



Seymour Sayings

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane
Seymour, TN 37865

July 28, 2019



**Be kind and
compassionate to
one another,
forgiving each other,
just as in Christ God
forgave you.
Ephesians 4:32**

Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



MORE INFORMATION FROM BARNA

There is more news from the Barna Group about Christianity in the United States, and it is not good. According to a nationwide sampling of 76,505 adults conducted over a period of seven years, the influences of Christianity are waning.

The report says that church attendance, religious affiliation, belief in God, prayers and Bible-reading have been dropping for decades. It also says that the church no longer functions with the cultural authority it did in times past and that we are in a “Post-Christian” era.

Surprising to me was the part of the report that said 5 of the top 10 most post-Christian cities are in the Northeast or New England. New York was number 7, San Francisco was number 8, Los Angeles was number 18, and Chicago was number 19. If you are wondering, Knoxville was number 75 and Nashville was number 89.

What is your response to these statistics? Many will be like chicken little and says the “sky is falling.” I am not denying that these figures are discouraging, but I do recommend a more positive response.

What if we were to say, “God has set a great challenge before us, so let’s get busy and do everything we can to stem this tide in our little corner of the world.

The Great Commission is still applicable, so let’s **“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature”** (Mark 16:15).

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST— Tommy Lambert's brother-in-law, **Nick Hurst**, had open heart surgery in Alabama. Prayers are requested. . . . Chris Wentworth requests prayers for the family of **Virginia Reagan**, who passed away last week. She was one of the ladies Chris provided care for. . . . Emmerie Wheeler asks us to pray for **Davie McClurg's mother**, who has stage four cancer. Mr. McClurg is her boss. . . . Dale Terry's father, **Dale Terry, Sr.**, is awaiting a pace maker. . . . Some of those on our regular prayer list are **Ann Whitaker, Betty Summers, Chris Wentworth, Dot Fitch, Thomas Hutchinson, Paul Sharp, and Sharon Simpson**.

FOR THE RECORD—Sunday Bible Study, 54 Morning Worship, 70; Evening Worship, 42; Contribution, \$2,135; Wednesday Bible Study, 43.



A new church directory is in the works. Forms are now available for you to submit your information. See **Rusty Curtis** to get a form and be sure to return it to him as soon as possible.

AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER—**August Men's Service Schedules and August Calendars** are available in the foyer. There are more birthdays and anniversaries than usual, so make sure you pick up a copy of the calendar.

Encourage
ONE ANOTHER AND
build each other up

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, July 28



A.M.— "How Can I Help Others When They Suffer?"

2 Corinthians 1:3-5

P.M. "Being a Fruit Inspector"

Matthew 7:15-20

THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

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

*Wednesday: Singing, Will Curtis; Devotional, Rusty Curtis
Prayer, Tom Miller*

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

Wednesday—7:00 p.m.

The preacher wants us to smile and enjoy church.
You know how I hate trying new things.

