

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

We're glad you're here today! This is a special day for us as we celebrate our plans to renovate our education building. As part of those plans, we will be tearing down the oldest building on our property. The auditorium that was built in 1946 has served us well in many different functions (auditorium, classrooms, and most recently a teacher workroom), but it's structural problems make it easier and wiser to build a new building. Many congregations have a special service to mark the first time they worship in a new auditorium. I don't know what you call a special service to commemorate the *last* time you worship in a building, but that's what we plan to have this afternoon and evening. It seems to be a fitting tribute to restore this building to the way it looked when it was an auditorium and have one final service in it. I hope you will join us for one of our devotional services today at either 2:00 pm or following our evening services. *Carmack Skelton* will be the speaker and *Paul Chandler* will lead the singing. This promises to be a service to remember and we want you to be there and be a part of it!

Congratulations to *Nychelle McKissack* who was selected to be one of two representatives from Lewis County to the American Legion Girls' State. What a high honor! We are proud of Nychelle and the way she represents her faith in all she does. We are blessed with many young people here that are great Christian examples at school, at home, on the job and in their recreation, and we are thankful for them all.

-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.

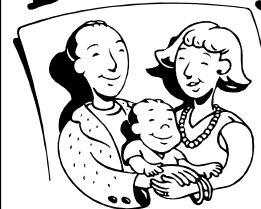
A Very Special Devotional

Today we will have a special devotional in the 1947 building (most recently the



teacher workroom). *Carmack Skelton* will be the speaker. We will have one devotional at 2:00 and another one after our evening services. Feel free to attend whichever time best fits your schedule. Please bring finger foods, drinks, and desserts for us to enjoy after the evening devotional.

Church Photo Directory



Today is the **LAST DAY** to turn in family information sheets for the new church directory.

They are available on the table in the lobby. Please see Dave Guzy if you have any questions.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Osteen Hinson is in Lewis County Manor room 307 recovering from a stroke.
Maggie Tanner is at home recovering from surgery.
Meredith Lawson is home from the hospital and recovering from pneumonia.
Margaret Askins had a pacemaker put in last week.
Sandra Thompson is at home recovering from surgery. It is requested that she not have visitors at this time.
Jessie Kinzie is having tests done at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital.
Jim Lewis, brother-in-law of *Wilma Churchwell*, has been in Vanderbilt Hospital for treatment.
 Continue to remember *Bobby Edwards* (recovering from brain surgery and cancer), *Mary Helen Garrett* (grandmother of *Kara Farr*, cancer) and *Barbara Fournier* (sister of *Judy Von Dollen*, cancer treatments).

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

In Lewis County Manor: *Marguerite Bullion, Jennie Burdett, Ersie Duncan, Osteen Hinson, Lockie Sharp, Anne White, and Michelle Huff.*

Remember our military: *Justin Conkle* (grandson of *Ralph and Sue Conkle*), *Tommy Iverson* (son of *Tom Iverson*), *Dustin Bruggmann* (grandson of *Jim & Sharon Grinder*), and *Bo Williams* (son-in-law of *Dale Overbey*).

Involvement Forms!

There's a work for you!



We need all members to complete an involvement form by next Sunday, June 1. Please return them to **David or Malcom** or any of the elders.



Applications for Day School are available in the foyer. If you have a 3 or 4 year old or know of one who would be interested in attending the Day

School, please take an application. Completed forms need to be returned to **Sue Amacher or Harriet Anderson.**



If you can help mow the church yard this summer, please sign up in the lobby.

A Look Ahead

Put these dates on your calendar!



- May 31** — Tweenager cookout 11-1
- June 1** — Youth Committee Meeting
- June 7** — Video Scavenger Hunt
- June 8** — Baby Shower for Stephanie (Overbey) Carroll
- June 15** — Elders and Deacons meeting 4:00

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

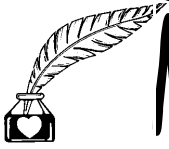
Who dropped dead on hearing bad news the morning after being drunk? (answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

OUR CHURCH COOKBOOK



If you would like to purchase copies of the 90th Anniversary Cookbook, please sign the list in the foyer. This is not a commitment to buy but will give us an estimate of how many to order. The projected cost is \$5-\$7. Those who sign up will be given first priority when the books arrive in August.



Meditations with Malcom



JUNE

Birthdays:

- 2nd Bill Rogers
- 6th Carolyn Spears
- 8th Madison Carroll
- 9th Dinah Poore
- 10th Abby Salisbury
RoyeAnn Weaks
- 12th Drew Wills
- 13th Tommy Clayton
- 14th Sharon Edwards
Demetria Reeves
- 15th Katelyn Collison
Jeffrey Hinson
- 17th Gwen Hinson
- 19th Rose Lynn Depriest
Debbie Spears
Martha Vaughan
- 25th Mia Amacher
Lindsey Himes
- 28th Andrew Rogers
Tony Turner
- 29th Jeff Cameron
Samantha Webb
- 30th Theresa Whitehead

Anniversaries:

- 5th Paul & Faye Chandler
- 10th Tony & Heather Turner
- 12th Steve & Mitzi Edwards
Max & Carma Edwards
- 16th Bob & Lovada Burklow
Mike & Mia Hinson
- 18th Ryan & Donya Wade
- 19th J.W. & Wilma Churchwell
- 20th Gene & Nell Bunch
Marty & Debbie Spears
- 26th Richard & Sue Amacher
- 30th Ishmael & Jody Bunch

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all our visitors! We are glad that you came our way. Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wed. at 10 AM and 7:00 PM...This is Memorial Day weekend and a special time to remember our war heroes both living and dead and reflect on the price of freedom. Some will also be having special family reunions, cleaning the graves of loved ones at cemeteries and remembering loved ones who have gone before us. Tonight I plan to talk about the blessings of memory and join others in reflecting on memorials at Lomax, etc....Thanks to David for taking the Wed. morning class this past week. He always does a great job. It was good to see Bill Rogers, Margaret Askins and others able to be back in class. Twenty members of the class went to Pizza Hut to honor special birthdays this month. Jessie Mayberry joined the 91 age group...Remember the gospel meeting at Beardstown this week with Roy Sharp. They have a 1:30 afternoon service. My next meeting will be at Shiloh Park on June 8-11.

ONE PLACE, one gate, one way....This past Wednesday night we began a discussion of John 10 and the good Shepherd. Jesus said, *"I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly"* (vss 9-10).

Many centuries ago the world was destroyed by water. There was but one place of safety when the flood came: Noah's ark. All others were useless.

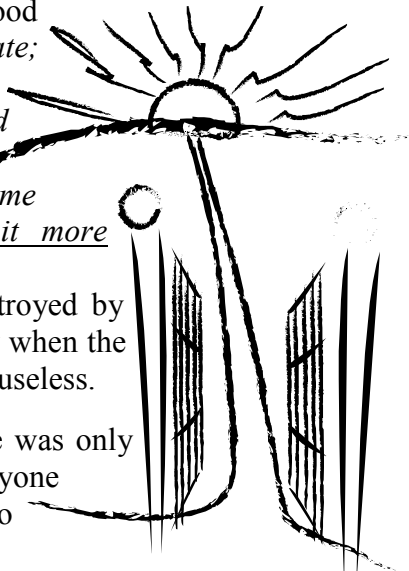
In Egypt, during the great famine, there was only one man to whom the Egyptians or anyone could go to get food: Joseph. Going to anyone else was a waste of time.

In speaking of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Peter said, *"And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved"* (Acts 4:12).

Aren't you glad we don't have to wonder about how to get into Christ? See Gal. 3:26,27; Rom. 6:4; Mk. 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21, etc...

On The Lighter Side: Preacher's wife— "Wake up! There are burglars in the house." Preacher— "Well, what of it? Let them find out their mistakes themselves." She— "I also hear the car alarm..." He: "Our car doesn't have an alarm."

Sentence Sermon: Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time because then you won't have a leg to stand on.



BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 5/18	
A.M. Bible Class	158
A.M. Worship Service	237
P.M. Worship Service	146
Wednesday PM	165
Contribution:	\$4,745.05
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
Emmaus
(Luke 24:30)

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

“I am the LORD your God... You shall have no other gods before me.” Exodus 20:1-2

Well, it's finally over. Nineteen weeks of competition and hundreds of millions of votes and last Wednesday night it all came down to the two Davids. If you don't have a clue what I'm talking about, then you've obviously missed out on Fox Network's hit TV show *American Idol* where each week a group of talented young singers take the stage and sing for America's vote. After the vote, the singer with the lowest total is sent home and the rest come back the next week to do it all over again. This year the grand finale featured David Cook up against David Archuleta. I've never watched a season of *American Idol* before, but this year I got hooked on it. On the last night of voting, over 97 million votes were cast in a four hour period, and when all the votes were tallied up, the big winner was.... Fox Network. Sure, David Cook won the title (sorry to ruin it for you if you recorded it and haven't watched it yet), but the big winner was Fox Network and all the advertisers that sponsored the show.

It's an interesting concept, evaluating these performers to elect one of them to be our American Idol. Maybe it's just all those years of Sunday School, but it feels a little weird to be voting on an "idol." There's some sense of Old Testament justice that kind of makes me want to stand back a bit from my TV set when they talk about idols. And yet, it's kind of refreshing to hear people openly talk about idols and their favorite one. If we're honest, we all have some idols in our lives. They are things that we worship more than we should — things that steal our time and money away from more important matters. So what would you vote for as your own personal American Idol? Be honest. Is it the television or the computer? Time at work or time with friends? Who sits on the throne of your heart? Who (or what) is *your* idol? God says if there is anything more important than Him in your life, you need to fix your priorities. He simply won't settle for being voted the runner up in the American Idol competition of your life.

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