



# *Seymour Sayings*

The Weekly Bulletin of the  
*Seymour Church of Christ*  
Meeting in Emert's Plaza  
209 Chilhowee School Road  
Seymour, TN

*May 25, 2014*

Hear a Series of  
Gospel Messages On

*God's*

*Amazing*  
**GRACE**



Speaker: *Sam Bartrug*  
from McConnelsville, Ohio

*June 8-11*

# *Person to Person . . .*

*Tom Miller*



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## **AMAZING GRACE**

Perhaps you have heard the story of the great hymn, *Amazing Grace*, but maybe not.

The words were written by John Newton in 1779. As a young man, he was captain of a slave ship and lived an evil life. In fact, it is reported that due to his way of life, his crew regarded him as little more than an animal.

On one occasion, after being at sea for some time, Newton's ship ran into a violent storm. Much of the cargo was lost, and the crew tied themselves to the ship to keep from being swept overboard. For four weeks, the sailors despaired of life, because of the damage done to the ship. Rations were so low that they feared starvation. Finally they reached a port in Ireland.

Newton credited this event for his "spiritual awakening." Later in life, he became an Anglican priest and a prolific hymn writer. Near the end of his life, he said to a friend, "*My memory is nearly gone, but I remember two things: That I am a great sinner, and that Christ is a great Savior.*"

God's grace is truly amazing; isn't it? Without it, we all would be hopelessly lost. We cannot earn or merit our salvation, but we can be saved "by grace through faith" (Eph. 2:8-9).

As important as this subject is, it seems that everyone would understand, appreciate, and take advantage of God's grace. Such is not the case, however.

This is why our meeting with **Sam Bartrug** and his lessons on "**God's Amazing Grace**" are so important. Please plan to attend yourself and bring others with you.

# FAMILY MATTERS



**PRAYER LIST**—Please remember **John & Dot Fitch** in your prayers. I know they would appreciate a card, a call, or a visit . . . **Gerrand Kinzalow** had to visit the ER last week because of some problems with his arm. The problem is yet undiagnosed, but he is scheduled to see an orthopedic surgeon. . . **Sherry McAbee** had a severe sinus headache last Sunday and was not able to attend services. On top of that, **Austin** had the croup last week. Please keep this family in your prayers. . . **Jamie Caprani** dislocated her shoulder last week, but was doing better by Wednesday evening. . . **Natalie Whitaker** had a bad stomach virus last week but was able to be at services on Wednesday evening. . . Please pray for those who are traveling this Memorial Day weekend.

**STATS FOR LAST WEEK**—Bible Study, 30; Morning Worship, 44; Evening Worship, 26, Contribution, \$1,419; Wednesday Bible Study, 28.

**ATTENTION, MEN**—The men at South Knoxville have invited us to **breakfast** with them on Saturday morning, June 7, at 8:00 a.m. It will be at their building. Please let Tom Miller know, if you plan to attend. . . Our monthly **Homiletics' Class** will be held at approximately 9:30 a.m. that morning back at our building.

**LET'S HONOR OUR GRADUATES**—Next Sunday evening, following our evening services, we will have a reception to honor our seven graduates. There is a sheet in the foyer to sign, if you will bring something for the finger-food meal.

**AREA EVENTS**—**Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies Student Lectures** at Eastside in Maryville May 30-June 1. . . **Summer Youth Series** at Karns June 5. . . The **Greenback** congregation will have their **VBS** June 13,14. . . Flyers for these events are posted in the foyer.



## SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, May 25

A.M.— “Living Above Pettiness” (Ephesians 4:1-3)

P.M.— “Why Care About the Lost?” (1 Corinthians 9:16-23)

## THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	John McBroom	John McBroom
Song Leader:	Wayne Smith	Jason LaFollette
Bible Reader:	Ronnie McAbee	
First Prayer:	John McBroom	Rusty Curtis
Officiating at Lord's Table:	Jeff Whitaker	Chris Bragwell
Serving at Lord's Table	David Bragwell, Damon Hall	
	Will Curtis, JC McBroom	
Closing Prayer:	Larry Perry	Will Curtis

**Wednesday:** *Devotion, Chris Bragwell; Prayer, Will Curtis  
Singing, Damon Hall*

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**Services: Sunday—9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday—7:00 p.m.**

Oh, to *grace* how great a  
**debtor** *Daily I'm constrained to be.*

Let **THY GOODNESS** like a fetter  
Bind my *wandering* heart **TO THEE.**

