

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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<u>Serve Boldly</u>

Christian, the Bible tells us we can "come boldly before the throne of grace." Jesus told a parable about a servant who was afraid to serve. Jesus said, "the one also who had received the one talent came up and said, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you scattered no seed. 'And I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours" (Matt 25:24-25). We know "the terror of the Lord," but we also know that God graciously works through his people. We should not be so overwhelmed with fear that we neglect opportunities for God.

Matthew Henry, the famous Puritan commentator, wrote: "This ill affection toward God arose from his false notions of him; and nothing is more unworthy of God, nor more hinders our duty to him, than slavish fear. This has bondage and torment, and is directly opposite to that entire love which the great commandment requires. Note, Hard thoughts of God drive us from, and cramp us in his service. Those who think it impossible to please him, and in vain to serve him, will do nothing to purpose in religion."

What is that we could do? Is there something that you could do, but maybe you haven't had the confidence to give it a try yet? We never know how God can do with our meager efforts. We would do well to remember how God made a great nation with a promise to Abraham. God quieted the rowdy giant with a single stone. God took the great army away so Gideon would trust in his God rather than in his people. What will God do with you?

Donnie L. DeBord

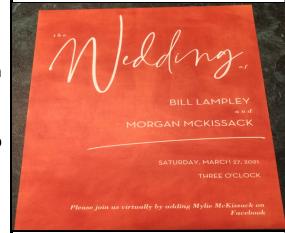
Welcome to Lomax!

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



Due to the current Covid pandemic and limited venue, Bill & Morgan have made the decision to have their wedding viewed virtually. To be able to view this day, please friend Mylie McKissack on facebook and the wedding will be televised. Thank you all for understanding, and we love you each so much. We hope you are all staying happy and healthy. Love, Bill and Morgan



Sick: Jerry Ammons will have surgery on March 18th to blood flow corrected in his leg. Mike O'Brien began radiation treatments and were effective on the cancer in his neck but additional cancer was found in his hip and is in much pain. Chuck **Oppermann** had successful knee surgery and is now at home. Angela Riley, the mother of Lee Riley is now home from hospital but no visitors at this time. Jenny Martin, friend of Sandra Thompson, is now at home David Roth, the nephew of Wilma Churchwell is back in the hospital. Melba Ogg, the aunt of Gary Hinson had successful heart surgery and remains in the hospital. **Tommy Rasbury** will be going to oncologist doctor about cancer in left lung on March 24th. Jane Evelyn Barber, the sister of Mann Nutt and her son's. Jeff & Burt have the Covid Virus. Judy Bryson, a friend of Cynthia Kilpatrick fell and broke her arm last week. Cindy Baxter & Neci Baker are both dealing with cancer. Keep them and their families in mind as they both go through surgery and treatments.

Please keep all those of our number as well as friends and family that have had to endure the Covid-19 virus.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of

Continue to remember: June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Elv, 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 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.

Congratulations to Lewis County Top 10

Lomax Students

Valedictorian: Molly Reasons

5th—Aaron Hunter ^{#S}



10. Morgan Bailev 9. Javden Hinson 8. Emma Hinson Karli Bennett Bradley Nickell Aaron Hunter 4. Kasi Castro 3. Maddox Cagle Salutatorian · Kane Dillon Valedictorian: Molly Reasons Congratulations to all 10 of these wonderful young people!! I am so proud of them and all their hard work. Go Panthers!!



If you can help by supplying some of these items it will be greatly appreciated:

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

March 25th Team 3 (Sharon & Sue) If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am

Food For Friends:

Food for Families

Our monthly Food for Families distribution is Thursday, April 15th If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.

Congratulations to Kelly Kilgore on receiving her LCSW License (Licensed Clinical Social Worker)

A LOOK AHEAD

March 21—Youth Committee Mtg. March 27—Virtual Wedding of Morgan McKissack & Bill Lampley March 28—Baby Shower for Zach & Chelsa Beasley Frey April 1-4—L2L Convention April 11—Bridal Shower for Mashaya Hinson April 18—Housewarming for Brice & Emily Van Hook May 17-18—Day School Graduation



Who said, "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts." (answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



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. Please keep the following:

THE CLOCK of Life is wound but once and no man has the power to tell just when the hands may stop at late or evening hours. NOW is the only time we have on our own ...SO LIVE, LOVE, TOIL with a will...Do not wait until tomorrow for the clock may then be still.. (Verlin just reminded me to add the reminder to not wait until it was too late to be prepared for now and eternity.. Thanks, Verlin...Now is the time to wind the clock.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE; +This is the ideal place for a picnic for five million insects couldn't be wrong....."What is the weather like." "It is so cloudy that I can't see.".....John to his friend."I am going away to study music." "Yes, I think you ought to go far away"....Commander to trainer' "Fire at Will.." "I I cannot. He is too far away."

Boo's Belyeu

College basketball's "March Madness" started this week While we recognize it as college basketball's playoff, it was actually born in Illinois the annual high school boys' basketball tournament. Henry V. Porter coined the phrase as he wrote an essay about the excitement of the tournament for IHSA's magazine in 1939. Newspaper men picked up on it and as we say the rest is history.

The term relates to excitement, the stress, the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat as teams play win and advance loose go home. We ourselves are in a contest not unlike "March Madness." We fight the good fight. 1st Tim. 6:12 "Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses." We endure the contest. 2nd Tim. 4:7 "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." And of course the victory is ours. 1st Cor. 15:57 "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BRIDAL SHOWER HONORING

Mashaya Hinson

Lomax Church of Christ 320 Darbytown Road Hohenwald, Tennessee 38462

Registered at Miss Millie's, Target, and Williams-Sonoma

1:30 - 3:00]]th April

LADS TO LEADERS/ LEADERETTES NEWS:

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

For those who don't recognize the name, this is Chelsa Beasley—the daughter of Tracie & Steve Lomax



with a note from you.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 03/14

A.M. Bible Class	124
A.M. Worship Service	170
P.M. Worship Service	103
Wednesday PM	122
Contribution:	\$7,297.05
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

Day School Applications

The Lomax Christian Day School is taking applications for the 2021-2022 school year. Applications are on the table in the front lobby or you can see Jan Hill. Applications need to be returned by March 31st.

Congratulation **New Youth Ministers** Saul Calderon & Brice Van Hook





Visitation News

Please check out the new Visitation Board. In attempts to decrease the spread of Covid-19, we have a new board, a touchless system, replacing the Visitation Book. Find the name you want and grab a card from under the name. No need to touch anything else. It truly is very impressive how Lomax always takes care of each other. Thank you all for your participation. Please take a moment to check it our and read the note on the board.

Thanks, Chris Hunter

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Lomax Christian Day School 796-7373

Last week's Know Your **Bible Answer:** Philip, to the **Ethiopian treasurer** Acts 8:30



Please continue to check out the New Visitation Bulletin Board 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)

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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