

# Lomax Messenger



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## Welcome to Lomax!

There is so much to tell you about today that I don't know if I can fit it all in! We have looked forward to this day for a long time. Much prayer, planning, and preparation have gone into the events of today. We are glad to have you here today. If it's been a while since you've been to Lomax, then welcome back home! Brother Fred Kittrell called to say that his health would not permit him to be here, but he wanted to say hello to everyone and wish us a great day. He also said to say a special thanks to the lady who left a caramel pie in his car the last time he came!

While today is the day we have set aside to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Lomax congregation, we plan to continue this celebration through the year. Our theme this year has been "God is Faithful" and we have taken Deuteronomy 7:9 as our theme verse, "Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments." In conjunction with that theme, we will start a new sermon series next week: Because God is faithful, I should trust His Word. You can read more about the sermon series on page 4. Also, the history of the congregation that Tony presents this morning will be put out in a book form soon. We will also have a special cookbook celebrating 90 years of great church recipes. We plan to have both of these books finished and available in time for our gospel meeting in August with John Dale. We'll have more information soon!

-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.



*Celebrating 90 years of  
God's Faithfulness*

- 9 am Bible Class  
"The history of Lomax"
- 10 am Worship
- Fellowship meal in the CSC
- Afternoon service following  
the meal

We're glad you're here to  
celebrate with us!

Special Event  
for families  
with children  
5<sup>th</sup> grade and  
under!



This Saturday, April 12 from  
5:00-7:30 we will have a special  
camping themed evening of food,  
fun, and games for all families with  
children in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under.  
We will enjoy grilled food and play  
camp games. Please sign up in the  
lobby to bring food!

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers



**Sick:**

*Ray Connor* is undergoing tests at the VA hospital.  
*Laura Connor* has been sick with an inner ear problem.  
*Gene Frazier* has been in Maury Regional Hospital, but is home now.

*Ruth Craig* has been sick.

Continue to remember *Gene Kilpatrick* (recovering from shoulder surgery), *Jeff Dye* (recovering from Still's Disease), *Bobby Edwards* (rehab following surgery), *Jennie Burdette* (recovering from a stroke), *Bill Rogers* (cancer treatments), and *Mary Helen Garrett* (grandmother of *Kara Farr*, cancer).

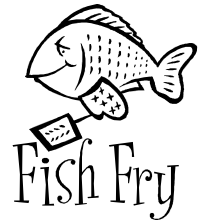
**Shut-ins:** *Bessie Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Carma Edwards, and Jessie Mayberry.*

**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.*

## GYIDE Planning Meeting

There will be a planning meeting for the GYIDE Fish Fry this Tuesday evening, Apr. 8, at 6 pm at Yogie's. Bring hamburgers, hotdogs, and fixings. The Fish Fry will be May 3.



## Attention Parents of Seniors!

Remember to have your money and pictures turned in to Rose Spears for Senior Night (May 4) by **next Sunday, Apr. 13**. Also remember to have your Senior Night displays ready by May 3.



## Additional April Birthday:

Will Swinea — April 16



## A Look Ahead

Put these dates on your calendar!

- 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
- June 1 — Youth Committee Meeting
- June 7 — Video Scavenger Hunt



## Church Cookbook

In celebration of our 90th anniversary, we plan to put together a Lomax cookbook. Dust off those old "dinner on the grounds" recipes and your current favorites and watch for more details soon!



There will be a meeting for all teachers of classes from the 2-3 year olds through the 5th and 6th grade (Sun. & Wed.) **next Sun., Apr. 13**, after morning worship.

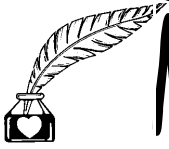
## Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

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

## BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What son of a goldsmith was involved in rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem?  
 (answer next week)

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**



# Meditations with Malcom

**A SPECIAL WELCOME** to all our visitors! We are glad that you came our way. In fact, we are really *excited* that you have joined us today to worship and thank the Lord for ninety years of soundness and faithfulness as a congregation of the Lord's church! We seek your continued prayers for faithfulness and priorities that will help us to go forward in the greatest cause on earth. Don't forget to join us after the AM service for fun, food, and fellowship in the CSC and our afternoon service to follow the meal. We are thrilled to have you with us today and thanks again for rejoicing with us.

**The Art of Staying Alive:** You may have heard the story of a person stopping by "Lomax" and asking, "Is this the church I am looking for? I am not very active and I only attend when convenient. Also, I give a little of my income if I have anything left. I just wanted you to know this and see if I could fit in." The elder responded and told him that he was at the wrong church and directed him to a building some distance away and when the inquirer found the building it was empty, in ruin, and covered with spider webs.



Yes, members of the Lord's church prove their love by their attendance, but they also continue steadfastly in fellowship, breaking of bread, prayer, and the apostles' doctrine (Cf Acts 2:37-47). We also recognize the need for using our **time**, **talent**, and **treasure** in the King's business. We are to stay alive to seeing the needs in the community and around the world. We are diligent at our jobs and see the need of representing Christ to a lost and dying world. We must recognize that we live our religion seven days a week and that our daily conduct is how we become the salt and light that Jesus says we are to be (Matt. 5:13-16).

We hope you will join us in being a growing church for a coming Lord and praying that we will always conduct ourselves so that folks will see that the **Son always shines at Lomax** and never forget that the greatest tragedy is that which dies within a person while he is still living.

**On The Lighter Side:** An older man knelt before his new and exciting love. "I have two questions to ask you," he said.

"Yes, yes," was the excited response.

"Will you marry me?"

"Oh, yes, I was waiting for you to ask me! Now what is your second question?" His reply... "Will you help me up?"

**Sentence Sermon:** We should never forget that a better world including a better church begins with **us**.

## Spotlight on the Day School



**Linley Hill**

Our Spotlight returns this week and shines on Linley Hill and Abby Salisbury of our Tuesday/Thursday Three Year Old Class. Linley is the daughter of Trent & Lori Hill and the granddaughter of Carter & Pat Hill and Lance & Sandra Foster. Linley loves to play with her baby dolls. She also likes to watch *Dora the Explorer* and play soccer with her sister and brother. Abby is the daughter of David & Heather Salisbury and the granddaughter of Richard & Emile Salisbury and Herb & Carol Woollard. Abby loves to play dress-up and watch *Miss Spider* and *Curious George*. She also enjoys playing with her younger brother and sister. We are glad to have both of these girls at Lomax Christian Day School!



**Abby Salisbury**

| <b>BY THE NUMBERS</b><br><b>For the week of 3/30</b> |            |
|--|------------|
| A.M. Bible Class                                     | 164        |
| A.M. Worship Service                                 | 234        |
| P.M. Worship Service                                 | 165        |
| Wednesday PM   | 179        |
| Contribution:  | \$6,931.43 |
| Weekly Budget  | \$5,700.00 |

**Last week's Know  
Your Bible answer:**  
Luke

| <b>Schedule of Services</b> |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| 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*

And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." Revelation 21:5

I just checked my email before I sat down to write. I have 692 messages in my deleted items folder. The vast majority of them are junk mail that I didn't want or ask for, but I got it anyway. We get a lot of messages in our culture today. And just like in my email, many of the messages we get are "junk" that we didn't want or ask for. Some of the commercials on television advertise products I wish I didn't even know about. Some billboards contain images I wish I'd never seen. All of those messages tend to go straight into my mental "junk mail" folder. While they are trashy, they don't usually influence me too much. Far more insidious are the messages that appear to come from a reliable source or that tempt me to look at them and consider their offers. I don't need a new vehicle, but have you seen the latest models? They have so many things that my truck doesn't have and they get a lot better gas mileage. I don't have any money, but maybe I could borrow just a bit more... Or perhaps it is the message that appears to come from a friend but is actually a virus or trash. "You've got an e-card from a special friend" it promises, but it isn't. These messages are not obviously junk, but a little investigation reveals that they are not genuine but usually harmful fakes.

The same is true of our world today. There are many messages which are little more than "junk" out there. But the truly dangerous messages are the ones that look genuine. As our culture seeks to shape our values and morals, it often seems to make sense to believe what you hear, even if it disagrees with the Bible. In this new sermon series we will begin next week, we will see how our culture has taken the truth of God's Word and given it just a little "twist." It is that twist that throws us off and confuses us. The danger of false teaching is in that subtle, tiny twist. Something that is 99% true is 100% lie and can only come from the father of lies. Join us next week as we start to examine the truth of God's word in our world today. We'll even have a free object lesson for everyone who is here next Sunday! Join us as we seek the truth!

*-David*

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