

# Lomax Messenger



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## Welcome to Lomax!

What a wonderful Sunday we had last week! Over 320 people were on hand to worship together and to witness *Hannah Underhill* put on Christ in baptism. Hannah is special to many of us here, and we were thrilled that she wanted to come back to Lomax to be baptized. She and her sister Rachel are living in Memphis. Their address is in the right hand column on this page. Drop Hannah a note to welcome her into the family of God and let her know how proud we are of her for the decision she has made.

As I write this article, everything is in place for us to have a wonderful 60+ Banquet. The entertainers and decorators have been working very hard to get ready. The kitchen workers and servers are prepared, as well. Thanks to everyone for their hard work, and an extra special thank you to *Dave and Cherrylynn Guzy* for their hard work and dedication in overseeing the event this year. We should also say a huge thanks to our “veteran” members, in whose honor we have this banquet. It is because of your hard work through the years that this congregation is as strong as it is today and we appreciate all you have done to help the Lord’s church to grow and prosper.

Three weeks from now I will be writing about how great and wonderful our Youth Rally was! But between now and then there is much work to do! If you would like to help, there are sign up sheets in the lobby for every job we do. Find your place and lend a hand. Be a part of Youth Rally 2004!

-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.

# Baptism!

**We rejoice that Hannah Underhill was baptized last Sunday morning. Hannah is “one of our own” even though she now lives in Memphis. You can write to her at:  
509 West Racquet Club Place  
Memphis TN 38117**



Don't forget that today's contribution goes toward our Youth Fund. This fund pays for our youth activities for the entire year. What an opportunity to give generously and invest in the next generation of faithful Christians!

## Lads to Leaders Pictures

We will be taking individual pictures of **all** Lads to Leaders/ Leaderettes participants **this morning after services** for the church scrapbook.





**Sick:**

*Collin O'Brien* had oral surgery on Friday.

*Brooke Duncan* had tests done Thursday.

*Dona Lawson* is recovering at home from bypass surgery.

*Jack Williams* is home from Maury Regional Hospital.

*J. W. Curry* had cataract surgery last Tuesday.

*Clifford Turnbow* continues to recover at home.

*Wanda Vineyard* is in MRH, room 575.

*Lockie Sharp* is home following a brief stay in the hospital. She is doing better.

*Wesley Everett*, infant grandson of *Tom Iverson*, is in Vanderbilt ICU with breathing difficulties.

*Clyde Bates*, brother of *Wylodean Edwards*, is in Vanderbilt CCU.

*Courtney Smith*, granddaughter of *Don and Barbara Meredith* still needs our prayers.

Continue to remember *Cordell Hull*, *Juanita Page*, *Carma Edwards*, *Paralee Bradford*, and *Dexter Beavers*.

**Sympathy:** The address for *Keith and Amy Baker* is 1305 Bantry Drive, Smyrna, TN 37167.

**Shut-ins:** *Bitha Bullion* and *Ruth Craig*.

**In the nursing home:** *Hazel Hinson*, *Anne White*, and *Michelle Huff*.

**Remember our military:** *Tim Baur*, *Andrew Rogers*, *David Sublett* (brother of *Kelly Willis*), and *Tommy Iverson*.



There will be a girls' devotional and a guys' devotional for all teens 6th grade and up **this Tuesday**, March 2 at 6:30 pm. The girls will be meeting in the Teen Room and the guys will meet in the Christian Service Center. Everyone needs to bring \$2 for pizza.



- Remember to bring drinks (Coke, Pepsi, and Sun Drop products) and put them in the CSC classroom. We need LOTS more drinks!

## Youth Rally

- If you would like a Youth Rally T-Shirt, please sign the list on the table in the foyer.
- There are sign up sheets in the foyer for all areas of work with the Youth Rally. Please sign up today for as many jobs as you would like to do to help us with the Youth Rally!

## Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

- Individual pictures for the scrapbook will be taken next this morning after services.
- Songleading will meet today at 4:30.
- Scrapbook will meet this Wednesday at 5:30.
- Speech and Bible Reading will meet next Sunday, Mar 7, at 4:30.
- Hotel money for those going to convention is due Sunday, March 28.

### BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What early king had two wives named Ahinoam and Rizpah?

(answer next week)

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**



# Meditations with Malcom



A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS! We are glad that you came our way. Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM...Today is a very special 5th Sunday. We will have an opportunity for exciting and uplifting worship services, marvelous fellowship, and the privilege of giving extra funds for our many planned youth activities. Also, some of us will not see another fifth Sunday in February. However, we should all live with eternity in mind so we can always see the bigger picture while utilizing every precious moment. Some folks can use the following: "Lost somewhere between sunrise and sunset— two golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes—no reward is offered because they are gone forever." Also, all of us should remember: "Only one life, will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last."

Thanks to Bill Rogers for driving the bus last Thursday....Thanks in advance for all the time, talent, and effort to the many folks who provide such a superb 60+ Banquet! Thanks again and again!!! Pass the word about our Youth Rally on March 19 & 20. There is no way to really emphasize the lasting value of this great teaching activity. Will we have one thousand this year???

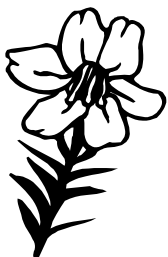
## WHAT ABOUT THE LOTTERY?

A Corinth, Mississippi church bulletin came my way with the following statistics on year after the Lottery began in a Mississippi county: Stolen vehicles....up 188%, Assaults....up 185%, Burglaries....up 200%, Thefts...up 100%, Child molestation....up 353%, Vandalism....up 190%, Suicide....up 900%....The writer also emphasized that the lottery was based on greed...capitalizes on the misfortunes of others...is potentially addictive....promotes dishonesty....fosters poor stewardship...hinders constructive ambition (cf. Eph. 4:28)....and encourages materialism and worldliness.

Mickey Beam in the Camden church bulletin tells about one man who had a twenty dollar bill to purchase gas for his vehicle. He chose to spend the money on four five dollar lottery tickets instead of buying the needed gasoline. He then proceeded to try to borrow the money for gasoline. He tells about a lady who bought \$700 worth of lottery tickets, but didn't win anything. We are sure you know what to do!!!

**On the lighter side:** A man and his wife attended a marriage seminar on communication. They listened to the instructor declare, "It is

essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other." He then asked the man, "Can you describe your wife's favorite flower?" The man leaned over, touched his wife's arm and whispered, "Pillsbury All-Purpose, right?"



## Birthdays


- 3<sup>rd</sup> Malea Hinson
- 6<sup>th</sup> Lauren Amacher  
Dennis Johnson  
Collin O'Brien  
Jimmy Willis
- 7<sup>th</sup> Jade Woodall
- 8<sup>th</sup> Taylor Hinson
- 12<sup>th</sup> Betty Anne Nutt  
Betty Hinson
- 13<sup>th</sup> Emma Kate Hill  
Brittany Rasbury  
Chelsey Sisco  
Rose Spears
- 14<sup>th</sup> Becky Pennington
- 15<sup>th</sup> Paul Chandler
- 20<sup>th</sup> Amaris Amacher  
Paul Spears
- 20<sup>th</sup> Matthew Farr
- 21<sup>st</sup> Wade Peery
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Bob Burklow
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Brandon Carroll
- 24<sup>th</sup> Steven Hinson
- 24<sup>th</sup> Dianna Owens
- 25<sup>th</sup> Don Owens
- 26<sup>th</sup> Mike Tatum  
Olivia Hinson
- 27<sup>th</sup> Pete Harris
- 28<sup>th</sup> Simone Hinson
- 30<sup>th</sup> Jan Hill

## Anniversaries

- 5<sup>th</sup> Gary & Bonnie  
O'Brien
- 10<sup>th</sup> Plummer & Martha  
Vaughan
- 17<sup>th</sup> Rick & Donise Baur

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 2/22	
A.M. Bible Class	221
A.M. Worship Service	323
P.M. Worship Service	
Wednesday Bible Class	199
Contribution:	<b>\$6,203.55</b>
Weekly Budget	<b>\$4,800.00</b>

Last week's Know  
Your Bible answer:  
**Esau (Gen. 26:34;  
28:9)**

 **One of Our Own**  
Lynzie Tiller  
FHU Box 8032  
Henderson, TN 38340

**Lomax  
Church of Christ**  
931-796-5381

David Salisbury - Minister

Malcom George - Minister

**ELDERS:**  
Steve Edwards  
Rick Morrow  
Bill Lawson  
Don Owens  
Yogie Spears

**DEACONS:**

Greg Amacher	Pop Hinson
Dale Askins	Darryl Holt
J.W. Churchwell	Dan Spears
Ralph Conkle	Jeff Spears
Jeff Dye	Marty Spears
Matthew Farr	Larry Tatum
Dave Guzy	Walt Thompson
Trent Hill	Lynn Tiller
Mike Hinson	

**Schedule of Services**

Sunday Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship Services	10:00 am
Evening Service	6:00 pm
Wednesday: Primetimers	10:00 am
Mid-Week Bible Study	7:00 pm
WMLR Radio Sunday	11:30 am

## *The Last Word*

“Behold, the days are coming,” says the Lord GOD, "That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the LORD. They shall wander from sea to sea, And from north to east; They shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, But shall not find it.” Amos 8:11-12

Senator Zell Miller from Georgia recently addressed the entire United States Senate and quoted these words from the prophet Amos. He then said that we are living in those times. There is a famine in our land of plenty. We have all the food we need to continue to struggle with obesity and heart problems. No, the famine is not of food or water, but of the word of the Lord. And you can run from sea to shining sea in this great country of ours and see that this famine is nationwide. Whether it is the filth that some of the media are trying to sell us as entertainment or the total abandonment of godly principles by judges who outlaw prayer in school, the display of the Ten Commandments and alter our Pledge of Allegiance to remove the words “under God,” America’s moral starvation is obvious.

But what of Amos’s promise, they shall seek but NOT find the word of the Lord? It is true that while America plunges deeper into the moral sewer, the roots of a spiritual awakening are beginning as well. There is good news as well as bad. But when the people of this culture decide to listen for a word from the Lord, where do they go? Can it be that Christians have kept silent for too long? Do people know that you have a reliable moral compass? Do your friends know that when they ask you for advice you will be guided by something greater than just your own greed? As a Christian, it is our duty to make sure the word of God is heard in our country. As Senator Miller closed his remarks to the Senate he said, “I feel compelled to speak out. For I truly believe that at times like this, silence is not golden. It is yellow.”

-David

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