

#### THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST

# MESSENGER

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# God Is In Control

We love to remember how God is in control. When we are scared, we try to remember that God is in control. When we face the uncertainties of Covid 19, we are thankful that God is in control. When we open our bills, we are thankful again that God is in control. When we leave the hospital, we remind ourselves that God is in control.

We are right to say God is in control The Bible teaches us that God is in control. Psalm 115:3 says, "Our God is in the heavens, he does as he pleases." Psalm 103:19, "The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all." Even Nebuchadnezzar understood God's control over the universe. He said, "His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom endures from generation to generation; all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and he does according to his will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand or say to him, 'What have you done?" (Dan. 4:34-36).

But do we want God to be in control of us? That's a bit of a different question. We want God to control the world so life works out the way we want it, but is that the way things really work? Shouldn't we want our lives to be governed by God too? Wouldn't it be best if God was in control of our home? Wouldn't it be best if God was in control of our attitudes? What if God was in control of our worship?

Paul said, "So then, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to walk in him" (Col. 2:6). If Jesus is our Lord, he should be Lord of all our life. Leave nothing outside his reign.

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 Fargel, and Amazon.

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the money tree.



**Sick:** *Pop Hinson* had stints put in on Wednesday at St. Thomas. **Jean Curry** had successful surgery Monday. She will be staying with her daughter in Hendersonville for a few days. She should be home on Friday or Saturday. **Robin Jobbit,** the wife of Doug Jobbit who runs the Ultimate Yard Sale, has Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer and requests our prayers.

Please keep all the patients, nurses and administration at our nursing home during the pandemic.

**Sympathy:** to the family and friends of

**Continue to remember:** June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Harper Bastin, Ronnie Carroll, Bernard Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Elv, Dustin Flowers, Donald Greene, Charles Hensley, Pop Hinson, Keith Jackson, Janice Johnston, 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 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).



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 27th Team 3 (Sharon & Sue)

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



**Our monthly Food for Families** distribution is Thursday, September 17th.

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

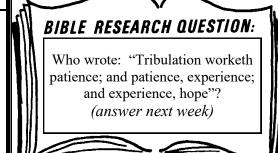
The Lomax Congregation has received \$100.00 donation this past week to go to the meals prepared for the Teachers.

### A LOOK AHEAD

Aug. 30—Baby Shower for Leanna Owens.

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

Sept. 27—Wedding Shower for Emmie Hamblin



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. ... It was a joy to see an excellent attendance at church Sunday and thanks to Donnie for his excellent sermons

HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS Do not store up for yourselves too much treasures on earth but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven...for where your treasure is there will your heart be also. YES, it is ok to have treasures and did you notice last Sunday how folks at Lomax give as they are prospered. Our elders and deacons make good use of our finances. They give for world vision and did you know that our Day School program is preparing for an excellent attendance. YES, We are proud of the good work that is in progress at Lomax.

ON THE LIGHRWE SIDE: Teacher to Pupil. What is a hypocrite? Student replied. It is a boy that comes to school with a smile on his face." "Who created the hole in the Donut? Little boy said that it must be some fresh air fellow...Did you hear Robinson snoring in church this morning? "Yes, he woke me up." Yes, my father was a great policeman in his day" Yes, what did he run for?" He ran for the border.

# Boo's belyeu

As we struggle through this pandemic, I want to complement and encourage those of you participating online. We would love everyone to be with us in the auditorium. We understand per doctors orders, health concerns for self and mates not everyone should be here. So be disciplined to participate, make it a priority just like when you could attend. We have all services online now. You can be with us Sunday Bible School & worship, Sunday PM service and Wednesday Bible School. Even our Primetimers class is available on Facebook Primetimers page be involved in every way possible. Many of you continue to give either by mail or online. The communion of unleavened bread and the fruit of the vine brings our minds to the cross. I hope each of you online are making every effort to be a part of worship. Please as online participants keep us informed on your health and events that we may share with the congregation. We want to pray with and for you. We love you all be a part stay in touch with your church family. John 13:35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

# Are You On the Lookout?

Back in my high school days, I had some friends who convinced me to be a monitoring judge for a road rally. There was a course set throughout the county for contestants to decipher clues and then drive down certain roads ending up back at a designated place. The judges were strategically placed in secret spots recording which cars who were in the rally actually passed by them. This was set up into a point system from which the winners would be determined.

When the time came, I was driven to my spot which was a very remote road in the county. I was tucked away in a wooded area and was told to watch every car that drove by between certain times and simply record it on the official score pad. I was given final instructions to be very vigilant. It seemed easy enough.

The problem was that the cars that drove by that day on that lonely country road were few and far between. Due to that, I became very bored and began to become distracted. I could hear squirrels rustling in the leaves behind me. I noticed the sounds of birds piercing through the silence. I surmised that if I went and did a little exploring in the woods, I would still hear the sound of vehicles coming from a distance and would have time to make it back to my post to record them going by. So I temporarily abandoned my duty to check out the fascinating world of the woods.

When I was picked up and taken to the rally finish spot, the chief judge was taken aback by my nearly empty score sheet. After his inquiry as to why my page was virtually blank, I had to fess up. Apparently I had become so engrossed with the flora and fauna that I missed several cars going by. They had no recourse but to ignore my section of the contest. I was thoroughly embarrassed.

How many people today, I wonder, are distracted by the things of the world and will be totally unprepared when Jesus comes back? Make sure that you are ready – waiting and watching – every day for Jesus' return. Peter reminds us that we are to be looking for, hastening, and even looking forward to the day Christ comes back (1 Pet. 3:11-14). Are you on the lookout?

Edd Sterchi Campbellsville, KY

# BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 8/16

A.M. Bible Class	127
A.M. Worship Service	189
P.M. Worship Service	112
Wednesday PM	107
Contribution:	\$5,235.00
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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### **MINISTERS:**

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Lomax Christian Day School 796-7373

Last week's Know Your Bible Answer:

"He shall lift you up"
James 4:10



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 Donations

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

# **Baby Wipes**

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

Thank you!

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