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**Bradley Cooper, *After Death*,
Animator Shortages for Anime,
and Matthew Perry**

**CALL SHEET
November 1st, 2023**



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A Movement of Prayer for the Entertainment Industry

Dear HPN Family,

We are officially in November, the season of THANKFULNESS! The end of the year will be here before we know it, so let's focus on gratitude for the people, projects, and issues where we have seen and experienced God moving in Media, Arts, and Entertainment! Here is a fun list of the best movies to watch during Thanksgiving!



December is coming soon, and we want to invite you to our very special CHRISTMAS WORSHIP NIGHT, featuring our friend, recording artist, MAJOR, as well as some of the most talented and anointed worshipers in our community! We'll be lifting up Jesus through Christmas Carols!

Also, AT THE END OF THIS CALL SHEET is where we post all of the AWESOME events and community group gatherings happening at HPN so Please KEEP READING!

Celebrating HPN: Mighty Warrior Attack Sheep: Sam Vest!

We are thrilled to feature Sam Vest as our Mighty Warrior this month, celebrating his outstanding contributions to the world of animation and his commitment to fostering a vibrant community of animators.

Sam moved to Southern California from Godfrey, Illinois in 2012. He is a Producer at Sam Vest Studios LLC. and he is the dedicated leader of the HPN Animators group, Inbetweeners. Sam's love for animation was inspired by Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas. Sam says "I was a very angsty teenager and the Lord used this film to comfort and inspire me, so I decided to pursue a career in animation."



Sam's role as the leader of the HPN Animators group, Inbetweeners, has had a significant impact on the animation community. He has provided a platform for animators to collaborate, learn from each other, and grow in their skills.

Favorite Scripture: Matthew 6:19–24! My flesh has a tendency to idolize the material world, which often distresses me so I meditate on this verse and it reminds me to look up to Jesus, who is our real treasure in heaven.

Advice for Christian Creatives in LA?

When things get hard, just look up and pray. God wants to comfort you.

What do you love/ wish everyone knew about HPN?

I adore how supportive and enthusiastic everyone is at HPN. They're my kind of people! This kind of enthusiasm is a testament to the strength of their faith in God.

If you are an animator, Sam would be thrilled to have you join the monthly meetings. Email inbetweeners@hpnemail.org

Updates

SAG/AFTRA STRIKE CONTINUES

Although studios and Union members have been in talks for weeks, we ask that you continue to pray for negotiations between SAG/AFTRA and AMPTP. We are over 100 days into the strike, and warnings have been issued by the studios that if the strike keeps up, it will be "impossible to salvage half a season of scripted television". There have already been huge shifts to the 2024 slates of film & TV releases, with more and more films and TV shows being pushed back to 2025! Please be praying for a fair outcome, and for provision for striking actors and the thousands of industry professionals who haven't worked for months!



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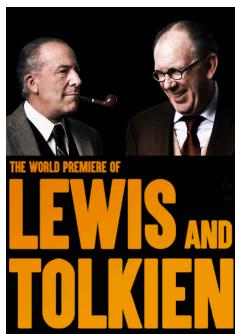
In our last call sheet, we asked for prayer for Israel after the horrific attacks of Hamas on October 7th. We want to clarify that it is our heart for ALL people to be prayed for, and for ALL innocent lives lost to be mourned. The violent acts of Hamas in Israel and Palestine is heart-wrenching, and our point was that we want to urge all believers to PRAY for peace in Israel, not that one life means more than another! We will continue to pray for the violence stop.

Let's also pray for journalists who are a focus of attacks, regardless of what they are reporting. We pray for more consideration for the people doing their best to do their jobs and trying to survive. And let's pray for truthful sourcing and reporting as we seek God to intervene in a miraculous way!

Praises

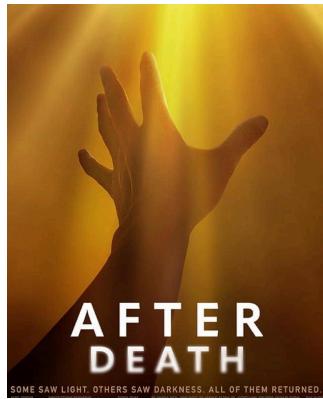
CELEBRATE CHRISTIAN CREATIVES

We are so excited about the incredible talent in our Christian community, so we want to praise God for two new works by HPN members. A new play just opened at The Actor's Co-Op in Hollywood called "Lewis & Tolkien." It's written and directed by our very own HPN Board Chair Dean Batali and it's a beautiful and important work for our city. We highly recommend you scroll down to the bottom of this email and purchase



tickets! This play is about C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien, the Inklings, and their contribution to our world.

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[MORE INFO](#)

Angel Studios' *AFTER DEATH*

Also, we just saw a new documentary film "After Death" about near-death experiences. It's currently playing in limited theaters across the country and Christians need to see it with a pre-Christian friend and then have a conversation afterwards about life after death, good and evil, and all of the big questions in life that this film addresses. The film was scored by an HPN member, Hannah Parrott, and we are proud of her and her excellent work. So, go see this play and this film and praise God for the incredible talent He has given our Hollywood community.

Requests

MATTHEW PERRY

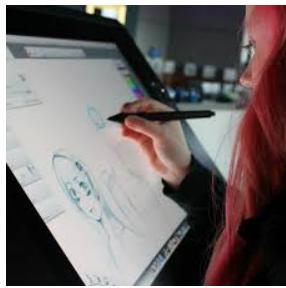
As the world mourns the death of actor Matthew Perry, we want to remember and celebrate Matthew as a man who loved God, and had a complicated, yet meaningful relationship with a forgiving and loving heavenly father. In his book "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing", Perry writes about his encounter with Jesus, and his life-long "struggles with God". Watching his [interviews](#) in recent years, it's clear that Matthew sought to please the Lord, even through his struggles with substance-abuse. Let us all continue to pray for and support those around us whom we see struggling! We are certain that Matthew is now in heaven; pain-free, addiction-free, and full of joy to live out wholly who he is and has always been. Pray for Matthew's family and friends who are mourning their loss, to find comfort in Jesus. He will be missed!



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ANIMATOR SHORTAGES IN THE ANIME WORLD

Let's be praying for the issue of animator shortages in the vast world of Anime. In a recent interview with Japanese filmmaker Yoshihara Masayuki, director of the new Anime film "Komada", Masayuki brings up the issue of animator shortages. This summer, a [New York Times Article](#) addressed this issue, stating



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that it is due to lack of pay and working conditions. Without the protection of unions, many animators are forced to use their gifts to create content for an ever-consuming market, while living in poverty. We pray for God to invade the stories, people, and projects that work within the world of Anime, and bring revival to that industry in powerful ways!

BRADLEY COOPER

We want to lift up accomplished actor Bradley Cooper, who plays the brilliant composer Leonard Bernstein in an upcoming bio-pic, *Maestro*. Bradley has previously shared that he is of a Catholic faith, and was brought up in a Christian household. We pray that as Bradley is once again thrust back into the limelight for this film, that he will lean into the truth of who God is, and know that his value is found in Christ alone, and not in the accolades and praise of men!



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MENTAL HEALTH IN HOLLYWOOD



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There has been a meeting of Hollywood entertainment celebrities at the White House, asking for our government to support the cause of dealing with mental health in Hollywood. Artists and entertainment professionals have a higher percentage of mental health issues, for many reasons, but primarily because they have to feel more deeply to be effective in their work. We ask that you pray with us to get solutions for the mental health issues in Hollywood and for the Lord to reveal the needs and His solution!

Thank you so much for praying with us, and having faith that God will hear our prayers, and continue to bring revival, relationships, and salvation to the lives of industry professionals in Hollywood! The power of Prayer is undeniable, and we want to keep showing the world that we are a community that embraces people in Hollywood, wherever they are at, and has compassion for all people here, while God is doing His transformative work! Keep on praying!

Love,

Quote

"Submit to death, death of your ambitions and favorite wishes every day and death of your whole body in the end: submit with every fiber of your being, and you will find eternal life. Keep back nothing. Nothing that you have not given away will be really yours. Nothing in you that has not died will ever be raised from the dead. . . look to Christ and you will find Him, and with Him everything else thrown in."

— C.S. Lewis

Scripture

"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."
-- James 4:7

Weekly Devotional: Sorrow

The topic of Sorrow is complex, real, and not pleasant. The Lord knows when we feel sorrow, and He promises us that He is walking through it with us, He is compassionate, loving, and He even turns it into joy and dancing! Let's all embrace sorrow this week, with trust and faith in the Lord.

Karen Covell



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Feature Presentations**NEW PODCAST EPISODE:
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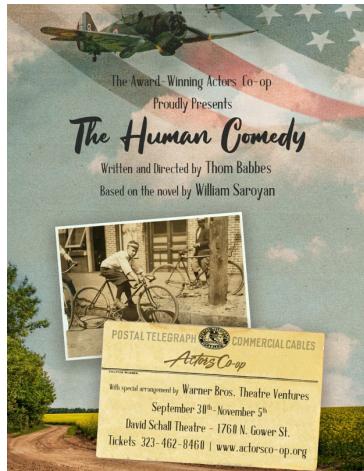
Our special guest on the ChangeMakers Podcast this week is Producer Carrie Certa and Pastor Dave Stambaugh. Carrie talks about showing up in Dave's church with great reservations about going to church and feeling right at home the moment he started preaching about "Star Trek" in his sermon. The use of pop culture in his sermons is what made her stay, learn, and grow in her faith. Hear their incredible conversation about TV, film and God, all because Pastor Dave analyzed television from the pulpit.

NOVEMBER KIDS AND TEENS PRAYER CALENDAR

How to use the K+T Prayer Calendar: Print it off, or email to your kids, teachers, Youth Pastors and friends. Put it somewhere (like on the fridge or in your child's school planner) where you and your child can see it and PRAY THROUGH IT together each night. Then, watch your child's prayer life GROW!



This WONDERFUL MONTHLY RESOURCE is created by Sarah Sumpolec; a mother, teacher, author, and creative, who creates these every month! Email her a thank you or question at sarahs@hpnemail.org!



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Actors Co-Op: *The Human Comedy*

September 30th – November 5th
in the David Schall Theatre

A timeless coming-of-age tale that celebrates what brings us together. Written and Directed by Thom Babbes and based on the novel by William Saroyan.

*Actors Co-op has created a \$20 ticket code for all HPN members that is valid through the entire run of both shows, *The Human Comedy* and *Lewis and Tolkien*.

The promo code is HPN20.



anything you want to learn about how to fix anything in your home, what tools to use, and when to call a professional! And we want to ignite or expand your gift of hospitality so that our community will have wonderful homes and huge hearts!

Home Improvement & Hospitality

3 Saturdays - From 4:00 pm - 8:00pm
NOVEMBER 4th, 11th & 18th.
At the home of Jim & Karen Covell

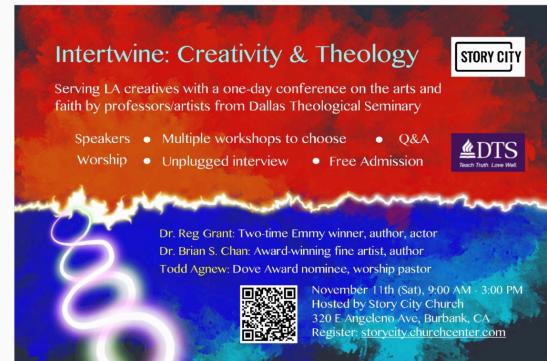
We'll focus each week on practical, hands-on steps to fixing your electricity, plumbing, broken hinges, cracked wood, etc. –

EMAIL KAREN TO JOIN!

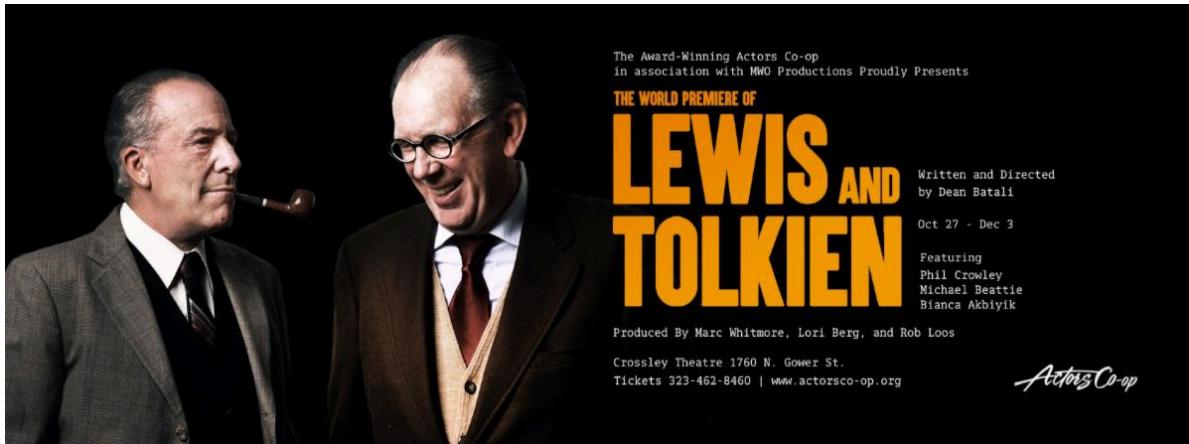
Intertwine: Creativity and Theology

Saturday, November 11th @ 9:00-3:00 PM

Come for a growth experience in the power of integrating creativity and theology. You'll learn from faculty of Media Arts and Worship at Dallas Theological Seminary -- two time-Emmy winner, author, and actor Dr. Reg Grant; Dove award nominee, Mr. Todd Agnew; and award-winning visual artist and author Dr. Brian S. Chan. You'll enjoy plenary sessions, workshop options, Q&A, and worship.



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A World Premiere Play
Written and Directed by Dean Batali
PRODUCED BY MARC WHITMORE, LORI BERG, & ROB LOOS

OCTOBER 27th – DECEMBER 3rd, 2023

CROSSLEY THEATRE

Set in Oxford, England in the autumn of 1963 at the famous "Rabbit Room" of the Eagle and Child Pub, this play is something of a return to the familiar for C.S. Lewis (author of The Chronicles of Narnia) and J.R.R. Tolkien (who wrote The Lord of the Rings). Filled with humor, rousing debate, and reconciliation, the two men learn the true value of their friendship with a little help from a few pints of beer and the energetically curious barmaid, Veronica.

Don't miss the new play written by TV Show Runner and HPN Board Chair
 Dean Batali!

[TICKETS HERE!](#)

The Gathering Place

Special Guest Speaker: Chris Reed

When: November 3rd, 4th, and 5th

You are invited to the Gathering Place in Burbank to hear guest speaker, Chris Reed share what he believes is God's heart for the state of California and the nation.

Address: 111 S. 6th Street
Burbank, CA 91501

CLICK FOR MORE INFO!

CHRIS REED
WILL MINISTER

Fri Nov 3, 7PM
Sat Nov 4, 6PM
Sun Nov 5, 10AM

Know God's heart for CA, and PARTNER with Him!



CHRIS REED

On Aug 20, 2023, while preaching at Morningstar Church in Ft. Mill, SC, Chris referenced a 2019 prophetic word in which he was shown a shaking was coming to CA along with torrential rains and flooding. When this happened, it would be a time marker for the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon CA. He then said that word was being fulfilled even as he spoke, as tropical storm Hilary was bearing down on Southern California. Exactly five hours and one minute after he made this declaration, a 5.1 earthquake centered in Ojai rocked the southern California region. And indeed, we have watched for months thousands being baptized at Pirate's Cove just as it happened in the days of the Jesus movement. Prophetic signs and natural confirmations are converging! Please join us as Chris ministers and further shares what God is saying about CA, and the nation!

Free livestreaming at: <https://www.youtube.com/@thegatheringplace4222>

REIMAGINING WORK VOL. 11:
BIBLICAL EQUITY AT WORK

Wed | Nov 8, 2023
7:00-9:30 PM | Reality LA


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**Presented By: Center for Faith and Work
Los Angeles**

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**Welcome back to
Lee Benton Ministries
International**
**SUNDAY - OCT 8th
2:30p**

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS with these upcoming dates below for 2023 - Plan to Join us for our monthly church meetings in LA for Incredible Worship & Praise!!

Upcoming	Lee Benton Ministries International Church Meetings in LA
Jan - 8th	July - 9th
Feb - 12th	Aug - 13th
March - 12th	Sept - 10th
April - 2nd	Oct - 8th
May - 7th	Nov - 12th
June - 4th	Dec - TBD

Location:
Victorio's Ristorante - Banquet Room
10901 Victory Blvd. North Hollywood,
CA 91601
Time: 2:30p



Biblical Equity At Work November 8th @ Reality LA

Reimagining Work: Biblical Equity at Work is an event for anyone wanting to gain an understanding of Equity from a Biblical perspective.

We will be focusing on examples related to our places of work and seeking to tear down flawed narratives and misinformation with the truth of the Gospel and shed light on what the word equity was intended to mean, as seen through the heart of Jesus.

WORSHIP TEAMS & LEADERS GATHERING

**FRIDAY
11/17**

Building
Community
among those
called to the
Service of Song.



Lee Benton Ministries

Monthly Gatherings

Next Gathering: Nov. 12th @ 2:30 PM

You'll be blessed with our fabulous worship team! Worship Directors Lyn & Marcos and the LBM Band" plus anointed message from the Lord by Dr. Lee Benton

Bring friends and family!
All are welcome

Location:

Victorio's Ristorante Banquet Room
10901 Victory Blvd.
N. Hollywood, CA 91606

[FIND OUT MORE!](#)

Worship Teams & Leaders

Gathering

November 17th @ 6:30 PM

Service of Song is a Community Group of Hollywood Prayer Network that hosts quarterly gatherings for worship leaders and worship ministers serving on worship teams across LA! These are not worship nights of pouring out, but fellowship nights of being filled up! We focus on gathering our diverse LA worship community of leaders, addressing needs, sharing prayer requests, breaking bread together, and making new friendships. We want to help worshipers strengthen one another!

[REGISTER HERE!](#)



Join Hollywood Prayer Network for a beautiful, intimate, and worshipful night of music, prayer, and fellowship. We are joined by recording artist, MAJOR. and a diverse ensemble of talented and anointed worshippers from our community, we invite you to a remarkable evening of one-of-a-kind renditions of your favorite Jesus-centered Christmas carols.

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

A Christmas Carol

Presented by: First Presbyterian Church
of Hollywood

"God bless us, every one!"

Dickens' beloved classic returns to FPCH's 100-year-old sanctuary. Join us to witness the transformation of Ebenezer Scrooge and discover the true meaning of Christmas in this timeless story – the perfect tradition for audiences of all ages.



Linger afterward at Fezziwig's Christmas Party in the Henrietta Mears Center, where you can learn a Victorian jig and enjoy Christmas music, sweet treats, and warm cider.

Use code **FAMILY** at checkout for a 25% discount if you buy four or more tickets.

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Events

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Support our Community by Attending or Praying for these Events!

[SEE ALL ACTIVE HPN COMMUNITY GROUPS
AND SCHEDULES!](#)

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HPN Upside Down Comedy

Every Tuesday Night | 7:00pm | IN PERSON

Join our community group of Christian comedians, comedy writers, and humorists that are **meeting every Tuesday night of the month at 7pm** at First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood Campus! Learn more by following Upside Down Comedy on [Instagram](#) or email jen@hpnemail.org.

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Arts & Industry Prophetic Bible Study

Every Thursday Night | 7:00pm | IN PERSON

Weekly teaching/bible study for creatives who want to grow in their faith. Learn more by following DSM Hollywood on [Instagram](#) or email dsmhollywood@gmail.com. Come at 6:30 PM every week for snacks and Fellowship! Worship or prayer starts at 7pm. We especially want to pray for those who feel called to walk in great influence and great faith, and we LOVE to encourage you in what God has called you to in this industry!

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Media Life Group

Every Sunday Night | 4:00pm | IN PERSON & ONLINE

Media Life Group is a Bible study made up of creative professionals who consider the Entertainment and Arts Industry to be our mission field. We occasionally gather in person for food, fellowship and community-building events. We discuss the Word of God and pray for one another, but our top priority is to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.

To Join, email Derek: Medialifegroup2022@gmail.com

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All Ralph's/Kroger community donors **MUST RE-REGISTER NOW** in order to have a percentage of your purchases go to HPN!

HPN Meetups

Thurs. November 9th| 11:00am | IN PERSON

These gatherings are for people who are NEW to HPN, the industry, or LA! This is a great time to meet Karen and Kelry, have a light breakfast, share your story, and get prayer! If you have attended previous meetups, we now CHALLENGE you to INVITE A NEW FRIEND when you visit us again so that the community is ALWAYS growing!

Email Myesha to join: myesha@hpnemail.org

HPN Dance Fellowship

Nov 6th| 6:30pm –9:30pm |IN PERSON

HPN's new Dance Fellowship will meet at First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood. This group is for professional dancers who want to explore and express movement in the context of prophetic dance. This is a space for dancing, freedom, prayer, and fellowship!

To register, please email dance@hpnemail.org

KWA – Kingdom Writer's Association: Hollywood Chapter for Screenwriters

Sat. November 11th | 1:00pm–3:00pm | IN PERSON

The Hollywood Chapter of Kingdom Writer's Association is a prayer gathering for Screenwriters and is led by Anthony and Kaylah Cantu. KWA meets EVERY MONTH on the 2nd Saturday at 1pm at the Library on the FPCH campus.

[Contact Anthony Cantu](#)

Montage: Christian Community and Prayer for Screen Editors

Date: November 12th |1:00pm| IN PERSON

HPN'S Community Group for Film Editors is now launched! Gathering monthly, this group offers prayer and encouragement for those who work in the secluded world

of TV & and film editing! This is an IN-PERSON gathering where editors can share hopes and hardships in the industry. If you are or know an editor, email to join or find out more details!

[Contact Nicole](#)

One Song

Wed. November 15th | 6:30 PM PDT| IN PERSON

One Song is focused on unifying believers in the music industry, whether mainstream, Christian, or worship, for we are all on the same team. We desire to foster long-lasting connections between those who minister "outside the church" and "inside the church" in our city. Come for encouragement, equipping, and like-minded people as we seek to influence our industry for Christ.

[Contact One Song](#)

InBetweeners Animation Gathering

TBD | 6:30pm –9:30pm | IN PERSON

Inbetweeners Animators group will meet IN PERSON with leader Sam Vest! Join your fellow animators and other professionals in animation, for a night of prayer, sharing, and community building!

[Email Inbetweeners To Attend!](#)

StageLight Actors Group

Tue. November 21st | 6:45 PM PDT| IN PERSON

We strive to bring the actor community together both physically and spiritually with our monthly bible study and bi-monthly city hangouts. All are rooted in Christian faith to provide a space to share testimony, learn more about the bible and connect with other Christians in Los Angeles.

Email stagelight@hpnemail.org to join!

Prologue Writers Gathering

Sat. January 27th| 1:00pm – 3:00 pm | IN PERSON

Prologue is taking a brief holiday season hiatus and will return in 2024!

This Community group is for ALL WRITERS – poets, fiction, non-fiction and graphic novelists! Led by Rebecca Russell, this group will bring prayer, fellowship, and readings of works from members of the group! Connect today via email at prologue@hpnemail.org

HPN Weekly Friday Global Prayer Call

Fridays | 12 – 1 p.m. Pacific | ZOOM or Phone

Join us for a powerful hour of praise and prayer for our industry, where HPN members call in from around the globe and pray for the industry and each other. Links are updated weekly, so please email us to get the latest.

[SIGN UP TO JOIN THE CALL>>](#)

Don't miss all of our other local events on our Hollywood Community Calendar, or if you have an event to add, let us know and we'll add it! This page is the most ACTIVE page on our website, and THE PLACE to see what's coming up!

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