

THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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A Christmas wish from the elders:
"The one who looks into the perfect law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing." (James 1:25).
Our prayer is that this will be your goal for



Rachel, Catheríne, and I are extremely blessed to be a part of the famíly here at Lomax Church of Chríst. It ís our prayer that you have a blessed and Merry Chrístmas and a Happy New Year! Merry Christmas

I am very humbled to serve this past year as your Jamily Minister. Special joy to be with the Primetimers also. Merry Christmas and Happy New Uear.

Bo + Rase Spears

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Ton, Rachel, & Cat Hackelt



Sick: Verlin George fell Wednesday morning at home but only suffered some bruises. Sarah McMillian had surgery this week and recovering. Mark Dillahay requests our prayers as he is dealing with Stage 4 Cancer and started treatments Wednesday, December 14th. Jerry Yates is now at home but will begin treatments for cancer. Glenda Mitchell suffered a stroke and fell recently and is in critical condition and the family requests our prayers. Sheila Dean, the sister-in-law of Brenda Mash and cousin of Joyce Gilliam requests prayers as she is in the hospital having tests run. We have many who are sick at home as well dealing with flu symptoms. Please keep all our sick in your prayer

Sympathy to the friends and family of Malcom George. He passed away December 15th at home. Funeral services was held Monday, December 19th at Lomax. His graveside service was held the same day at Liberty Church Cemetery in Michie, Tennessee.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Leo Nutt, the brother of Mann Nutt. He passed away Sunday, December 18th in Cleveland, Texas. Graveside service was held Wednesday, December 21st in Livingston, Texas.

Sympathy to the friends and family of *Nadine Turnbow*. She passed away Thursday, December 22nd. No arrangements have been made at this time.

<u>Continue to remember</u>: June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Christy Dickey, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Verlin George, Ophelia Green, LaFon Griner, Bill Judkins, Gene Kilpatrick, Claire Mayberry, Terry McDonald, 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, Amy Ray and Betty Stafford.

<u>Remember our military:</u> *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).



Congratulations to Jack & Ashley Heath on the birth of their son, Waylon James Heath Born November 22, 2022. He was 6 lbs - 10 oz—19.5 in. long. Proud Grandparents are Bob & Kaye Cummings and Melissa David. Honorary grandparents are Barbara Hinson & Annette Peery.



 If you signed up for CYC we need your 50\$ deposit per person and an insurance form for each student going. This is due by this Sunday. If you cannot pay that before 12/25 you need to talk to Brice or Saul to make sure we know you still plan on coming. Your kind and thoughtful expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged

Lomax Church,

Words of thankfulness are not enough for the out pouring love you gave to my family during the passing of my Dad and my mom's husband, Malcom George. Please always remember how special he thought everyone at this church was. He loved you all.

Boo, Rose, Verlin & Family



KNOW YOUR BIBLE

A Tribute to Bro. Malcom Farris George. (July 10, 1930—December 15, 2022)



Malcom F. George was born July 10, 1930 in Michie, TN, the son of the late James Robert and Arbie Farris George. He was united in marriage to Verlin Horton on July 26, 1951. Malcom graduated from Michie High School in 1950. He earned an Associate degree in Bible from Freed-Hardeman College and a Bachelor's degree in Bible from David Lipscomb College. Malcom then attended Harding University where he earned a Master's in Counseling. He authored the book "The Role of the Preacher as Counselor" in 1956 and served as Director of the Middle East Bible Training College in Beirut, Lebanon from 1968 to 1970. Malcom served as a faithful minister of the Gospel for various churches of Christ since 1950 and was presently a member of the Lomax church of Christ in Hohenwald, TN.

Malcom departed this life on December 15, 2022 in Hohenwald, Tennessee at the age of 92 Years, 5 Months, 5 Days. He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Verlin (Horton) George of Hohenwald, TN; a daughter, Rose (George) Spears and husband Jeff of Hohenwald, TN; a son, David George and wife Sherry of Franklin, TN; six grandchildren: Jason George and wife Bridgett of Spring Hill, TN, Justin George and wife Reagan of Spring Hill, TN, Bree Barry and husband Cory of Panama City Beach, FL, Brandice Searcy and husband Trent of Spring Hill, TN, Brock Spears and wife Kayla of Hohenwald, TN, and Breena Carroll and husband Derick of Hohenwald, TN; eight great-grandchildren: Drucilla, Jaxon, Jameson, Beckett, Hudson, Rawlin, Orson, and Ryman; a sister, Jean Smith of Michie, TN; and a multititude of extended family and friends. In addition to his parents, Malcom was preceded in death by three brothers: General George, Ray George, and John George

David Salisbury wrote "For 12 years I was blessed to sit at the feet of brother Malcom George. He was my mentor, my hero, my partner, and my friend. I worked with him in my first full time work and even though he was part time, I was definitely the junior minister! For 12 years I was Malcom's wingman at every funeral. He was a professional encourager and celebrated joy and loved to laugh. He knew every preacher joke and every cliché in the brotherhood, but somehow he made them all real. His laugh was contagious and his smile could chase away every dark moment

Things I learned from Malcom George

M inistry must always be about people A lways alliterate or use an acronym in your sermon L ove everyone for who they are C ount everyone, because everyone counts! O verflow with love and laughter M ake sure you tell people you love them

Donnie Debord wrote, "The last time Malcom George and I did a funeral together he, as was his practice, quoted the 23rd Psalm. He was 89 then. He knew the Psalm and he knew the Shepherd. He was a man of faith, family, friends and food. He was and is a constant encourager. He lived a remarkable life and I trust he is enjoying a beautiful reward."

This is one of the last writings of Malcom's Meditations—July 8, 2020

OUR CHALLENGE IS TO REDEEM THE TIME, *Ephesians 5:15 and 16.* **it is a word used by Luke** to remind us to use time wisely and with accuracy; It reminds us to live with accuracy and use such to the glory of God. May each one of us wake up and get busy redeeming the time as we have time and opportunity. Don't wait till tomorrow but as Verlin would say; "This is the day the Lord hath made and we should use. It.' See Psalms 118:104.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE; Two antennas got married. The ceremony wasn't much but the reception was good.....And old lady at the bank asked if I could check her balance? So I pushed her over.

When Bro. Malcom would get ready to leave services, he would always say, "Well lets go to the poor house and he would just smile and laugh as he said it. He will not have to make that statement because he has made it to the riches and glory of heaven. In II Corinthians 5:1, "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

BY THE NUMBERS Lomax For the week of 11/18 **Church of Christ** 931-796-5381 A.M. Bible Class 168 Email: A.M. Worship Service 253 info@lomaxchurch.com P.M. Worship Service 102 Wednesday PM 111 **MINISTERS:** Contribution: \$7,823.00 Jon Hackett-251-295-1475 Jeff Spears—931-306-1362 Weekly Budget \$6,000.00 Saul Calderon-817-905-5324 **Schedule of Services** Brice Van Hook—636-639-0153 Sunday Bible Study — 9:00 am **Lomax Christian Day** Worship Services — 10:00 am Sunday Evening — 6:00 pm School Wednesday Primetimers - 10:00 am 796-7373 Wednesday Bible Study — 6:00 pm Janua Last week's Know Your **Bible Answer: Birthdays** 5th—Jerry Roberson John the Baptist 7th—Ivy Sloan John 1:29 10th—Mia Hinson 12th—Jean Curry Reminder 13th—Patrick Halfacre 14th—Sharon Grinder 14th—Boo Spears Please continue to check out 15th—Amy Carroll the Visitation Notebook in 17th—Brian Hinson the fover for updated 18th—Mvlie McKissack information. 19th—Ethan Owens 21st—Lisa Tatum 26th—Elli Carroll 27th—Wesley Everett The Lomax 27th—Kara Farr Congregation 30th—Jaxon Cagle has received a Anniversaries donation this past week to go to the Day **1st—Patrick & Vickie School Program in the** Halfacre memory of 1st—Jerry & Cathey Malcom George. Roberson

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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)



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