

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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On Being Effective

The Apostle Paul was one of the most effective Christians to have ever lived. He was known as a preacher, missionary, writer, and theologian. He was a busy and sacrificial servant. Many of us struggle to understand how he could accomplish so much for the Lord.

Paul encouraged Timothy to be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus (2 Tim 2:1). Paul had learned that in his weakness, he was strong for the Lord because the Lord's strength could then work in him. Timothy was encouraged to find the same strength for ministry in Christ. The strength that Paul emphasized here came from the grace that is in Christ Jesus. Grace is often just seen as an element of forgiveness. However, Paul uses the term in several ways and here to refer to that which propelled Timothy's ministry. God's grace fueled the motor of ministry for Timothy and for Paul.

Paul also encouraged Timothy to share the workload with others. One of the greatest things we can do for evangelistic work is to train an evangelist. So Paul told Timothy, "what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also" (2 Tim 2:2). Paul's ministry spread rapidly because he helped train others who would be able to train others. We should all hope to pass down the Christian faith by instilling it into others who will teach many others.

Paul then instructed Timothy to stay focused. This focus meant that Timothy would have to endure suffering like a good soldier (2 Tim 2:3) and to not allow himself to be distracted with other things (2 Tim 2:4-6).

Finally, Paul encouraged Timothy to continue in his spiritual maturity. He said, "think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding" (2 Tim 2:7). Timothy's understanding of the Christian faith was a gift from God and also key to Timothy's strength for Christian service encouraged in 2 Timothy 2:1. Think over what Paul taught in this passage. Perhaps we can be encouraged to serve greatly as well.

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 CHURCH OF CHRIST LADIES' DAY





SPEAKER: KARA FARR

REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WILL BEGIN AT 8:30 A.M.

LESSONS WILL BEGIN AT 9:00 A.M.

THERE WILL BE LUNCH TO FOLLOW.



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick: Mike O'Brien began his 2nd stage of his treatments and in need of our prayers. Jerry Paul Roberson had a pacemaker put in on Wednesday, October 13th at the Veterans Hospital. He is now home recovering. Gary O'Brien had successful surgery and now at home. Nadine Turnbow is now in the Bethany Rehabilitation Center. They are under COVID protocol so she cannot have visitors or calls at this time. She is also dealing with congestive heart failure. George Collison broke his foot and is at home. Ronnie Belew, the father of Amy Lomax is now at home but remains serious condition. Please remember all those who have been or are currently dealing with the COVID Virus.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Ethan Brewer, the grandson of David & Linda Riley. His funeral was held Friday, October 15th.

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, Sharon Grinder, Jana Grimes, Janice Johnston, Faye Kilpatrick, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Thomas McMillian, Danny Milam, Howard Miller, Mike O'Brien, Chuck Oppermann, David Roth, Janice Sublett, Mike Tatum, Nadine Turnbow, 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).



Secret Sister Reveal will be Tuesday, October 26th @ 6:00 pm at the CSC. Bring finger foods, a 2 liter drink or Tea and come

have some fun! If you were not a Secret Sister this past year, we would LOVE to have you join us! Masks are welcome for the big reveal.

ATTENTION LADIES:

Ladies Day is November 6th.

If you would like to contribute to the Gifts for Ladies Day, please give your money to Kara Farr



Food For Friends: October 21st

Team 5 (Kay & Kathy)

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



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.

Claudine Nutt, the grandmother of Mia Hinson and sister to Jane Spears will be celebrating her 95th Birthday on October 19th. We want to send her Birthday Cards to celebrate this special day. Her address is 4656



Buffalo Rd. Hohenwald

EVENTS

October 17—Community Christmas **Planning Session**

October 22-24—ERUPT Youth Rally

October 26—Secret Sister Reveal

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 wrote, "All the promises of God in him [Christ] are yea, and in him Amen"? (answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Boo's Belyeu

The third Saturday in October for Tennessee and Alabama football fans was the annual showdown now it just depends on the schedulers when it will be. This year it is the fourth week October 23rd. Still it is close to what we use to know as the date. Alabama fans would flock to Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge on the third week every other year for the fall colors. The third week traditionally is the peak of the fall colors. Do you have events you look forward to attending? Admittedly it is hard to beat the incredible beauty of the colors of the fall in the Great Smoky Mountains. It has been studied that just the planning a trip can have positive results. Clinical psychologist and author Carla Marie Manly, PhD says the simple act of imagining a future positive event can induce a sense of joy and well-being. I have visited with folks who cannot attend worship. They have expressed the great desire they had to physically be able to once again attend worship. You hear the joy in their description of hoping to someday be well enough to attend with the saints in worship. Do we take worship attendance for granted? May we all plan, anticipate; look forward with joy the opportunity to worship our Lord and savior Jesus Christ.

LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

Do you read this and the events? If you do, come find me (Brice) and tell me that you know my favorite color is green for a surprise. I'm curious to see who reads articles and keeps up with youth events this way.

Upcoming events:

- * Today, Sunday, October 17 Lads to Leaders Song Leading & Songs of Praise Practice at 5:15.
- * Saturday, October 30 Church Halloween Party at the Hamm's house.
- * Sunday, October 31 Trunk-or-Treat following our Friends & Family Day.
- * Wednesday, November 3rd Family Meal Night at 6 p.m.
- * Saturday, November 6th RUSH (a youth rally for 9-12th grades) at Freed-Hardeman. This event is limited to 500 people & will go fast, so let Brice or Saul know ASAP if you are interested!
- * Sunday, November 7th Youth committee meeting after morning services and Lads to Leaders practice.
- * Saturday, November 13th Service Project Saturday.
- * Sunday, November 14th Area Wide Youth Devo. We are inviting youth from around the area, so invite your friends, too! We will start with dinner & a devo at 5 p.m. before our 6:00 service.
- * Monday, November 15th Friendsgiving and Devo (6th-12th). We will have a potluck and devotional.
- * Saturday, November 20th Cooks in the Kitchen Thanksgiving cooking class for all ages. We plan to make some treats to deliver to some of our members. Are you a good cook? We need your help!
- * Sunday, November 21st Lads to Leaders practice

Look ahead:

- *Friday, February 4th through Saturday, February 5th- 2022 Lomax Youth Rally. Mark your calendar now
- *Friday, February 25 through Sunday, February 27- Challenge Youth Conference, a huge youth rally in Gatlinburg. Sign up sheet is in the foyer now!

Without

Without Jesus as the **FOUNDATION**, the structure of righteousness is built on sand.

Without the **TEACHINGS** of the **NEW TESTAMENT**, the body of Christ has no guide to direct in a dark world.

Without BIBLICAL LEADER-

SHIP properly in place, the body of Christ is no longer, each member going his own way, doing his own thing.

Without **COMMITMENT** from each of the members of the body of Christ, there is no light shining in the community.

Without **TEACHERS** for our Bible classes, the next generation's leadership is unprepared.

Without FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN PAR-

ENTS, children see the value of the Lord's church like they see the value of eating some vegetables, beneficial but not liked.

Without the **LORD CHRIST**, there is no life.

Ron Thomas
Sunrush church of Christ
Chillicothe, OH

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 10/10

A.M. Bible Class	129
A.M. Worship Service	188
P.M. Worship Service	97
Wednesday PM	103
Contribution:	\$7,083.00
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



Lomax Church Halloween Party Saturday, October 30 Time: TBA at the Home of Colby & Lauren Hamm 4403 Buffalo Road

Come on down and enjoy a fantastic night full of fun Hayrides, Bonfire, Costume contest and much more! Bring chairs for your family See Kara Farr to sign up for food.

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Job Job 1:21



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

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DEACONS

Matthew Farr
(Special Events, CSC Scheduling)
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(Young Families Ministry)
Chris Hunter
(Visitation)
Greg Mullinicks
(Audio/Visual, Bulletin)
Chuck Oppermann
(Missions, Correspondance Courses)
Jeff Spears
(Education)
Marty Spears
(Finance)





Trunk or Treat
Sunday, October 31st
Following the Friends and Family
Day afternoon services.
See Brice or Saul for Details
There will be time to dress up kids after church. Teens with cars can decorate and participate.

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