

# THE BEACON



Laramie Christian Academy's Monthly Newsletter

"...So they said, 'Let us rise up and build.' Then they set their hands to this good work." - Nehemiah 2:18b

## LCA HAS A HOME! CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IN PROCESS

Laramie Christian Academy is excited to formally announce that First Baptist Church at 1517 Canby is leased to LCA and will be our home. The LCA Board of Directors with the First Baptist Church Board have worked cooperatively to arrange a great location for the Academy. The space is secured under lease and we are now working on our conditional use permit with the City of Laramie and would appreciate your prayers as this moves forward. In the meantime, we are excited to move in and spruce up our new space.



We are still acquiring many supplies and furnishings and are happy to accept any labor volunteers. If you would like to donate time, materials or furnishings to our set-up, please email us at info@laramiechristianacademy.com.

#### What is Classical Christian Education and Why does it matter?



## **ACCORDING TO THE ACCS**

[The Association of Classical Christian Schools]

"Classical Christian Education is an educational category which establishes a Biblical Worldview (called paideia) by incorporating ancient methods of student development. It includes the cultivation of the 7 Christian Virtues, training student reasoning through the Trivium (Grammar, Logic, and Rhetoric), and interacting with the historical great books."

#### LARAMIE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OPTS FOR CLASSICAL EDUCATION

At our launch event in February 2020, Laramie Christian Academy presented Abeka as our curriculum. While we still believe Abeka to be a good choice, the LCA Board of Directors decided in early June to embrace a Classical Christian model on track to eventually receive full accreditation from ACCS as a K-12 Classical Christian School.



## LCA GARAGE SALE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS - THANK YOU!

**Thank you!** - to all who donated items for our garage sale and a shout out to those who came out to shop - rain or shine!



## THE "RESILIENT DISCIPLE"

David Kinneman (President of The Barna Group) recently published a a book called "Faith for Exiles: 5 Ways for A New Generation to Follow Jesus in Digital Babylon." This book reflects on the Christian faith of 18-29 year olds as found in research conducted by The Barna Group. The research was conducted on self-proclaiming young adult Christians and ex-Christians. From this pool of 1514 18-29 year olds, four categories emerged with the following representation:

### 22% Prodigals (ex-Christians)30% Nomads (lapsed Christians)

38% Habitual Church-Goers10% Resilient Disciples

While 78% of the qualifying population identified themselves as "Christian," only 10% emerged as "Resilient Disciples." Resilient Faith in Jesus Christ is one of the "Big Three" values of Laramie Christian Academy and we believe that Classical Christian Education is an avenue to increase this percentage for the generations to come. To see more takeaways from the "Faith for Exiles" visit the article found at https://www.barna.com/research/resilient-disciples/.

WHAT BUILDS RESILIENT DISCIPL	.ES			Ba
ntimacy and Conversation with Jesus	Prodigals / Ex-Christians	Nomads / Unchurched	Habitual Churchgoers	Resilient Disciples
Experiencing intimacy with God (% strongly agree)				
Worship is a lifestyle, not just an event	20*	33%	50*	91*
Jesus has deeply transformed my life	8%	31*	46%	87%
Reading the Bibile makes me feel closer to God	10%	21%	44%	87%
Jesus understands what my life is like these days	13%	36%	51%	79%
Regularly experience at church: the reality of God's presence	13%	23*	43%	75*
Regularly experience at church: guidance for how to grow the fruit of the Spirit	10%	14*	34%	70%
Talking with Jesus (% strongly agree)				
I am reenergized when I spend time with Jesus	10%	23*	46*	87*
Jesus speaks to me in a way that is relevant to my life	10%	31*	43%	83%
Listening to God is a big part of my prayer life	12%	21%	48 <sup>%</sup>	78*
Prayer does not feel like a formal routine but a vibrant part of my life	11%	17%	39*	64%

SAVE THE DATE!

We would love for you to invite any prospective families to join us for these upcoming events:

- <u>Thursday</u>, <u>July 30</u> -Lunch for enrolled families
- <u>Thursday, August 20 -</u> Back to School Night

#### DON'T FORGET About the Pizza!



Remember to be on the lookout for Laramie Christian Academy's monthly fundraising nights with PAPA MURPHY'S! These dates will be posted on our Facebook page. [@Laramie.Christian.Academy]

All you have to do on our special fundraising date is order online and enter our special promotional code "VICTORY" at purchase.

Who doesn't love simple dinner plans? #pizzawithpurpose

n = 1,514 US adults 18-29 current/former Christians February 16-28, 2018.

