



Welcome to Lomax!

What a fantastic week we've had! As I write this article, it is Thursday morning and everything is quiet. That won't last for long because today we will have our weekly Food for Friends distribution as well as our monthly Food for Families distribution. On Monday evening our ladies met for a time of fellowship and devotional study. We had two good work days at the Day School this week, too. We are anticipating a great meeting with *Bryan McAlister* and a Friends and Family Day on the Lord's Day. But the best news of the entire week is that we have had FOUR baptisms this week! *Blaine Turner* was baptized Sunday morning by his father, *Tony*. On Tuesday *David and Kay Knight* were baptized after studying with *Matthew and Kara Farr*. Then Wednesday night *Scott Mullinicks* was baptized by his father, *Greg*. What an amazing week, and it isn't even over yet! Addresses for the new Christians are here in the bulletin. Why not drop them a note of encouragement and congratulations?

Thanks to all the folks who helped with the Day School work days last week. We had several members of our youth group show up and *Greg Mullinicks* and *Andrew Rogers* also did some great work. Day School will be starting before you know it! Don't forget our contribution next Sunday will go to support this great work. Please plan to give generously. If you would like to support our Day School in additional ways, there are more opportunities on page 2.

So many of you let me know that you pray for the church universal, this congregation in particular and the elders, deacons, and ministers here on a daily basis. Thank you! God is blessing us richly as we continue to work for Him!

-*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 to our Gospel Meeting!

Bryan McAlister, speaker

Our Schedule today:

9:00am — Bible Class

"Trust and Obey" (Titus 3:1-7)

10:00am — Worship

"Who Are the Forgiven?"

Fellowship meal

12:45(ish) — Afternoon service

"Who Are the Forgiven?" (Part 2)

Please stay and eat with us today and join us for our afternoon service as we conclude our Meeting!

Baptized



Blaine Turner
170 Totty Drive
Hohenwald



Scott Mullinicks
160 Sweet Pea Ln
Hohenwald



David and Kay Knight
3304 Taylorwood Lane
Spring Hill, TN 37174

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick:

Harriet Anderson started chemotherapy this past Wednesday.

Chris Christian had surgery Thursday at Vanderbilt to remove a cancerous tumor. He will have surgery July 31st to remove a kidney.

Gary Hinson had surgery Friday at St. Thomas.

Kay Knight (friend of Matthew Farr who was baptized Tuesday) has uterine cancer and will have surgery tomorrow.

Alice Ammons is in Lewis County Rehab Center following hip surgery.

Continue to remember: *Harriett Anderson, Chris Christian, Bobby Daniel, Brooke Duncan, Carolyn Duncan, Jimmy Griner, Robena Gunter, Gary Hinson, Gwen Hinson, Dale Hull, Candis Pelfrey, and Ava Provance.*

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

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: *Alice Ammons, Gladys Baxter, Marguerite Bullion, Jennie Burdette, Gertha Mae Duncan, Robena Gunter, 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).*

Our annual Back-to-School devotional will be next Sunday after evening services. All our young people will receive a back-to-school gift. Please bring finger foods, drinks, and desserts.



For the Children

Our 5th Sunday contribution next Sunday will go toward our Day School. Please plan to give generously to this good work!



Food For Friends:

Team 5, July 26

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



Day School Donations

Our Lomax Christian Day School will start soon. The following are items that the Day School needs donated:

- napkins
- Kleenex

Please put these items in the box in foyer.

Thank you!



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

July 29 — 5th Sunday

Contribution for the Day School
July 29 — Back to School Devo

Aug. 1 — Teen Meal

Aug. 12 — Elders/Deacons & Preachers Meeting

Aug. 26 — Youth Committee Meeting

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What apostle was led out of prison by an angel?
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom

You're Invited!

A Special Welcome to all our visitors. We are glad you came our way. We hope you will plan to remain for lunch and the afternoon service soon thereafter. Thanks again for coming our way....Thanks to Bryan and all who helped us have a great gospel meeting. Isn't it great to worship the Lord in spirit and truth along with wonderful fellowship and special people?....I am scheduled to speak at Summertown tonight in their VBS...A reminder of the *Mid-South Youth Camp Fish Fry* coming up on Saturday 28 (4-6:00). Let us know if you plan to ride the bus to this annual event...Congratulations to Pickard Griner who will be 89 on the 29th....Remember the opportunity for special generosity coming up on the 5th Sunday as this contribution is set aside for our Day School...Note that Pineview is having a VBS July 29-Aug. 2.

A BETTER WORLD BEGINS WITH ME....or at least, I can make the world better around me. We hear so much about the dark clouds that are on the horizon, and we pray for our leaders and our nation that the light of the glorious gospel will shine again and folks will return to paths of righteousness and foundation principles that have eternal significance.

I just read a statement from Eleanor Roosevelt that *it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.* Note the following from a tomb:

When I was young and free and my imagination had no limits, I dreamed of changing the world. As I grew older and wiser, I discovered that the world would not change, so I shortened my sights somewhat and decided to change only my country.

But it, too, seemed immovable.

As I grew into my twilight years, in one last desperate attempt, I settled for changing only my family, those closest to me, but alas, they would have none of it.

And now as I lie on my deathbed, I suddenly realize: *If I had only changed myself first,* then by example I might have changed my family. From their inspiration and encouragement, I would have been able to better my country and, who knows, I might have even changed the world.

Thus, may each one of us look into the mirror of God's Word and be changed into the likeness of the Son of Righteousness (Jas. 1:22-27).

On The Lighter Side: A father was trying to encourage his dejected son by saying, "Don't give up! People who are remembered are people who never gave up. Think of Robert Fulton, Thomas Edison, Eli Whitney. They didn't give up. And look at Isador McPringle." The boy said, "Who is Isador McPringle?" "See," said the father, "you have never heard of him; he gave up."



Sentence Sermons: There is nothing final about a mistake, unless it is taken as final....We are never defeated unless we give up on God...Those who do not plan for the future will have to live in it anyway.

Bridal Shower

Friends and Family invite you to a bridal shower honoring Lauren Broadway, bride-elect of Andy Lawson, Sunday, August 5th, from 2:00-3:30pm at the Christian Service Center. Lauren and Andy are registered at Bed, Bath, & Beyond, Macy's, and Walmart.

Baby Shower

The family and friends of **Brianne (Amacher) Williams** invite you to a baby shower on **Sunday, August 12th**, from 2:00-3:30pm in the Christian Service Center. Brianne and Austin are expecting a girl and are registered at Target and Walmart.

Open House

Lomax Christian Day School invites you to an Open House this **Thursday, July 26 starting at 6:30.** If you can help with the event, please see Sue Amacher. If you have friends or family members interested in placing a child in Day School, please pick up an application in the lobby or see Sue Amacher for more information.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 7/15	
A.M. Bible Class	153
A.M. Worship Service	227
P.M. Worship Service	155
Wednesday PM	171
Contribution:	\$4,190.75
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
40 days and nights
(Matthew 4:2)

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 Spears
Larry Tatum
Walt Thompson
Lynn Tiller

The Last Word

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away. Revelation 21:4

The other day Abby and I were talking about Heaven and how perfect it will be. She was amazed that every day would be perfect and everything we did would be perfect. Then, she proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that she and I are related. She asked, "Daddy, if Heaven is really perfect, shouldn't everything be made out of chocolate instead of gold?" I love that girl!

With four baptisms this week, there's been a lot of rejoicing in Heaven as well as here on earth. And while there are a lot of good reasons to live the Christian life, none is better than Heaven. The Bible says that in Heaven we won't have any of the problems we have now. No sickness, no death, no pain and God himself will wipe away all our tears. Not only that, Heaven will be overflowing with everything that is valuable to us. Gold and jewels will be everywhere. And the greatest and most valuable resource we have—our time—will be in limitless supply! We will be in the presence of God and the saints from all the ages. We will enjoy worshiping together with the angels in a way that can only be described as "perfect."

Can you imagine all that is good and right about being the church multiplied by 1000 and all that is wrong with humanity being removed? If that doesn't motivate you to become a Christian and live faithfully, nothing will! It's no wonder Jesus says that if a man were to trade his soul for all the wealth in the entire world, it would still be a bad deal (Mark 8:36-37). Even if we had all the money we could spend every day, we would still be limited to spending it in this lifetime, and we would still have to deal with all the problems of this life. How much better to have limitless resources and limitless time to enjoy them! That will be perfection and nothing this world can offer will come close to the perfection God has planned for us. That will be Heaven — and I hope there's chocolate!

- *DAVID*

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