



Seymour Sayings

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane

Seymour, TN 37865

December 22, 2019



Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



THE IMPORTANT VERSUS THE MORE IMPORTANT

The services last Sunday morning ended on a meaningful and emotional note. Jeff, Lynn, and Natalie Whitaker all responded to the invitation asking the elders to lead the congregation in prayer for Jeff's impending open-heart surgery.

Thankfully, the surgery was successful last Tuesday, and Jeff has begun the long, painful recovery period. Please continue to pray for this good family.

At some point that evening, Lynn said, "We're not even thinking about Christmas this year. This is more important. We just want to get Jeff back to feeling well again."

That reminded me of an important principle. Some things are important, but they may be "trumped" by things that are more important. Here are some examples.

- ✓ It is important to be heard, but sometimes it is more important to just listen with an open mind (Jas. 1:19),
- ✓ It is important to receive with grace, but Jesus said it is more important to learn the joy of giving (Acts 20:35).
- ✓ It is important to attend Sunday evening and Wednesday evening services, but sometimes it is more important to perform acts of needed service for someone (Gal. 6:10).
- ✓ It is important to oppose error at any level, but it is always more important to be kind and forgiving when we approach people (Eph. 4:32; 2 Tim. 2:24).

Yes, some things are important, but there are often things more important. What else can you add to this short list?

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST—**Christine Ogle** spent a couple of days in LeConte Medical Center last week due to a blood clot and a rapid heart beat. The blood clot has been cleared up, but she will be seeing a cardiologist for the heart issue. . . . **Jeff Whitaker** had a quadruple heart bypass last Tuesday. The surgery was successful, but he has been having considerable pain and back spasms. He is currently in room 774 at U.T. Hospital. . . . **Jody Miller** had an epidural pain block for her back last Wednesday. Please pray that it will help with her pain. . . . Mark Neal’s mother, **Hope Hudson**, had her breast surgery last Tuesday. She did well and is awaiting a report. . . . **Nina Blevins** has been quite ill with bronchitis recently, and the family has requested prayers for her. . . . **Norma Jean Miller** remains in room 407 at Blount Memorial. The family has requested no visitors at this time. . . . Don’t forget our “continue to pray for list.” **Sharon Simpson, Chris Wentworth, Paul Sharp, Butch Potter, Betty Summers, and Ann Whitaker.**

FOR THE RECORD—Sunday Bible Study, 38; Morning Worship, 58; Evening Worship, 36; Contribution, \$1,790; Wednesday Bible Study, 40.

NO SERVICES—There will be no services for the next two Wednesday nights (Dec. 25 and Jan. 1). We will have the January 1 services on Tuesday evening, December 31, prior to our New Year’s Eve party. We will begin at 7 p.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY—Next Sunday, December 29, is a 5th Sunday. The contribution will go into our Youth Fund. CYC is coming up. Please be as generous as possible. There will be no Covered Dish Luncheon due to all the activities of the season. We will have our Q&A session on that Sunday evening.



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, December 22

A.M.— “It Was Not a Silent Night”
Luke 2:1-7

P.M.— “Learning To Feed Ourselves, # 4”
2 Timothy 2:15

THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

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

Wednesday: No Service

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