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

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POWER FOR TODAY

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Common Excuses for Missing Evening Worship

By Jon Hackett

It's easy to make excuses for missing evening worship. Life is busy. Weekends are short. Mondays come fast. There is nothing for our children in the evenings. But sometimes the very things we use as excuses reveal how much we've lost sight of what really matters.

Some say, *"I already went this morning,"* as if one service fulfills their duty. Others claim, *"Sunday night is family time,"* forgetting that worship is the best family time of all — with God's family. Still others need to *"rest before Monday,"* putting physical rest above spiritual renewal.

We might think, *"The crowd is smaller; it's not the same,"* or *"It's just a repeat of the morning."* But every gathering brings its own message, encouragement, and opportunity to serve. Some insist, *"We watch online,"* yet convenience can never replace community. Others reason, *"It's not commanded in the Bible,"* overlooking Hebrews 10:24–25, which calls us to *"not neglect meeting together."*

Then there are the practical excuses: homework, work deadlines, bed-time for the kids, bad weather, or *"our only night off."* Yet we often push through those same obstacles for things that matter less; a game, a dinner, or a show.

The truth is, worshiping together strengthens our faith, deepens relationships, and refocuses our hearts before the week begins. Smaller gatherings often create a spirit of closeness and encouragement that large assemblies cannot.

When we say, *"We'll go next week,"* or *"I don't feel like it,"* we miss the blessings God has waiting for us tonight. Let's not let excuses rob us of spiritual growth. Instead, let's say, *"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord'"* (Psalm 122:1).

God doesn't just want your attendance, He wants your heart. And every opportunity to worship is an invitation to draw closer to Him.

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)



**LOMAX CHURCH
OF CHRIST**

**FRIENDS &
FAMILY DAY**

November 9th

320 DARBYTOWN RD.
HOHENWALD, TN. 38462

Sunday morning - 9:00
Sunday Worship - 10:00
Lunch - Immediately following worship
Afternoon service - 12:30



Sick: *Barbara Baker* is now home still dealing with health issues.. *Boyd West* is sick at home and requests our prayers. *Allen Dye* is in Tri-Star Skyline Hospital in Nashville following an accident. *Retha Raye Mullinicks*, the mother of Greg Mullinicks is back in Horizons Hospital dealing with health issues. Please remember in prayers.

Sympathy: To the family and friends of

Continue to remember: *Lovada Burklow, Andrea Darden, Dustin Flowers, Peggy Flowers, Wilma Harris, Braden Hinson, Awny Jadon, Ann McDonald, Howard Miller, Lillie Mitchell, Jeremy Pierce, Debbie Rasbury, Dennis Reynolds, David Riley, Marcia Runions, Riley Stutts and Bill Tranovich*

Shut-ins: *Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner*

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:
Michelle Huff, Elise Skelton and Betty Stafford

Remember our military : *Dustin Brugmann* (grandson of 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).



Food For Friends: November 13th Team (Betty & Betty)

If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am.



Food for Families

Our monthly Food for Families
distribution is

Tuesday, November 18th

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

It's that time of year where we
are collecting new and gently
used coats. See James or Beth
Howard for details for this
effort.



There will be no Primetimers
class on November 12th.
It will resume on
November 19th.

UPcoming EVENTS

November 9—Friends & Family Day honoring
our Veterans—Elders, Deacons & Preachers Cook

November 15—Fox & Locke at Leipers Fork
show and dinner .

November 16—Baby Shower for Molly Clayton

November 21-23—Cleaning in the CSC

November 30—5th Sun. Cont.—Building Fund

December 2—Brunch at Boo & 'Rose's

December 7—Friends & Family Day

December 7—Adult Christmas Party @ The
Morrors

December 13—Community Christmas Dinner

Lomax Church of Christ
Ladies Day

I will
Risole

Speaker: Ashley Edwards
Saturday, Nov 8th, 2025
Registration 8:30
Program 9:00
Lunch to follow

A LITTLE
Pumpkin
IS ON HER WAY

PLEASE JOIN FAMILY AND FRIENDS
FOR A BABY SHOWER HONORING

MOLLY CLAYTON

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH
2:00-3:30

LOMAX CSC
REGISTERED AT BABYLIST.COM

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Complete the saying in Job, "They
that plow iniquity, and sow
wickedness _____"
(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Boo's Belyeu



We are so excited to travel to a new venue eating breakfast at Fox & Locke in Leipers Fork. We are leaving from Lomax at 8AM November 15th. Please sign up in the foyer so we can turn in the number going.



ChatCYC

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." — John 10:27

hearing God in a digital age...

Pigeon Forge

Feb 20-22

LeConte Center

2986 Teaster Lane
Pigeon Forge, TN 37863



Pigeon Forge Line-Up

Keynotes

Eric Lyons
Kyle Butt
Lonnie Jones
David Shannon

Song Leaders

Jon Podein
Jason Isbell

MC

Dale Jenkins

S.W.A.T.

Ben & Travis

Early Bird Registration \$40

Early Bird Deadline is
December 31

Late Registration \$50

From January 1-31

The Lesson of the Gloves



I once read a story about a young preacher. Hershel and his wife were two young adults who were new to the ministry and to the town where they served. As many young adults, they had more bills than money.

But there was hope. You see, Hershel was asked to preach a wedding. The bride-to-be was the daughter of an affluent businessman in town. Hershel hoped that he would get an honorarium for his services.

After the wedding, the bride's father presented the preacher with a small, wrapped box. When he got home that night, Hershel and his wife opened the gift and found a pair of new work gloves. Both were disappointed. They had bills.

They put the gloves in the back of their closet and forgot about them. Four months later, an unexpected cold snap blew into town. Hershel couldn't find his winter gloves, so he got out the new work gloves. As he put his hand into the gloves, he felt something inside. In each finger of the gloves was a \$20 bill. Two hundred dollars in total. That was like \$2000 in today's market.

All those months of doing without, when the money they needed was sitting in their closet, just waiting to be used.

That's like many of our blessings. Prayer, inspiration of the Bible, fellowship and encouragement of the church—all these blessings await you in Christ. All we have to do is use them.

"You do not have because you do not ask God" (James 4:2b).

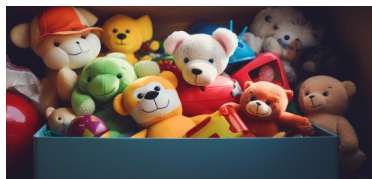
*Larry Fitzgerald
Woodlawn church of Christ
Abilene, TX*

BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 11/02

A.M. Bible Class	161
A.M. Worship Service	264
P.M. Worship Service	100
Wednesday PM	152
Contribution:	\$9,721.06
Weekly Budget	\$9,000
November Lord Supper	Matthew & Kara Farr

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



For the next several weeks, we need to have everyone to donate new toys and slightly used toys to have for the Community Christmas Dinner. Please contact Cynthia or Tom Kilpatrick for this donation.

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Jeff Spears—931-306-1362
Brice Van Hook—636-639-0153

Lomax Christian
Day School
796-7373

Last week's Know Your Bible Answer:

Gideon's
Jude 8:4



Freed Hardeman University
Day of Giving
November 6, 2025
Goal—for MSYC—\$10,000
Fhu.edu/
challenge~msyc~safety~

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)



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Please take note that the month of December is still left vacant to prepare the Lord's Supper in 2025. The new list is now on the bulletin board for the year of 2026. Please sign up!

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