



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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Learning Love

We need to learn to love. We aren't born with a perfect knowledge of love. Even the best of us, as infants, were self-centered and demanded service. Love—true love—can only be learned from God. We learn about God's love both by our experience of God's love and by what God has taught us in Scripture.

The Apostle John is known as the apostle of love. John's writings emphasize the love of God for his people and the love of the Father toward the Son and how Christians should love.

One of the great passages on love is 1 John 4:7-11:

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

What can we learn about love from this passage?

1. We are commanded to love
2. Love is a gift from God.
3. Love is a distinguishing mark of every Christian.
4. Love was demonstrated by God's sacrifice of Christ
5. Love gives life through sacrifice
6. Love is possible because God is love and loved us first.
7. Love from God should make us love God's people.

Donnie L. DeBord, M.Div, Th.M

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

Van Hook Housewarming
Sunday, April 18th 1:00-2:30
"Pop" on by 112 Ashley Marie Dr
Colors in home: navy, gray and
mustard yellow There's also an
Amazon Wish List and money
tree available. See Kara Farr for
details.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick: *Jerry Ammons* is now at home following a stay in St. Thomas. *Mike O'Brien* will resume his cancer treatments this week. *Lynn Ammons* is now at home dealing with ailments related to Cushings Disease. He has developed blood clots in his leg and lungs. *Tom Kilpatrick* will have a procedure on his prostate on April 19th. *Kenny Graves*, former director of schools is now at home but remains in serious condition. *Johnny Starling* had surgery at Maury Regional last week. *Neci Baker* is now at home recovering after successful cancer surgery. 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, Cindy Baxter, 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, Angela Riley, Howard Spears, Janice Sublett, 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 Griner), *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).



April 25th will be our next Friends & Family Day of 2021 and we will be honoring Bro. Malcom George for 70+ years of ministry. There will not be a meal after morning services.

We will come back at 4:00 pm for evening service with hamburgers and hotdogs after this service. Please invite your friends & families for this great day.



Food For Friends:

April 22nd

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, May 20th**

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

A LOOK AHEAD

April 18—Housewarming for Brice & Emily Van Hook

April 25—Friends & Family Day plus All Age Youth Cookout @ 5:00

May 5—Family Meal Night

May 9—Senior Night

May 17-18—Day School Graduation

May 21—LCHS Graduation

June 6-9—Lomax VBS

June 26—Over 60's Banquet

July 3—4th of July Celebration

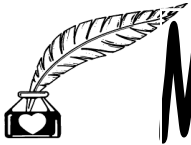
July 11-13—Gospel Meeting with Dr. Justin Rogers

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who said, "Behold, we count them happy which endure"?

(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

I WANT TO RIDE WITH MY DAD. “Have you heard the story about the family who was moving from the East to the West coast. Due to the size of the family and the luggage, they decided they would drive 2 vehicles. The father of the family was going to drive one vehicle and he talked his brother into driving the other car with the promise of paying his airfare home. When it came time to load up, the uncle asked his nephews if he wanted to ride with him or his parents. Without hesitation the children excitedly agreed to ride with the fun loving uncle. The youngest boy asked what if they got separated? The uncle jokingly said, “You might never see them again”. “The little boy says I am going to ride with my parents.” The world contains all sort of flash and fun but do we want to be separated from our heavenly father!

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE; Nothing false does any good.” “Not so since all of my teeth are false.” You know your’re growing old when you know more doctors than acquaintances. When a woman says “WHAT”, it’s not that she didn’t hear you. She is giving you a chance to change what you have said.

Boo’s Belyeu

The Primetimer Wednesday class is about to end our study of “Living a Life That Matters.” Our last topic is “Living Expeditiously.” “Living a Life That Matters” has been a great study challenging us to live with a positive perspective always looking for ways to improve our thinking and service to God. You can also watch our class on Facebook. Our new topic will be “A Good Old Age.” We will be discussing each topic going through the alphabet for example “Acceptance, Believe, and Contentment” are the first three lessons. We invite any of you to our Wednesday 10 AM class. You don’t have to be 60 plus to attend. Note we have moved back to the Chapel.

We have put out a Primetimer schedule, please pick one up. We are starting back with a conservative program. We will have a trip or event every month.

There is also a sheet showing the Primetimers, Youth, events of the church, and some singing dates all combined. Of course the youth schedule will be tweaked with more things as time progresses. Thanks to Brice, Saul, Kara, and Greg for the information to put this together.

The Arrogant Claim to Know More than God

It’s hard for us to conceive of someone standing face-to-face with God and saying, “Lord, you don’t know what you’re talking about. I’m smarter than you.” And yet, in reality, people do that all the time, even many who claim to be Christians. I once was studying the Bible with a man who believed in the false notion that we are saved by faith alone. I showed him the only place in the Bible where that phrase is used.

“You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone” (James 2:24 NASV). And instead of bowing to God’s will, the man got angry and tore (ripped) James 2 out of his Bible and said, “That’s not in my Bible!” He was disagreeing with God. And when we refuse to follow God’s will in our lives—whether it involves morality or scriptural worship or the plan of salvation or church government—if we refuse to follow God’s commands, we are disagreeing with God. “If you love me,” Jesus said, “you will keep my commandments” (John 14:15).

Larry Fitzgerald

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BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 04/11

A.M. Bible Class	129
A.M. Worship Service	193
P.M. Worship Service	92
Wednesday PM	130
Contribution:	\$8,180.10
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



**The Lomax
Congregation**
has received a donation
this past week to go to the
Food for Friends
Program in memory of
Catherine Dillehay by her
husband Mark Dillehay.

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**Lomax Christian Day
School**
796-7373

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

James
James 5:11



Please continue to check out
the New Visitation Bulletin
Board in the foyer for
updated information.

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)

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