



Seymour Sayings

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane
Seymour, TN 37865

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What a fellowship,
what a joy divine,
Leaning on the
everlasting arms;
What a blessedness,
what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the
everlasting arms.



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Elisha A. Hoffman, 1887

Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



THE CROWN OF LIFE

Along with millions of people around the world, I have spent some time recently watching the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo. Because of the Covid Pandemic, the 2020 games were actually held in 2021.

At last count, the United States was leading in the medal count. I enjoy the athletic prowess of all the participants, but I must admit that I root for “our” men and women.

In the ancient Olympic Games (dated from 776 B.C.—393 A.D.), the winners did not receive gold medals but simple olive leaf wreaths or crowns. To those who won and wore them, it signified one thing—I won!

Very near the end of his life, the apostle Paul wrote: **“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but to all who have loved His appearing”** (2 Tim. 4:7-8).

Paul would have been familiar with the ancient Olympic Games, and many see the connection between those games and the language he used in this passage. He had fought hard. He had run well. He had kept his own faith and had never abandoned “the faith.”

Therefore, because of God’s grace and his own faith response (Eph. 2:8), Paul was confident of what awaited him. The righteous Judge would give him “the crown of righteousness.”

Oh, that we would all live as he did and look forward to the same crown.

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST—Chris Wentworth continues confined to bed and under hospice care. Please continue to pray for her and her caregivers. . . . At this writing, **Bob Huff** (a member at Asbury) is under hospice care and on a ventilator. Prayers are requested. . . . Tim Wheeler’s niece, **Amber Gibson**, is at Patricia Neal Rehabilitation Center, and will have therapy there for about 17 weeks. . . . **Ricky Martin** (Sam Martin’s brother) will have shoulder surgery on August 13. . . . Continue to remember **Tammy Bragwell** is your prayers. She and Chris have been in Texas for her mother’s (June Deaver) funeral. . . . **Sandra Hicks** (a member at Eastside) is hospitalized at Blount Memorial. . . . Please continue to remember the following in your prayers: **Pam Neal, Tommy & Genova Lambert, Paul Sharp, Marsha Patterson** (Kenny Brown’s sister), **Julian New, Betty Summers** (Lynn Whitaker’s mother), **Velva Perry, and Nina Blevins**.

FOR THE RECORD—Sunday Bible Study, 22; Morning Worship, 43+10; Evening Worship, 37+7; Contribution, \$1,484; Wednesday Bible Study, 27 (*The + number is for those on line.*)



✓ **Elders & Deacons Meeting**—Tuesday, August 10, 7 p.m.

✓ **Seymour Youth Retreat**— September 3-5. More information to follow.

Anyone can find
the dirt in someone.
Be the one who
finds the GOLD.
Prov. 11:27



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, August 8

A.M.—”Down By The River”
Acts 16:13-15

P.M.— “Happy Gentle People”
Matthew 5:5

THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	Brian Lane	Brian Lane
Song Leader:	Will Curtis	Kenny Brown
Bible Reading:	Tristan Wheeler	
Opening Prayer:	John McBroom	Jeff Whitaker
Preside at Lord's Table:	Rusty Curtis	Rusty Curtis
Serving at Lord's Table:	<i>Jeff Cronin, Sam Martin</i> <i>Tim Wheeler, Keith McCord</i>	
Closing Prayer:	Tim Wheeler	Sam Martin

Wednesday: Singing, Timmy Wheeler; Prayer, Rusty Curtis
Devotional, Jeff Cronin

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

