

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

The calendar says summer doesn't officially begin until June 21, but for most of our teachers and students it started this past week. *Alex Edwards* and his fiancé *Ashley Brown* graduated from Freed-Hardeman last weekend. Our Day School graduation was Monday and Tuesday night. Thanks to everyone who helped those nights! We already have a waiting list for next year's classes! Special thanks to *Harriet Anderson*, *Sue Amacher*, *Kathy O'Brien*, and *Diana Runions* for the great work they do teaching the children in the Day School. Also, our Seniors graduated Friday night and school officially ended Saturday. Our young people do a good job representing their Lord, their faith, and the church in their daily lives. Our members who work in the school system also do a wonderful job of bringing their faith to work with them. That rubs off on the kids they teach. What an impact they can make for the Lord!

Don't forget our mission trip meeting today after morning services. If you can come to one day or several days of the trip, please come to the meeting. There is much work to do. We will be coordinating our work through the Centerville church of Christ each day. Make plans to be here and make a difference!

Lomax has gotten some good press lately. Did you read the letter to the editor in the *Herald* about our Loads of Love program? Also, the Elephant Sanctuary had a nice tribute to Bill Rogers in their latest newsletter. We give thanks for all the good work our members are doing in His name!

-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.

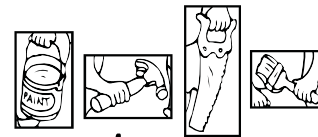
If you need anything during the service, ushers in the lobby can direct you to restrooms, the nursery, or a telephone. Please do us the favor of filling out a blue card located on the back of the pew in front of you. If you have any questions or if we can help you, please let us know while you are here or call 796-5381.



There will be an All Age Devo tonight after evening services. Please bring finger foods, drinks, & desserts.

Mission Meeting

This morning after services there will be a meeting for all those interested in participating in flood relief for the surrounding region. The local work will be June 2-5.




Work Project

5th Sunday Contribution
Next Sunday is the 5th Sunday of the month, and the elders have set aside that date to help the building fund. Let us remember what a great asset the new classrooms have been for the work of the church.

BUILDING
FUND

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Sick:

Ethel Poore is back in the Lewis County Manor following a stay in MRMC.

Beryl Wynne is at St. Thomas Hospital following cancer surgery and some complications.

Gene Kilpatrick will have surgery this Wednesday.

Brianna DeValcourt has some ongoing health issues and would like to be remembered in prayer.

Continue to remember: *Ilio Miller, Marjean Doyle, and Larry Blackburn* (brother-in-law of *Rosey DePriest*).

Shut-ins: *Bessie Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Carma Edwards, and Tiny Hinson.*

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

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*), *Matthew Pfaff* (nephew of *Erik Pfaff*) and *Matthew West* (grandson of *Boyd & Jeanette West*).

Youth Committee Meeting

There will be a Youth Committee meeting today at 4:30.

Please see Jeff Dye for details.

Youth Committee



Mowing Schedule

There is a sign up sheet in the foyer. Please help us keep the grounds trim!



A Look Ahead
Put these dates on your calendar!



May 23-26—Sweetwater meeting, Tracey Love, speaker

May 30—5th Sunday contribution

June 2—Teen Meal

June 2-5—Local Mission Work

June 6—Friends and Family Day

June 6-9—Linden meeting, Lance Foster, speaker

Bridal Shower

There will be a shower today from 2 to 3:30 in the Christian Service Center for Jessica Parker, bride-elect of Kyle Hamm.



Don't Forget!

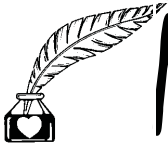
Please be sure to put your completed involvement forms in the baskets in the foyer.



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who assassinated king Joash?
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Meditations with Malcom

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all our visitors. We rejoice that you have come our way and welcome you to all of our services...Our thanks to all who helped with the Day School graduation activities of this past week... Remember that this coming Sunday is a fifth Sunday and another opportunity to *prove our love* by our regular liberality... You noted that in our bulletin article last week we emphasized that we find what we are looking for. We want to continue in this vein for another week:

THE BLACK DOT Verlin has been known to use the following illustration in a Ladies' Bible class or Ladies' Days. She would take a white cardboard and place a small black dot in the middle of the board.

"What do you see?" she would ask.

"A spot," was the general answer without hesitation.

She would then ask, "What else do you see?" And many would wonder what else there was to see.

"You see only the spot," she replied, which some folks thought might represent the troubles of their life. Then she would point out that they had overlooked the massive white space that made up the rest of the board. She would remind them that many of us overlook the obvious or forget the many blessing we have by focusing on the minor.

The same thing can happen in our lives when we get so engrossed in our problems and forget to *count our blessings and name them one by one*. We are not able to see the forest for the trees (Cf. Psa. 100). God's people belong to a perfect Kingdom (Matt. 16:18; Acts 2:37-47; Col.

1:13, etc.) but this kingdom is made up of imperfect people. We rejoice that we can be continually cleansed by the blood of Christ as we walk in the light (1 John 1:7). We should look on the bright side and never lose sight of the many good activities accomplished at Lomax. We rejoice over the peace and harmony that our Shepherds provide. We see the Disaster Relief Work, LLL activities, Day School, Youth Rallies, GYIDE, mission efforts, excellent Bible programs, etc.

*Praise
GOD!
from
WHOM
ALL
blessings
FLOW*

Yes...in church work, marriage, family situations, whatever we face, let us always FOCUS ON THE LARGER SPACE! (Phil. 4:13)

On The Lighter Side: All men make mistakes, but married men find out about it sooner. — Red Skelton

Sermon Briefs: Let us never forget to call or send *thank you* notes. What if we only had ten minutes to live and found that we couldn't make any phone calls?...If you fail to plan you are planning to fail...People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care... Someone has reminded us that we should not make a habit of telling others our troubles since 80% don't care and the other 20% are glad. However, this doesn't mean that God's people cannot bear or share! (Gal. 6:1-5)



Thank You!

Thanks to those who donated the lawn furniture and VCRs to the day school. We are still in need of some riding toys (tricycles, big wheels, small bikes, etc.). If you can help, please see Sue Amacher.

*Mr. and Mrs. David Daniel Brown request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter
Ashley Marie*

to

*Alexander Stephen Edwards
son of
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kirk
Edwards*

*on Saturday, the 12th of June
at four o'clock in the afternoon
East Main Church of Christ
216 East Main Street
Murfreesboro, Tennessee*

Reception following ceremony



**BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 5/16**

A.M. Bible Class	192
A.M. Worship Service	261
P.M. Worship Service	180
Wednesday PM	163
Contribution:	\$5,052.00
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
Tiberius Caesar's picture.
(Matthew 21:19-20; Luke 3:1)

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

The Last Word

"...Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth." Rev. 1:5

This is not new, but it's always good to remember! Summer is here and with it comes summer clothing. And with summer clothing comes the struggle to find modest clothing. Unfortunately, the world cares nothing for God's standards for how we should dress. It is embarrassing to walk around in public places and see so many people wearing so little clothing. Society has made it difficult to stand up for God's standards of modesty. But make no mistake about it, the Bible does have much to say on the subject of modesty. From the beginning of time, as soon as sin entered the world, God knew that we need to be covered. And so He made garments of skin for Adam and Eve to cover their nakedness (Genesis 3:21). We can also note that Adam and Eve had already made garments of fig leaves but God still called them naked. So it is possible to be wearing clothes and still be considered naked by God.

Let me give you three principles regarding modest dress that will help you in determining what to wear. These are inspired by Rob Whitacre and an article called "Bringing out the Ruler."

- 1) *Godly attire always covered the thighs of a man and woman.* (Ex 28:40-43, Is 47:1-3). Exposing one's thighs was always considered nakedness in the sight of God.
- 2) *New Testament writers encouraged women to be "discreet" and "chaste" (Titus 2:5) and to "adorn themselves with modest apparel" (1 Tim. 2:5).* Our clothes should not be designed to draw attention to our bodies nor should we be embarrassed by what we wear if someone we respect sees us.
- 3) *There is a RULER we can use to address this issue.* If Christ is the ruler of our hearts, we should ask ourselves, Would I wear this and walk down the street with Jesus? Is what I am wearing going to invite others to sin? (Luke 17:1-2, Matt. 5:28) Is what I am wearing in harmony with all that is good and pure in life? (Phil. 4:8) May God help us to uphold His standards in every aspect of our lives!

-DAVID

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Matthew Farr — *Missions, Visitation, Youth*

Trent Hill — *Visitation, Youth*

Jeff Spears — *Education, Youth*

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