



THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST

MESSENGER

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Welcome to Lomax!

Summer is in full swing now and our church calendar is filling up fast! There are weddings, showers, youth & tween events, as well as celebrations, church fellowship events, and service projects. Take advantage of every opportunity you can to enjoy time fellowshiping and working with your brothers and sisters in Christ! And on top of it all, we still gather twice every week for Bible class and twice for worship. Make those events a priority this summer as well and you will be blessed!

This afternoon I'll start a new class for 3rd graders and under. We'll meet at 5:30 and go over some basic Bible facts, sing some good Bible songs and even enjoy a little treat! Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend with your children!

The elders have asked me to share a quick word about our 4th of July program. This has become a highlight of our summer each year. The fireworks we shoot are paid for by donations, not the church treasury, and last year several of you asked if you could help with the cost of them. We have to buy the fireworks early this year to get the best price so if you would like to donate toward their purchase, you may give money to me or *Dan Spears*. We will celebrate on Sunday night, July 1. Please note the change of date! Make plans to be here and to invite a some friends! We'll have our regular 6:00 worship service and then play some games and enjoy supper together before the fireworks start at dark.

I continue to be amazed at the story I wrote about on the back page. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did and learn from it as well. Our God is amazing!

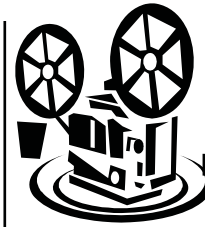
-*DAVID*

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.



Tween Movie Trip

This Tuesday, June 5, all Tweens (6th grade and under) are invited to a free movie at the Crockett Cinema. The church van will leave at 9:15am. Please see Kara Farr for more information.



There will be a Teen Meal this Wednesday, June 6, for all 7th-12th graders. Please see Fran Hamblin or Heather Salisbury if you can help with food.

Game Night!

All the young people are

invited to a game night tonight in the CSC after evening services. Please bring messy clothes! See Sherri Dye with any questions.



In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Food For Friends:
Team 4, June 7
 If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 11:00 am.

Sick:

Brooke Duncan is sick at home with pneumonia and a blood infection.

Margie Graves has been moved to Lewis County Nursing and Rehab Center.

Gary Hinson had outpatient surgery Friday.

Continue to remember: *Bessie Edwards, Steve Edwards, Jimmy Griner* (son of *Pickard & LaFon Griner*), *Gwen Hinson, Dale Hull, Candis Pelfrey, Ava Provance & Evelyn Tatum.*

Shut-ins: *Carolyn Armstrong, Robbie Breece, Bessie Edwards, Carma Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Loyce Harris, Tiny Hinson, Willie Matt Hinson, and Estelle Mercer.*

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: *Gladys Baxter, Marguerite Bullion, Jennie Burdette, Gertha Mae Duncan, Robena Gunter, Michelle Huff, Ilio Miller, J. R. Page, and Minnie Sue Willis.*

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*).



A Look Ahead
Put these dates on your calendar!

June 5 — Tween Movie Trip

June 6 — Teen Meal

June 9 — Paxson Spears and Alina Scott wedding

June 10 — Kristen Alford Shower

June 10 — Elders/Deacons & Preachers Meeting

June 10 — Big DOGS

June 10 — All Age Game Night

June 12 — LLL Speech Camp

June 14 — LLL Speech Camp

June 14 — Guys' Devo

June 15 — Girls' Devo

June 17 — All Age Game Night

June 18 — Calling All Cooks

June 21 — Food For Families Distribution

June 24-30 — Mid South Youth Camp

July 1—4th of July Celebration

July 1-7 — Horizons

July 7 — Kristen Alford & Trai Meadows wedding

Bridal Shower



The Ladies of Lomax invite you to a bridal shower honoring **Hannah Hill**, bride elect of Kyle Cassidy, **today** from 1:30-3:00 at the Christian Service Center. Hannah and Kyle are registered at Bed, Bath, & Beyond, and Walmart.

Bridal Shower



The Ladies of Lomax invite you to a bridal shower honoring **Kristen Alford**, bride elect of Trai Meadows, **next Sunday** from 1:00-2:30 at the Christian Service Center. Kristen and Trai are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, and Belk.

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What Bible woman was known as a seller of purple dyes?
 (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 Wed. at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM...The Wed. morning class is reminded of our birthday pizza following class this week...Area gospel meetings coming up include Salem June 3-6 with services tonight at 7:30....Kimmins and Little Swan have gospel meetings beginning on June 10 and be sure and underscore our revival at Lomax on July 20-22...Memorial Day weekend was such a great time to reflect on *memorials* of the past and present. Thanks to all who never forget and use these memories to press on....School is out and many folks see a change in pace can be helpful. Our Lord and His disciples withdrew at seasons to rest, suggesting the human side of life and the need for rest. However, we should always *vacation with God*. I want to include excerpts from an article sent my way that is similar to what you have heard David and I use during this season:

“GOOD BYE GOD! I’M GOING ON VACATION!” I have read that during the days of the California gold rush, the above expression was used. While they may not have actually meant it, many knew that some would have a tendency to forget what was most important.



In like manner, many find it difficult to be faithful to God during summer vacation time. Many have so far to go and such little time to do it that there is a tendency to neglect the most important. Remember these admonitions as you travel:

1. Plan ahead and attend services where you are. Church offices have books available with addresses of the Lord’s church. Missionaries make a point to have their own assemblies when in a remote area. We are to assemble, commune, and worship (Heb. 10:25; Acts 20:7, etc).
2. We should read our Bible or true Road Map every day (Ps. 119:11; 2 Tim. 2:15ff.).
3. Pray without ceasing. Remember the VBS song that reminded us to read our Bible and pray every day and we would grow (1 Thess. 5:17).
4. Continue to support the work of your home congregation. You may leave your contribution or make up when you return. We prove our love by our liberality (Cf. 1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 8:5-7).
5. Practice courtesy and kindness at all times. We are to be the light of the word at home and while we travel (Rom. 12:1-2; 1 Cor. 13).

On The Lighter Side: A friend in Florida sent this invitation to some of his family: “Wish you folks would drive down and see us; would do you both good. Am as busy as ever with parties, dinners, etc. and I need a few dull moments.”

Sermon Brief: When Paul is free, he converts the world; chain him to a jailor and he converts the guard, put him in prison and he writes the Bible; if you kill him, you do him a favor as he goes to be with Jesus. Now how do you defeat a guy like that? —Via House To House...

LLL Speech Camp



Anyone who wants to get a head start on LLL Speech next year, please meet Tuesday, June 12 and Thursday June 14 from 6:00 to 8:00pm. We will work on speech ideas and start writing our speeches! See Heather Salisbury for more information.

Food for Families

For I was hungry and you gave me food. Matthew 25:35

All Food for Families items need to be at the church building **June 20** (except perishable items). Our next distribution date is June 21st. Please see Betsy or Kay if you have any questions.

New Address

Deanna, Melany, and Zachary
Dunavant
3964 Hwy 100W
Decaturville, TN 38329

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 5/27	
A.M. Bible Class	162
A.M. Worship Service	234
P.M. Worship Service	138
Wednesday PM	161
Contribution:	\$4,259.75
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:
Nehemiah**

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

The Last Word

For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility. Ephesians 2:14

I've heard lots of people talking about the recent miniseries on TV featuring the feud between the Hatfield and McCoy clans in West Virginia in the late 1800s. While there is a great deal of discussion about the issues that led to the beginning of the feud, I ran across this very interesting story about how the feud finally ended. Anderson "Devil Anse" Hatfield (pictured here) was the leader of the Hatfield clan and was personally responsible for the deaths of at least 3 of the McCoys. As the feud grew worse, at least 15 people died in various fights. Late in his life, as a 71 year old man, however, Devil Anse Hatfield studied the Bible with a circuit riding preacher named Dyke Garrett. Garrett and Hatfield had been friends for almost 50 years, but finally, in October of 1911, Garrett "baptized the devil" (as he said) in Main Island Creek. After becoming a Christian, Brother Hatfield spent the last 10 years of his life at peace, knowing his sins were washed away.



Keith Davis, a historian and an expert on the feud says that he believes the baptism of Devil Anse not only helped officially end the feud, but has impacted generations of Hatfields and other families throughout the region. "I know many Hatfields that are in church and that are committed to Christ, and I think that something happened in 1911 that is still going on today," Davis said.

One of the greatest feuds in history was settled by the power and grace of Jesus Christ! It was Christ who tore down the wall of separation. He healed the years of hatred that had been burned into these two families by countless acts of violence and vengeance. He enabled a man who took pride in being known as the devil to find peace in being known as a child of God. And Jesus Christ still fixes and heals those today who come to him. Will you come to Him?

- DAVID

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