



# 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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## God is Good

God is the definition of goodness. How do we define goodness? Goodness is more than the absence of “badness.” Goodness must be not only the absence of badness but also the fullness of positivity or goodness. James Usher described God’s goodness as “an Essential Property in God, whereby he is infinitely Good, and of himself; and likewise beneficial to all his Creatures, Psal. 145:7; Mark 10:18; James 1:17; Matt 5:45; Psal. 34:8, 9, 10.” Usher continued to describe God’s goodness, saying, “For he is always perfectly good; and all that he doth is perfectly good, whatsoever Men judge of it.”

### Is Anything Good Like God?

Jesus said, “No one is good but God alone” (Mk 10:18). Goodness in creation originates in God (1 Cor. 4:7; James 1:17). Creation is imperfect, finite, and dependent upon God. God’s goodness, however, is most perfect, infinite, and dependent upon no one. God, then, is goodness itself.

### What Can We Learn from God’s Goodness?

From the knowledge of God as goodness personified and the source of goodness, we can learn that:

1. Since God is good, we can trust that everything he does is for the best possible good and uses all things well (Rom 8:28).
2. Since God is the definition and source of all goodness, we should be more ashamed of our sin against him.
3. Since God is good, we should never attribute any wrong to God and trust him even when we do not understand his will, purposes, or goals. “
4. Since God is good, we should be good to others.
5. Since God is good, we should render good worship and service for him.

God is good. Augustine says, “the exquisitely beautiful appearance of all visible things, silently as it were proclaiming both that it was made and could be made only by a God unspeakably and invisibly great, and unspeakably and invisibly beautiful” (*City of God* 11.4). God is good, and God is good to me.

Donnie 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



Bridal shower honoring  
Morgan McKissack,  
bride-elect of Bill Lampley  
on Sunday, February 28th from  
1:30 - 3:00 p.m. at the Lomax CSC.  
Morgan is registered at Target, IKEA  
and Amazon. Please bring a favorite  
recipe. If you can give to the money  
tree, see Betsy or Gwen.

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

**Sick:** *Jerry Ammons* is now home from the hospital. *Mike O'Brien* requests prayers for the treatments to be successful. *Chuck Oppermann* will have knee surgery on March 3rd in Columbia. *Lovada Burklow* began radiation treatments. *Jenny Martin*, friend of Sandra Thompson, fell this past week breaking her elbow, shoulder and suffered a blow to her head. She had surgery and is some better at Centennial Hospital. *Joyce Hinson* fell this past week and broke her ankle. *Nadine Turnbow* has been in the hospital and will be moving into a rehabilitation soon. *Melba Ogg*, the aunt of Gary Hinson will have surgery on March 17th. *Barry Anderson*, a cousin of Mike Tatum is in now at home and on hospice.

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 prayers.

**Sympathy:** to the family and friends of **Mamie Duncan**, the great aunt of John Eglinton. Her funeral was held Sunday, Feb. 21st..

**Continue to remember:** June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Jana Grimes, Janice Johnston, Jane Lawson, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Mike O'Brien, Howard Spears, Janice Sublett, Steve Waller, Richard Whitehead and Charles Williams

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

**In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:** Michelle Huff, Gentry Johnson, Imogene Johnson 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), and *Ethan Hardison* (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith).

## LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES NEWS:

Saturday—Art Says It—Feb. 6th

This Sunday— Speech - 5:15

Next Sunday — Lads Song Leading/Leaderettes Song of Praise and Oral Bible Reading - 5:15



**Food For Friends:**

**March 4th**

**Team 7 ( Cynthia & Betsy)**

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, March 18th**

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

*Welcome*  
*So glad you're here..*

## A LOOK AHEAD

**Feb. 28**—Bridal Shower for Morgan McKissack.

**March 12**—Family Game Night @ 6:00 PM

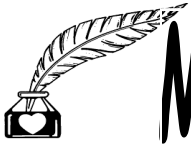
**March 14**—Daylight Savings Time

## BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who wrote, "Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed, save me, and I shall be saved"?

(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. ...Our thanks to our elders and all the good work they are doing. Also, thanks to Boo, Donnie, etc. and all the good work they are doing. Remember God encourages you to be a blessing for you and your family so keep up the good work. “

“Because you may live.” NOTE...The Christian life is the only life to live by or die by. Thus, folks must hear the gospel, believe the gospel and be baptized into Christ.: Thus, are you a member of the church that was purchased by the blood of Christ? If not...let us study with you now and share with you the wonderful story of love....”Did you notice our excellent attendance last week...Keep up the good work.

**On The Lighter Side:** ”You are losing your hair?” “Yes, I believe the barber has it. I am trying to get my wife to take me to the barber and she won’t”.....”How did the accident happen?” “My wife fell asleep in the back seat”.....”Fire at will when needed” “But who is Will?”

## Boo’s Belyeu

It’s about to happen. You’re going to be short a day. February 29<sup>th</sup> will not happen this year. It will be 2024 before it happens again. Leap year is the year of 366 days. Of course we had to have an extra day in the pandemic year it figures. I knew it seemed to last forever! We do leap years to keep our calendar straight. Without an extra day every 4 years we would lose almost 6 hours every year, after 100 years we would be off about 24 days. Our autumnal equinox, which falls in late September, would fall in late August, and in a few centuries, August would become a spring month. Yes, my head exploded too. Think about the leap year babies they are only a 4<sup>th</sup> of the age we are at least in birthday celebrations our leap year baby Kayla turned 9 last year. So what does that mean to us, losing a day? Have you ever thought how important a day is? Psalms 90:12 “So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.” We should remember every day is precious. I ran upon these words, that I believe emphasis this verse and using our wisdom each day. “I will not procrastinate but I will ask God to give me all the time necessary to accomplish His will. And if I get another **day** – even an extra **day** – I will use it in the same way: for the glory of God.”



### Birthdays

1st—Jan Ammons  
3rd—Chad Beachy  
4th—Alfred Kelley  
4th—Sawyer Seiber  
5th—Kensley Kilgore  
6th—Dennis Johnson  
6th—Lauren Reese  
8th—Donna Hinson  
8th—Taylor Hinson  
8th—Lennox Riley  
10th—Wesley Carroll  
12th—Jasmine Chapin  
12th—Katrina Everett  
12th—Betty Hinson  
12th—Betty Anne Nutt  
13th—Aleah Carroll  
13th—Rose Spears  
14th—Drucilla Spears  
15th—Desi Ammons  
15th—Paul Chandler  
17th—Sarah Rogers  
20th—Matthew Farr  
22nd—Bob Burklow  
24th—Lillie Hamblin  
24th—Nathan Hamblin  
24th—Greg Jones  
24th—Rylee Roberson  
26th—Olivia Hinson  
26th—Mike Tatum  
28—Rawlin Carroll  
28th—Ava Jones  
28th—Simone Hinson  
30th—Brooklyn Carroll  
30th—Ian Carroll  
30th—Jan Hill  
31st—John Richards

### Anniversaries

2nd—Chuck & Kathy Oppermann  
5th—Chris & Lindsey Himes  
5th—Gary & Bonnie O’Brien  
10th—Chad & Katrina Everett  
20th—Elgie & Kay Parrish  
20th—Rocco & Debbie Pierce  
31st—George & Cynthia Collison



**BY THE NUMBERS**  
**For the week of 02/21**

A.M. Bible Class	108
A.M. Worship Service	166
P.M. Worship Service	86
Wednesday PM	118
Contribution:	\$6,705.00
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



**Friday, March 12th**  
**@ 6:00 pm**  
**Please see Kara**  
**Farr to sign up for**  
**food.**

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***Church of Christ***

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Malcom George - 796-0045  
Jeff Spears—306-1362

**Lomax Christian Day**  
**School**  
**796-7373**

Last week's Know Your  
Bible Answer:  
**Abraham to Lot**  
**Genesis 13:9**

**THANK YOU**

The Lomax Congregation  
has received a donation this past  
week to go to the Day School in  
memory of Mamie Duncan.

**ELDERS:**

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

**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)  
Jeff Spears  
(Education)  
Marty Spears  
(Finance)



*Ladies are invited to meet every Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the Library to prepare cards and have prayer for those in need. If you know of any to whom we should send cards, please meet with the ladies on Wednesday evenings or contact Betsy or Gwen.*

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