, legal and insurance access, accounting, and much more. We serve your Managing Partners so they may better serve members and ministries.

So why should you join The Barnabas Group or encourage others to join? Well, Rick Warren said it best in the first

sentence of “A Purpose-Driven Life” - it's not about you! Our mission is to see the time, talent, and network of marketplace and other Kingdom leaders help ministries from small startups to large international organizations and transform lives worldwide. We want to scratch that “itch” you likely have to be used powerfully by God to bear fruit that lasts, using your unique combination of spiritual gifts, strengths, passions and experiences. As we say in TMP, ***your career is what you're paid for, but your calling is what you're made for.*** Life and TBG is not a spectator sport- let's all get in the game!

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2014 Calendar & Announcements

Monday evening, June 16, 2014.

Entertainment night and Mexican dinner at El Adobe Restaurant, 31891 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. This is a special event for San Diego and Orange County Barnabas Group **members only**. Begins at 5:30 pm and concludes at 9:20 pm.

Monday evening, August 18, 2014.

Quarterly meeting and dinner at Handlery Hotel, 950 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108. We begin at 5:30 pm and end at 9:15 pm. There will be several ministries to meet before dinner, presentations, and a great evening!

Monday morning, November 3, 2014.

Quarterly meeting at Handlery Hotel, 950 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108. We begin with a full breakfast at 7:30 am and conclude with lunch.

The Issachar Initiative:

99.7% of Christian giving goes to the already church and the reached. We are the first generation in history who could actually complete fulfillment of the Great Commission in Matthew 28:16-20 **IF** we get strategic in targeting the remaining unreached/unchurched people groups in the world to let them experience the Gospel in their heart language.

When: Wednesday, June 4, 2014

Where: The Crossing Church, 2115 Newport Blvd, Costa Mesa, CA

Time: 7:30 am check-in, breakfast, and fellowship. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm The Summit

Register: The cost is \$125 per person. Please register at the Issachar Initiative at <https://issacharinitiative.webconnex.com/southerncalifornia>

Website: <http://issacharinitiative.org/>

Xealots Adventure - Saturday, September 27 from 10am - 7pm:

TBG is partnering with XEALOTS in an experience that will inspire you to live life more fully! XEALOTS walks with leaders from multiple domains, including the arts, business, and social profit to grow in inner life, relational, and organizational

competencies.

Join us at a surprise historic destination in Orange County. This one day experience will change your life! It's focused on exposing you to what God is doing right here in your backyard.

This customized guided experience includes two delicious meals with Santa Ana flavor. You'll meet people who can change your life. Our belief is that vision emerges from relationships. Our hope is that you'll connect with God as you take this adventure with us through the streets of Orange County. Don't miss out!

"Please join Suzy and I for the day to not only see what God is doing in our midst, but our eyes and hearts will be opened firsthand as we discover opportunities to serve Him."

- Jim West, TBG Co-Founder and Managing Partner

Cost: \$149 per person (includes meals and other Xealot goodies).

Register: <http://xealots.ticketleap.com/XEALOT-WAY-EXPERIENCE/>

Rethinking Poverty – A Breakfast

Seminar with Dr. Brian Fikkert co-author of "When Helping Hurts": We'll be challenged to rethink our traditional understanding of poverty in order to engage in healthier ways with people who are poor.

A doctor can make two mistakes when you are sick: only treat the symptoms of your condition rather than the underlying causes or misdiagnose the illness. In both cases you won't get better, but you might even get worse. The same is true in our efforts to help the poor. If we only treat the symptoms or if we misdiagnose its root causes, we can actually hurt the poor in our well-intentioned efforts to help them.

Join us to learn more about this important topic during this TBG Members only event!

When: Friday, September 19, 2014

Where: Radisson Hotel Newport Beach. 4545 MacArthur Blvd, Newport Beach, CA

Time: 7:30 am - 8:30 am breakfast. 8:30 am -10:00 am seminar

Attire: Business casual

RSVP: Online at <http://www.barnabasgroup.org> or email Nikki Helmer at nikki.helmer@barnabasgroup.org

The Art of Aligning Mission and Vision to Impact. A FREE workshop presented By Steve Kaloper - CEO/ Founder of Development Services Group, Inc.

Learn and be encouraged as Steve covers important topics critical for your ministry's success to include: Creating a Ministry Business Plan, Key Essentials to an Effective Ministry, Leadership/Donors, Ministry Tactical Plan, Outcomes, Goals, and Results, plus MORE! 2 dates and 2 locations for your convenience:

SAN DIEGO - Tuesday, July 29, 2014

Where: e3 Partners, 17686 Bernardo Center Dr., Suite 7, San Diego, CA 92128

When: 8:30 am - 11:00 am

Attire: Casual

ORANGE COUNTY - Wednesday, July 30, 2014

Where: Pepperdine University Irvine campus. 18111 Von Karman Ave., Lakeshore Towers III, Irvine, CA 92612. Park in multi-level facility across from Lakeshore Towers. Validation provided.

When: 8:30 am - 11:00 am

Attire: Casual

RSVP NOW to Jim West at