

THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST **MESSENGER**

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LOT'S HAPPENING AND LOT'S TO DO

Col. 3:23-24 ^{"23}Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,"

THE YOUTH RALLY is completed by the time this bulletin hits your hands. I know many will have contributed to making the Youth Rally thanks to all of you as we seek together to be of service to God.

FREED HARDEMAN LECTURESHIP week is upon us. It is an opportunity for those who can attend to recharge your battery spiritually.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY is the next weekend with special speaker Dale Jenkins. Dale and I were at Freed Hardeman at the same time. Dale and his brother Jeff lead the "Jenkins Institute." It is a great program to assist preachers and congregations. We look forward to his message.

"LAME DUCK"

In researching this week I found February 6th is "National Lame Duck" day. A "lame duck" refers to a time frame between a decision and its implementation. I will not go into the details about how the terminology came about. The important thing for all of us is to never allow our work for the Lord to be in a "Lame Duck" time. **The Elders and search committee** have a decision before them that will not be answered tomorrow; therefore we all need to continue with the urgent effort we have always had to be faithful in our efforts to please God.

> Jeff "Boo" Spears Family Minister

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

Baptized

January 30th, Reagan and Asher Webb responded to the invitation and were baptized into Christ. We rejoice with them in this decision and want to encourage them in their new walk with Christ.





Sick: Tom Kilpatrick had successful knee replacement surgery and came home on February 3rd to recover. Laurie Green, the daughter of Tom Kilpatrick is now at home and recovering. Vickie Halfacre had neck surgery on February 3rd. Jerry Yates is in Vanderbilt Hospital dealing with heart issues. Michael McCann, the husband of Melissa McCann who works at school with many of our members. He has been diagnosed with leukemia and will be taking treatments in Nashville for a month and requests our prayers. Martha Irwin, the mother of Porter Irwin who is a neighbor of George & Cynthia Collison. She is in Williamson Medical with a GI Blood issue and a mass in her stomach. Thomas McMillian, husband of Sara McMillian is dealing with the Covid Virus.

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

Sympathy to the friends and family of Alma Jean Skelton. She passed away Monday, January 31st. Her funeral was held on Wednesday, February 2nd. Sympathy to the friends and family of Allen Wayne "Porky" Dye, the uncle of Jeff Dye. He passed away Tuesday, February 1st. Funeral was held Friday, February 4th.

Sympathy to the friends and family of *Sharon Edwards*. She passed away *Tuesday, February 1st. Arrangements are incomplete*

<u>Continue to remember:</u> Jerry Ammons, Lynn Ammons, Danny Bates, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Bill Judkins, Faye Kilpatrick, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Becky Mears, Thomas McMillian, Danny Milam, Howard Miller, Connie Nolin, Gary O'Brien, Scott Phillips, Rex Riley, David Roth, Nadine Turnbow, Charles Williams and Jerry Yates.

Shut-ins: Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

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

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



NEXT SUNDAY, February 13th, is our Friends & Family Day and we will have Dale Jenkins speaking for us. He is the former minister at Spring Meadows Church of Christ in Spring Hill. Services will be 9:00 am Sunday School, 10:00 worship. We will have a meal following morning services and afternoon service around 12:45. Please invite your friends & families for this great day.



A Life Without Disease

At the time of this writing, I just got the news that another relative of mine has left this life due to Covid-19. Wouldn't it be great to wake up tomorrow and read this headline? "Covid-19 Now Cured!"

But despite the great gains medical science has made, disease and death is still a reality. Yes, we can put it off for a while. We can get cured of some diseases that were considered killers less than a century ago. But the plain fact is, God told us: "It is appointed unto man to die once and after that he must face the judgment seat of God" (Hebrews 9:27). And that hasn't changed. Did you know that faithful Christians have God's promise of eternal life? Here is that promise, "Blessed is a person who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him" (James 1:12).

When you become a faithful Christian, God's guarantee to you is life everlasting. It is a life without disease. It is life in a place of eternal joy and celebration.

> Larry Fitzgerald Abilene, TX

Lomax Student Ministry

Thanks to all who helped with the Youth Rally! It is a group effort and it is a good event to help our youth. f you plan on going to Lads to Leaders please tell us at the latest February 13th. We also need judges to help judge or if you want to just come and watch the events. Let us encourage our new brother and sister in Christ, Asher and Reagan Webb.

- Sunday, February 6—L2L Practice @ 5:00 for Speech, Song Leading, Puppets and Bible Bowl.
- * Friday, February 18th 6th-12th grade devo. Time and Location TBD

* Saturday, February 19th - Cooks in the kitchen for kids of all ages.

Come learn how to cook and help us make goodies for members of the church!

* *Friday, February 25 - Sunday, February 27 -* CYC in Gatlinburg.

*Friday, April 15- Sunday, April 17th - Lads to Leaders convention.

Save the Date

* Sunday, June 19 through Wednesday, June 22 - Lomax VBS

Join us on the Remind app to keep up with events-Class code **Lomaxyouth**

Picking Up the Pieces

When Asa was about five years old, we bought him a bicycle for his birthday. Given that his birthday is in December, the weather did not permit him to ride it outside for a while. One morning, he decided to ride down our hallway. He did not know how to use the breaks and ran into a curio cabinet smashing the glass in the bottom door. We heard the crash and crying! Once we got to him, shards of glass lay in the floor. Asa was scared, upset, and devastated for the moment. That moment in time parallels life. When we least expect, something comes our way and shatters our hopes, dreams, and comfort.

Because of Jesus, as difficult as it may be, we "can pick up the pieces" and refocus on Him as we rebuild. I Timothy 1:1 says, "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ, by the commandment of God our Savior and the Lord Jesus Christ, our hope." Additionally, Titus 3:7 says "that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life."

When our world shatters, we can rely on our hope which is in Jesus Christ. If we are obedient to what God commands (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14), when we are "picking up the pieces," we can do so with confidence that life on earth will get better, but through faith, obedience, and love for Christ we can endure. As we travel through the hills and valleys of life, may we be strengthened by our bond with Christ.

Allen Jones South Green Street church of Christ Glasgow, KY

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 1/30A.M. Bible Class125A.M. Worship Service176P.M. Worship Service128	Lomax Church of Christ 931-796-5381 Email: info@lomaxchurch.com	ELDERS: Jeff Dye — 306-8463 John Eglinton—446-5646 Rick Morrow —615-430-6663 Mike Parker—628-2961
Wednesday PM98Contribution:\$7,512.00Weekly Budget\$6,000.00	Saul Calderon 817 005 5224	(Please leave a message) <u>DEACONS</u>
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 — 6:00 pm	Lomax Christian Day School 796-7373	Matthew Farr (Special Events, CSC Scheduling) Colby Hamm (Young Families Ministry) Chris Hunter (Visitation) Greg Mullinicks
The Lomax Congregation has received a \$100.00 donation this past week from the Arleus & Ernestine Dye family to go to the Food for Friends Program.	Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Paul Romans 2:1	(Audio/Visual, Bulletin) Chuck Oppermann (Missions, Correspondance Courses) Jeff Spears (Education) Marty Spears
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