

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

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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### **POWER FOR TODAY**

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Pulpit Minister



#### What Lessons God Has Taught Me Playing Golf

By a Christian Who Can't Putt Straight to Save His Life

This past Monday I was blessed to play in a golf tournament with a close and personal friend of mine. It was good to hang out, catch up, and talk about family, career, and life. I love playing golf, but I don't get to play as much as I would like. I believe I'm one of the best Church of Christ preacher golfers out there. I have baptized more golf balls than anyone. Golf: the sport where you pay good money to walk around in the sun, yell at a tiny ball, and question your salvation after every double bogey. But believe it or not, God has used golf to teach me a few lessons... mostly about humility.

#### Lesson #1 - Pride Goes Before the Shank

There's nothing like hitting one great drive to make you feel like Tiger Woods. That is, until your next shot slices into a pond with the grace of a dying duck. Golf reminds me that "Let the one who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). In my case, fall into a sand trap.

#### Lesson #2 – Patience Is a Virtue... and a Requirement

Waiting on the group ahead, searching for lost balls, lining up that one putt (for the sixth time)—golf is patience boot camp. And I confess, I don't always pass. But James 1:4 says, "Let patience have its perfect work." God might be trying to make me holy on the 14th hole... or just keeping me from breaking a club.

#### Lesson #3 - Grace Is a Mulligan

If grace had a sports equivalent, it would be the mulligan. That beautiful, undeserved second chance. I've given myself so many mulligans that if I kept score honestly, I'd be in the triple digits. Thankfully, God gives more grace than I give myself strokes.

#### **Lesson #4 – Finish the Course**

Sometimes, I want to quit by hole 9. But golf, like life and faith, is about finishing the course. Paul said, "I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7). I want to say the same—hopefully without throwing my driver into the lake.

So, yes, God teaches through Scripture, sermons, and... occasionally, a terrible round of golf.

Fore!

Jon Hackett

### Welcome to Lomax

# 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.

(Scan QR Code with your phones camera and follow the link)







<u>Sick:</u> Terry McDonald, the father of Lorie White is in the hospital dealing with heart issues. Sandra Zoelle, the niece of Marcia Runions having complications following surgery.

<u>Sympathy:</u> To the family and friends of **Ophelia Green**, former Register of Deeds. Her funeral was held Saturday, May 3rd.

Continue to remember: Pittman Baker, Barbara Baker, Kasey Baker, Sharron Blake, Tina Bores, Lovada Burklow, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Ophelia Green, Sharon Grinder, LaFon Griner, Wilma Harris, Braden Hinson, Ruby Hinson, Awny Jadon, Gene Kilpatrick, Terry McDonald, Howard Miller, Lillie Mitchell, Brenda Nance, Gary O'Brien, & Al Pogue

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

### In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:

Pittman Baker, 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), Brindan Jancuska (son of Dave & Tammie Tranovich), Jon Lower (husband of Paige Roberson) and Austin Pierce (grandson of Rocco & Debbie Pierce).

# <u>- May 11 -</u> Graduation Recognition

# GRADUATION











Will Rogers

If you would like to contribute to our Lomax 2025 Seniors, please give to Rose or Kara.

Corbyn Harris Gregory Jones



### Food For Friends:

May 8th
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>Tuesday, May 20th</u>

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

The Lomax Christian Day School is now taking applications for the 2025-2026 school year. Applications may be found in the foyer. We try to place children attending the Lomax congregation first but send in your applications.



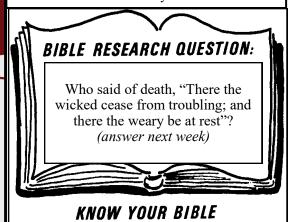
Thank you!



May 7—Family Meal Night
May 11—Graduation Recognition
May 31—Ladies Day@ Little Swan w/ Kara Farr

June 4—Family Meal Night
June 7-9—Cleaning in CSC
June 14—Over 60's Banquet
June 22—Friends & Family Day
June 29—5th Sun. Contribution—Day School

July 2—4th of July Celebration
July 13-16—Gospel Meeting & VBS with Jeremy
Weekly





# Boo's Belyeu





May is here. You may have heard the saying; don't buy anything you have to plant in a month that has no "r." Reason being they will need watering much more than the stuff planted in the "r" months. May, June, July, and August being the hot months requiring watering. It reminded me about a person coming to Christ. They will as we might say need watering, until they can take root. Ephesians 3:17 "So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love,"





## LOMAX YOUTH GROUP



AREA WIDE AT SOUTHGATE (6TH-12" GRADE) MAY 4TH LEAVING AT 4:30PM SIGN-UP IN FOYER



ARK ENCOUNTER TRIP
JUNE 9TH-11<sup>TH</sup>
SEE BRICE FOR QUESTIONS AND TO TELL YOU ARE INTERESTED. BRICE AND
EMILY ARE GOING TO TAKE A 6TH-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GROUP BUT FAMILIES ARE
WELCOME TO JOIN US AS WELL

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR CAMP YET?
TALK TO BRICE ABOUT SUMMER CAMPS!
CAMPS WILL START FILLING UP THIS WEEK!

# Three Words That Change Everything

There are three words, that if we really believe them, will change our perspective, our outlook, our attitude – our everything! What are they? Well, let's let one of the great people of faith, Abraham, tell us.

In Genesis 22, God asks Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac. Now, consider the fact that Isaac was the son that God promised Abraham and Sarah. He was the only one who could continue the lineage of Abraham's innumerable descendants, again as promised by God. And now, Abraham was asked to kill him! Abraham's faith in God caused him to trust and obey (Hebrews 11:17-19).

As they neared the spot God had designated to be the sacrificial place, Isaac asked his father, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" (Genesis 22:7). It is then that Abraham gives us the phrase to always remember – the phrase that changes everything: "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." (Genesis 22:8). And He did! After passing the test of faith in the motions of going through with the sacrifice, in the nick of time, God provided a ram to be the substitute (Genesis 22:9-14).

"God will provide." Believing and saying that reminds us that no matter the circumstances in our lives, God is in control and will always act on what is in our best interest at the proper time. We must, like Abraham, trust and obey and step forward in faith knowing that "God will provide."

Edd Sterchi Broadway church of Christ Campbellsville, KY

# BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 4/27

| A.M. Bible Class                    | 161                      |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| A.M. Worship<br>Service             | 230                      |
| P.M. Worship<br>Service             | 116                      |
| Wednesday PM                        | 165                      |
| Contribution:                       | \$8,463.47               |
| Weekly Budget<br>May<br>Lord Supper | \$9,000<br>Tammy<br>Toft |
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### 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



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### <u>Last week's Know Your</u> <u>Bible Answer:</u>

James James 3:18

# REMINDER

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**

**Lynn Ammons** 

(Worship Assignments)

**Wesley Carroll** 

(Transportation)

**Matthew Farr** 

(Special Events, CSC Scheduling)

**Colby Hamm** 

(Young Families Ministry, Audio Visual)

**James Howard** 

(Security)

**Greg Mullinicks** 

(Missions, Bulletin)

Lee Riley

(Men's Ministry, Education)

**Jeff Spears** 

(Visitation)

**Marty Spears** 

(Finance)

Dan Toft

(Maintenance)

**Brice Van Hook** 

(Social Media, Directory)

Jake White

(Lads to Leaders)

Lomax Christian Day School will present its Graduation Program on Monday, May 19th and Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00 in the evening in the Lomax auditorium. A reception will follow in the CSC. We are always grateful for the attendance of the members of Lomax. If you would like to volunteer, please see Jan HIII. If you can help serve Monday or Tuesday, be here at 7:00 pm.

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