

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

What a great time this is for our congregation! While we honor the Lord and His resurrection every week, it was special to know that so many in the world paused last Sunday to join us. Last week we also celebrated with our young people and honored them for their involvement in the Lads to Leaders/ Leaderettes program. Today our contribution will go toward our youth program. Lomax is the only congregation I know of that sets aside one Sunday's contribution as the youth budget. It is a wonderful way for us to emphasize to our young people just how important they are to our church family. Thank you for the way you give so generously every year. Tonight we will have a singing service as we do every 5th Sunday. These services are always special and full of meaning for those who participate. And then next Sunday we will have our 90th anniversary celebration. Much time, effort, and planning has gone into this event and it promises to be something you won't soon forget. We will be uplifted and encouraged as we celebrate 90 years of God's faithfulness and look ahead to many more years in service to Him. This is a perfect opportunity for you to invite someone back to church who may not have attended a worship service in a while. Don't miss the opportunity to do some personal work with some of your friends and family! As we celebrate God's faithfulness to this congregation, I hope everyone will be able to see how God has been faithful to each of us individually, as well. The best response to God's faithfulness is our commitment to be faithful to Him. *-David*

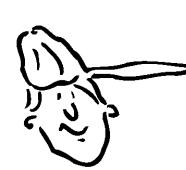
A special welcome to our guests!

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.

5th Sunday Contribution



Our contribution today will go to the Youth Fund. The amount given will cover all youth expenses for the entire year. Thank you for your generosity in support of our young people!

ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION

*Celebrating 90 years of
God's Faithfulness*

Next Sunday, April 6, 2008

- 9 am Bible Class
- 10 am Worship
- Fellowship meal in the CSC — please sign the list in the foyer for food
- Afternoon service following the meal

Plan to be here and bring a friend!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Gene Kilpatrick had shoulder surgery this past Tuesday.

Jeff Dye has been diagnosed with Still's Disease, a form of rheumatoid arthritis. He is recovering at home.

Jennie Burdett is in Lewis County Manor Room 301 for rehab following a stroke.

Bobby Edwards is receiving treatment for blood clots in his legs.

Irene Patton, mother of *Brenda Crowell*, is in Lewis County Manor recovering from hip surgery.

Mary Helen Garrett, grandmother of *Kara Farr*, is very sick with cancer.

Continue to remember *Bill Rogers* (cancer treatments), *Clovis Johns* (heart surgery), and *Loretta Ferguson* (grandmother of *Heather Turner*, lung cancer).

Shut-ins: *Bessie Edwards*, *Sharon Edwards*, *Carma Edwards*, and *Jessie Mayberry*.

In Lewis County Manor: *Marguerite Bullion*, *Jennie Burdett*, *Ruth Craig*, *Ersie Duncan*, *Bobbie Edwards*, *Lockie Sharp*, *Anne White*, and *Michelle Huff*.

Remember our military: *Justin Conkle*, grandson of *Ralph and Sue Conkle*, *Tommy Iverson*, son of *Tom Iverson*, and *Dustin Bruggmann*, grandson of *Jim & Sharon Grinder*.



Ladies' Night Out will be tomorrow night, March

31, at 6:30 pm at the home of Sue Amacher.

Please bring your Bible and a favorite dish.

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all.
Titus 2:11



Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

- ▶ Adult Leaders, please return your Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes folders to Trent or Lori as soon as possible.

Singing Night



Tonight will be a special singing night. Come ready to praise the Lord!

WEDNESDAY TEEN MEAL

This Wednesday, April 2, at 6 pm in the Christian Service Center for Grades 6-12

A Look Ahead

Put these dates on your calendar!



Apr. 2 — Teen Meal

Apr. 6 — 90th Anniversary celebration

Apr. 6 — Glow Golf Trip

Apr. 12 — Let's Go Camping (5th and under)

Apr. 20 — All-Age Devo

Apr. 26 — Game Night

May 3 — GYIDE Fish Fry

May 4 — Senior Night

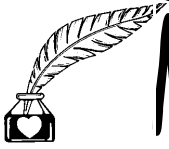
May 7 — Teen Meal

May 19 & 20 — Day School Graduation

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Which book of the Bible ends with "And they were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God"? (answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom



Birthdays:

- 2nd Bill Lawson
- 3rd Tammy Bigby
- 4th Derick Carroll
- Stephen Tanner
- 5th Bessie Edwards
- Andalyn Himes
- 8th LeeAnn Alford
- 10th Era "Tiny" Hinson
- 11th Tyler Hinson
- Susan Overbey
- Noah Woodall
- 12th Jean Skelton
- 13th Nadine Turnbow
- 15th Faye Chandler
- 18th Barbara Baker
- 21st Marguerite Flowers
- Amanda Kinzie
- 22nd Debbie Bunch
- Sue Conkle
- Wylodean Edwards
- Joyce Gilliam
- 24th Tracy Lomax
- 25th Rick Baur
- 27th David Salisbury
- Jane Tatum
- 28th David Miller

Anniversaries:

- 10th Jeff & Barbie Cameron
- 21st Bill & Dolene Rogers
- 28th Larry & Sandy Tatum
- 29th Jerry & Alice Ammons

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 AM and 7 PM. I am scheduled to be at Twomey this morning but back for our services tonight...Thanks to Bill Rogers for driving the bus to Henderson yesterday to hear John Dale and Yogie. John Dale is scheduled to preach in our August gospel meeting.... The Primetimers are reminded of trips coming up on May 12-14 and June 14.....Pass the word about our Lomax 90th anniversary coming up on April 6. What a *day* and what a *celebration!*....Don't forget to give extra today for our annual youth fund. Our youth at Lomax are extra special!

The Last Thing He Did

When I was growing up, I remember one of the elders was a man named Roy Jacks. He was a good Christian man who served the Lord throughout his lifetime. He and Lucille were married for 77 years and they brought up their children in the Lord.

Brother Jacks died last week at the age of 99 after suffering two heart attacks. Living to the age of 99 and being married for 77 years are two remarkable feats in life, but I want to tell you something noteworthy about his death.

When it became obvious that his health was deteriorating, his wife and children were called to his bedside. While they were all together, they had prayer. The amazing thing is that brother Jacks led the prayer himself. He knew the power of prayer (1 John 5:14-15; Jas. 5:13-16) and prayed often. Shortly after that prayer, he went into a coma, and six hours later he passed from this life. **THE LAST THING HE DID WAS LEAD HIS FAMILY IN PRAYER.**

We often remember the last words or the last actions of those we love. What will be the last thing that we do with our families, friends, loved ones? Likely, it will be what we have been doing all along. "The family that prays together, stays together." Think about it. —From a church bulletin that came my way.

On The Lighter Side: Two boys from the city were on a camping trip. The mosquitoes were so fierce the boys had to hide under their blankets to keep from being bitten. Then one of them saw some lightning bugs, and said, "We might as well give up, they're coming at us with flashlights!" Also, one man said they were so poor that he had to start working early so he could make the last three payments on his stroller...

Sermon Brief: A smile is a light in the window of your life that says that your heart is at home.



BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 3/23	
A.M. Bible Class	131
A.M. Worship Service	313
P.M. Worship Service	173
Wednesday PM	171
Contribution:	\$4,406.55
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
The Book of Jasher
(Joshua 10:13)

Schedule of Services	
Sunday Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship Services	10:00 am
Evening Service	6:00 pm
Wednesday: Primetimers	10:00am
Bible Study	7:00 pm

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David Salisbury - Minister
Malcom George - Minister

ELDERS:
Richard Amacher
Steve Edwards
Dave Guzy
Bill Lawson
Rick Morrow
Dan Spears
Yogie Spears

DEACONS:
Greg Amacher — Maintenance
J.W. Churchwell—Transportation,
Facilities
Ralph Conkle — Maintenance
Jeff Dye — Worship Assignments,
Missions
Matthew Farr — Missions
Trent Hill — Youth
Pop Hinson — Missions, Visitation
Jeff Spears — Education, Youth
Larry Tatum — Maintenance
Walt Thompson — Benevolence
Lynn Tiller — Facilities Usage

The Last Word

So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. Acts 2:46-47a

Tonight is one of our regularly scheduled singing services and I know people have lots of different reactions to that fact. Some are excited and look forward to singing services. I have known of people who visit different congregations on Sunday nights just to catch the singing services. One family I knew said that they went to a singing service every Sunday night of the year. I know of others who plan to visit different congregations specifically to avoid singing services. Their goal is to never attend a singing service in their lifetime. While I understand different people have different feelings about the service, let me try to convince you to be here tonight and for every singing service.

First and foremost, for those who say they don't like a singing service or they don't really feel moved by singing services, you should know that a service centered around song has a much greater opportunity to stir your emotions than any other worship service. How many songs and hymns do you know by heart? How many songs do you know well enough to sing the music when the words are provided on the screen? Now, how many sermons do you remember word for word? How many Bible verses have you memorized? The fact is that songs "stick" with us better than almost any other form of communication. They speak to us at both an emotional and intellectual level and so they are more memorable.

Second, for those who plan to be elsewhere when a song service is announced, have you thought about the message that sends to your brothers and sisters who are here? Singing is a congregational event and when you purposefully choose to be someplace else, how should the rest of the congregation interpret your absence? The early church gathered daily to praise God.

And finally, our praise is the one aspect of our worship that will continue into eternity. There will be no preaching, praying or giving in Heaven, but there will be singing! Why not plan to get in some practice now?

-David

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