



Seymour Sayings

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane
Seymour, TN 37865

December 5, 2021

*Help us Lord
Thy love to see.
May we all in
truth and spirit
Worship Thee.*



Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

Statistics can be interesting, troubling, and even a little difficult to apply. That is true regarding those listed below.

The November issue of *Christianity Today* compared the average age of people in the United States with that of various religious groups.

The average age in the United States is 38. The average age of those in the United Methodist Church is 58, which was the highest listed. The lowest was 32 and was for adherents to Islam. Among those who identified as “nothing in particular,” the average age was 43.

The average age for churches of Christ was 48, which was one of the lowest among main-line churches.

Interesting! But, what does it all mean?

For years we have heard that churches must give particular attention to young people. On the other hand, we have heard a great deal about “The Graying of the Church,” and that the contributions and needs of the elderly must not be ignored.

The truth is that the church is graying, i.e., the average age of its members is rising. The truth is also that we must pay attention to our young people. The future of the church will be determined largely by those who are young now, and sadly many of them are drifting away.

My conclusion is that people of every age and in every circumstance are important. They all have their particular strengths and needs. The Lord wants them all to be faithful, working members of His church. It’s up to us to survey the situation and act accordingly. We want none to be neglected.

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST—Ashlynn Cronin has tested positive for Covid. Please pray that her case will be mild and that she will have a quick recovery. . . . Natalie Whitaker requests prayers for her best friend’s **(Kennedy)** grandmother. She has Alzheimer’s and fell recently. . . . **Leisa Potter** went to the ER Wednesday. She is struggling with her health, and her issues cannot seem to be resolved.

FOR THE RECORD—Sunday Bible Study, No Classes; Morning Worship, 47 + 13; Evening Worship, No Service; Contribution, \$2,220; Wednesday Bible Study, 29. (*The + numbers show the number of people joining us by live stream.*)

GOOD WARM CLOTHING NEEDED—**Jamie Curtis** is collecting lightly worn, warm, clean clothing for those who are discharged from the hospital and do not have suitable clothes to go home in. She has cleared this with her supervisor and it is an opportunity for us to serve the needy in Jesus name.

NO SUNDAY EVENING CLASSES—There will be no classes—*neither sign language nor series on prayer*—following the Sunday evening services this month.



Elders & Deacons Meeting—Tuesday, Dec. 14, 7 p.m.

Parent’s Night Out/Children’s Christmas Party—Friday, Dec. 17, 4:00-10:00 p.m., at the building

Youth Get-Together—Friday, December 17, 6:30 p.m., at the building.

Ladies Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange—Saturday, Dec. 18, 6 p.m. at the building.



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, December 5

A.M.— “Oft We Come Together”
Hebrews 10:23-25

P.M.— “Praise God”
Matthew 6:13b

THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	Brian Lane	Brian Lane
Song Leader:	Bob Adair	Kenny Brown
Opening Prayer	Rusty Curtis	
Bible Reading:	Al Flores	
Preside at Lord's Table:	Jeff Cronin	Jeff Cronin
Serving at Lord's Table:	Nate LaFollette, Joseph Wheeler Sam Martin, Keith McCord	
Closing Prayer:	Kenny Brown	

*Wednesday: Singing, Will Curtis; Devotional, Jeff Cronin
Closing Prayer, Kenny Brown*

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



Does this qualify as a medical exemption?