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Calling on the Name of the Lord: One God in Three Persons

To call on the name of the Lord is more than to just mention a name, it is to call on God. Our God is not three beings. Our God is one being or essence in three persons. We call on the name of the Lord and this includes the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. This Trinitarian nature and work is seen in Jesus' description of baptism as "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (Matt. 28:20). Our Triune God worked inseparably in the creation of the universe. "The Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters" as God began to create the earth (Gen. 1:2). By Jesus "all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him" (Col. 1:16-17).

The deity of the Spirit is confirmed as Christians are told they are the temple of God because the Spirit dwells in them (1 Cor. 3:16, 6:19; 2 Cor. 6:16). When Ananias lied to God, he lied to God (Acts 5:3,4). Saphira was asked "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord?" (Acts 5:9). In Isaiah 6, the prophet recorded how God spoke to him. Paul affirmed that it was the Holy Spirit who spoke through Isaiah (Acts 28:25). The deity of the Spirit is also implied as Jesus said, "everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but the one who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven" (Lk. 12:8-12).

The Father, Son, and Spirit are distinct persons, but they are also one God. The distinction between the persons is seen as Jesus prays to the Father (Jn. 17:1-5), and as the Spirit is sent by the Father and the Son (Jn. 16:7, 13-14). The distinction between the persons does not detract from the unity of Trinity. Jesus declared the unity when he said, "I am in the Father, and the Father in me" (Jn. 14:10). The names of the persons of the Trinity denote the distinctions between the persons but not any distinction in the substance of deity. When we call on the name of the Lord, we call on the one God who exists in three persons. We do not call on three gods. We call on the name of the one Lord—the one God who exists in three persons.

Knowing God fully is impossible for everyone except for God. It is essential that we understand our God as best we can. In Corinth, Paul found some who apparently believed in Jesus but did not know about the Holy Spirit (Acts 19:2). They were baptized rightly with this new fuller knowledge of God (Acts 19:5). Knowing God and who God is essential to faith. "And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him" (Heb. 11:6). If we are to "call on the name of the Lord," we must know who the Lord is.

Psalm 105:4 says, "Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!" To seek the Lord is our privilege. As we seek God, we must know who God is. We can see the Father as he is revealed in Christ through the Scriptures given by the Spirit. Since God has revealed himself to us, we can call on him. We can call on the name of the Lord.

D. L. DeBord

Welcome to Lomax!

A special welcome to our guests!

We are glad to have you visiting with us today! You are welcome here. We know you have a choice of where to worship, and you chose to be with us today — thank you.

At Lomax we want to be the church we read about in the Bible. Our goal is to glorify God with our worship and with our lives and to point people to Jesus Christ.

If you need anything during the service, ushers in the lobby can direct you to restrooms, the nursery, or a telephone. Please do us the favor of filling out a blue card located on the back of the pew in front of you. If you have any questions or if we can help you, please let us know

MSYC News

MSYC has cancelled the first 4 weeks of camp. They are planning to open for the last 4 weeks beginning June 28 through July 24

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick: Spencer Clark, son of Adam & Maranda Clark continues with his cancer treatments. Carolyn Spears is now home after having gall bladder surgery. Lee Ann Alford had surgery Thursday. Sandy Tatum had knee replacement and now recovering at home. Howard Spears is now home after stay in Williamson Medical from a reaction to his treatments. Janice Seaton had foot surgery and now recovering in a walking boot. Joanne Brewer has stage 4 pancreatic cancer and the family requests prayers. **Lisa Rawdon,** the sister of Tim Lyell, has melanoma. Please keep all these and others that we may not know about in our prayers.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of Roy Shannon. Her memorial

Sympathy: to the family and friends of Ronnie James. His funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

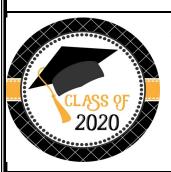
Continue to remember: *June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Harper* Bastin, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Betty Jane Burns, Bernard Curry, Brooke Duncan, Arleus Dye, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, June Graves, Charles Hensley, Faye Kilpatrick, Ann Kittrell, Jane Lawson, Lynda Bates Mercer, Barry Meredith, Lillie Mitchell, Mann Nutt, Jenny O'Brien, Jerry Perry, Sarah Rogers, Howard Spears, Finley Taylor, Jane West, and Charles Williams

Shut-ins: Glen Ammons, Bettve Ammons, Bessie Edwards, Sharon Edwards, and Jimmy Griner

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:

Tiny Hinson, Michelle Huff, Earlene Russell, Gwen Shaw, Tommy Shaw, and Betty Stafford

Remember our military: Dustin Brugmann (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton), Kason Halfacre (son of Patrick & Vickie Halfacre), *Cameron Hardison* (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith), *Ethan Hardison* (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith), and Brent Willis (grandson of Harold & Janice Sublett).



June 7th after the PM service, we will honor our Seniors in the CSC. Please bring money cards in leiu of a money tree. A box will be on each senior table. More details are on Lomax Youth group Facebook Page



Food For Friends: June 18th Team 7 (Cynthia & Betsy)

If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am



Our monthly Food for Families distribution is Thursday, June 18th.

PRIMETIMERS Wednesday 10 AM Bible Class

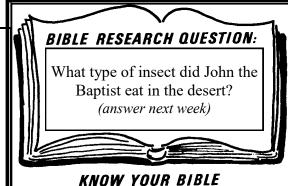
JUNE 3rd IS OUR START BACK DATE. We will be social distancing in Chapel. Hope you are making plans to be with Malcom leading singing and Boo will be teaching class. We will be starting a new series. We are excited to see you.

A LOOK AHEAD

June 7—Seniors Night after PM service.

July 4—4th Party and Birthday Celebration

Jul<u>v 26-28</u>— Gospel Meeting



Meditations with Malcom

A special welcome to all our visitors. We are glad you have come our way. Remember that Lomax is truly a growing church for a coming Lord. Our thanks to our very capable elders, etc. for adjusting to the crisis we have had to face and we now rejoice that there is light at the end of the tunnel. We know that the Lord will help us as we cross the valleys and guide us to green pastures (cf Psa. 23).

SOME OF OUR MOST COMMON MISTAKES: (1)

Thinking that one failure makes you a total failure. We are to learn from our mistakes and go forward. (2) Letting peer pressure control us (cf. Rom. 12) and make sure that we are to conform to God regardless. (3) Neglecting God. We must always remember to pray and remember when you left your room this morning did you think to pray. Let us not forget the beatitudes Matt. 5-8.

(4) Blaming others for our mistakes. (5) Letting loneliness overwhelm you. Remember that God and one make a majority and never quit.

On The Lighter Side: "Will I look like you when I grow up?" "Everyone thinks so, son." 'Well...I don't have to grow up for a long time, do I, Pop?"

Also, Pop.' How soon will I be able to do as I please?" Pop responds by saying. "We don't know son because no one has ever live that long yet.."

Boo's belyeu

June 3rd we begin to meet in the Chapel again for the Primetimers Class. Our new topic is "Aging in the Grace of God." Drucilla and I have social distanced our chairs for class. Please feel free to wear your mask. We are planning to continue online for this 1st class for all that are

uncomfortable with getting out. We encourage you to do what is best for you.

Psa. 92:14 They shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be fresh and flourishing.



Birthdays

3rd – Chuck Oppermann

6th – Carolyn Spears

7th – Mike Parker

9th – Dinah Poore

10th – Chris Hunter

13th – Tommy Clayton

14th – Demetria Reeves

15th – Jeffrey Hinson

17th – Gwen Hinson

19th – Avery Long

19th – Debbie Spears

19th – Martha Vaughn

20th – Jason Pierce

21st – Tom Alford

25th – Lindsey Himes

27th—Jerry Lee Harris

28th – Andrew Rogers

29th – Ellie Hamm

29th – Samantha Webb

30th – Theresa Whitehead

Anniversaries

2nd—Luke & Hannah Beachy

4th—Gene & Hilda Durham

5th - Paul & Faye Chandler

6th – Brice & Emily Van Hook

14th – Corbin & Jennifer Carroll

16th – Bob & Lovada Burklow

 19^{th} – J.W. & Wilma Churchwell

20th – Marty & Debbie Spears

21st – Tony & Karley Seiber

22nd – Rick & Fran Hamblin

25th – Ronald & Janice Johnston

26th – Richard & Sue Amacher

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 5/27

A.M. Bible Class	109
A.M. Worship Service	142
P.M. Worship Service	84
Wednesday PM	87
Contribution:	\$7,285.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,000.00

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study — 9:00 am Worship Services — 10:00 am Sunday Evening — 6:00 pm Wednesday Primetimers - 10:00 am Wednesday Bible Study — 7:00 pm

Horizons at Freed Hardeman University will be online this year. The first week of July.

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The Lomax Congregation has received a donation this past week to the Day School in the memory of Jodie Bunch

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer:

Nehemiah Nehemiah 13:ll.



Please continue to check out the Visitation Book on the Round Table in the fover.

ELDERS:

Jeff Dye — 306-8463 John Eglinton—446-5646 Rick Morrow —615-430-6663 Mike Parker—628-2961 (Please leave a message) Dan Spears — 796-3056

DEACONS

Lynn Ammons (Worship Assign., Grounds) **Wesley Carroll** (Transportation, Day School) **Matthew Farr** (Special Events) **Colby Hamm** (Young Families Ministry) **Chris Hunter** (Visitation) **Greg Mullinicks** (Audio/Visual, Bulletin) **Chuck Oppermann** (Missions) **Garth Richardson** (Youth, L2L) **Jeff Spears** (Education) **Marty Spears**

(Finance)

Day School

The Lomax Christian Day School is taking applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Applications are on the table in the front lobby or you can see Jan Hill.

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