



THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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Welcome to Lomax!

What an amazing week we've had! I am continually in awe of the work this congregation does. So many of you give of your time as well as your money; you truly make sacrifices for the Lord and His work. Thank you! Last Sunday we enjoyed a wonderful celebration of our nation's independence and freedom we enjoy as Americans. On Wednesday night we worshiped together and then worked HARD to load a huge U-Haul truck with clothes that we sent to Menifee County. On Thursday our Food for Friends program delivered meals to several of our shut-ins as they do every week. On Friday, *Jeff Dye* went to get the kids from Horizons camp at Freed-Hardeman. On Saturday, *Jeff, Larry Tatum, Ralph Conkle* and some others left for Menifee County, KY to help unload that big truck! They will worship with the church there this morning before returning home. We are blessed to have so many hard workers at Lomax!

We welcome *Sara Easley* to our congregation today! Sara has been worshipping with us for some time and is engaged to *Andrew Rogers* and she wants to place her membership with Lomax. She works as a nurse at the Lewis Health Center. Her contact information is in the box to the right. Welcome Sara!

Congratulations to *Alex Edwards* and *Joel Hayes* who both celebrated their white coat ceremonies recently. Alex is the son of *Steve and Mitzi Edwards* and is in dental school. *Joel* is the son-in-law of *Lynn and Betsy Tiller* and will be a nurse practitioner.

Also congratulations to *Lexi Powell* who was named best Bible student at Mid-South Youth Camp when our kids went to camp a week ago! Way to go!

-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.

Welcome!



We welcome **Sara Easley** as a new member here! She is the fiancée of Andrew Rogers. You can reach her at:
400 Peters Branch Road
Centerville, TN 37033

THANK YOU!



A HUGE "Thank You" to everyone who helped with the Menifee County Clothing drive! Whether you donated clothes, loaded the truck, or unloaded the truck, thank you! We do great work when we work together!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Food For Friends:

Team 3, July 12

If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:45 am.



Elders, Deacons, and Preachers will meet **today**. Elders will meet at 4:00 pm and deacons will meet at 5:00 pm.

Sick:

Dolene Rogers had surgery Thursday to remove tumors in her neck.

Alice Ammons will have hip surgery this Thursday.

Harriett Anderson will start chemotherapy soon and have surgery in the fall.

Ava Provance has been having back trouble.

Bobby Daniel is recovering from hernia surgery.

Chris Christian will have surgery to remove his left kidney.

Gary Hinson will have to have another surgery soon.

Continue to remember: *Brooke Duncan, Carolyn Duncan, Bessie Edwards, Jimmy Griner, Robena Gunter, Gwen Hinson, Dale Hull, and Candis Pelfrey.*

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, Ava Provance, 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).*

Staff Sergeant Marcus Burleson

(Boo Spears shared his story Wednesday night)

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A Look Ahead Put these dates on your calendar!

July 15 — All Age Game Night

July 20-22 — Gospel Meeting

July 22 — Movie Night for Teens

July 29 — Back to School Devo

Aug. 1 — Teen Meal

Aug. 12 — Elders/Deacons & Preachers Meeting

Aug. 26 — Youth Committee Meeting



Game Night!

Everyone is welcome to join us tonight in the CSC following our evening services for a fun time of games and snacks!



Big D.O.G.S.

(Doers Of Good Service)

All Tweenagers (6th grade and under) will meet next Sunday, July

15, at 5:00 for a service project and devotional.

Parents are encouraged to stay, as well!

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What Old Testament man walked with God and never faced death?
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



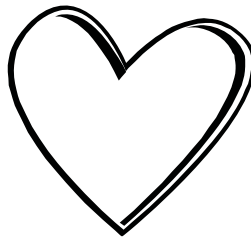
Meditations with Malcom

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...Congratulations to those who attended Mid-South Youth Camp and Horizons. These provide opportunities for balanced growth....Congratulations to Trai and Kristen who were married this past Saturday....Our Wed. morning class includes visitors from four area congregations and is available for all ages. One of our class members was 96 in April, and told us how proud she was of new carpet on her floors. She also informed us that the carpet today cost more than she paid for her house, but she didn't tell us when she purchased her house...Also, congratulations to another Prime Timer, Minnie Sue Willis, who was 96 last Saturday.....Pass the word about our Gospel Meeting coming up on July 20-22....The following came my way and are worthy of sharing:

Ten Ways To Love:

1. Listen without interrupting (Proverbs 18 and James 1:19).
2. Speak without accusing (Jas. 1:19).
3. Give without sparing (Prov. 21:26 and 2 Cor. 9:7).
4. Pray without ceasing (Col. 1:9; 1 Thess. 5:17).
5. Answer without arguing (Prov. 17:1).
6. Share without pretending (Eph. 4:15).
7. Enjoy without complaining (Phil. 2:14).
8. Trust without wavering (1Cor. 13:7).
9. Forgive without punishing (Col. 3:13; Eph. 4:32).
10. Promise without forgetting (Prov. 13:12).

—Via Words of Life...



Six Ways To Live With Contentment:

1. *Wake up each morning with a positive attitude.* Start the day with thanksgiving and rejoice in the Lord (Psa. 118:24).
2. *Live within a budget.* Peace and contentment come by living within our means. Paul gives the secret in Phil. 4:11.
3. *Practice patience.* Work as if we will never die but live as though this may be our last day on earth.
4. *Live by faith.* (Jas. 2:26; Rom. 5:1, Matt. 18:20, Matt. 6)
5. *Love unconditionally.* (Rom. 12; 1 Cor. 13)
6. *Never give up on hope.* (Heb. 6:19) —Adpt. From Happiness Mag.

On The Lighter Side: Mother— “Why did you strike your little sister?” Young Bobby— “Well, we were playing Adam and Eve, and instead of tempting me with the apple, she ate it herself.”

Sermon Brief: Bodily exercise does profit, but the handle on the recliner does not qualify as an exercise machine.

Lomax Gospel Meeting July 20-22

Brian McAlister, speaker
Brian is the preacher for the Centerville church of Christ. Mark your calendars now to join us and invite a guest!

Friday, July 20

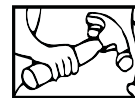
7:00 pm— Worship

Saturday, July 21

8:30am — Breakfast fellowship
9:00am — Morning session (CSC)
7:00pm — Evening worship

Sunday, July 22

9:00am — Bible class
10:00am — Worship
Fellowship meal following
worship
12:45(ish) — Afternoon service



Work Project

There are several work projects that need to be completed at the Day School. We will have two work days scheduled for next Monday and Tuesday, July 16 and 17. If you can help, please sign the list in the lobby. For more information, please see Sue Amacher.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 7/1	
A.M. Bible Class	137
A.M. Worship Service	205
P.M. Worship Service	155
Wednesday PM	93
Contribution:	\$4,547.90
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
Ezekiel
(Ezekiel 37)

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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Jeff Dye
Matthew Farr
Jeff Spears
Larry Tatum
Walt Thompson
Lynn Tiller

The Last Word

Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. Hebrews 13:4

Maybe you've heard of the book trilogy *50 Shades of Gray* or the new movie *Magic Mike*. If not, the books are about a dominant sexual relationship between an older man and a younger woman and the movie is about male strippers. They've been called "mommy porn." They're both incredibly popular and getting rave reviews. While I don't approve of them, I understand why they are so popular. I don't expect worldly, sinful people to live according to standards of holiness and righteousness. It makes sense that in our culture these things would be very popular. Sin is sin and it will always be popular.

What I do not understand is how these things are being purchased, read (or watched) and even recommended by women who claim Jesus as their Lord! Women get upset with men who view pornography or go to strip clubs and rightfully so! As Christian men, we are called to protect our eyes, ears, and minds from the gutters of society. Godly women should (and do!) have the same standards for their purity.

I know most wives would be incredibly hurt if their husbands were to watch a movie about female strippers. They would be equally offended to find them reading pornographic magazines. Godly women should not see these movies or read these books out of the respect they have for their husbands and their Lord. Why would you ever want to give Satan a foothold in your life?

I'm not perfect and I don't normally single out specific movies or books to preach against. We don't make a habit here of "banning" items from our members. But we do make a habit of promoting purity and defending ourselves against attacks from Satan. These are two attacks he is currently using against women that are proving to be very successful, and I wanted to make you aware of them. May we always work to build up families and strengthen marriages. May we always be found standing against those things that would tear them down.

- DAVID

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