

# THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST **MESSENGER**

A place to <u>belong</u>. A place to be <u>loved</u>. A place to <u>serve</u> God and others.

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Perfect

"For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified' (Heb 10:14).

Are you confident? Webster's Dictionary defines "confidence" as "having or showing assurance or self-reliance." Christians, you have confidence because you have been perfected. Did you know you are perfect? What we see in Hebrews 10:14 is a "for all time" action and ongoing action that result in our perfection before God.

First, look at the ongoing action--" being sanctified." Here in Hebrews 10:14, sanctification is something that God is doing for us. We are to pursue sanctification. We are to "pursue holiness without which no one will see the Lord." But it is God who makes us holy. You know you, sin and God knows about more of your sin than you do, but "as we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of his Son cleanses us from all unrighteousness" (1 Jn 1:7). There are ongoing activities. We are "walking," and God is "sanctifying."

Now look at the "for all time action" -- "he has perfected" (Heb 10:14). Jesus does not die every day. His death was once and for all his people. In Hebrews 9:25-28, Jesus' sacrificial death is considered as final, and as often as death itself. "It is appointed to man once to die," and the same was true of Christ. He died once. That was enough. His one death has one perfect mission--" he has perfected for all time" (Heb 10:14). He has not perfected for sometimes. He has "perfected for all time" with his one action, "those who are being sanctified."

Christian, Jesus is our confidence and as we pursue him, we are confident in his work.

## 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



Congratulations to Chase & Ashley Gough on the birth of their son, Ellis James Gough Born December 8th He was 8lbs - 4 oz—20.5 long Proud grandparents are Chris & Angie Hunter

D. L. DeBord



Sick: *Lovada Burklow* is now at home and continues to take her therapy. Bob Burklow is home recovering from the double pneumonia. Alice Ammons is home with knee problems. Ian Carroll, the son of Wesley & Amy Carroll had successful shoulder surgery and will have physical therapy in 1 month. Ruby Hinson, the mother of Tracie Lomax is at home following surgery. Please keep all those of our number as well as friends and family that have had to endure the Covid-19 virus.

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

Sympathy: to the family and friends of Samuel Raju Muppidi, the father of John Dean who does mission work in India. He passed away December 19th. He has been associated with the Lomax congregation in regards to mission work in India for roughly 30 years.

**<u>Continue to remember:</u>** June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Harper Bastin, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Ronnie Carroll, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Joyce Gilliam, Jana Grimes, Charles Hensley, Pop Hinson, Keith Jackson, Janice Johnston, Jane Lawson, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Lynda Bates Mercer, Howard Miller, Fran Mulligan, Mike O'Brien, Dinah Poore, Tommy Rasbury, Lisa Rawdon, Sarah Rogers, Howard Spears, Richard Whitehead and Charles Williams

Shut-ins: Sharon Edwards, Michael Grav and Jimmy Griner

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: Michelle Huff, Tommy Shaw, and Betty Stafford.

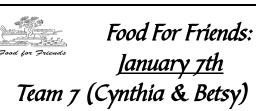
Remember our military: *Dustin Brugmann* (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton), *Cameron Hardison* (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith), Ethan Hardison (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith and Brent Willis (grandson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

#### A LOOK AHEAD

The Elders met and made the decision to start back our Bible Study on Wednesday Nights. We will meet on December 30th in the auditorium. Plan is to resume full Wednesday classes on January 6, 2021.

### THANK

The Lomax Congregation have received a \$200.00 donations to the Food for Friends Program. The Lomax Congregation have received a donation to the Day School in memory of June Graves



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

January 7th



**Our monthly Food for Families** distribution is Thursday, January 21st If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.



### A LOOK AHEAD

Jan. 1—New Years Day Feb. 7-11—FHU Lectureship will be Virtual—Finding Meaning in a **Meaningless World** fhu.edu/lectureship



Who said, Art thou he that troubleth Israel?" "To whom did he say it"? (answer next week)





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. ... Thanks to all of you for the holiday gifts and treats and to our elders for all the work and love on a daily basis. Keep up the good work. Some of our folks will be traveling a few days during this season and some may even see some snow in the mountains, etc. In fact, we may see some cold weather in our area during the holiday season. Everyone have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year./

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE;** IF you can only give your family one gift make sure it is enthusiasm.....IF you follow in your father's footsteps make sure he doesn't wear loafers.

WORDS OF WISDOM; hard work does not kill but it frightens a lot of folks. ...Even the lion has to defend himself against flies.

# Boo's Belyeu

With a New Year comes a new start, fresh beginning, goals, and resolutions. The top 10 resolutions for 2021 are 1) Quit Smoking 2) Yoga & Meditate 3) Leave your phone 4) Prioritize family 5) Do Charity 6) Find some time for yourself 7) Be Social 8) Raise your voice 9) A day without car 10) Live your Dreams. While these may be good, they are not the one that really matters. Solomon upon viewing what all of life was about summed it up in Ecclesiastes 12:13 "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." Solomon could have said this is my New Year resolution. When we think about a fresh start a new beginning, what better choice could we make than becoming a Christian? What greater worthwhile effort could we make than rededicating ourselves to the Lord? Can I find anything more important than waking up each day to live for Christ? He makes us the best we can be. Kind, forgiving, patient, gentle, full of love need I go on? Think about how important these things are in a new year, a new you. We wake up with peace, joy, faith, and hope. You can find these attributes in Galatians 5:22-23, Ephesians 4:32, 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13:13 and many other scriptures. After all it is God's word that directs our steps Psalms 119:105. Let us seek his guidance as we venture into this New Year to make ourselves the best we can be in Christ Jesus our Lord.



## **Birthdays**

2nd—Faye Kilpatrick **5th—Jerry Roberson** 7th—Ivy Sloan 10th—Mia Hinson 10th—Gwyneth Richardson 11th—J. W. Curry 12th—Jean Curry 13th—Patrick Halfacre 14th—Sharon Grinder 14th—Boo Spears 15th—Amy Carroll 17th—Brian Hinson 17th—Barbara Meredith 18th—Mvlie McKissack 19th—Ethan Owens 20th—Richard Amacher 21st—Lisa Tatum 26th—Elli Carroll 27th—Wesley Everett 27th—Kara Farr 30th—Jaxon Cagle 30th—Fran Hamblin



## **Anniversaries**

1st—Patrick & Vickie Halfacre

1st—Jerry & Cathey Roberson

| BY THE NUMB     | ERS   |
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| For the week of | 12/20 |

| A.M. Bible Class     | N/A         |
|----------------------|-------------|
| A.M. Worship Service | 145         |
| P.M. Worship Service | N/A         |
| Wednesday PM         | 55          |
| Contribution:        | \$10,180.00 |
| 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

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Nashville School of Preaching and Biblical Studies due to the COVID—19 Pandemic is offering the opportunity to take classes through the use of the ZOOM App. You will need to have the Zoom software on your computer, phone or other devices. Classes begin January 4th and will end on April 1st, A list of classes will be on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have questions please call 931-922-8032. Lomax Church of Christ 931-796-5381 Email: info@lomaxchurch.com

MINISTERS: Donnie DeBord – 628-9276 Malcom George - 796-0045 Robert Pierce—306-3109

Jeff Spears—306-1362

Lomax Christian Day School 796-7373

Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Job Job 7:16

Please check in the Christian Service Center for Dishes that have been left from various meals.



For the convenience of our members, due to the recent virus outbreak, you can mail in your weekly contribution. The address is: Lomax Church of Christ P. O. Box 33



### **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) Weslev Carroll (Transportation, Day School) **Matthew Farr** (Special Events) **Colby Hamm** (Young Families Ministry) **Chris Hunter** (Visitation) **Greg Mullinicks** (Audio/Visual, Bulletin) **Chuck Oppermann** (Missions) **Jeff Spears** (Education) Marty Spears (Finance)

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