



# THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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

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**Power for Today**  
**Jon Hackett**  
Pulpit Minister

**Today's Sermon Topics**  
*Sunday AM*  
*True Lies—Being Good Is Enough*  
  
*Sunday PM*  
*True Lies—You Only Live Once*

## 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, or the nursery.

Please fill out a blue attendance card located on the back of the pew in front of you or scan the QR Code to the right. If you have any questions or if we can help you, please let us know while you are here or call our church office at (931) 796-5381.



### WHEN CHRIST ENTERS

At least four times in the gospel narrative we read of Jesus entering someone's home. If Jesus were to come to your home, what would He see?

- Would He see respect for authority?
- Would He see recognition of the status of every person?
- Would He see regular Bible study and prayer?
- Would He see good influence?
- Would He see godly marriages?
- Would He see godly parents?
- Would He see hospitality?
- Would He see wholesome amusement?
- Would He see good associations?



Is Christ an honored guest or an unwelcome intruder in your home? Think about it.

## Primetimers

**MAY 25th Trip to  
Storytellers Hideaway Farm and  
Museum**

**And Beacon Light Trip**

Bus will leave at 1:00 pm.  
Storytellers Museum at 2:00 pm  
Eat at Beacon Light at 4:00 pm.  
Sign up sheets will be out this week.



### LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST 2023 SUNDAY SUMMER SERIES

#### "FINDING PASSION"



**Greg Swindle**  
PRESIDENT & CEO,  
HERALD OF TRUTH



**Andy Connelly**  
DISCIPLESHIP MINISTER,  
CRIEVE HALL COC



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PRESIDENT,  
HERITAGE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY



**Jeremy Butt**  
MINISTER,  
NORTHVIEW COC



**Joshua Pappas**  
MINISTER,  
LA VERGNE COC



**Jon David Schwartz**  
YOUTH MINISTER,  
GRAYMERE COC

June - July, Sunday Evenings, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
320 Darbytown Rd., Hohenwald, TN 38462

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**Sick:** *Debbie Pierce* had emergency surgery to replace a stint at Vanderbilt. She is doing much better and hopes to come home this week. *Jerry Yates* remains in serious condition as he struggles with health issues. He cannot have visitors at this time and requests our prayers. *Sandra Pogue*, the aunt of Tammie Tranovich is now in a rehabilitation facility. *Rodney Lomax* had back surgery on Tuesday, May 16th. Everything went well and hopes to go home in a couple of days. *Catherine Davis*, former elementary teacher is in Centennial Hospital with congestive heart failure.

**Sympathy to the friends and family of**

**Continue to remember:** Tom Alford, Alice Ammons, Barbara Baker, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Sammy Brooks, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Faye Chandler, Spencer Clark, Jean Curry, Sheila Dean, Larry Devore, Christy Dickey, Mark Dillahay, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Jon Green, Ophelia Green, LaFon Griner, Betty Hinson, Gene Kilpatrick, Ginger Kilpatrick, Claire Mayberry, Terry McDonald, Doug Miller, Howard Miller, Joe Morton, Claudine Nutt, Debbie Pierce, Al Pogue, Sandra Pogue, Johnnie Faye Skelton, Mike Tatum, Leona White, 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), *Jon Lower* (friend of the Robersons) and *Austin Pierce* (grandson of Rocco & Debbie Pierce).



Please give your donations for the 4th of July Celebration to Derrick Staggs.



June 14th  
Matt Tiller of the Sheriff's Dept. to speak on Safety.



Next Sunday— May 21st is Friends & Family Day.

Services will be  
9:00 Sunday School  
10:00 Worship.

We will have our potluck meal following morning services and afternoon service begins around 12:45.



You are invited to a baby shower for Hannah Beachy on Sunday, May 28th from 1:00—2:30 pm at the Lomax CSC.

Hannah is registered at Amazon. See Kara Farr to donate to the money tree.



**Food For Friends:**  
**May 25th**

**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, June 15th**

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



**May 22nd**

End of School Devotional

@ Riley's River Lot.  
See Brice or Saul for more details.



**May 21**—Friends/Family Day

**May 22**—End of School Devo. @ Riley's River Lot.

**May 25**—Primitimers Trip Planned

**May 28**—Baby Shower for Hannah Beachy

**May 29**—Memorial Day

**June 2-3**—CSC Floor Cleaning

**June 7**—Family Meal Night

**June 9-10**—Diana Singing

**June 18**—Father's Day

**June 25-28**—Lomax VBS

**June 29**—Primitimers Amish Wagon Tour and lunch @ Shaffers—Ethridge

**BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:**

To whom did Saul say, "Thou shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a season?"  
(answer next week)

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**



# Boo's Belyeu

It's here the end of the school year the mark of summer beginning. Gen. 8:22 "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease." While June 21<sup>st</sup> is the official day to start summer, we find the ending of a school year is more official as children get ready for time at home. The Primetimers are set to jump into summer as well. After having to cancel the Storyteller Museum trip we have rescheduled it for this Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup>. One of our favorite stops is back on for the trip the Beacon Light will be visited for supper after our tour. 1<sup>st</sup> Thess. 5:11 "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." Our time together is for encouragement. Hope you will join us.



## Why Do Some People Take So Long?

"In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadows to blind those who don't." — Blaise Pascal

Physicist Pascal hit the nail on the head with this quote. Anyone who has taught and prayed for a loved one to obey the gospel – only to hear excuse after excuse – knows that Pascal was correct.

Many people do not accept the truth because they don't want to. The evidence of God's existence and his saving grace is all around us. But if they don't want to believe, no amount of begging, pleading or logic will make them do otherwise.

This is called "hardness of heart" in the Bible. This connection with faith is seen in Ephesians chapter four. "They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart" (Ephesians 4:18).

What is the solution? Don't give up! Continue to teach, continue to be a good example and continue to pray for your loved one's soul. I know a woman who was a godly wife and mother. She prayed and taught her unbelieving husband for their entire marriage. But he never obeyed the gospel. In the sunset of their years together, the wife died. At the funeral, the preacher said, "This good woman is in heaven – waiting for all who are faithful Christians to join her. But those who are not right with the Lord will not be joining her." The next Sunday, the widower walked down the aisle and asked to be baptized upon his repentance, faith and confession of Jesus Christ. He later said, "Praise God that my good wife never gave up on me."

*Larry Fitzgerald  
Woodlawn church of Christ  
Abilene, TX*

## Get Involved!

### LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

*Horizons and Mid-South Youth Camp.*

There are funds available to help your student pay for camp. Do not wait to sign up because they are quickly filling up. See Brice or Saul for more information.

*VBS (June 25th-28th)*

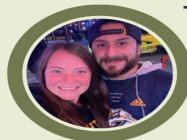
VBS sign-ups are posted in the foyer. We need one class teacher and other help.

*End of School-Devo*

May 22nd at the Riley's River Lot. Time: Starting at 2. We will be outside bring chairs and food for grilling. Do not bring swimwear as outerwear. Sign up sheet in foyer. See Rileys for directions.

**PEWPACKERS AT  
5:45 THIS  
SUNDAY!**

### YOUTH MINISTERS



**Saul Calderon**  
Phone:  
817-905-5324



**Brice Van Hook**  
Phone:  
636-639-0153

*Have a question?  
Need to contact us?*

Reach out! We are available for Bible studies or questions.

Looking for a church home? We would love to have you at Lomax

**BY THE NUMBERS**  
For the week of 05/14

A.M. Bible Class	127
A.M. Worship Service	251
P.M. Worship Service	96
Wednesday PM	129
Contribution:	\$8,797.0
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

**LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST VBS**  
JUNE 25TH-28TH



**PRAYSTATION**

**PRAYER HAS NO LIMITS**

Praise: Daniel and the Lion's Den

Repent: Jonah in the belly of the whale

Ask: Elijah and the Prophets of Baal

Yield: Jesus in the Garden

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**School**  
**796-7373**

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

**David, to Goliath**  
**I Samuel 17:47**



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**the Visitation Notebook in**  
**the foyer for updated**  
**information.**

**ELDERS:**

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(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

**Congratulations!**

Desi Ammons on being named  
Head Baseball Coach  
Columbia State Community College.  
Desi is the son of Lynn & Jan Ammons.



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