

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

We've had a great week this week. The best news all week came Thursday when *Lucas Clayton* decided to get baptized! Lucas was at Mid-South Youth Camp this past week when he made his decision. His uncle, *Johnny Clayton*, baptized him. We rejoice with Lucas's family and the angels in heaven over his decision.

While we are talking about church camps, some of our kids are leaving today for *Horizons* camp at Freed-Hardeman. Horizons is a leadership training camp that provides young people with instruction and training from great Christian men and women in the brotherhood today. It is a wonderful opportunity for them and we are excited for each one who is able to attend.

Our new education building is beginning to take shape. This past week the foundation was poured and workers will begin laying the block this week. Thanks to *Bill Lawson* for overseeing this project and thanks to all of you who have given so generously toward it. Our special contribution last week for the building fund raised over \$7,200 to help with this effort.

We have a special treat tonight for our evening worship. We will meet at 5:00 and the interns will be conducting the service. After services we'll enjoy a picnic and some games until about 8:30 when we'll have a fireworks show in the parking lot. Make plans to be here and bring a friend. It will be a great opportunity to spend some time together as a church family and worship together as well as enjoy some fellowship, food, and fun.

-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.

Congregational Independence Day Picnic & Party



Schedule:

5:00 PM — Evening Worship
PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE!

6:00 PM — Picnic and games
Hamburgers, hotdogs and buns will be provided. Please bring fixins, desserts, and chips.

8:30 (or dark) — Fireworks

Menifee County Clothing Drive



If you would like to donate clothing for the annual clothing giveaway in Menifee County, Kentucky, please bring it to the basement by **this Wednesday, July 9**. We plan to take the clothes to Kentucky on July 12. Please see Pop Hinson if you have any questions.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Margie Graves is in Maury Regional Hospital room 550.

Hershel Spears has shingles.

Bobby Edwards will go for a full body scan on Monday.

Robena Gunter is home now.

Gladys Baxter is in Lewis County Manor.

Jane West, sister of *Betty Nutt*, had cancer surgery and is recovering.

Brad Graves, son of *Joyce Hinson*, was injured in a fire at his home. He is in Vanderbilt Burn Unit recovering.

Continue to remember *Lance Foster* (father of *Lori Hill*, double knee replacement), *Osteen Hinson* (stroke), and *Sandra Thompson* (stomach surgery).

Sympathy: We express our sympathy to *Dianne Daniel* on the death of her brother, *J. G. Sims*, last week. His funeral was Thursday.

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

In Lewis County Manor: *Gladys Baxter*, *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*).



There will be Water Fun Day this Saturday, July 12, for children 5th grade and under. We will meet at the CSC from 10:30—2:00. There will be fun, food, and lots of water games! Please see Traci Amacher today to sign up for food.

Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

- All participants in Web Design need to meet next Sunday at 4 pm in the Christian Service Center.

There will be a **Sunday Night Social** next Sunday, July 13, following evening worship.

Please bring finger foods.



Movie Night



There will be a popcorn and movie night for kids 5th grade and under and their families on Friday, July 18. Mark the date on your calendar and stay tuned for more details!

A Look Ahead

Put these dates on your calendar!



July 12 — Water Fun Day (Tweens)

July 12 — Trip to Menifee County to deliver clothes

July 13 — Elders and Deacons meeting 4:00

July 18 — Movie and Popcorn night (Tweens)

July 19 — Laser Tag trip

July 20 — Bridal Shower for Erica Morrow

July 25 — Video Scavenger Hunt

July 26 — Mid South Fish Fry

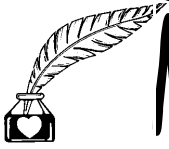
July 27 — Back to School Devotional

August 8-10 — Gospel Meeting and Homecoming with John Dale

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who ordered 70 horsemen to accompany Paul out of Jerusalem?
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom



BABY SHOWER

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all our visitors! We are glad that you came our way. Remember that our services tonight will be at 5:00 and we thank our interns in advance for this special service....We had thirty-two in our class last Wed. morning and plan a birthday pizza following class this week. Also, congratulations to Van B. Rasbury who is 80 today....Don't forget that you can ride the bus to the Mid-South Youth Camp Fish Fry on Sat. 26th and support a great cause. Please be at the church parking lot at 3:00 PM...Be sure and earmark our gospel meeting on Aug. 8-10 with John Dale....We hope you are having a great *Fourth of July weekend* and celebrating the freedom we enjoy today.

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Galatians 5:1

Freedom Is Not Free: *“For freedom did Christ set us free; stand fast therefore and be not entangled again in the yoke of bondage”* (Gal. 5:1). We must remember that responsibility and freedom go together. We cannot have one without the other. There is no such thing as an absolute or unlimited freedom. I asked my dad early in life at what age would a person be when he could do as he pleased. He replied, “I don't know, son, Because no one has yet to live that long.” Also, you may have seen five year old Eddie who was asked by his dad what he learned in Sunday

School. He stood up tall and said, “Children obey your parents in the Lord for this is right.” He was praised but immediately began to disobey his parents. He was rebuked but then he asked, “Daddy what is a 'parent'?”

The Apostle Paul reminds us to outgrow this concept of freedom and realize our individual responsibility as citizens of a free nation. See I Cor. 13; Rom. 13:1-10. We must return to the great principles on which this country was built (Cf. 2 Chron. 7:14).

We also need to be reminded that the people of God are citizens of another country. The Apostle Paul tells us that “our citizenship is in heaven” (Phil. 3:20). Thus, let us display the spirit of Christ in our daily lives so we can remind all of the spirit of real liberty He made available at Calvary (See Rom. 5:8; 6:4).

On The Lighter Side: On his deathbed a business man named six bankers as his pallbearers and explained that they had carried him so long that they might as well finish the job....Also, a certain lady requested all women as pallbearers stating that since men would not take her out while living that they would not do so when she was dead.

Sentence Sermons: He who arises from his prayer a better man, his prayer is answered....Why do folks have to die to be praised? Let us give the roses now while the aroma can provide the intended purpose.

There will be a baby shower for Rodney and Mallory McDonald next Sunday, July 13, from 2-4 pm at the Hohenwald Church of Christ. Rodney and Mallory are expecting a boy, Clayton "Phenix" McDonald, and they are registered at Target and Walmart.

Money Tree

If you would like to donate to a money tree for the McDonalds, please give your money to Lori Hill, Rose Spears or Betsy Tiller.

Bridal Shower



The ladies of Lomax invite you to a bridal shower in honor of Erica Morrow, bride-elect of Ryan Taylor. The shower will be Sunday, July 20, from 2 -3:30 pm in the Christian Service Center. Ryan and Erica are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Ye Peddler.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 6/29	
A.M. Bible Class	165
A.M. Worship Service	
P.M. Worship Service	
Wednesday PM	154
Contribution:	\$7,263.88
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:
The Holy Spirit
(Ephesians 5:18)**

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

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord...”
Psalm 33:12

As we honor our national heritage, consider these quotations from history that may give us some wisdom about how to handle our future:

“Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.” John Adams

“Can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the Gift of God?” Thomas Jefferson

“We ought to be no less persuaded that the propitious smiles of Heaven can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right which Heaven itself has ordained.” George Washington

“We have been recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious Hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.... We have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.” Abraham Lincoln

“If you are on the wrong road, progress means doing an about-turn and walking back to the right road; and in that case, the man who turns back soonest is the most progressive man. And I think if you look at the present state of the world, it is pretty plain that humanity has been making some big mistakes. We are on the wrong road. And if that is so, we must go back. Going back is the quickest way on.” C. S. Lewis

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