

#### 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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### "Cause and Effect"

Every effect has a sufficient and necessary cause. Most everyone seems to intuitively agree with this principle. If something happens, something caused that event. Our lives are also in a great chain of causes and effects. A series of causes and effects led to you sitting where you are right now. Still yet, you have chosen to go along with the events that led you to be sitting where you are right now. You could have chosen, because of some other influence or cause, to sit somewhere else or to be somewhere else entirely. The biggest influences (causes) in your life are your family, your friends, your location, and God.

You do not choose your family, but your family is one of the biggest influences on you life. This influence begins with your genetics, your family's economic, educational, and social status. From the people around you (though you initially have little say in this), you choose your friends or who will not be your friends. In adulthood you can choose your location, but on average, the National Institute of

Aging says that Americans live just about 18 miles from their mother.

So, what about God's influence on your life? Paul said that God "gives to all people life and breath and all things; and He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, that they would seek God, if perhaps they might feel around for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; for in Him we live and move and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we also are His descendants" (Acts 17:25-26). God has given us our lives "so that they (we) would seek God." We know that he isn't far away because he is omnipresent and gives us life. But what will we choose to do with God? Accept and adore

him? Serve him?

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



JOIN US AT 5PM FOR DINNER AND A DEVOTIONAL

AT 6PM WE WILL GO TO THE EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

LOMRX CHURCH OF CHRIST 320 Darbytown Rd. Hohenwald. To

November 14th at 5pm

CONTACT BRICE VAN HOOK (636-639-0153) OR SAUL Crloeron (817-905-5324) For More Detrils

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

<u>Sick:</u> Mike O'Brien is in the Mayo Clinic Hospital and in need of our prayers. Gary O'Brien healing well, radiation starts in December. Nadine Turnbow had surgery this past week and will not be able to move it for 3 weeks. She is now at home. Bill Judkins, the son-in-law of Nadine Turnbow is dealing with pancreatic cancer. Mark Hardin, the brother-in-law of Tom Kilpatrick is recovering from open heart surgery and kidney shutdown. He is in Oregon St. University Hospital in Portland, Oregon. Larry Hinson, the father of Donna Hinson is doing much better after gall bladder surgery at St. Thomas West.

Please remember all those who have been or are currently dealing with the COVID Virus.

*Sympathy to the friends and family of* **Ronnie Belew**, the father of Amy Lomax. His funeral was held last Sunday, November 6th.

**Sympathy** to the friends and family of **Wayne Tharp**. His funeral was held Wednesday, November 10th.

*Sympathy to the friends and family of* Cassi Schwendimann-Fitzgerald, the granddaughter of Plummer & Martha Vaughn. Her graveside funeral was held Friday, November 12th at Swiss Cemetery.

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, David Roth, Janice Sublett, Mike Tatum, Nadine Turnbow, Richard Whitehead, Charles Williams and Jerry Yates.

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

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

### Primetimers



Trip to David Crockett Restaurant & Museum Park Tour - November 19th, Sign up sheets are in the foyer. The Bus will leave at 10:00 am





### Food For Friends: November 18th

### Team 2 (Alice & Wilma)

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



Our monthly Food for Families distribution is <u>Thursday, November 18th</u>
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:

#### **Toilet Paper**

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

Thank you!

#### EVENTS

November 14—Area Wide Devotional November 19—Friendsgiving & Devo.

November 19—Primetimer Trip

November 21—L2L Practice

**<u>December 1</u>**—Family Meal Night

<u>December 5</u>—Secret Sister Meeting

November 26—Lomax Area Singing
December 11—Christmas Dinner

December 12—Adult Christmas @ the

Morrows

**December 20**—Primetimers Christmas

#### BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who said, "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh"?

(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



## Boo's Belyeu

This cannot be we can't be just a week and a half away from Thanksgiving. It's true this weekend and next week we will buy up everything the stores have. So here is my verse to assist you Philip. 4:6 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." This does not mean God will do your turkey shopping for you just don't stress and lose the meaning of the season. Enjoy the preparation, even the visitation at the store, and keep the thanksgiving of who we are and what we have.

Don't forget Primetimers have a trip Friday to David Crocket Park. I wonder if Malcom has any tells about him and Davy playing together? We love to kid about being old as dirt and the such like. Malcom loves to say, "I'm so old, I don't even buy unripe bananas." Being a Primetimer in living for God is everything Prov. 16:31 "Gray hair is a crown of glory; it is gained in a righteous life." Don't you love Psa. 92:14 "They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green,"

#### LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

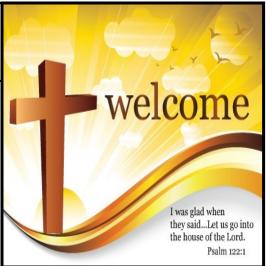
Today is the day! We will be having a meal (tacos!) and devo at 5 pm for youth in the area. Then, at 6 pm, we will worship together as Saul brings us a message. If you would like to help or bring something, we will need drinks and desserts. Be sure to tell your friends!

- \* 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.
- \* Friday, November 19th Friendsgiving and Devo (6th-12th) starting at 5:30pm at the Van Hook's house. We will have a potluck and devotional. See Emily for what to bring. Parents are encouraged to stay and attend as well.
- \* 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 Speech practice at 5:15 pm

#### 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!







Lomax loves all of our Veterans.
This morning we have a small token of our appreciation. Please remain in the auditorium following our morning services for this presentation.

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The Lomax
Congregation has
received a donation to
the Day School
Program in memory of
Wayne Tharp.

### BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 11/07

A.M. Bible Class	138
A.M. Worship Service	203
P.M. Worship Service	90
Wednesday PM	119
Contribution:	\$8,455.00
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



Calling all Secret Sisters (and those that would like to be one), it's not too late to participate in the 2022 Secret Sisters. Please give your name to Kara Farr. Drawing will take place Sunday, December 5th after the AM worship services.

### Lomax Church of Christ

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: King Ahasuerus Esther 1:22



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**

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



# **Toy & Coat Giveaway**

It is the time of the year when we start thinking about Christmas and the thoughts of giving. On December 11th, the Annual Community Christmas Meal will be here. We always want to pray for the success of this effort. In that, we must get the word out about the coat giveaway and toy drive. John & Karen Eglinton along with Tom & Cynthia Kilpatrick and Jim Grinder are heading this up this year. This has always been a time to have those of the community come in and receive a good meal and a opportunity to receive a new or lightly used coat. You can begin now bringing in these items to the Christian Service Center. If anyone has clothes racks, please bring those to the CSC so we can hang up the items. And as always, thank you for your help and generosity.

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