

# Lomax Messenger



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## Welcome to Lomax!

We've had a very busy week! Our elders, deacons, and ministers met yesterday for the annual planning breakfast. Thanks to all the men who cooked and to all of you who remembered us in your prayers as we planned for this new year. Today is a special day for us, too! Our contribution today goes toward our Youth Fund. One of the great strengths of Lomax from the very beginning has been her love of young people. If you read the history of this congregation, you'll see that we did youth ministry before youth ministry was "cool"! We have always embraced new ways to reach young people with the gospel and to strengthen young Christians in their faith. Those works are not free, however, and our Youth Fund bears the brunt of that cost. Last year you gave over \$8,000 for our youth work here! Your generosity is amazing and I know you will give generously again today!

Speaking of our youth program, our annual Youth Rally is just over six weeks away! Our theme this year is iJesus. We'll have keynote lessons from *Jerry Elder* and classes with *Dale Jenkins*, *Philip Jenkins*, *Barry Throneberry* and *Joey Sparks*. *Jeremiah Tatum* will teach the adult class. Make plans now to be here the weekend of March 16-17 and get ready to sign up to work those days, too! It takes all of us to make our Youth Rally a success!

Don't forget our Friends and Family Day next Sunday. It's a great time to bring your friends and enjoy some fellowship after services!

- David

## 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 you, please let us know while you are here or call 796-5381.



**An Opportunity to Give**  
Today the fifth Sunday  
Contribution will go entirely  
to our **Youth Fund**.  
Thank you for your  
generosity!

## Friends & Family Day!



Look What's  
Coming Up!

Next Sunday,  
February 5

9 am Bible Class  
10 am Worship  
Fellowship Meal  
Afternoon Service

Make plans now to invite your  
friends and family and enjoy a  
GREAT day of worship and  
fellowship!



## Singing Night Tonight!

Any men who would like to  
lead a song tonight, please  
see Steve Edwards this  
morning.

Let's come ready to lift our  
voices to the Lord!

## In Our Thoughts & Prayers

### Sick:

*Boyd West* is recovering at home following a fall.

*Josiah Pfaff* has RSV.

*Brooke Duncan* is waiting on test results.

*Cynthia Miller* has been sick.

*Dennis Reynolds* had cataract surgery Thursday.

*Gary Hinson* will have more tests done this Wednesday.

*Peggy Feichtinger* is home following surgery last Monday.

*Elton Jackson* is recovering from surgery.

*Ed Williams*, father of *Mylie McKissack*, had a procedure on Friday to remove another tumor.

**Continue to remember:** *Gwen Hinson, Dale Hull, Jackie Williams* (sister of *Bonnie O'Brien*), *Rosetta Shann* (sister of *Nadine Turnbow*), & *Jimmy Griner* (son of *Pickard & LaFon Griner*).

**Shut-ins:** *Carolyn Armstrong, Bessie Edwards, Carma Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Tiny Hinson, Willie Matt Hinson, Estelle Mercer, and Minnie Sue Willis.*

**In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:** *Gladys Baxter, Marguerite Bullion, Jennie Burdette, Marjean Doyle, Gertha Mae Duncan, Michelle Huff, Ilio Miller, J. R. Page and Ava Provance.*

**Remember our military:** *Dustin Brugmann* (grandson of *Jim & Sharon Grinder*), *Justin Conkle* and *Kerry Conkle* (grandsons of *Ralph & Sue Conkle*), *Mickey Mohrmann* (grandson of *Ava Provance*), *Matthew Pfaff* (nephew of *Erik Pfaff*), *Brad Pierce* (son of *Judy Smith*), and *Kevin Wade* (brother of *Ryan Wade*).

## Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

- Song Leading and Songs of Praise will meet today at 5:00.
- There will be **no practice** next Sunday due to Friends and Family Day.
- Speech will meet Sunday, Feb. 12, at 4:00. Little Disciples will meet at 5:00.
- Art Says It camp will meet **this Saturday**. See Heather Powell for more information.



Food For  
Friends:  
Team 4, Feb. 2



There will be a Teen Meal for all 7th-12th graders this Wednesday. See Kim Atkinson or Traci Amacher to help with food.

## Youth Super Bowl Party



All 7th-12th graders are invited to a Super Bowl party at the home of Mylie McKissack next Sunday at 5:00. Sign up today!



**A Look Ahead**  
Put these dates  
on your calendar!

Feb. 1 — Teen Meal  
Feb. 5 — Friends /Family Day  
Feb. 12— Elder/ deacon meeting  
Feb. 19— Special Youth Meal  
Feb. 23 — Art Says It Camp  
March 3— 60+ Banquet  
March 16-17— Youth Rally  
March 25 — Area Wide Youth Devo at Kimmins

### BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who mistook Paul for an Egyptian rebel leader?  
(answer next week)

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**



# Meditations with Malcom



**A Special Welcome to All Our Visitors.** We are glad you came our way. Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wednesday at 10:00 AM and 7:00 P M....Another annual special event for church planning will be past by the time you read this, but we know that the results of such will affect time and eternity. Thanks for all the special prayers, suggestions, etc....Also, thanks to all who give above and beyond today for the Lomax Youth Fund. We are proud of all the work in which our youth are involved....Remember our Friends and Family Day on Feb. 5 and the Annual FHU Bible lectures Feb. 5-10...Thanks to the Primetimers for their special support in the Wed. morning class. Also, we enjoy having visitors join us for this class.... The following came my way via a Waynesboro church bulletin and gives another example on adaptation:

**ATTITUDE...**The 92 year old well-poised and proud mother-in-law of my best friend, who is fully dressed each morning by eight, with her hair combed and makeup perfectly applied, even though she is legally blind, moved to the nursing home today. Her husband of 70 years recently passed away, making the move necessary. Maurine Jones is the most lovely, gracious, dignified woman that I have had the pleasure of meeting. While I have never aspired to attain her depth of wisdom, I pray that I will learn from her vast experience.



After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, she smiled sweetly when told her room was ready. As she used her walker on her way to her abode I provided a visual description of her small room including the eyelet sheets that had been hung on her window

“I love it,” she stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year old having just been presented with a new puppy.

“Mrs. Jones, you haven't seen the room...just wait.”

“That doesn't have anything to do with it,” she replied. “Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not doesn't depend on how the furniture is arranged. It is how I arrange my mind. I've already decided to love it. It is a decision I make every morning when I wake up. I have a choice. I can count my blessings or I can bemoan my problems. Each day is a gift, and I can focus on the new day and all the happy memories I have stored away. We should judge life by its sunshine, not by its shadows.” (See Col. 3:1; Psa. 118:24). The only handicap in life is a bad attitude.

**On The Lighter Side:** He (calling about a special opera booth) “I want a box for two.” Voice— “Sorry, we don't have boxes for two.” He— “But aren't you the box office of the theater?” Voice— “No, this is a funeral home.” Also: Doctor— “How often does the pain come on?” Patient— “Every five minutes.” Doctor— “And lasts?” Patient- “Fifteen minutes.”

**Sentence Sermon:** Seat belts are not as confining as wheel chairs...

## Birthdays:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Greg Mullinicks  
Annette Peery
- 2<sup>nd</sup> JoAnn Jackson
- 4<sup>th</sup> Loyce Harris  
Braden Powell
- 8<sup>th</sup> Mike Hinson  
Mashaya Hinson
- 9<sup>th</sup> Louise Jones
- 10<sup>th</sup> Clara Jane Tanner  
Kaylie Webb
- 11<sup>th</sup> Steve Lomax
- 12<sup>th</sup> Bobby Daniel
- 13<sup>th</sup> Eric Amacher  
Emmie Hamblin
- 14<sup>th</sup> Brock Spears  
Reagan Webb
- 17<sup>th</sup> Lynn Ammons  
Mann Nutt
- 19<sup>th</sup> Cameron Beasley
- 21<sup>st</sup> Bella Bates  
Clark Carroll
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Jim Grinder
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Jimmy Morton
- 25<sup>th</sup> Tom Iverson
- 26<sup>th</sup> Nell Bunch
- 27<sup>th</sup> Gary O'Brien
- 29<sup>th</sup> Earl von Dollen  
Kayla Spears

## Anniversaries:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mann & Betty Anne Nutt
- 12<sup>th</sup> Pittman & Barbara Baker
- 14<sup>th</sup> John & Amber Venable
- 18<sup>th</sup> Gene & Faye Kilpatrick



The Day School needs a volunteer to rake the yard. If you can help, please see Sue Amacher.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 01/22	
A.M. Bible Class	181
A.M. Worship Service	263
P.M. Worship Service	151
Wednesday PM	171
Contribution:	\$5,921.76
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

Last week's Know Your Bible answer: The ovens and bowls (Exodus 8:3)	
Schedule of Services	
Sunday Bible Study	9:00 am
Sunday Service	10:00 am
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 pm
Wednesday: Primetimers	10:00am
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm

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Malcom George - Minister

**ELDERS:**  
Richard Amacher  
Steve Edwards  
Bill Lawson  
Rick Morrow  
Dan Spears  
Yogie Spears

**DEACONS:**  
J.W. Churchwell—*Transportation, Facilities*  
Jeff Dye — *Missions, Youth*  
Matthew Farr — *Missions, Visitation, Youth*  
Jeff Spears — *Education, Youth*  
Larry Tatum — *Maintenance*  
Walt Thompson — *Benevolence*  
Lynn Tiller — *Facilities Usage*

## *The Last Word*

Woe to those who call evil good and good evil..  
Isaiah 5:20a

I don't know where I first saw these words from John Gipson, but they are worth considering! -DS

### No More Hypocrites

I dare you to show me a hypocrite. You can't do it. In just one generation we have witnessed the death of hypocrisy. It has been wiped out. And much of the credit goes to the young people. They have seen it in their parents, they have detected it in business, and have scorned it in government. Their plea has been, "Tell it like it is" and hypocrisy has been slain in the States. But somehow I find it more natural to weep at the funeral rather than rejoice. I know that hypocrisy is evil; Jesus was constantly denouncing it. In fact, some of the most scathing language our Lord ever uttered was directed to the hypocrites of His day. They laid heavy burdens on men's shoulders but they themselves would not move them with their finger. They made a show of religion. They appeared to be righteous but within they were full of hypocrisy and iniquity. Jesus compared them to whitewashed tombs, "which outwardly appear beautiful, but within they are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness." In lashing out at them He asked, "You serpents, you brood of vipers, how are you to escape being sentenced to hell?"

As a people we have revolted against hypocrisy. That's well and good. But in making the 180 degree turn, we have sped past righteousness into the ditch of open sin. Hypocrisy has been said to be the homage that vice pays to virtue. Where there is none, where vice has ceased to shroud or veil itself, a very advanced state of wickedness has been reached.

Try as I may, I find no consolation in the death of hypocrisy in our society. Women confess their abortions and urge their friends to have one. Homosexuals openly parade their sins on television talk shows. Young people blatantly live in adultery. Profanity has stalked out of the locker room to invade every area of blushless society. Pornography is openly available to children. And we sit around and congratulate ourselves on not being hypocrites. Listen to the words of an ancient prophet of Israel: "They proclaim their sin like Sodom, they do not hide it. Woe to them! For they have brought evil upon themselves." It is hard not to long for the good old days—the days when you could find a hypocrite.

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