



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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Power for Today
Jon Hackett
Pulpit Minister



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.



WHAT DO WE SEE?

This past Monday I was at the monthly Ministers Lunch in Nashville. Our guest speaker was **Dr. Drake Jenkins**. He was speaking to us on his recent book, *“The Visitor’s View—How to Build a Flourishing Church.”* He was challenging all of us on how important it is to give attention to the intergenerational cultures within our congregations while keeping the biblical and scriptural integrity of the congregations, because each generational group thinks and acts differently, so allowing one generational group to be the only voice on how the church looks, acts, and evangelizes will actually hinder the congregation from reaching the lost and maintaining a healthy balance that allows the Church to grow. Dr. Jenkins challenged us to look at our congregation through the eye’s of the visitor. It is always healthy to stop from time to time and do some self-evaluation. I want to share a section of the book that he read to us on Monday. It really challenged me to stop and think. I hope it does the same for you.

“When people walk into our church communities, small groups, or congregational settings, they instantly begin to see and form thoughts about you and your church family based on first impressions, initial investments, aesthetics, spiritual insights, joy and exuberance, and your ability to build an evangelistic relationship. They will begin this process of visualization and ambiguous judgment in a matter of seconds of seeing you and viewing what you have to offer. The interesting thing about this process is that you do the same thing. You instantaneously view the viewer and begin you own ambiguous judgment in a matter of milliseconds. Thus the question that all Christians might consider is: What do you see? Do you see a visitor or a future family member? Do you see baggage or benefit? Do you see who they are or what Jesus can make them? Do you focus on where they are or where Jesus can take them? What do you see? Do you see their history or see their potential holiness? Do you see their mess or their ministry? Do you want them in your fold? When the visitor views you, how are you viewing them? (pages 207 &208)

Have a blessed week!
Jon Hackett

We Welcome to the Lomax Family



Tyler & Chelsey Seiber
**Hunter, Lukas, Kelly Ann &
Waylon**
428 Darbytown Rd.
Hohenwald, TN



Sick: *Dinah Poore* is now home following surgery for a broken arm.. *Debbie Pierce* is now at home. *Barbara Baker* is at home but dealing with blood pressure issues. *Kasey Baker*, the great niece of Lynn Tiller is in need of our prayers as she has multiple health issues. She will be going to Texas on July 31st to see a specialist to find out possible treatments. *Chris Conner*, the grandson of Lovada & Bob Bruklow is now at home recovering.

Sympathy to the friends and family of .

Continue to remember: *Barbara Baker, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Faye Chandler, Spencer Clark, Catherine Davis, Kenny Davis, Christy Dickey, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Ophelia Green, LaFon Griner, Wanda Holloway, Gene Kilpatrick, Claire Mayberry, Terry McDonald, Howard Miller, Claudine Nutt, Lonnie Odom, Judy Turner Pickler, Debbie Pierce, Al Pogue, Johnnie Faye Skelton, Melvis Staggs (NHC Columbia) and Jeff Tatum*

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), *Ian Clement* (grandson of Hershel & Sherrie Anderson), *Kerry Conkle* (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), *Jacob Fite* (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton), *Brindan Jancuska* (son of Dave & Tammie Tranovich), *Jon Lower* (husband of Paige Roberson Lower) and *Austin Pierce* (grandson of Rocco & Debbie Pierce).

**adopt a
STUDENT**

2023-2024

If you would like your Pre-K through College Age to participate, please pick up a form from Emily Van Hook or Kara.Farr.



Upcoming Singing

August 11th @ Aetna
August 19th @ Grinder's Creek
September 29th @ Lomax
Each Begin at 7:00 pm

Sept. 8th-9th—Diana Singing



Food For Friends:

August 17th

Team 4 (Betsy & Bonnie)

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, August 17th

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:

Animal Crackers

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

Thank you!



August 11—Singing at Aetna

August 18—Singing at Grinder's Creek

August 18-19—CSC Floor Cleaning

August 19—Kayak Trip

August 22—Chapel Devo

August 26—Church Softball Game

August 31—Primetimers Back to School "Never" Dinner potluck @ CYC

September 1—Singing at Summertown

September 4—Labor Day

September 6—Family Meal Night

September 8-9—Diana Singing

September 4—Labor Day

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who said "God did send me before you to preserve life"? To whom was he speaking?
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Boo's Belyeu

Day School is back in swing. Recently I took my play school equipment specialist to try out all the new stuff the elders and deacons put together for the Day School. The kiddos will be flying with the new airplane, soaring high in the new swings, a new tree house to climb up, monkey bars to cross, slides to go down and even a tire to just hang out. Matt. 19:14 "But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven."



A minister asked an older farmer, decked out in bib overalls, to say grace for the morning breakfast. "Lord, I hate buttermilk", the farmer began. The visiting minister opened one eye to glance at the farmer and wonder where this was going. The farmer loudly proclaimed, "Lord, I hate lard." Now the minister was growing concerned.

Without missing a beat, the farmer continued, "And Lord, you know I don't much care for raw white flour". The minister once again opened an eye to glance around the room and saw that he wasn't the only one to feel uncomfortable.

Then the farmer added, "But Lord, when you mix them all together and bake them, I do love warm fresh biscuits. So Lord, when things come up that we don't like, when life gets hard, when we don't understand what you're saying to us, help us to just relax and wait until you are done mixing. It will probably be even better than biscuits. Amen.

"Within that prayer there is great wisdom for all when it comes to complicated situations like we are experiencing in the world today. Stay strong, my friends, because our LORD is mixing several things that we don't really care for, but something even better is going to come when HE is done with it. AMEN!

Author Unknown

Lomax Student Ministry Future Events!

August 19th- Kayaking at Crazy Horse. This is for anyone, this is a great time with a group of all ages. The cost is 40 dollars and we will leave early Saturday morning.

August 26th-Parents vs Kids Softball Game at the building

August 29th- Chapel Devotional

September 3rd- Promotion Sunday, first day of new bible class quarter

September 9th- East Main Girls Day in Murfreesboro. For 6th-12th grade girls but interested intermediate school girls can go as well.

September 16th- Service Saturday, we will be doing service projects at Lomax and in the community.

September 22nd-24th- R.U.S.H at FHU. If you are interested in going see Brice or Emily. For 7th-12th graders

September 28th- Chapel Devotional

Want to host a youth devotional in your house for August??
Talk to Brice or Emily to sign up!

Keep on the lookout for more events coming as well!
Get Involved!



There are many dishes left in the Christian Service Center. If you have missing dishes, please come by and pick them up.

BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 08/06

A.M. Bible Class	148
A.M. Worship Service	242
P.M. Worship Service	113
Wednesday PM	117
Contribution:	\$ 8,445.00
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

THANK YOU

The Lomax Congregation received a donation to go to our Food for Friends Program from Dorothy Hickman and Catherine Davis.

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer:
Abraham, speaking to Isaac
Genesis 22:8

REMINDER

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

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(Please leave a message)

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Jeff Spears
(Education)
Marty Spears
(Finance)
Dan Toft
(Maintenance)
Brice Van Hook
(Social Media, Directory)
Jake White
(Lads to Leaders)

We will be collecting Bibles for people in South Africa. They need to be new or gently used. The following versions are asked

for:

KJV, NKJV, ESV, ASV and NASV.



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