

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

This past week has been a busy week for us. Two long-time members of this congregation have gone to be with the Lord, and we have grieved our loss even as we celebrated their lives of faith. *Austin Rasbury* and *Jessie Lawson* have both been preventing from attending our services for some time now. As time and age stole Austin's use of his body and Jessie's use of her mind, they both held onto their faith. The stories of the history of this congregation are full of tales about these two and their family members. Sister Lawson had been a member of the congregation here since it began. The writer of Hebrews mentions a "cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1) who cheer us on in our Christian race, and this past week that cloud of great, faithful witnesses grew by two. May our God and Father grant these families peace and comfort as they grieve their losses, and may He give us faith and courage to follow the examples of these two Christian soldiers even as they followed Christ's example.

Be in prayer about our upcoming Friends and Family Day on September 14. Why not invite someone now? Tell them to mark that date on their calendar and make sure you make a special effort to be here that Sunday, as well. There will also be a special All-Age Devotional after our services that afternoon.

Congratulations to *Tonya Hensley* who was named an All-American cheerleader from our own Raiders cheer squad. Way to go Tonya! We're proud of you!

-David

A special welcome to our guests!

We are glad to have you visit with us today! You are welcome here. We know you have a choice of where to go, and you have chosen to worship 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, there are ushers in the lobby who 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 of if we can help you, please let us know while you are here or by calling 796-5381.

5th Sunday

Today is a fifth

Sunday. Our contribution will go toward the building fund.



Be gathering your clean winter clothes in anticipation of this great project!



One of Our Own

If you have an address for one of our college students, please give it to Heather Salisbury or e-mail it to lomax@mlec.net.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick:

Delicia Reeves has been diagnosed with mono.

LaFon Griner has shingles.

Theresa Whitehead had an appendectomy and a cyst removed Friday at Maury Regional Hospital. She is recovering at home now.

Sharon Edwards will have surgery Sept. 9.

Chuck Williams, uncle of *Mylie McKissack*, had open heart surgery this past Thursday in Arizona.

Kasey Foster, sister of *Lori Hill*, has been having several medical tests.

Charles Griffin, brother of *Lee Tatum*, is in very serious condition in Dickson.

Continue to remember *Carma Edwards*, *Zebedee Skelton*, *Robert Hill*, *Frank Harris*, *Dexter Beavers*, *Kim Osborne*, *Beverly Judd*, and *Jeff Sisk*.

Sympathy: We express our sympathy to the family of *Austin Rasbury* who died Saturday, Aug. 23. His funeral was this past Monday.

We also express our sympathy to the family of *Jessie Lawson*. Mrs. Lawson passed away Tuesday; her funeral was Thursday.

Lawrence Kinzie's grandfather passed away this past week. Lawrence is in Iraq and was unable to attend the funeral. Keep him and his family in your prayers.

Shut-ins: *Bitha Bullion* and *Ruth Craig*.

In the nursing home: *Hazel Hinson*, *Anne White*, and *Michelle Huff*.

Remember our military: *Tim Baur*, *Andrew Rogers*, *Lawrence Kinzie*, *David Sublett* (brother of *Kelly Willis*), and *Tommy Iverson*.

A NOTE OF



No wonder there's such warmth behind the thanks this brings your way—Your special kindness brought such joy, it really made the day—

And when any group of people does the thoughtful things you do,

It's hard to find words warm enough to thank each one of you!

We thank each of you for everything you did to help us with Anna and Greg's wedding.

J. W. and Wilma Churchwell

If you can help prepare food for the Freed-Hardeman students who will be having lunch here



next Sunday, Sept. 7, please sign the list on the table in the foyer.

September 2003						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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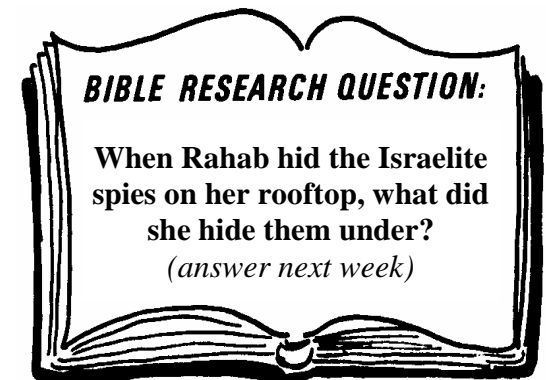
Mark Your Calendars!
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BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

When Rahab hid the Israelite spies on her rooftop, what did she hide them under?

(answer next week)

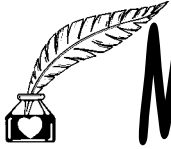


KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Happy Birthdays!

Everyone is invited to an 87th Birthday Party for Hershel Spears today from 2:00—3:00 pm in the Christian Service Center. No gifts, please.





Meditations with Malcom



Birthdays and Anniversaries

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS. We are glad that you came our way. You are always welcome at Lomax. Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM...Some of our folks are out of town but we are fortunate to have visitors come our way and we trust that you are having a great Labor Day weekend....We plan to be leave following classes to preach at Salem this morning but are looking forward to seeing everyone at 6:00. We are also looking forward to honoring a great man this afternoon in the Christian Service Center.....**Labor Day** is a time to honor those who helped us reach this point in our American way....a day of rest....and a time of thanksgiving, so let us not be influenced by the following family:

THE GRUMBLE FAMILY

There's a family nobody likes to meet, they live, it is said, on Complaining Street, in the city of Never- Are-Satisfied with the river of Discontent beside.

They growl at that and they growl at this, Whatever comes there is something amiss; And whether their station be high or humble, They are known by the name of Grumble.

The weather is always too hot or too cold, Summer and winter alike they scold; Nothing goes right with the folks you meet down on that gloomy Complaining Street.

They growl at the rain and they growl at the sun, In fact, their growling is never done.

And if everything pleased them, there isn't a doubt that they would growl that there was nothing to grumble about.



But the queerest thing is that not one of the same can be brought to acknowledge his family name, For never a grumbler will own that he is connected with it at all, you see.

And the worst thing is that if anyone stays with them too long he will learn their ways, And before he dreams of the terrible jumble, He's been adopted into the family of Grumble.

So it were wisest to keep our feet from wandering into Complaining Street;

And never to growl, whatever we do, lest we be mistaken for Grumblers, too.

No matter if things do sometimes go wrong, And then, be our station high or humble,

We'll never belong to the family of **Grumble!** (Contrast Psalm 100).

- 9/2 Trent Hill
Hershel Spears
Larry Tatum
- 9/3 Bonnie O'Brien
- 9/4 Jennie Burdett
- 9/5 Jack Williams
Lisa Peery
- 9/6 J.W. Churchwell
Heather Hudgins
Kathy O'Brien
- 9/9 Blake Farr
- 9/10 Lori Hill
- 9/12 Mary Lou Morton
Nick McClain
Pop Hinson
Beryl Wynne
- 9/13 Ricky Morrow
Sarah Landis
- 9/14 Thelma Johns
- 9/15 Howard Spears
Lynn Tiller
- 9/17 Martha Chandler
- 9/18 Sherry Holt
- 9/20 Andy Lawson
- 9/21 Melissa Hopkins
- 9/22 Lacey Sisco
- 9/23 Eli Dye
Jana Grimes
- 9/24 Barbara Hinson
Cindy Morrow
- 9/25 Brooke Duncan
Cody Bates
Gene Bunch
John Smith
- 9/26 Baillie Rasbury
- 9/29 Anna Churchwell Jones
- 9/30 Mallory Clayton
Dot Turnbow

Anniversaries:

- 9/1 Mike & Kathy O'Brien
- 9/4 Bobby & Debbie
Hickerson
- 9/5 Jimmy & Connie Morton
- 9/6 Bill & Jane Lawson
- 9/16 Dennis & Janet Johnson
- 9/17 Jeffrey & Gwen Hinson
- 9/29 Darryl & Sherry Holt

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 8/24	
A.M. Bible Class	204
A.M. Worship Service	295
P.M. Worship Service	200
Wednesday Bible Class	179
Contribution:	\$4,486.30
Weekly Budget	\$4,800.00

Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:
Romans
(Romans 11:17)

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David Salisbury - Minister

Malcom George - Minister

ELDERS:
Steve Edwards
Rick Morrow
Bill Lawson
Don Owens
Yogie Spears

DEACONS:

Greg Amacher	Pop Hinson
Dale Askins	Darryl Holt
J.W. Churchwell	Bobby Page
Ralph Conkle	Dan Spears
Jeff Dye	Jeff Spears
Matthew Farr	Marty Spears
Dave Guzy	Larry Tatum
Trent Hill	Walt Thompson
Mike Hinson	Lynn Tiller

Schedule of Services

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

The Last Word



We have two poems by our own "Lomax Poet" who wishes to remain anonymous (though you might ask *Martha Chandler* if she has any clues as to this mystery poet's identity). As we remember the lives of *Austin Rasbury* and *Jessie Lawson*, perhaps these verses will help us to cherish the good times and look forward to an eternity with them as well.

In Memoriam:

Austin Rasbury

*We lay another soul to rest, No more this earth to roam.
He fought up to the very end, And he's going home.*

*We will miss this gentle soul, His quiet voice now hollow.
But he has left a pattern true, We'd all do well to follow.*

*And though we grieve for him now, He waits for us we know,
To cross the chasm deep and wide, And leave this land below.*

Jessie Lawson

*Yet so soon we grieve again;
God has called our Jessie home.
We'll miss this lovely Christian lady,
No more with us this land she'll roam.*

*A loving family she leaves behind,
As well as friends galore,
So now she'll be laid to rest
To meet us on that distant shore.*

*She leaves for us a fine example
That we well could imitate
So let us live with that in mind
Ready to enter Heaven's
gate.*



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