

THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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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THE CORK PRINCIPLE

A cork placed in water will float on the surface. If that cork is forced then, fifty, or even a hundred feet below the surface of the water, it will rise to the surface again. However, if that same cork is submerged two hundred feet under water, it cannot rise to the surface because the pressure of the water at that depth is too great. A human soul is similar to a cork. A soul drowning in sin is enabled through Christ to overcome that sin and rise above it. But as a soul sinks deeper and deeper into sin, the danger becomes greater and greater that he or she will never be able to rise out of sin. Beware of the day when you become so deeply involved in the practice of sin that you cannot rise from its depths!

How far into sin and away from God have you wandered? It may be farther than you realize. Remember, there is a point to "no return" in sin -- when you reach the point where the Gospel of Christ no longer touches your heart, repentance is then impossible, and you are powerless to rise above sin. The good news, as long as your heart is open and willing to repent of your sin, Christ is AL-WAYS there and willing to forgive. The choice is yours. 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.





THE NEEDS Are great!

This month we will dedicate our "5th Sunday Contributon" to The Jadon's and the Nazareth Church of Christ in Israel.



Please pick up a copy of the Nazareth Church of Christ Newsletter to read more about the specific needs of the work during their difficult time.



<u>Sick:</u> Kay Parrish got good news from her procedure and will start treatments this week. Gary Hinson is at home following successful surgery. Marcia Runions is now at home and recovering—No Visitors at this time. Sue Conkle is now home following by-pass surgery. David Riley is now at home recovering from surgery. Mann Nutt is in local nursing home for rehabilitation. Wanda Holloway is dealing with more medical issues and is in need of our prayers. Darrell Hinson meets with surgeon about more tests and is in need of our prayers. Marian Dugger is in the local nursing home. Lillie Mitchell is in St. Thomas Midtown in serious condition but is improving and hoping to be moved for rehabilitation in Columbia.

<u>Sympathy:</u> To the family and friends

<u>Continue to remember:</u> Barbara Baker, Kasey Baker, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Faye Chandler, Spencer Clark, Christy Dickey, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Ophelia Green, LaFon Griner, Jeffrey Hinson, Wanda Holloway, Gene Kilpatrick, Claire Mayberry, Terry McDonald, Howard Miller, Collin O'Brien, Judy Turner Pickler, Debbie Pierce, Al Pogue, David Riley, Johnnie Faye Skelton, Dan Spears, Jeff Tatum and Jeannette West.

Shut-ins: Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: Marian Dugger, Michelle Huff, Mann Nutt and BettyStafford

<u>Remember our military:</u> *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) and Austin Pierce (grandson of Rocco & Debbie Pierce).

Food For Friends: <u>March 7th</u> Team 2 (Alice & Wilma) If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am.

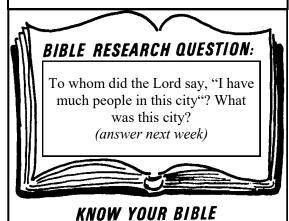


Our monthly Food for Families distribution is <u>Thursday, March 21st</u> If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.





<u>March 6</u>—Family Meal Night <u>March 8</u>—Singing @ Flatrock <u>March 10</u>—Time Change—Spring Forward <u>March 16</u>—Over 60's Banquet <u>March 24</u>—Friends/Family Day/Easter Egg Hunt <u>March 24</u>—Primetimer Trip—Grinder's Creek Gospel Meeting w/ Jon Hackett <u>March 31</u>—5th Sun. Cont.—Youth Fund <u>March 31</u>—Easter





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March 3 is the date Helen Keller met Anne Sullivan. Anne taught Helen who was deaf and blind. The movie "The Miracle Worker" described the incredible effort Anne made and the remarkable success of Helen.

We like to hear stories like this to think of individuals who make others better in life and the response of those who overcome life's adversities. We likewise have that opportunity spiritually 2nd Cor. 5:20 "Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." James 5:20 "Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins."

Lomax Youth Group

News and Updates:

- If you want to host a youth devotional in 2024, see Brice or Emily.
- If you have not paid for CYC yet pay Brice as soon as possible. 120\$ per person. See Brice with any questions.
- The bowling trip on March 2nd is postponed to a later date.
- New quarter starts today with the 6th-12th grade going through the book of James on Sunday morning.

Events:

- March 6th: Family Meal Night at 5pm see Kara to sign up, Spaghetti is on the menu.
- March 24th: Young men leading afternoon services and Easter Egg Hunt after afternoon services. Bring pre-filled eggs for the Easter egg hunt.



Brice Van Hook

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Keep Moving Forward

The nation of Israel had escaped slavery from Egypt. But now they found themselves being pursued by their former captors. At the shore of the Red Sea they felt that they were trapped. Many of them thought about going back to Egypt into slavery. Others were bemoaning their current dilemma. The LORD then said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward" (Exodus 14:15). Other Bible versions have God saying for them to "move on." God has always wanted His people to trust in Him and keep moving forward.

This got me to thinking about God's people today. Many seem to have the same mindset as the Israelites. Some desire to go back to their life they had before Christ (of living in the bondage of sin). Others do not look to the future with hope and bewail their current problems. But we need to be people who trust in God and keep moving forward. Don't look back—keep moving forward in faith, trust, hope, service, spiritual growth, love, forgiveness.

"Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all" (1 Timothy 4:15).

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BY THE	NUMBE	RS
For the w	eek of	2/25

A.M. Bible Class	125
A.M. Worship Service	200
P.M. Worship Service	115
Wednesday PM	147
Contribution:	\$8,792.00
Weekly Budget	\$9,000
March	Susan
Lord Supper	Parker

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 931-796-5381 Email: info@lomaxchurch.com

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Of the Capernaum Centerion Matthew 8:10

REMINDER

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



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