

THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST M E S S E N G E R

A place to <u>belong</u>. A place to be <u>loved</u>. A place to <u>serve</u> God and others.

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Making Decisions

What should I wear today? Where do I want to go and eat? Who should I marry? Where will I go to college? What career do I want? Should I become a Christian? These are but a few of the countless decisions we each face during the course of our lifetime. Have you ever wondered why some people make bad decisions over and over again while others seem to do the opposite? The answer lies in the decision making process. To make positive decisions we must base our decision making based on the principles of God's word. Here are a few guidelines to consider:

- **Pray** (James 1:5) Any major decision should be preceded by a lot of prayer. The true essence of prayer is to submit to God and not to try and manipulate God to agree with us.
- Search The Scriptures (Psalm 119:104-105) For Christians, the main thing we should be focused on is "What is God's Will/" This can only be answered after spending time in God's word.
- **Get Advice** (Proverbs 12:15) Seeking wise counsel is very important. Trust the wisdom and experience of others who have been where you are. The best advise comes from the spiritually mature.

There is no simple formula for making decisions but with much prayer, searching God's word, and seeking the advice of Godly spiritually mature, and trustworthy individuals. We all wish occasionally that God would just tell us what His will is for our life like He did with Paul on the road to Damascus. That would be so much easier. Yet, God expects us to utilize all the resources He has made available to us to understand His direction in our lives. Here are a few helpful questions to ask:

- 1. Is my decision based on selfishness?
- 2. Is my decision based on frustration or desperation?
- 3. Have I allowed God time to work?
- 4. Is my decision based on unrealistic dreams or expectations for my life?
- 5. Is negative peer-pressure a factor?
- 6. Have I considered what effects my decision will have on others.
- 7. Have I learned from my past mistakes in decision-making? May we resolve to make the best choices big or small, which will please God and enable us to lead lives in His service.

-Jon Hackett

Welcome to Lomax!

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 a family meal night
Wednesday, <u>September 7th</u>
at 5:00 pm in the CSC.
Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the food, fun and fellowship. **See** Please see
Kara for details on food.



<u>Sick:</u> Janice Johnston is in St. Thomas Hospital for tests after falling. Helen McCann, the grandmother of Molly McCann is in Maury Regional in serious condition. Doug Miller, the brother-in-law of Cynthia Kilpatrick is dealing with cancer. **Ophelia Green** is in Vanderbilt Hospital and in need of our prayers. **Bill Judkins**, the son-in-law of Nadine Turnbow is in serious condition.

Please remember all those who have been or are currently dealing with the COVID Virus.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Oscar Hinson, the uncle of Gary Hinson. He passed away Wednesday, August 24th in Colorado Springs, Colorado. No arrangements are available at this time. Sympathy to the friends and family of Steve Berg, the friend of Hershel Anderson. He passed away Wednesday, August 24th in Jacksonville, Florida. No arrangements are available at this time. Sympathy to the friends and family of Kerri Anthony. She passed away Wednesday, August 31st. No arrangements have been made at this time.

Continue to remember: Barbara Baker, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Christy Dickey, Dustin Flowers, LaFon Griner, Greg Hankins, Calvin Harris, Gene Kilpatrick, Freida Lewis, Claire Mayberry, Michael McCann, Howard Miller, Joe Morton, Gary O'Brien, David Roth, Roy Sharp, Barbara Tatum—Life Care of Centerville, Nadine Turnbow, Charles Williams, and Jerry Yates.

Shut-ins: Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: Michelle Huff, and Betty Stafford.

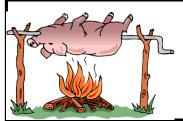
Remember our military: Dustin Brugmann (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton), Brindan Jancuska (son of Dave & Tammie Tranovich) and Austin Pierce (grandson of Rocco & Debbie Pierce).





September 11th will be our Friends & Family Day. Services will be 9:00 Sunday School -10:00 worship.

We will have a meal following morning services and afternoon service around 12:45.



G.Y.I.D.E. BBQ is Saturday, Sept. 24th from 4:00—6:00 pm at Yogie's Offices



Food For Friends: September 8th

Team 6 (Kay & Annette)

If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am



Our monthly Food for Families distribution is

Thursday, September 15th

If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.

Day School Donations

If you can help by supplying some of these items it will be greatly appreciated:

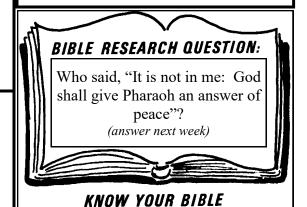
Clorox Wipes

Please put these items in the box in the church office in the foyer.



September 7—Family Meal Night
September 9-10—Diana Singing
September 10 - Girls Day @ East Main in M'Boro
September 11—Friends & Family Day
September 17—Sandy Hook Ladies Day w/
Kara Farr speaking
September 17—Buffing Floors in CSC
September 24—GYIDE BBQ
September 30—Lomax Singing

October 7-9—R.U.S.H. @ FHU
October 15—Pumpkin Patch trip to Holiday Acres.
October 20—Primetimers trip to Country View
Market at Charlotte, TN @ 3:00 meal and shopping.
October 21-23—ERUPT Youth Rally in a Cave.





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On September 7th, 1813 the United States government got a nickname "Uncle Sam." The nickname came about from a meat packer Samuel Wilson who supplied barrels of beef to the US army during the war of 1812. While the barrels were stamped with "US" for United States, soldiers began to refer to them as "Uncle Sam's" grub. A local newspaper picked up on the name and Uncle Sam became the nickname for the U.S. federal government. During WWI the image here came about as Uncle Sam was saying, "I want you for the U.S. army."

In Acts 11:26 we find a nickname given "And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called **Christians** first in Antioch." Sometimes a nickname is given in satire. This name whether or not the Romans stationed in Antioch gave it in satire or not they and we proudly wear it. To belong to Christ is such an honor 1st Peter 2:21 "For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps." We are committed to Christ. We follow his example. We follow his steps. When someone comes up to you and asks are you a **Christian**, be proud to answer, "I am."

Lomax Student Ministry

Future Events

September 7th,October 5th, November 2nd: Family Meal Night

September 10th: Girls Day at East Main

October 15th: Pumpkin Patch

October 26th: Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat

October 29th: Lomax Halloween Party at the Hamm's

November 6th: Area wide Youth service

December 19th: Caroling

Dates Needed: Friendsgiving, Youth Christmas party, game night,

6th-12th grade monthly devotionals want to host? Talk to Brice or

Saul

Travel Events: Sign up In Foyer

Rush October 7th-9th Erupt October 21st-23rd CYC February 24th-26th Lads to Leaders April 6th-9th



Thieves of Time

- Dwelling on past mistakes...
- Failing to make decisions...
- Failing to follow through on plans...
- Procrastinating...
- Laziness...
- Not sticking to the task at hand...
- Doubting God's ability to help...



Last day to get pictures made for the new church directory is Sunday, September 11th. Please see Tammy Toft for any questions.



Bridal Brunch honoring
Brooklyn Carroll
bride-elect of Jaylon Koward
on Saturday, October 8th from
10:00 - 12:00 p.m. at the
Lomax CSC. Brooklyn is registered
at Wal-Mart and Amazon
If you can give to the money tree,

Community Christmas Dinner/ Coat and Toy Givearray

All of our toys and coats that was left from last years Dinner and Coat/Toy Drive were delivered to Mayfield, Kentucky. We are in need of your generosity again this year. Please begin bringing in toys and coats to prepare for December 10th event.

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 8/28

A.M. Bible Class	133
A.M. Worship Service	202
P.M. Worship Service	116
Wednesday PM	131
Contribution:	\$5,103.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,000.00

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study — 9:00 am
Worship Services — 10:00 am
Sunday Evening — 6:00 pm
Wednesday Primetimers - 10:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study — 6:00 pm

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer:

> Peter Acts 10:15



Please continue to check out the Visitation Notebook in the foyer for updated information.

ELDERS:

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DEACONS

Matthew Farr
(Special Events, CSC Scheduling)
Colby Hamm
(Young Families Ministry)
Chris Hunter
(Visitation)
Greg Mullinicks

(Audio/Visual, Bulletin)

Jeff Spears

(Education)

Marty Spears

(Finance)





September 9th - 10th

Begins at 7:30 PM

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