



THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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Welcome to Lomax!

A great week at Lomax started off Sunday night with *Luke Roberson* being baptized by his father. What a special moment to witness! Our teachers and students have enjoyed being on Fall Break the last week. Our family traveled north to be with Heather's aunt in Indiana. The weather was great and the fall colors were amazing! We got back in time to enjoy the Oktober Heritage Festival activities this weekend as well! I hope you'll take a moment to thank the Lord for the many blessings He pours into our lives on a daily basis!

This week will bring us more opportunities for fellowship and celebration. Tuesday night will be a special time to honor couples at Lomax that have been married 50 years or longer. In our day and age we hear a lot of negative things about marriages and how they just don't last any more. Some recent research suggests that just isn't true. Christians still stay married longer than non-Christians and report a greater degree of marital happiness, too. We'll celebrate Tuesday night with some couples who are providing great examples for the rest of us! Wednesday our young people will enjoy a fun time together before our Bible classes. Then this weekend we will celebrate with *Andrew Rogers* and *Sara Easley* as they get married Saturday afternoon. That evening we'll enjoy some fellowship with a chili and hot dog supper and a hay ride. With all of these fun events going on, sometimes it's easy to forget what brings us together in the first place. Above all the other great things we do, we meet every first day of the week to worship the Lord. We honor him with our songs, prayers, giving, communion and listening to His word.

That is our most important church activity!

-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.

Baptized!



We rejoice with
Luke Roberson who was
baptized last Sunday night!
You can send him a note at
742 Smith Ave.
Hohenwald, TN 38462

Welcome!

We welcome new members
Caleb & Erik Odom! A
picture and their information
will be in next week's bulletin.

Food for Families

"For I was hungry and you gave me food."

Food for Families distribution is this
Thursday, Oct. 18. If you have not
brought your items in, please do so as
soon as possible.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick:

Carolyn Armstrong had a mild heart attack following her carotid artery surgery. She is recovering at home and improving.
Candis Pelfrey had surgery on Friday at Centennial Hospital.
Travis Amacher will have outpatient surgery this Friday.
Caroline Darden, daughter of *Chet & Andrea Darden*, is undergoing chemotherapy. Her address is 2999 Buckner Lane, Spring Hill, TN 37174.

Continue to remember: *Harriett Anderson, Brooke Duncan, Jimmy Griner, Robena Gunter, Gwen Hinson, Dale Hull, Dinah Poore, and Ava Provance.*

Sympathy: We express our sympathy to *Steven Dickey* on the death of his brother, *Jason Dickey*. He passed away last Tuesday.

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: *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*), and *Brad Pierce* (son of *Judy Smith*).



**Food For Friends:
 Team 5, October 18**
 If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:45 am.



Together with their families,
Sara Elizabeth Easley
 and
Andrew William Rogers
 invite y'all to a shindig as they celebrate their wedding this Saturday, Oct. 20, at 2 pm at the Lomax Church of Christ. Reception to follow in the Lomax Christian Service Center. Wear your best camo attire!



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

- Oct. 16** — Golden Couples Potluck Supper
- Oct. 17** — Tie Dye Party
- Oct. 20** — Chili/ hotdog bonfire, hayride and devo
- Oct. 28** — Trunk or Treat
- Oct. 29** — Fall Festival
- Nov. 3** — Lomax Ladies' Day
- Nov. 4** — Friends and Family Day



Golden Couples

All Lomax couples married 50 years or more are invited to a Potluck Celebration with entertainment by John Baker on this Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 6 pm in the CSC. If you have any questions, please see Verlin George or Jeanette West.



Tie-Dye Party

All ages are invited to a Tie Dye Party this Wednesday, Oct. 17, at 5 pm. Please bring a washed white t-shirt and money for pizza. Please sign up in the lobby so we can have enough supplies.

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What disciple objected to Jesus washing his feet?
 (answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom



Join us on
a hayride!

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...Today and this past week have been busy times in Hohenwald due to the annual October Fest, and we rejoice that some of you have stayed around to visit with us. Our plan is for the Sun to always shine at Lomax. A reminder as noted elsewhere that the 50+ potluck meal is coming up this Tuesday the 16th at 6:00 (CSC)...Trunk or Treat on the 28th...Ladies Day on Nov. 3 and Friends & Family Day on Nov. 4.



“THE HEAVENS DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD; and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard” (Psa. 19:1-3). We are really beginning to see beautiful fall colors that remind us of God’s power and

glory. No wonder we sing *How Great Thy Art!* Note: “Oh Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made—I see the stars, I hear the roaring thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed. *Then sings my soul, My Savior God to Thee: How great Thy art! How great Thy art.*”

The Bible is accurate and it reveals God as *omnipotent* (all powerful), *omniscient* (all knowing), *omnipresent* (present everywhere), and holy, just, merciful, loving, and not only the first cause but the One who upholds everything by the glory of His power (See Psa. 139:1-6; Ac.17).

However, it is not enough to know of God or just believe in God. The apostle Peter told believers to repent of their sins, confess their faith, and upon that good confession be baptized into Christ. They were to obey God and receive the promises of God (Cf. Acts 2:37-47). Let us worship God and may our lives be a glorification of God. Then “When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, My God, how great Thou art!”

On The Lighter Side: One day two old folks were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, “Now don’t get mad a me. I know we have been friends for a long time...but I just can’t think of your name! I’ve thought and thought, but I can’t remember it. Please tell me what your name is.”

Her friend glared at her. For more than a minute she glared at her. Finally she said, “How soon do you need to know?”

Sermon Briefs: We must adjust to changing times and still hold to unchanging principles....It is what we give up, not what we lay up, that has everlasting storage....The seen is the changing...the unseen the unchanging. Hold to God’s unchanging hand.

All ages are invited to join us this Saturday, Oct. 20, at 5pm for a Hayride and Bonfire at the church building. Please bring hotdogs, buns, chips, drinks, and desserts. We’ll have a great time!

Something Old,
Something
New . . .



**Ladies' Day at Lomax
Saturday, Nov. 3
Dolly Leighton, speaker**

☞ If you can contribute \$5 to help with the cost of door prizes and a gift for our speaker, please give it to Kara Farr or Heather Salisbury.

☞ All ladies are asked to give their wedding picture to Kara Farr. She will scan it and give it back to you. If you would like to email it to Kara, send it to matthewkara2@aol.com.



Mark your calendars now for the **Fall Festival and Devotional** on Monday, Oct. 29, at 6pm for kids 6th grade and under. The 7-12 graders hosting this event will set up on Sunday, Oct. 28, at 3pm.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 10/7	
A.M. Bible Class	132
A.M. Worship Service	196
P.M. Worship Service	121
Wednesday PM	144
Contribution:	\$4,001.50
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
Elijah
(1 Kings 17:1)

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
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Walt Thompson
Lynn Tiller

The Last Word

“Happy are they who keep his testimonies, who seek him with all their hearts. They practice no wickedness, and walk in his ways.” Psalm 119:2-3

A young man asked a young lady for a date and she rejected him on two different occasions. He asked a third time and she turned him down again. This time he wanted to take her to a movie that she did not care to see. Frustrated, the young man asked her, “What do you do for fun? You don’t dance, you don’t drink, you won’t watch any R rated movies. What do you do for fun?” In a moment of inspiration, she said to him, “For fun, I get up in the morning without having to be embarrassed or ashamed of what I did the night before.” What a great answer!

The modern media often portrays Christians as boring killjoys. We are seen as always condemning every bit of fun and joy that non-Christians enjoy. But the truth is that though a sinful, worldly lifestyle may offer pleasure for a short time, it will never compare to the real joy and happiness of following God’s plan. It is the happiness of a student who knows he or she has earned every grade they’ve ever received because they refused to cheat. It is the joy of a wife who knows that she doesn’t have to worry about her Christian husband coming home drunk or having an affair. It is the settled peace that comes from knowing at the end of the day that we don’t have to be embarrassed or ashamed of what we have done. Solomon counsels God’s people to enjoy life while remembering their obligations to the Lord. Christians are people who know how to truly enjoy life as it should be enjoyed. We have fun, but more importantly we have *real* joy. While sin may promise enjoyment, the price always makes it a bad idea. And God has promised us “life to the full” (John 10:10) if we will follow His plan. He created us and He always knows what is best for us.

The choice is yours to make. You can live by the world’s standards and have worldly fun, but you’ll have to pay the consequences. Or you can live by God’s standards and reap the blessings that come from following God in all that you do. What will you do for fun? - *DAVID*

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