



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

*A place to belong. A place to be loved.  
A place to serve God and others.*

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## The Great Lion!

I heard this illustration and thought it was worth sharing. No matter how long it lives, the Greatest Lion will eventually die, usually in a miserable way. At their peak, they rule, chase other animals, catch devours, gulp & leave their leftovers for the hyenas and other vultures. But age comes quickly.

The lion grows older and soon he can't hunt, kill, or defend himself. He simply can roam and roar until he runs out of luck and the hyenas corner him. Then, they start to nibble and eat him alive. They won't even let him die before he is dismembered.

This is just one example that should remind us that life is short. Power is fleeting. Physical beauty is short-lived. You can see it in the life of a lion. You can see it in the life of people. You have seen it in the corporate world.

How many of us have seen so called powerful CEO's, CFO's, Politicians, Athletes, etc.... who ruled their world with iron fist, with lack of character, and lack of ethics as they humiliate those around them. The truth is everyone who lives long enough will become weak and very vulnerable.

Therefore, we need to be reminded that God calls His children to be different, to be humble. We are to be different from the world. We are to help the sick, the weak, the vulnerable, and most importantly never forget that we will one day leave this earth and at that moment all that will matter is how we lived our lives for Christ while we had the chance.

In Christ,  
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.



**TODAY, February 12th is 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 begins around 12:45.**



**Our Thoughts  
and Prayers  
are With you**

**Sick:** **Mike Tatum** will have surgery on February 28th. Please pray for Mike and Lisa in this decision. **Debbie Pierce** will begin chemo. treatments beginning February 7th and continue for 3 months. **Betty Hinson** will have shoulder surgery March 2nd. **Jack Floyd**, the grandson of Tommy & Sandra Clayton, had successful heart surgery, but continues to remain in Vanderbilt. **T. R. Runions**, the brother-in-law of Marcia Runions is in Maury Regional and doing better.

**Sympathy** to the friends and family of **Tony "Pineapple" Barber** who passed away Tuesday, February 7th. Funeral was held Friday, February 10th.

**Continue to remember:** June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Faye Chandler, Spencer Clark, Jean Curry, Sheila Dean, Christy Dickey, Mark Dillahay, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Verlin George, Ophelia Green, LaFon Griner, Don Johns, Bill Judkins, Gene Kilpatrick, Claire Mayberry, Terry McDonald, Sarah McMillian, Doug Miller, Howard Miller, Joe Morton, Al Pogue, Sandra Pogue, Johnnie Faye Skelton, Barbara Tatum—Life Care of Centerville, Mike Tatum, Leona White, and Jerry Yates.

**Shut-ins:** Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

**In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:** Michelle Huff, Claudine Nutt, 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), **Jon Lower** (friend of the Robersons) and **Austin Pierce** (grandson of Rocco & Debbie Pierce).



**Food For Friends:  
February 16th**

**Team 6 (Kay & Annette)**  
If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am



**Food  
for Families**

**Our monthly Food for Families  
distribution is**

**Thursday, February 16th**

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.

**Thank you!**



Sunday Evening at the  
**Freed-Hardeman University  
Lectureships,**

Bro. Malcom George was recognized for his years of preaching, his years attending the Lectures but most importantly, his years of Christian service.



**February 14**—Valentines Day

**February 17-18**—CSC Floor Cleaning

**February 20**—Presidents Day Devo.

**February 24-26**—CYC

**March 4**—Over 60's Banquet @5:00

**March 7**—Chapel Devo.

**March 10**—Singing at Flatrock

**March 11**—Bowling Trip

**March 12**—Time Change—Spring Forward

**March 18**—Cook Breakfast for  
Kitchen Ladies

**March 19**—Youth Rally "Distracted"

**THIS DO  
IN REMEMBRANCE  
OF ME**

If you can help prepare the Lord's Supper in 2023, please sign the list in the foyer. Begins in March.



**Over 60's Banquet  
Saturday, March 4th  
at 5:00 pm.  
Sign-up sheets are in the  
foyer.  
Make plans to attend.**

**BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:**

What is Paul's advice to the rich?  
(answer next week)

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**





# Boo's Belyeu



This past week at the Freed Hardeman University lectures they honored Malcom with a display at the opening reception. Malcom had attended the lectures for 71 years. You can see above where Greg and I took him last year. It was a good day. Doug Burleson Lecutership Committee Chair said this of Malcom as he invited everyone to the reception where a display will honor him, "He was a good brother and friend". Every year we ask members of the "50 Years Club" (those who have attended the Lectures for at least 50 years to take a photo after chapel. I always enjoyed seeing Bro. George at this time and thanking him for attending the Lectures once again."

## A Christian Needs a Super Bowl Discipline

Today is Superbowl Sunday. As I thought about "The Big Game," I remembered something that Coach Tom Landry once said. According to the former Dallas Cowboy, "The job of a football coach is to make men do what they don't want to do, in order to achieve what they've always wanted to be."

The truth is most of us want to win. We just don't want it bad enough to suffer. We just don't want it bad enough to do what it takes to win. The winner is one who is disciplined. Without discipline, one cannot excel in any sport.

Likewise, if we want to win in our spiritual lives, we must be willing to incorporate discipline in everything we do. The Apostle Paul talked about this when he wrote: "Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training" (1 Corinthians 9:25a). Christians need discipline to remain faithful and receive the crown of life.

*Larry Fitzgerald  
Woodlawn church of Christ  
Abilene, TX*

### LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

February and March Events!  
Make plans to attend!

**February 20th**  
6th-12th grade  
Games and Devotional  
on President's Day.  
3pm-6pm at the Van  
Hook's House

**February 24th-26th**  
CYC

**March 1st**  
Family Meal Night at 5pm

**March 4th**  
Over 60s banquet. If you  
want to help tell Kara or  
one of the YM's

**March 7th**  
Chapel Devo

**March 11th**  
Bowling Trip

**March 19th**  
Sunday Evening Youth  
Service  
Carter Hoover Speaking

**Camp Sign-ups**  
(There are funds available to  
help pay for camp. Talk to one  
of the elders or Brice if you or  
your child would like to attend  
a camp)

**Horizons (7th-12th grade)**  
July 2nd-7th

Leadership camp on Freed-  
Hardeman's  
campus

**Mid-South Youth Camp**  
(Ages 9-18)  
Multiple different weeks to go.  
Bible Summer Camp in  
Henderson, TN

**Camp Meribah (Centerville)**  
Day Camp (Ages 4-9)  
Mini-Meribah (K-5th)  
Youth Week (1st-5th grade,  
Teen Week (6th-12th grade)  
Sign-ups in April  
Centervillechurchofchrist.org/Su  
mmercamp

#### Meet the Youth Ministers!

If you have any questions or  
need anything come find us  
or contact us!



Saul Calderon  
Phone:  
817-905-5324

#### Come Join Us!

Pewpackers every Sunday at  
5:45! Classes for all ages at 9 am  
Sunday and 6pm Wednesday



Brice  
Van Hook  
Phone:  
636-639-0153

## Definition of a Christian

He has a mind and knows it.  
He has a will and shows it.  
He sees the way and goes it.  
He draws the line and toes it.

He has a chance and takes it.  
A friendly hand, he shakes it.  
A rule, he never breaks it.  
If there's not time, he makes it.

He loves the truth, stands by it.  
And always tries to show it  
To whomever may deny it  
Or openly defy it.

He hears a lie and slays it.  
He owes a debt and pays it.  
And as I have heard him praise it.  
He knows the game and plays it.

He sees the path Christ trod,  
And holds the hand of God.

**BY THE NUMBERS**  
For the week of 02/05

A.M. Bible Class	156
A.M. Worship Service	234
P.M. Worship Service	113
Wednesday PM	151
Contribution:	\$8,893.00
Weekly Budget	\$8,000.00

**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



Any couples interested in going to Gatlinburg—**October 6-8**, please let

Jon or Rachel Hackett or Matthew or Kara Farr know.

We need a number of those going by Sunday, February 12th or Wednesday, February 15th.

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Saul Calderon—817-905-5324  
Brice Van Hook—636-639-0153

**Lomax Christian Day School**  
796-7373

**Last week's Know Your Bible Answer:**

**Peter, when worshipped in the house of Cornelius Acts 10:26**



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

**ELDERS:**

Jeff Dye — 306-8463  
John Eglinton—446-5646  
Rick Morrow —615-430-6663  
Mike Parker—628-2961  
(Please leave a message)

**DEACONS**

**Matthew Farr**  
(Special Events, CSC Scheduling)  
**Colby Hamm**  
(Young Families Ministry, Audio Visual)  
**Chris Hunter**  
(Visitation)  
**Greg Mullinicks**  
(Missions, Bulletin)  
**Jeff Spears**  
(Education)  
**Marty Spears**  
(Finance)

**BE SAFE**  
From COVID-19

Are You Listening?



Pigeon Forge Feb 24-26  
2023



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