

# Lomax Messenger



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## Welcome to Lomax!

Welcome to Day School Appreciation Day! If you are one of our honored guests today then we especially thank you for visiting with us. If you are a “regular” here then welcome back — it is always good to see you. Be sure to say a special thank you to *Don and Dianna Owens* for the direction they provide as they oversee the Day School. We also want to honor our four teachers: *Dianna Runions, Harriet Anderson, Kathy O’Brien, and Cynthia Miller*. If you have a three or four year old in our Day School, then we thank you for the opportunity to teach your child or grandchild. Please make plans to stay with us for a special meal after services. Everyone connected with our Day School will be our honored guests.

Our hearts were touched last Sunday as *Bonnie O’Brien* responded to the invitation and asked for our prayers. It is a privilege to lift this godly woman up in prayer.

Please keep our elders in your prayers during this process of appointing additional elders. Four men have agreed to consider serving the church in that capacity: *Richard Amacher, Dave Guzy, Pop Hinson, and Danny Spears*. The elders have given us three weeks to submit any scriptural objections to these men serving as elders. Please do that in writing and give it to any current elder. During the next three weeks the elders will also be interviewing these four men as they consider the work here at Lomax. After that time, the elders will make an announcement regarding any additional elders. Please keep the elders in your prayers. *-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



## Day School Appreciation Day!

For almost 20 years the Lomax Christian Day School has been teaching the children of Lewis County both academic and spiritual basics. Our contribution today goes entirely toward our Day School program and the Christian education it provides. Please join us for a special meal this morning after services where all our Day School teachers, students, and parents will be our honored guests.

Whoever welcomes  
me welcomes the one who sent me,  
& whoever welcomes  
this little child in my name welcomes me;



Luke 9:48

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

**Sick:**

*Bertha Baker* is having tests done.  
*Marjean Doyle* is in Maury Regional Hospital.  
*Beryl Wynne* will have eye surgery this Wednesday.  
 Continue to remember *Mary Lou Morton, John Smith, Cheryl Shields, Don Owens, Ishmael Bunch, Carolyn Miller, Carma Edwards,* and *Dexter Beavers.*

**Sympathy:** We express our sympathy to the family *Kainen Keltner* who passed away last weekend. Kainen was a student in our Day School.

**Shut-ins:** *Ruth Craig, Sharon Edwards, J. R. and Juanita Page,* and *Howard Spears.*

**In the nursing home:**

**Lewis County Manor:** *Lockie Sharp, Hazel Hinson, Anne White, Wilton Whitehead,* and *Michelle Huff.*

**Perry County Nursing Home:** *Jessie Kilpatrick Hunter,* mother of *Gene Kilpatrick.*

**Remember our military:** *Reuben Oaks,* grandson of *Judy Landis, David Sublett,* brother of *Kelly Willis,* and *Steven Haywood,* fiance of *Lynzie Tiller.*



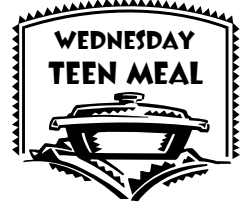
**Senior Night May 7**  
 We will be honoring our six seniors: *Kelsey Aksins, Cody Bates, Alex Edwards, Nicole Hensley, Jon Paul Hinson,* and *Erica Holt* next Sunday night, May 7th. If you would like to contribute to a money tree, please give that gift to *Betsy Tiller.*



Nursing Home Decorations

The youth group will meet at 5:30 this Wednesday to deliver decorations to

the Lewis County Manor. At 6:00 we will have our regular monthly Teen Meal in the Christian Service Center. If you can help cook for the Teen Meal, please see *Kim Bryant.*



If you would like to contribute to a money tree as a baby gift to *Ryan and Sioban Reynolds,* you may give that gift to *Rose Spears* or *Lori Hill* today. Their baby boy is expected to arrive this Tuesday.

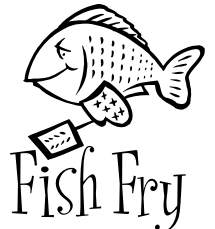


B. L. T.  
 Bag Lunch  
 Thursday

Join us every Thursday at noon in the Christian Service Center for a time to eat lunch and discuss this week's New Testament reading.

**GYIDE Fish Fry**

- ◆ Saturday, May 6
- ◆ 4:30—7:00
- ◆ Tickets \$8 each or \$15 for two
- ◆ See *Hershel, Boo, Steve, Gabby, Malcom,* or *Yogie* for tickets.

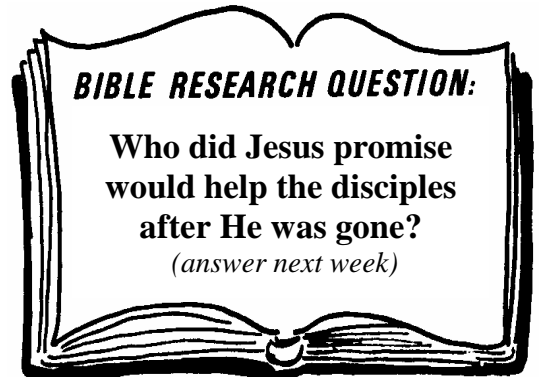


Fish Fry

**BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:**

Who did Jesus promise would help the disciples after He was gone?

(answer next week)



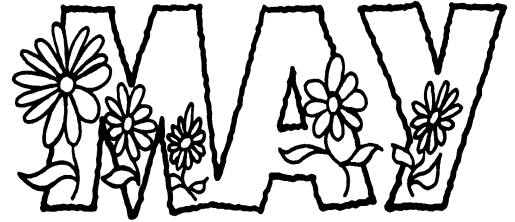
**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**

**Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News**

- ▶ There will be a meeting for all adults who helped with Lads to Leaders this past year and those interested in helping in the coming year tonight following evening worship. Please bring your event folders.



# Meditations with Malcom



**A SPECIAL WELCOME** to all our visitors. We are glad you came our way. You are always welcome at Lomax....Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM.... We will miss seeing you folks today since I am scheduled to be speaking at a *homecoming* in Monette, Arkansas. We have a number of such events this year and I am glad that folks take time to go back home for fun, food, fellowship, worship, and the realization that memories can grow sweeter as the years go by. We also remind ourselves that we are not yet HOME.....Remember the GYIDE Fish Fry coming up this Saturday, May 6th. All profits go for Christian education....The Primetimers are reminded of our trip on May 15 & 16.

**RESPONSIBILITY** ..... We are a product of the past but not a prisoner to it. Regardless of what our parents did, we have to accept responsibility for our own actions. Regardless of what our parents believed, God will hold us responsible for our own actions. What someone did to hurt us is irrelevant; we are responsible for ourselves.

Let us turn loose of the past except to learn from it. Let's don't blame our parents for our current status but make the most of the rest of our life. Let's learn from our parents but adopt our own faith and make sure it is based on the word of God (Acts 17:11). Relinquish bitterness and resentment; control our emotions and our response to negative circumstances. Turn loose of guilt that has been covered by the blood of Christ (Acts 2:38; 1 John 1:7). **LIVE LIFE NOW!** Remember the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others; and Responsibility for our actions.

There are two kinds of people. (1) Those who say, "Thy will be done." as mentioned last Wednesday night. (2) Others who say, "OK, have it your way." Real maturity will soon tell us that we will be glad we let God have His way with us. *"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths"* (Prov. 3:6).  
—Camden Bulletin...

**On The Lighter Side:** The first time I kissed the girl who is now my wife cold chills ran up and down my spine. I was so excited until I felt her popsicle dripping on my back.....Also, **Gina:** They say you should wash your hands after handling money because the bills are covered with germs. **Sophia:** I'm not in any danger—even a germ couldn't live on the money I make.

**Sentence Sermons:** A mother's heart is a child's schoolroom ....If you are not living with God, you're rooming with the devil...Never trouble until trouble troubles you.

Therefore if any man be in  
*any one*  
**CHRIST**  
*he is a new*  
**CREATURE:**  
*old things are passed away;*  
**BEHOLD,**  
*Christ*  
*all things are become*  
**NEW.**

2 Corinthians 5:17

## Birthdays:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Hannah Hill
- 7<sup>th</sup> Abbe Lawson  
Brent Willis
- 8<sup>th</sup> Wilma Churchwell  
Dale Hull  
Lee Tatum  
Blaine Turner
- 10<sup>th</sup> Mitzi Edwards  
Erica Holt
- 11<sup>th</sup> Plummer Vaughan
- 12<sup>th</sup> Dona Lawson
- 13<sup>th</sup> Connie Pennington
- 14<sup>th</sup> Lance Crowell  
Yogie Spears
- 15<sup>th</sup> Lisa Moorehead
- 16<sup>th</sup> Estelle Mercer
- 17<sup>th</sup> Ralph Conkle
- 21<sup>st</sup> Pittman Baker
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Jessie Mayberry
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Margaret Askins
- 24<sup>th</sup> Dianne Daniel
- 25<sup>th</sup> Gladys Baxter
- 26<sup>th</sup> Osteen Hinson
- 29<sup>th</sup> Lane Cross
- 31<sup>st</sup> Kristen Alford  
Kelsey Askins  
Clifford Turnbow

## Anniversaries:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bill and Sallie  
Millspaugh
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Stephen & Shana Tanner
- 9<sup>th</sup> Rick & Cindy Morrow  
Jeff & Rose Spears
- 13<sup>th</sup> Bobby & Linda Edwards
- 30<sup>th</sup> Trent & Lori Hill
- 31<sup>st</sup> Lynn & Betsy Tiller

**BY THE NUMBERS  
For the week of 4/23**

A.M. Bible Class	174
A.M. Worship Service	265
P.M. Worship Service	188
Wednesday PM	184
Contribution:	\$4,976.00
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

Last week's Know  
Your Bible answer:  
**4 days**  
(John 11:17, 39)

**Schedule of Services**

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

## The Last Word

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:34-35

The news has been filled the past week with the story of the teacher who has had an affair with one of her students. The relationship apparently began when the student was 13 and the teacher was 27. Because their love affair was of a sexual nature, the laws of our land consider this a felony. Because they were not married, God considers it a sin. The teacher defends her action with one simple statement — “But, we love each other.”

Love is a strange word, isn't it? We can, with the same word, proclaim our devotion to the Lord and our affection for pizza. But don't we mean something a little different when we say “I love the Lord” and when we say, “I love pizza”? And what about people like this school teacher who seem to think that love justifies any action, whether criminal, sinful, or both? Is there no standard by which to judge love?

Jesus tells us that there is a standard. His love for us is the standard. As Christians we are to love one another, to love our neighbor, and to love the lost. This pretty well covers everyone, so it is not wrong to say that Christians are supposed to love everyone. But that love doesn't mean that we just approve of everything people do and pat them on the back and tell them how much we love them no matter what they are doing. Our love as Christians is to be a reflection of God's love for us. God's love is a love of priority. God's love wants what is best for us and expects the best of us. God's love is a love that makes me a better person. Someone has said that God loves us just as we are, but He refuses to leave us that way. As we love our brothers and sisters and as we love the world, we must love them as they are, but we must also love them enough to help them to be better. We must love as Jesus loves. It is a love that never fails but it is also a love that never compromises or lowers its standards. That kind of love will be a light to the world and make us all better Christians!

-David

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Yogie Spears, *Community Ministry*

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Pop Hinson — *Marshall Islands Mission*

Darryl Holt — *Grounds*

Dan Spears — *Audio/ Video*

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