

Lomax Messenger



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Welcome to Lomax!

This is a VERY busy week for us! We start the news this week by introducing our preaching interns for the summer. This summer *Travis Amacher* returns and he is joined by *Lee Hudgins*. I'm excited about working with these two Christian young men. You'll be seeing more about their work in the future.

Today's contribution goes toward our building fund. We have done an amazing amount of work already with the new classrooms and the renovations. Our current plans are on hold until we build more capital in the budget. Your giving today will directly impact our ability to build for tomorrow!

Next week we will start a new program for our young people. On Monday nights at 6:30 all of our 7th-12th graders are invited to join us at the building for a period of Bible study, fun, and fellowship. We're calling this event Monday Night Matters. Come and discuss current topics from a Bible perspective. Make Monday nights matter!

Our church mission trip happens this week. I should probably put "trip" in quotation marks because we will all be able to sleep in our own beds each night. If you can come for just one day or for all four, please be at the final meeting this morning and sign up to help us out. This will be a great opportunity to make a real difference in our community. Thanks to so many of you who have already been working hard to share the love of the Lord with our neighbors!

Also, congratulations to *Mashaya Hinson* who will represent Lewis County at Girls' State this year! - *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.

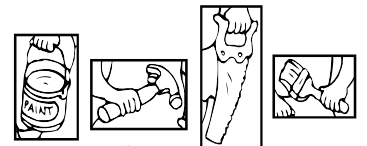
5th Sunday Contribution

**Today is the 5th Sunday
of the month, and 100%
of the contribution will go
to help the building fund.
Let us remember what a
great asset the new
classrooms are for the
work of the church.**



Mission Meeting

We will
have a
meeting
this
morning



Work Project

following services to give final
details on about our local
mission work June 2-5.

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In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick:

Dinah Poore fell and injured her shoulder and knee. She is recovering at home.

Carma Edwards has had several difficulties following surgery.

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

Gene Kilpatrick's surgery last week was postponed.

Sam Appleton is going through health problems.

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

Shut-ins: *Bessie Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Jewell Tatum, 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*).

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



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Monday Night Matters

7th-12th Graders!
Get ready for fun and fellowship this summer! Join us for Monday Night Matters every Monday at 6:30, beginning June 7. Bring your friends and bring your Bible. See Eric Amacher with questions

Reminder

If you signed up to donate items to Erik and Adrienne Pfaff for the work in Russia, those need to be put in the box in the foyer by **next Sunday, June 6.**

We Need The Following:

BUDGET REPORT

Financial reports for the first four months of 2010 are available in the foyer.



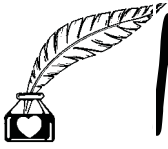
A Look Ahead
Put these dates on your calendar!

- June 2-5**—Local Mission Work
- June 6**—Friends and Family Day
- June 7**—Monday Night Matter
- June 6-9**—Linden meeting, Lance Foster, speaker
- June 6-9**—VBS at Brushy
- June 12**—Alex Edwards & Ashley Brown wedding
- June 13**—Elder/deacon meeting

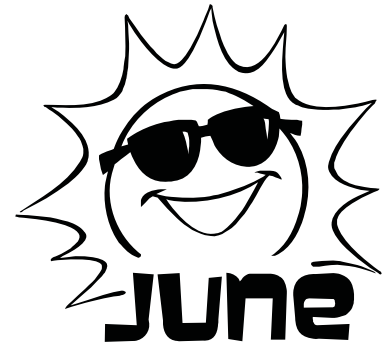
BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Which of Paul's letters end with "amen"?
(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...Thanks to all who *dug deeper* today for our building fund...Remember our area mission work on June 2-5...We enjoyed having thirty-plus in our class this past Wednesday morning including two youths...We will miss seeing you folks today since we are scheduled to be at Kimmins...Also, we hope you are having a great *Memorial Day* weekend.

The Song *Precious Memories* is 807 in our hymnal. It was written by John Wright who reflected on the loss of his parents and how their memory lingered through the years.

Charles Hodge writes how the song has become more precious to him in the passing of time. He also states that there are few things in life really important, and one of these is *precious memories*. Paul wrote to Timothy with precious memories concerning Timothy's grandmother, mother, and Timothy himself (2 Tim. 1:5).

Memorial Day



Memorial Day is still a reminder of all who gave their lives that we may have freedom. It is also a reminder of all who serve our country now. We are so prone to forget. Someone has said that, of all the human feelings, gratitude has the shortest memory. It is so easy to forget our parents, children, partner, priorities, friends, etc. We all need reminders. Fond memories can bring comfort and peace as we reflect on things that are so precious.

Also, we have the privilege of choosing what we remember. Paul reminds us to control our thoughts so that the positive memories control us (see Phil. 4:8). However, he tells us not to dwell too long on the past, but go forward (Phil. 3:13,14).

Many of us may not be able to leave a vast amount of material things for our families, but let us never forget that one of our greatest gifts we can pass on is *precious memories*. As people die, they can continue to live by precious memories that grow sweeter as the years go by.

On The Lighter Side: June will be here by the time many of you read this, and you know that many marriages will take place. People learn to live with differences and make the most of the situation. However, one soon-to-be husband sent a note to the preacher and thanked him for bringing his happiness to a conclusion. Soon after the marriage he went to the court house to find out when his license would expire! But now his wife gets back at him...She tells folks at get-togethers that if it wasn't for her husband they would be one of the nicest couples in town.

Sentence Sermon: No one drowns because they fall in water but because they stay there.

Birthdays:

- 6th Carolyn Spears
- 8th Madison Carroll
- 9th Dinah Poore
- 10th Abby Salisbury
RoyeAnn Weaks
- 12th Deanna Dunavant
- 13th Tommy Clayton
- 14th Sharon Edwards
Demetria Reeves
- 15th Katelyn Collison
Jeffrey Hinson
- 17th Gwen Hinson
- 19th Rose Lynn Depriest
Debbie Spears
Martha Vaughan
- 22nd Houston Hamblin
- 25th Mia Amacher
Lindsey Himes
- 28th Andrew Rogers
- 29th Jeff Cameron
Samantha Webb
- 30th Theresa Whitehead

Anniversaries:

- 5th Paul & Faye Chandler
- 12th Steve & Mitzi Edwards
Max & Carma Edwards
- 16th Bob & Lovada Burklow
Mike & Mia Hinson
- 18th Ryan & Donya Wade
- 19th J.W. & Wilma Churchwell
- 20th Gene & Nell Bunch
Marty & Debbie Spears
- 22nd Rick & Fran Hamblin
- 26th Richard & Sue Amacher
- 30th Ishmael & Jody Bunch

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 5/23	
A.M. Bible Class	183
A.M. Worship Service	241
P.M. Worship Service	154
Wednesday PM	178
Contribution:	\$4,804.20
Weekly Budget	\$5,700.00

**Last week's Know
Your Bible answer:**
His servants,
Zabad and Jehozabad.
(II Chronicles 24:25-26)

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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David Salisbury - Minister
Malcom George - Minister

ELDERS:
Richard Amacher
Steve Edwards
Dave Guzy
Bill Lawson
Rick Morrow
Dan Spears
Yogie Spears

DEACONS:
J.W. Churchwell—*Transportation,
Facilities*
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

“Now, I urge you, brothers — you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints — be subject to such as these, and to every fellow worker and laborer.” 1 Corinthians 16:15-16

There are several passages we tend to look at when talking about church leadership. It's hard to talk about elders and deacons without discussing Paul's words to Timothy and Titus. We usually examine Peter's advice to fellow elders, also. The events recorded in Acts 6 are also helpful in discussing both leadership and church work. But there are other passages which should also enter into our discussion. One such passage is 1 Corinthians 16:15-16. Paul writes to the church at Corinth to encourage them to follow their leaders. And he gives an interesting qualification of leaders. The household of Stephanas was the first to be converted in that area and Paul lists them as leaders. But that isn't why they should be followed. The quality that distinguishes them as leaders is that “they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints.” It is their desire to serve and work that makes them worthy of our devotion and following.

What a great quality to emphasize in our leaders! It is wonderful to see so many here who have that same devotion to service. A hard working elder or deacon is a powerful influence for good at a congregation. But anyone who has a heart for service has a quality of leadership. Bad things will always happen at the church when we ignore this important principle! Conversely, when we follow those who lead us in work, we are blessed.

While it is a good thing to talk about as a leadership principle, it is important to note that Paul is talking about “followership” not leadership here. His emphasis is that we should follow those who are doing the work. We are commanded to place ourselves in subjection to such leaders. Whether it is on our mission trip or in our ministries here, the command is that we should be working for God all the time. Let's get busy!

-DAVID

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