

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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Teachers

Christianity is a taught religion. Therefore, two of our highest priorities are to learn and to teach. The word "disciple" refers to one who is a student and carries with it the expectation that the student will someday become a teacher. The word "disciple" is used around 269 times in the Bible. It is an important description of the Christian life.

Jesus placed a great emphasis on teaching and making disciples. John 4:1 records that Jesus was making more disciples than John the Baptist. Many of John's "students" left him and began to follow Jesus (John 1:36-37). The discipling process is best pictured in Matthew 4:18-22 where Jesus called Peter and Andrew saying, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matt. 4:19). James and John heard a similar call from the Lord and immediately left all to follow him. Jesus called them to "follow him" or to learn him and his life. Then they were to become "fishers of men" as they sought disciples who would also follow Jesus.

To be a disciple, then, is to make new disciples. Jesus' command in Matthew 28:19 to "make disciples" involves multiplication. Paul pointed this out in 2 Corinthians 5:18 when he wrote, "All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry or reconciliation."

Good church, this is what we are called to do as well. We are called to follow Christ and be made "fishers of men." A more noble, valuable, or heavenly task you will not find. You very well may be a part of God's plan for someone's salvation (Rom. 10:14-17). Go and make disciples.

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



Lomax Christian Day School will present its Graduation Program on Monday, May 17th and Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 in the evening in the Lomax auditorium. A reception will follow in the CSC. We are always grateful for the attendance of the members of Lomax. If you would like to volunteer, please see Jan HIII.



Sick: Mike O'Brien continues his cancer treatments. Jennette West will have shoulder surgery on May 18th. Faye Kilpatrick was admitted to Maury Regional and was moved to NHC Columbia for rehabilitation. Gene Kilpatrick had successful knee surgery and is now home recovering. Pop Hinson was taken to St. Thomas and had an MRI about an infection in his shoulder. Emily Tiller, the daughter-in-law of Lynn & Betsy Tiller is having some health issues. Please pray that test results will find and fix the issues. L. C. Bowen, cousin of Tom Kilpatrick had successful surgery last Friday, May 7th and remains in the hospital at Vanderbilt. James Wills, the brother of Darren Henderson, suffered a stroke and is in Maury Regional.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of

Continue to remember: Jerry Ammons, Lynn Ammons, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Neci Baker, Cindy Baxter, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Kenneth Carroll, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Jana Grimes, Janice Johnston, Faye Kilpatrick, Jane Lawson, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Mike O'Brien, Chuck Oppermann, Angela Riley, Howard Spears, Janice Sublett, Richard Whitehead and Charles Williams

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

<u>In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:</u> 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)



The yearly Diana Singing for June 11-12 has been cancelled this year. We are planning to have our own Singing on <u>June 11th</u> to coincide with other congregations. If you have interest in this, please let Boo or Matthew know.



Food For Friends: <u>May 20th</u>

Team 4 (Betsy & Bonnie)

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



Our monthly Food for Families distribution is <u>Thursday,</u> <u>May 20th</u>

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

A LOOK AHEAD

May 16—Youth Committee/VBS Update

May 17-18—Day School Graduation

May 21—LCHS Graduation

May 23—L2L Info. Mtg. @ 5:00

May 24—All Age Devotional

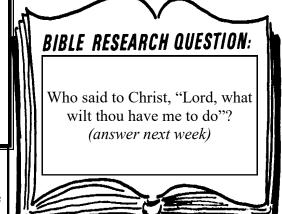
June 2—Family Meal Night

June 6-9—Lomax VBS

June 11—Lomax Diana Singing

July 3—4th of July Celebration

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



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.

POWERFUL PROVERBS: We see things not as they are but as we are. Keep your temper—no one else wants it. The bigger a man's head gets, the easier to fill his shoes. It is better to be great in your littleness than little in your greatness. The man who wakes up to find himself great has not been asleep.

ON THE LIGHTER SIIDE: Little Willie was told not to open his eyes in prayer. "Yes, but dad. 'HOW DID YOU KNOW?"...."I am expecting a lot of dirty work when I GO INTO Business," "What is your job? I am in the laundry business"...."This book will do half your work." "Good, I will take two books.".... Owner to employee: "Did you sweep behind the door?" "Yes, I always leave all my dirt behind the door."...."YES, I would like to try out that suit in the window." "No, you must go inside to do that."

Boo's Belyeu

Well it is that time of year for graduations. Many times you will hear things like "Don't Be Afraid," "Change Takes Courage," "You can't do it alone," "You have the power to make a Difference." We want to encourage our graduates with words of success and support. In a similar sense we speak to folks about being a Christian in the same way. We do not fear as a Christian. 2nd Tim. 1:7 "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control." We have words of courage. 1st Cor. 16:13 "Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong." We are not alone. Heb. 4:16 "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." You have the power to make a difference. Matt. 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." May we all with pride wish our graduates onward and especially encourage them and others of being a Christian.





Ashley Hunter Gough, the daughter of Chris & Ashley Hunter graduated from Southern New Hampshire University with a Bachelor's Degree in English Language and Literature.





Demetria Reeves, the daughter of Darrel & Deena Reeves graduated from Freed-Hardeman University on May 15th with a Bachelor's Degree in Education.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 05/09

A.M. Bible Class 116
A.M. Worship Service 184
P.M. Worship Service 132
Wednesday PM 127

Contribution: \$7,475.00

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



May 30th will be our next 5th Sunday Contribution. This will go to the Building and Remodeling Fund.

Please keep this in mind as we prepare to give.

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Ezekiel Ezekiel 47:12



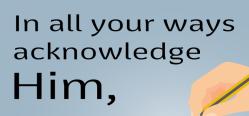
Please continue to check out the New Visitation Bulletin Board in the foyer for updated information.

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)



and He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:6

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