

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

The weather may have kept some folks in last week but for those who were able to get out and be with us, it was a wonderful Sunday of worship together. Several of our young people began practicing in earnest for our Lads to Leaders program. It is exciting to see so many of our youth working to become better leaders in the Lord's church! It seems that every year I am more amazed at how much our kids grow and mature during their work preparing for these events. I am already excited about Sunday, March 28, when you will all get to see the results of their hard work.

We have a special treat tonight as the men of *Phi Kappa Alpha* from Freed-Hardeman University will be conducting our worship service. Our own *Alex Edwards* is the president of this club and they are having their annual officers' retreat here in Hohenwald this weekend. *Colton Shannon* is the chaplain of the club and will be speaking to us tonight. We're glad to have them with us!

Don't forget our fifth Sunday contribution in two weeks will go toward our Youth Fund. The money you give will be the budget for the youth program for the entire year. We do so many good things with our youth: please plan to give generously.

Bill asked me to mention that because of the new classroom space, we have been able to separate the 2 & 3 year old class and move some kids up from the nursery class. This is a great thing for the little ones as well as for the teachers.

These are good times to be a part of Lomax!

-DAVID

A special welcome to our guests!

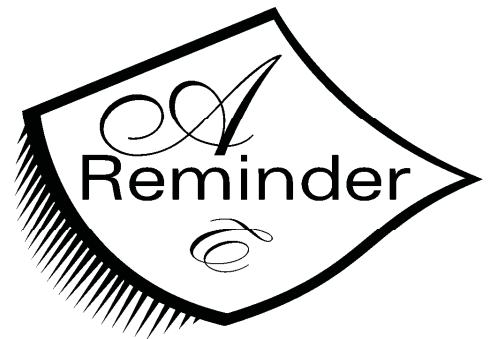
We are glad to have you visiting with us today! You are welcome here. We know you have a choice of where to worship, and you chose to be with us today — thank you.

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.




All of the ladies are invited to the home of Annette Peery tomorrow night, Jan. 18, at 6:30 for an evening of food and fellowship. Please sign the list in the foyer for food.



The Youth Committee will meet today at 12:30 at the Christian Service Center. See Jeff Dye if you have any questions.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Bill Rogers is undergoing radiation treatments for cancer.
Jacob Hill had his tonsils removed and tubes put in his ears this past Friday.
Larry Blackburn, brother-in-law of *Rosie Depriest*, has started cancer treatments.
Ray Mercer, grandfather of *Kayla Spears*, is in very serious condition in the hospital in Perry County.

Continue to remember: *Linda Edwards* (broken foot), *Jimmy Willis* (back surgery) and the following who are undergoing cancer treatments: *Jane Kinzie* (mother of *Lawrence Kinzie*), *Kara Vansandt* (sister of *Lori Hill*) and *Jewel Tatum*.

Shut-ins: *Robbie Breece*, *Bessie Edwards*, *Sharon Edwards*, *Carma Edwards*, and *Ilo Miller*.

In Lewis County Manor: *Marguerite Bullion*, *Jennie Burdette*, *Michelle Huff*, *Ethel Poore*, and *Ava Provance*.

Remember our military: *Kevin Wade* (brother of *Ryan Wade*), *Justin Conkle* and *Kerry Conkle* (grandsons of *Ralph and Sue Conkle*), *Dustin Brugmann* (grandson of *Jim & Sharon Grinder*), and *Matthew Pfaff* (nephew of *Erik Pfaff*).



The friends and family of **Brandy Duncan Love** are hosting a baby shower in her honor on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 31, from 1:30 to 3:30 at the Lomax Christian Service Center. Brandy and Joel are expecting a girl, Abby Brooke. They are registered at Wal-Mart, Padoodles and Molly Anna's.

Special Offering

Two weeks from today, Jan. 31, is a fifth Sunday. The contribution that day will be the **Youth Fund** for this year.



The 60+ Banquet this year will be Saturday, Feb. 20. If you can help with it, please see Matthew or Kara Farr.



**A Look Ahead
Put these dates
on your calendar!**

- Jan. 31** — Fifth Sunday Contribution for Youth Fund
- Feb. 6** — Leadership Planning Day
- Feb. 7** — Friends & Family Day
- Feb. 20** — 60+ Banquet

Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes News

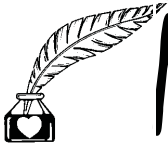
- Song Leading and the Little Disciples will meet **today** at 5:00.
- Girls Bible Reading will meet this Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 6 pm in the CSC.
- Next Sunday, Jan. 24, Boys and Girls Speech will meet at 4:30 and Boys Bible Reading will meet at 5:00.

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What did Ezekiel's edible scroll taste like in his mouth?

(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all our visitors. We are glad that you came our way...Remember our services tonight at 6:00 and on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM...The Prime Timers are reminded to be at the CSC this Monday (18th) at 10:25 for our trip to Bradley's. Also, our congratulations to Robena who will be 93 years young on this date. Add to your calendar to remember to pray for the *planning meeting* on Feb. 6 and remind others of our *Friends & Family Day* on Feb. 7 and the *Annual FHU Bible Lectures* on Feb. 7-12.

PROPER COLLECTABLES FOR THE NEW YEAR: Jesus reminds us "*Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*" (Matt. 6:19-21).

All of us collect things. Some collect items with monetary value, and some collect things with little or no value to anybody but themselves. I once collected coins and certain pocket knives but situations today have indicated a change. Disciplined collecting can be fun as may of you readers know, but there is also a danger of being so caught up in this *hobby* that we lose track of reality. Max Edwards gave me a church bulletin with the following story about a man who once collected junk. His back yard was totally full of bits and pieces that he had collected over the years. When he died it took three big trucks to haul off the junk. From the road his home looked like most of the other homes in the suburban street.



Inside his house everything was as neat as a pin. But you could not see much of the back yard because of "junk." As a result his collection deprived him and his wife from enjoying the back yard and in the end resulted in a lot of work for someone before the house could be sold.

It is true that we all collect "our treasures" along the way. Some of you know that we enjoy yard sales, but every day we need to be able to separate the junk from valuables and learn that it is "*...More blessed to give than receive*" Let us know when you are planning a Yard Sale!!!

On The Lighter Side: A song leader arrived late at church and forgot his teeth. A member on the front pew reached in his pocket and handed him a set. "No, they're too tight," he responded ...and he was handed another set that fit perfectly. After service the song leader thanked him and asked if he was a dentist. "Nope!" he answered. "Undertaker."

Sentence Sermon: "You still have plenty of time" —Signed *Satan*.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 1/10	
A.M. Bible Class	153
A.M. Worship Service	207
P.M. Worship Service	132
Wednesday PM	171
Contribution:	\$
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:
Melchizedek
(Genesis 14:18)**

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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Ralph Conkle — *Maintenance*
Jeff Dye — *Missions, Youth*
Matthew Farr — *Missions, Visitation, Youth*
Trent Hill — *Visitation, Youth*
Jeff Spears — *Education, Youth*
Larry Tatum — *Maintenance*
Walt Thompson — *Benevolence*
Lynn Tiller — *Facilities Usage*

The Last Word

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, who is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea; ...that you help her in whatever matter she may have need of you; for she herself has also been a helper of many, and of myself as well. Romans 16:1-2

The worst earthquake in over 200 years rocked the city of Port-au-Prince, Haiti last week. As I write this, it is believed that over three million people have been displaced and the Red Cross says as many as 50,000 people may have been killed. Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere and their capital city has been devastated by this tragic event. The response by brethren has been incredible. Healing Hands International, a church of Christ relief effort, is working through the Estes congregation in Henderson, TN and other congregations to collect funds to pay for the supplies which have already been sent. Less than 24 hours after the quake hit, many government leaders were making speeches about how they would introduce legislation to send money to Haiti to help with the costs. Many military units were mobilizing to leave for Haiti. And yet, in that first 24 hours, the first people to arrive to help came in the name of Jesus Christ. While much work will need to be done and many governments will need to play a part, it is those who follow the Great Physician that were able to respond first. It is those who have been called to have compassion on the poor and needy of the world who were ready to move at a moment's notice.

And I wonder, why does it take an earthquake for the world to notice the good that is done by those who follow Christ? Every day we are called to love our neighbors, to do good, to help all men and every day Christians live out that calling. It doesn't take an earthquake in another part of the world to stir our compassion. We must always be looking for the opportunities that come our way each day to demonstrate the love and compassion of Jesus Christ to the hurting and needy in our world. Can we be known, like Pheobe, as "a helper of many"?

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