



THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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HOW CAN JESUS MAKE THE FATHER KNOWN TO US?

The Son is able to make the Father known to us by his divine essence. John 1:18 teaches that “no one has ever seen God, but the only begotten God who is at the Father’s side, he has made him known.” The Son is able to make the Father known by his life because the Son shares the same essence with the Father.

The Scriptures confirm that Christ makes God known to us in the names that were used to describe him. Christ was described in Scripture with words like Word, Light, Son, Radiance, and Imprint. These words connote that the Father’s nature is fully shared with the Son and then manifested to his people. In John 1:1 Jesus was described as “the Word.” This is a famous description of the Son, but there is meaning in the name “Word.” A word is and communicates a message. The Word is and communicates God. Being a Word the Word “proceeds” timelessly from the Father. Another favorite description of Jesus is the Son. Before the incarnation, the Father sent his Son into the world. John said, “God gave his only begotten Son” (Jn 3:16). What does it mean that Jesus is the Son? It doesn’t mean that the Son was produced by the Father in a natural human way. Sonship does entail that the Son proceeds from the Father and is the same essence of the Father. The Son, then, is whatever the Father is. Similarly, Jesus was described as the “Radiance of God’s glory” (Heb 1:3). It is as if the Son is the radiating Light from the Fatherly Light. In fact John used this same concept when he described Jesus as the true Light and Light of the world (Jn 1:4-9). Ancient theologians would, therefore, frequently describe Jesus as “Light from Light.” Hebrews 1:3 also described Christ as the “exact imprint of his nature.” The Son is exactly like the Father. There is no distinguishing between them except the Father is the Father and the Son is the Son.

These descriptions of the eternal Son of God are important because they teach us about the Son and give us confidence that the Son has revealed the true nature of the Father. The Sonship of Christ moves us to understand the nature of the Trinity. There are not three gods, but there is the one divine nature which is shared from the Father to the Son and the Spirit. The Sonship of Christ guards against a hierarchical view of the Trinity—the Father and Son are of the same nature and therefore equal.

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

FAMILY MEAL NIGHT

**Food
Friends
Fellowship
Fun**

There will be a family meal night **Wednesday, October 6th** at 5:30 pm in the CSC. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the food, fun and fellowship. Please see Brice, Kara or Saul for details.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick: Sharon Grinder is now home recovering from hip surgery and doing well. Gary O'Brien will have some plastic surgery on his nose October 11th. Nadine Turnbow is in a rehabilitation facility in Antioch. Howard Miller, the son of Cynthia Kilpatrick has an infection and will be in Creekside Rehabilitation for 6 weeks. Ronnie Belew, the father of Amy Lomax was taken to Maury Regional in serious condition. Wayne Tharp has been taking to Maury Regional. Please remember all those who have been or are currently dealing with the COVID Virus.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Kyle Pope, the friend of Lindsey Himes. He passed away Saturday. His funeral was held Wednesday, September 29th.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Helen Garrett, the aunt of Kay Parrish and Jan Ammons. Her funeral was held Saturday, September 25th.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Mina Patterson, the mother of Larry Devore. Her funeral was held Friday, October 1st

Continue to remember: Jerry Ammons, Lynn Ammons, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Jim Grinder, Jana Grimes, Janice Johnston, Faye Kilpatrick, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Thomas McMillian, Danny Milam, Mike O'Brien, Chuck Oppermann, David Roth, Janice Sublett, Mike Tatum, Richard Whitehead, Charles Williams and Jerry Yates.

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

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: Michelle Huff, Melba Ogg and Betty Stafford.

Remember our military: Dustin Brugmann (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), and Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton).



**Together with their Families,
You are invited to the wedding
of**

**Elizabeth Ulmer &
Tyler Hinson**

October 9, 2021

At the Creek House Ranch

4245 Highway 412 West

Linden, TN 37096

4:00 pm—Reception to follow



Food For Friends:

October 7th

Team 3 (Sharon & Sue)

*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, October 21st**
If you have not brought your grocery
items in, please do so by Wed. morning
if possible.

Day School Donations

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

Paper Towels

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

Thank you!



October 6—Family Meal Night

October 16—All Age Devotional

October 22-24—ERUPT Youth Rally

October 30—Halloween Party

October 31—Friends and Family Day

October 31—5th Sunday Building Fund

October 31—Trunk or Treat

November 3—Family Meal Night

November 6—Lomax Ladies Day

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who said, "How are the mighty
fallen! On what occasion?"
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Boo's Belyeu

It's here the Hohenwald to Summertown Yard sale. For the yard sale enthusiast it is a great week, for others it may be vacation time get out to town. The yard sale shoppers we are all about finding something wonderful great we didn't even know we needed.

Isn't that true about many people religiously they don't even know there is something out there they need. It is up to us to take it to them. We use Gospel meetings to invite and get people to visit to see the need for church for Christ in their lives. We use to have a bus program to bring mostly children to services. Today we kind of struggle how to do it. Gospel meetings do not draw the people. Bus programs showed without mom and dad coming kids would not stay as they got older. How do we attract someone to see we have something they need?

While we can't very well set up a yard sale for church, we can show them through how we live each day. Our interaction with folks has more bearing than we can imagine. Each of us has a yard sale in a sense to show what Christ means in our lives. How we speak, behave, our friendliness, our walk in life is a constant display of Christ and his church. So be good at it. Be the best you can be. Not only as the example, but say it invite them to attend. You may just get them to see the most needed thing they could ever find eternity with Christ.

LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

Last weekend, Emily and I were in Missouri celebrating my Dad's sixtieth birthday and my parents' fortieth anniversary. If I asked him what he was most proud of, it would likely sound very similar to what John says in 3rd John 1:4. He states, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." My parents, grandparents, and family in the faith helped me to grow and remain walking in the truth. We need to make Christians and make it our primary goal to help everyone we know get to heaven to be with God.

Lads to Leaders practice 10/10 and 10/17 at 5:15 pm make plans to attend if you want to participate!

- * **Wednesday, October 6** - *Family Meal Night* at 6:00 p.m. The meal will be provided, so just show up to enjoy a time of fellowship!
- * **Sunday, October 10** - *Lads to Leaders Song Leading & Songs of Praise Practice* at 5:15.
- * **Saturday, October 16** - *Pumpkin Patch Trip & All Age Devo.* Sign up in the foyer to go on this trip with us!
- * **Sunday, October 17** - *Lads to Leaders Speech Practice* at 5:15.
- * **Friday, October 22 through Sunday, October 24** - *Erupt Youth Rally* in the Cumberland Caverns. Registration is \$35. Let Brice or Saul know if you need help paying. Sign up in the foyer.
- * **Saturday, October 30** - *Church Halloween Party* at the Hamms house.
- * **Sunday, October 31** - *Trunk-or-Treat* following our Friends & Family Day.
- * **Saturday, November 6** - *Rush at FHU*, an on-campus youth rally for 9-12th grades.
- * **Friday, February 5 and Saturday, February 6** - *2022 Lomax Youth Rally*. Mark your calendar now

Five Wise Sayings for Life

I love sitting and listening to older, wiser folks than myself. I love history and learning it from people who loved it. There is something about sitting on a porch swing with someone old in days who has seen so much change and endured so much through their walk in life. The proverbial writer acts as a father to us and treats you and I as "sons and daughters" who are learning. As disciples of Jesus, that's exactly what we are doing and we constantly sit in the learner seat. Thank God for wise fathers who taught us what to do right. Even so, for those of us who had no good fatherly example in life, we learned what "not" to do. I wanted to share some of the wise words and sayings I've heard in the first 35 years of life.

1. When you hear a kind word spoken about a friend, pass it along (Proverbs 3:27; Galatians 6:10). If it's a negative word, keep it to yourself.
2. As a man, spoil your spouse, not your children (2 Samuel 12:3, 8; Proverbs 5:18-19; Ephesians 5:25; 1 Peter 3:7).
3. It is not our job to get people to like us. It is our job to like people (John 13:35; Hebrews 13:1; 1 Peter 1:22; 2:17).
4. To help your children turn out well, spend twice as much time with them and half as much money on them (Genesis 44:30; Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 5:16; 6:4; Colossians 4:5).
5. Focus on others, not on self (Galatians 2:20; Philippians 2:3-5). Someone wrote, "How to Be Miserable." It reads, "Think about yourself. Talk about yourself. Use 'I' as often as possible. Mirror yourself continually in the opinion of others. Listen greedily to what people say about you. Expect to be appreciated. Be suspicious. Be jealous and envious. Be sensitive to slights. Never forgive a criticism. Trust nobody but yourself. Insist on consideration and respect. Demand agreement with your own views on everything. Sulk if people are not grateful to you for favors shown them. Never forget a service you have rendered. Shirk your duties if you can. Do as little as possible for others."

Jake Sutton

Piedmont Road church of Christ Marietta,

BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 09/26

A.M. Bible Class	132
A.M. Worship Service	192
P.M. Worship Service	102
Wednesday PM	121
Contribution:	\$8,898.25
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

THANK YOU

**The Lomax
Congregation
has received a
\$500.00 donation this
past week to go to the
Food for Friends
Program**

***Lomax
Church of Christ***

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**Lomax Christian Day
School
796-7373**

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

**Paul
I Timothy 1:15**



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

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(Please leave a message)

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(Special Events, CSC Scheduling)

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(Young Families Ministry)

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(Visitation)

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(Audio/Visual, Bulletin)

Chuck Oppermann

(Missions, Correspondance Courses)

Jeff Spears

(Education)

Marty Spears

(Finance)

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from COVID-19



The coin boxes for the Tennessee Children's Home are in the lobby. Please pick one up. They will not be picked up until right before Christmas.

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