

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

What a great week we had last week! Our Trunk or Treat went well Sunday night with lots of cars decorated and plenty of little spooks making the rounds. Tuesday night was our Fall Festival. Our 7th-12th graders really outdid themselves this year. Everything went so well and the little kids had a great time. It was especially good to see *Chad and Lisa Moorehead* with their three kids, *Audrey, Emilee, and Trey*. We also had a surprise visit from *Jerry and Pam Elder*, as well.

Tonight we will have a special All Age Devotional. Everyone is invited to come and hear *Kirk Haston* speak to us. Bring finger foods and drinks, and we'll enjoy some good volleyball after the devo.

This Saturday is our congregational workday. Any able bodied workers (men, women, or children!) who would like to help this Saturday, please sign up in the lobby and be here Saturday morning at 9:00am. We plan to be done around lunch time. If you have any jobs that we can do (yard work, cleaning out gutters, etc), please see *David, Malcom, or Dave Guzy*.

Also on Saturday, don't miss the information about the Kids' Rally at the Northview congregation in Columbia. This is a great opportunity for our Kindergarten—6th grade kids.

If you can help us coordinate the Christmas turkey dinner, please see *Dave Guzy* today.

There are many great opportunities for service and fellowship coming up. Find your place & do your part! -*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.



Tonight after services!

Kirk Haston, speaker

**Please bring finger foods,
drinks, and desserts.**

**We'll play (or watch others
play) volleyball in the CSC
after the devotional .**



Who? Anyone in the congregation who can work
When? This Saturday at 9:00 am to about lunch.

Where? Meet at the CSC
What do we need? Sign up today if you can come. Bring work gloves and wear work clothes. If you can bring a ladder or pickup, please do.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Marjorie Graves is home from the hospital.
Howard Edward Spears is home from the hospital.
Hollis Nutt, brother of *Mann Nutt*, is not doing well.
 Continue to remember *Jarrod Jordan* (extensive tests), *Cherry Guzy* (recovering from mono), and *Marcy Hayes* (cousin of *Kim Bryant*, has cancer).

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

In Lewis County Manor: *Ersie Duncan, Lockie Sharp, Hazel Hinson, Anne White, and Michelle Huff.*

Remember our military: *Tim Baur, Justin Conkle*, grandson of *Ralph and Sue Conkle*, and *Jamie Vansandt*, brother-in-law of *Lori Hill*.



The Day School staff would like to thank you all for the generous donations you have made each month. The supplies you have given us have helped a great deal. We have everything we need for the rest of this calendar year. We will publish another list again in January. Thank you again for all your help.

A Look Ahead

Put these dates on your calendar!



Nov. 10 — Fall Work Day

Nov. 10 — Kids Rally @ Northview

Nov. 10 — FHU Homecoming

Nov. 11 — Make Thanksgiving decorations for Nursing Home

Nov. 14 — Teen Meal

Nov. 14 — Deliver Nursing Home decorations

Nov. 18 — Youth Committee Meeting

Nov 23-25 — Cathey's Creek Youth Rally

Dec. 2 — Make Decorations for Nursing Home

Dec. 2 — Adult Christmas Party at the Morrow's

Dec. 5 — Deliver Nursing Home Decorations

Dec. 8 — MS Ice Skating Trip

Dec. 15 — HS Ice Skating Trip

Dec. 16 — Deliver Cookie Tins

Dec. 16 — All Age Devotional

Dec. 22 — Community Holiday Meal

Dec. 30 — Friends & Family Day



Congratulations to *Mark and Julie Whitehead* on the birth of a daughter, *Brylee Faith*. *Brylee* was born Wednesday, October 31. Mom and baby are doing fine.

Kids' Rally at Northview

For kids in K-6th grade
 We will leave Saturday at 9:00 am and return at 3:00 p.m.
 If you have not signed up but would like to go, please see Trent Hill or Matthew Farr.



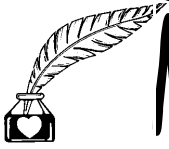
Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

- Registration money is due to Trent or Lori Hill today.
- All those involved in Web Design (and their parents!) will meet today at 5:00 in the CSC.

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who was the only queen to rule Judah? (answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom

Spotlight on the Day School

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all our visitors! We are glad you came our way...Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wednesdays at 10 AM and 7 PM...We will miss seeing you folks today since I am scheduled to speak at Twomey (Centerville)...Our thanks to Bill Rogers for driving the bus last Tuesday...Remember the special work day on the 10th.....November is upon us once again and it is one of my favorite months of the year. It is a month designed to help us *Count Our Blessings!* The 100th Psalm is a good place to start and rejoice because of the message of the following article submitted for all to read:

MERCY AND FORGIVENESS.....The Bible tells us that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). In sinning we transgress the Law of the Almighty Creator (1 Jno. 3:4). The end of sin is death (Rom. 6:20ff.). Therefore, we are all in need of mercy.

While the wages of sin is death, *“the gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord”* (Rom. 6:23). God’s grace has made eternal life possible, when death is what we deserve (Eph. 2:8-10). What joy, what thanksgiving, what peace, what harmony, what tranquility! God has saved us from eternal separation. He has saved us from the second death (Rev. 21:8). In order for God to make such forgiveness possible, a terrible price had to be paid. This included the blood atonement of His own begotten Son (Col. 1:14). Without this sacrifice there could be no remission of sins (Heb. 9:22). Jesus gave His life that we might have hope, peace, and true joy. We can receive this great gift by appropriating or responding to the gift by faith, repentance, confession, and baptism (Acts 2:37-47) and by daily walking in the steps of our example (1 Pet. 2:21). Yes, *“Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift”* (2 Cor. 9:15). And, let us not neglect so great a salvation (Heb. 2:3).



On The Lighter Side: Careless about appearance....A wife being asked for reasons or grounds for divorce, replied, “Judge, my husband has been very careless about his appearance.” Upon being asked to explain, she asserted, “The man hasn’t shown up for two years.”

Sentence Sermons: God will never arrive too late nor with too little for our needs...Safety is not absence of danger but the presence of God... With Christ in the vessel, I smile at the storm...Out of the brass of trials God fashions trumpets of triumph...The greatest tragedy is that which dies within a person while he is still living...Our youth and adults who overcome the problems, temptations, and trials of this age can be the strongest ever.

Our Spotlight shines this week on Reagan Webb, a member of the Tuesday/Thursday four year old class. Reagan is the daughter of Andy & Samantha Webb and the granddaughter of Dennis & Janet Johnson and Larry & Jerry Webb. Her favorite toy is her Ariel cell phone. Reagan likes to watch *Dora the Explorer* and she loves to sing. We’re glad to have these two kids in our Day School!



Reagan Webb

**BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 10/28**

A.M. Bible Class	170
A.M. Worship Service	
P.M. Worship Service	
Wednesday PM	146
Contribution:	\$5,270.55
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:
Jehu (2 Kings 9:24,27)

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

"What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding" 1 Cor. 14:15a

A recent article by Mike Benson made me think and I wanted to share it:

TO SAY THAT I like a good taco is something of an understatement...

I typically go by the local "Bell" about three times a week for a late lunch. I tend to order the same thing. The same lady stands behind the counter. For several months we've met across the cash register. She's never looked me in the eye. She always says the same thing after I've placed my order. Always. ALWAYS. I've got it memorized. Obviously she does too. "Your order number is... Thank you, have a good day and come back." It's rote. She's said it over and over. The statement has no meaning to me ... or evidently to her. It's agonizing to hear. She's never smiled. She's never said anything different. Even the inflection in her voice is the same. I almost cringe when she says it now. It's kind of like fingernails scratching on a chalkboard. "Your order number is... Thank you, have a good day and come back."

I do "come back," but not for the happy counter help.

I sometimes wonder if this is how God feels when we pray. We're inclined to use the same words and phrases and to make the same routine requests. It's like the lady at the local fast food restaurant. The order and wording is all too similar. Does the Almighty feel about our prayers like I feel about the lady's comments at TB? Does He think, "Say something different!" "Put your heart into it!" "Show some passion!" "Be sincere!"

It is easy to resort to idle chatter (e.g. repetitious language) when we talk to God, isn't it? That's because it demands little concentration or mental effort. But there is a subtle danger of falling into "pattern" prayer. If you spoke to your spouse using the same, empty, insincere, repetitive words on a daily basis, how would that affect your marriage? Would you be closer to him or her? Would there be an intimate verbal "tie" that drew the two of you together? Of course not. Since warm, genuine communication is an essential key to a good marriage, how can we think that poor, tedious communication will somehow enhance our bond with the Father in heaven? God is not impressed with the mindless recital of spiritual-sounding words; he is impressed and affected, however, by earnest (Luke 18:2-7), heartfelt (2 Corinthians 12:7,8; Matthew 26:39-44), and thoughtful prayers that flow from our inner souls (Psalm 88:13; Philipians 4:6).

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