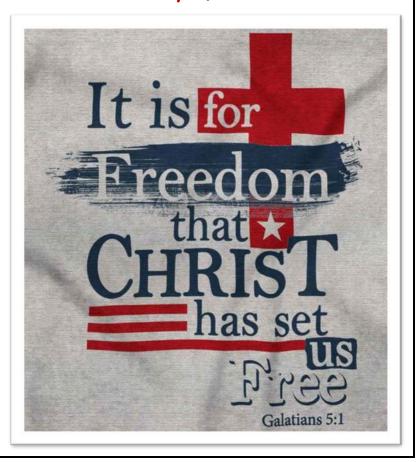


The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ
Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane
Seymour, TN 37865

July 4, 2021



## Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



### FREE FOR FREEDOM

Christ has set us free for freedom. Sound a bit strange? Consider Galatians 5:1. "Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with the yoke of bondage."

The Galatians had been set free from the curse of the Law through Jesus. The danger was that they would fall back into the bondage of the law.

Paul's appeal was for them to stand fast in their freedom. This can be difficult, because sometimes living in freedom is more difficult than living in bondage.

Living in bondage can be comfortable, because you don't have to think. You just have to do what you are told to do.

I learned this by working in the prison system in West Virginia. Many of the inmates could function quite well inside the prison; but, could not function well on the outside. They were said to have been institutionalized.

Why? Because inside there were rules controlling almost everything, and violation of those rules brought immediate consequences. But, outside, they had to decide when to go to bed and when to get up, whether to go to work or not, who they should associate with, etc.—things they had no control over on the inside.

Christian friends, you have been set free. Stand in that liberty. Persevere in your freedom. Don't return to the bondage of sin. Think! Make good decisions. Be responsible.

Sound difficult? It is, but this is the price of freedom.

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# **FAMILY MATTERS**

PRAYER LIST—The Millers are back from vacation, but this bulletin was prepared before they left. Therefore, there are no current announcements included. Be sure to listen carefully as the announcement are made by one of our elders at the beginning of services. . . . There are people we ask you to remember regularly in prayer. Among those are Chris Wentworth, Paul

Sharp, Tommy and Genova Lambert, Velva Perry, Betty Summers (Lynn Whitaker's mother), Marsha Patterson (Kenny Brown's sister), and June Deaver (Tammy Bragwell's mother).



<u>DIRECTORY UPDATE</u>—If you have not filled out one of the information forms that will allow **Patty Adair and Donna Lane** to update our church directory, please do so as soon as possible. Return the completed forms to either Patty or Donna.



**ELDERS AND DEACONS MEETINGS**—The elders and deacons will meet on Tuesday evening, July 12 at 7 p.m. The elders will meet on Tuesday, July 26 at 7 p.m.





#### **SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, July 4**

A.M.—"Free At Last" *John 8:31-36* 

P.M.— "Gear Up: Helmet of Salvation" Ephesians 6:13-17a

#### THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

Morning Evening

Announcements: John McBroom John McBroom Song Leader: George Benjamin George Benjamin

Bible Reading: Chris Bragwell

Preside at Lord's Table: Jeff Cronin Jeff Cronin

Serving at Lord's Table: Isaiah Wheeler, Tim Wheeler

Tristan Wheeler, Timmy Wheeler

Closing Prayer: Kenny Brown Sam Martin

Wednesday: Singing, Tim Wheeler; Prayer, Jeff Whitaker Devotional, Jeff Cronin

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Services: Sunday—9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. Wednesday—7:00 p.m.

## Near future game show!



"Sorry Arthur, your answer was actually correct, but Paul shouted his opinion louder so he gets the point. And an extra bonus point also goes to Sue as she was offended by your answer".