

Lomax Messenger



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From the Elders:

We realize what a great pleasure, privilege, and responsibility it is to serve as your elders. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a very special new year. *"For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is*

among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.

For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another." (Romans 12:3-5)

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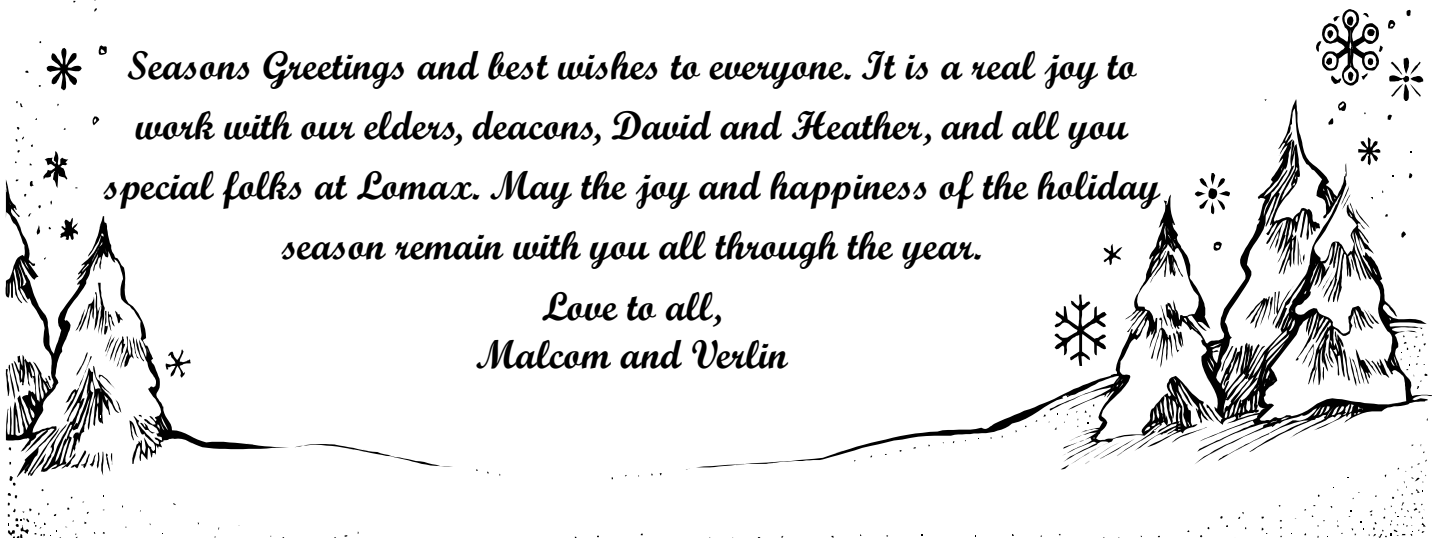
Merry Christmas From Our House to Yours!

At this time when our thoughts turn toward family and home, we are particularly thankful to be part of the Christian family here. We are proud to call Lomax home, and we love you all very much. It is a joy to work with the elders, deacons, and Malcom and Verlin. We pray the Lord will continue to bless this great congregation. Our future is bright and our direction is certain as we look toward the coming year. Thank you for all you do to make this place so special. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

David, Heather, and Abby

* Seasons Greetings and best wishes to everyone. It is a real joy to work with our elders, deacons, David and Heather, and all you special folks at Lomax. May the joy and happiness of the holiday season remain with you all through the year.

Love to all,
Malcom and Verlin



In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Juanita Page has been in the hospital but she is home now. *John Smith* is back in Vanderbilt Children's Hospital. He is hoping to come home for a short visit at Christmas.

Continue to remember *Ethel Poore, Pete Harris, Gene Bunch, Trevor Cotton, and David & Carolyn Miller.*

Sympathy: We express sympathy to *Mitzi Edwards* on the death of her grandmother, *Inez Anderson*. The funeral was this past Thursday in Cookeville.

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

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

Remember our military: *Jamie Vansandt*, brother-in-law of *Lori Hill, Reuben Oaks*, grandson of *Judy von Dollen, David Sublett*, brother of *Kelly Willis*, and *Steven Haywood*, fiance of *Lynzie Tiller.*



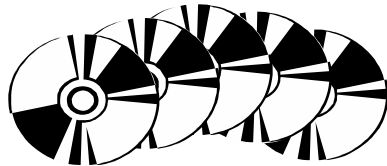
"Exercising Our Faith"

Learning about God from the Old Testament. Join us in 2007 as continue to learn and grow!

- ◆ We need your help! If you can help write "Our Daily Walk" for this next year, please sign the list on the table in the foyer.



Church Calendars for January through June of 2007 are available on the table in the back of the foyer.



Our Worship Services on DVD

We are now recording the auditorium Sunday morning Bible class and both worship services on DVD each week. If you would like a copy, there is a request box on the table in the lobby.

Friends and Family Day

Next Sunday, Dec. 31

- ◆ 9 am — Bible Class
- ◆ 10 am — Worship
- ◆ Fellowship meal in the CSC
- ◆ 1 pm — Worship



Invite a Friend

Invite a friend this week!!



A Chance to Make a Difference

If you would like to make a donation to help the family of John Smith with his medical expenses, you may give that to any elder before the end of the year.



SIGN UP TODAY!

If you can prepare the Lord's Supper for one month next year, please sign the list on the bulletin board in the foyer.

A Look Ahead

Put these dates on your calendar!



Dec. 31—Friends and Family Day

Jan. 3—Teen Meal

Jan. 7—All-Age Devo

Jan. 27—Leadership Planning

Breakfast; High School ice skating trip

Feb. 4—Friends and Family Day

Feb. 7—Teen Meal

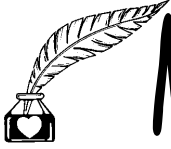
Feb. 10—Lazer Tag for 6-12 grade

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

How many "bowls of wrath" are there in Revelation 16?

(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



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 and 7:00...We hope that all our readers are having a great holiday weekend and that this same spirit will continue throughout the coming year. Remember that contentment is not based on circumstances and we are the ones that decide the outcome (Phil. 4:11)...The Primetimers are reminded of our birthday get-together following class this week...I am scheduled to speak at Beardstown this morning but looking forward to being at Lomax tonight....Also, I want to take this opportunity to **thank everyone** for the calls, cards, gifts, and special remembrances during this holiday season...The following end of the year evaluation was passed on to me:

MATURITY IS:

Maturity is the ability to control anger and settle differences without violence or destruction.

Maturity is patience, the willingness to pass up immediate pleasure in favor of long-term truthful gain.

Maturity is perseverance, the ability to sweat out a project or situation in spite of opposition or discouraging setbacks.

Maturity is unselfishness—responding to the needs of others, not only at this time of the year but as we have opportunity (Gal. 6:10).

Maturity is humility. It is being big enough to say “I was wrong.” And when right, the mature person need not say, “I told you so.”

Maturity is the ability to make a decision and stand by it (Josh. 24:15).

Maturity means dependability and making the world a better place in which to live.

On The Lighter Side: Sunday school teacher—“Now, Charlie, what can you tell me about Goliath?” Charlie—“Goliath was the man David rocked to sleep.” Also, Junior was asked if he behaved in church. “Course I did,” replied Junior. “I heard the lady back of us say she never saw a child behave so.”

Sentence Sermon: Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important. See I Pet. 3:1-4.



Birthdays:

- 2nd Faye Kilpatrick
- 3rd Ray Conner
Zebedee Skelton
- 4th J. R. Page
- 6th Lynzie Tiller
- 7th Heather Salisbury
- 10th Mia Hinson
- 11th Pam Askins
J. W. Curry
- 12th Brett Askins
Jean Curry
- 13th Brad Rasbury
- 14th Sharon Grinder
Jeff Spears
- 15th Ian Reynolds
- 17th Brian Hinson
Tiffany Jordan
Becky Pierce
- 18th Robena Gunter
Mylie McKissack
- 19th Marjean Doyle
Hayden Jordan
John Venable
- 20th Richard Amacher
Lucas Clayton
Lockie Sharp
- 21st Lisa Tatum
Brad Pierce
- 22nd Kathy Keeton
Judy von Dollen
- 24th Ruth Craig
- 26th Juanita Page
- 27th Kara Farr
Barbie Cameron
- 30th Evelyn Tatum

Anniversary:

- 19th Zebedee & Jean Skelton

**BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 12/17**

A.M. Bible Class	171
A.M. Worship Service	250
P.M. Worship Service	147
Wednesday PM	148
Contribution:	\$5,157.00
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:
24
(Revelation 11:16)

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

This truly will be the last word of 2006 since we will not have a bulletin next week. Heather, Abby, and I are truly grateful to be working here with all of you. Thanks to everyone who has given us gifts and cards this holiday season and to all of you who have helped us through the last several weeks. Words cannot adequately express how much we love you and appreciate you. We are excited about the future and all that it holds for our family and for all of us as a church family.

I hope you will make plans to be with us next week for our Friends and Family Day. I think the elders had a fabulous idea to have our final Friends and Family Day on New Year's Eve. We will celebrate our accomplishments this past year and look ahead to 2007. There is so much to be excited about in the coming months! Great things are happening at Lomax and we will all have the opportunity to be involved. We need you in 2007! Our elders have a great vision of where they want us to be, but it will only happen with your involvement and support. Make plans to do more than just be here in 2007— be involved!

A special thank you to *Rick and Cindy Morrow* for hosting our congregational Christmas Party last week. We had great attendance and a lot of fun! It is wonderful to get together and just enjoy being friends. One of the great things about being brothers and sisters in Christ is that the bonds that hold us together are not just bonds of faith, but also bonds of friendship and fellowship. We can get together and study God's Word and pray and talk about religious things, but we can also just be together and enjoy talking about everything from life lessons to work to football games. It's part of what makes us family and it's part of what makes the church unique. While others may share a common bond of friendship, our faith gives us an even deeper level of commitment to each other. We share more than just a similar view of life; we share a view of eternal life.

May God continue to bless us richly in the future as He has in the past and may we grow spiritually this coming year more than we ever have. May we come alive this year in service to Him and may all of us grow and mature in Christ as together we seek a deeper faith and stronger commitment to Him.

-David

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ELDERS:
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DEACONS:

Greg Amacher — *Maintenance*

J.W. Churchwell - *Transportation, Facilities*

Ralph Conkle — *Maintenance*

Jeff Dye — *Worship Assignments, Missions*

Matthew Farr — *Missions*

Trent Hill — *Youth, Visitation*

Mike Hinson — *Cemetery, Education, Youth*

Pop Hinson — *Marshall Islands Mission*

Jeff Spears — *Education, Youth*

Marty Spears — *Visitation, New Programs*

Larry Tatum — *Maintenance*

Walt Thompson — *Benevolence*

Lynn Tiller — *Facilities Usage*

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