



# THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

*A place to belong. A place to be loved. A place to serve God and others.*

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## Why Do We Come to Worship?

Take a few minutes to think about why you come to worship services. List 5 or more reasons you attend and participate in worship.

So why do you come to worship? Is worship designed to be important to our lives?? Ecclesiastes 12:13 says "The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man." The word translated "fear" is יָרָא (yare) and has to do with fear and or reverence. The same word is translated "awesome" in Exodus 15:11, "'Who is like You among the gods, O Lord?

Who is like You, majestic in holiness, Awesome in praises, working wonders?" Nehemiah 9:32 describes God as the "awesome" יָרָא God." Psalm 22:23 says, "You who fear יָרָא the Lord, praise him." When it comes to our response to God, reverent fear and worship are inseparable. When we begin to understand who God is, we are overwhelmed and should be driven to worship.

Our purpose in life is "to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever." "All nations whom thou hast made shall come And worship before thee, O Lord; And shall glorify thy name" (Ps. 86:9). Romans 11:36 explains why we should be focused on worship--"For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory forever. Amen." 1 Corinthians 6:20 says, "For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."

God made us for himself and saved us for his glory.

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 are invited to a baby shower honoring Leanna Amacher Owens on Sunday, August 30th*

*from 1:30—3:00*

*at the Lomax CSC.*

*The Baby's name is Ella Louise.*

*Leanna is registered at*

*Target, and Amazon.*

*See Kara Farr to donate to the money tree.*

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

**Sick:** . **Jan Ammons** is home and continues to recover from surgery. **Jean Curry** will have surgery on Monday, the 17th at St. Thomas Midtown. **Charlie Carroll**, the son of Stephanie Carroll had outpatient ear surgery on Friday. **Dustin Flowers** is not doing well at this time. Please keep all the **patients, nurses and administration** at our nursing home during the pandemic.

**Sympathy:** to the family and friends of **Glen Ammons**. His funeral was held Monday August 10th.

**Sympathy:** to the family and friends of **Martha Vaughn**. Her funeral was held Wednesday August 12th.

**Sympathy:** to the family and friends of **Edith Lawson**, the grandmother of Kenley Bates. Her funeral was held Wednesday August 12th.

**Sympathy:** to the family and friends of **Anthony Turner**, the brother of Sue Amacher. His funeral was held Wednesday, August 12th in Linden.

**Continue to remember:** June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Harper Bastin, Ronnie Carroll, Bernard Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Donald Greene, Charles Hensley, Pop Hinson, Keith Jackson, Janice Johnston, Gene Kilpatrick, Jane Lawson, Steve Lawson, Lynda Bates Mercer, Barbara Meredith, Lisa Rawdon, Sarah Rogers, Howard Spears, Richard Whitehead and Charles Williams

**Shut-ins:** Bessie Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

**In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:** Gene Durham, Tiny Hinson, Michelle Huff, Tommy Shaw, Betty Stafford and Jane West.

**Remember our military:** **Dustin Bruggmann** (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).



Remember the Primetimers will meet in the auditorium on Wednesdays at 10 am. Also keep in mind that our services will also be held in the chapel. The Chapel has been set up as social distancing and masks required.



**Food For Friends:**

**August 20th**

**Team 2 (Alice & Wilma)**

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



**Food for Families**

Our monthly Food for Families distribution is **Thursday, August 20th.**

If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.

**THANK YOU**

The Lomax Congregation has received two donation this past week to go to the Day School in memory of Glen Ammons and Martha Vaughn

## A LOOK AHEAD

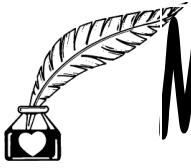
**Aug. 30**—Baby Shower for Leanna Owens.

**Sept. 13**—Friends/Family Day & Devo. At the Park

## **BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:**

What is the rest of James' sentence, "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and \_\_\_"?  
(answer next week)

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**



# 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. And remember that The Son always shines at Lomax. And we count everyone because everyone counts. ...Yes, we are back in school and we wish the best for everyone. Thanks to our elders and rejoice that folks are back in church and praise His name always and forever.

The following was handed to me: **A BAD ATTITUDE IS LIKE A FLAT TIRE. YOU WON'T GO ANYWHERE UNTIL YOU FIX IT. PEOPLE DON'T CARE HOW MUCH YOU KNOW UNTIL THEY KNOW HOW MUCH YOU CARE.....SOME FOLKS CAN BRIGHTEN UP A ROOM WHEN THEY WALK OUT, ....THE WORLD WE CREATE IS THE ONE WE LIVE IN. ....WE MUST CREATE A WORLD SO BIG THAT WE HAVE TO TAKE GOD AS OUR PARTNER IN ORDER TO SUCCEED.**

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:** Did you notice the lady at the hospital with two injured ears? "They called back."...."May the single me married and the married be happy."...."What are you doing John learning something?" "No mame I am just listening to you."...."John, you must keep your eyes closed during prayer." "But, mom, how do you know I don't?"....One man to another "I thought you were dead." "Why" "Because you spoke well of someone."

## *Boo's belyeu*

This week we lost two of the Lomax family Glen Ammons age 96 and Martha Vaughn age 94. Even with longevity of years it is so hard to let them go. Although both of them became Christians many years ago, I was reminded of Matthew 20 the parable of the workers in the vineyard. They came at all times of the day even up to the 11<sup>th</sup> hour. Each received the same pay. Those that came late were no different than those that came early. The purpose of the parable it to teach us long as we draw breath we have the opportunity to obey Christ and become a Christian. Of course we do not know the time or the hour of our departure James 4:14 <sup>14</sup>Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. We also do not know when the Lord will return 1<sup>st</sup> Thess. 5:2 <sup>2</sup>For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. If you are reading this article, God has blessed you with 1 more day. Tomorrow is not promised. 96 or 94 are not promised. We think time is on our side, until it is not. Take hold of your life you are in control to be who you need to be.

## At Your Weakest Moment

At Your Weakest Moment ...

... that's when Satan will tempt you to sin. Our adversary is no fool. He's not going to waste time and effort by working against your strengths. He will attack you when you are the weakest and where you are most vulnerable.

Here's an example: Someone has had harsh words to say about you. They have assumed the worst, impugned your motives, jumped to false conclusions, spread rumor and innuendo about you. How will you react? You are angry, hurt, insulted, disgusted. The strong temptation is to strike back, to get even, to put this person "in his place". But, you must not submit to the temptation. God's word says, "Never pay back evil for evil to anyone... Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (Rom. 12:17,21). It's hard to follow this instruction at the moment, because you are weak and vulnerable. But this course of action is best – the Lord says so, and our own experience bears this out.

During such times of weakness and vulnerability, we should pray as David did, "Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. Do not incline my heart to any evil thing, to practice deeds of wickedness with men who do iniquity; and do not let me eat of their delicacies" (Ps. 141:3,4).

We've been warned that Satan has many "devices" (2 Cor. 2:11). Chief among these is his ability to detect our weaknesses and attack us there. Please realize that you must work hardest during your weakest moments, because that is when Satan is at work against you.

*Greg Gwin  
Collegue church of Christ  
Columbia, TN*

**BY THE NUMBERS**  
**For the week of 8/09**

A.M. Bible Class	130
A.M. Worship Service	163
P.M. Worship Service	93
Wednesday PM	120
Contribution:	\$6,163.00
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



Due to the Corona Virus, Buffalo Valley must stock clothes on site. They are in need of men's clothes. If you can help in this donation, see Saul Calderon or call at 817-905-5324.

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School**  
**796-7373**

**Last week's Know Your  
Bible Answer:**

**Christ**  
**John 10:16**



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

**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***  
***Donations***

School will be starting soon so, if you can help by supplying some of these items it will be greatly appreciated:

**Clorox Wipes, Multi-Purpose Cleaner  
and Bleach.**

Please put these items in the box in the church office in the foyer.

***Thank you!***

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