



Seymour Sayings

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane

Seymour, TN 37865

July 17, 2016

Vacation **B**ible **S**chool

Saturday, July 23

8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.



"Dare To Be Daniel"

Bible Story—Singing—Crafts

Games—Skits—Hot Dog Lunch

Free School Supplies for Attendees

Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



THE CHURCH MOUSE

As long as I can remember, I have heard people say of someone, “He’s as poor as a church mouse.” Supposedly, 17th century European church buildings did not store or provide food, and so a mouse in one was utterly destitute.

Several years ago, a fine Christian man (who has since passed away) would write an occasional article for the church bulletin entitled “*From the Church Mouse.*” His identity was unknown to most of the members of the congregation, but his articles were always read with interest. People wanted to know what “the church mouse” had seen and heard, as he scurried about the building.

The articles were mostly positive, but occasionally they revealed something that was not commendable

I got to wondering what a “church mouse” might see and hear at Seymour. For instance, would he hear words of encouragement or discouragement being spoken throughout the building? Would he see people paying attention during Bible class and worship, or would he see people having private conversations with others or even checking messages on their phones?

Would he see people respecting our building and helping to keep it clean and neat, or would he see people having little regard for it? Would he see and hear people enthusiastically entering into our worship, or would he see them sitting idly by with a critical eye toward those who are leading our services?

I really do hope “the church mouse” would have a good report for us at Seymour.

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST—Two of our sweet ladies, **Norma Jean Miller and Genova Lambert** have not been feeling well and have been unable to attend services. We certainly do miss them and wish them well. . . . Continued prayers are requested for Kella Whitaker’s sister, **Beatrice Sue Laney**. . . . We are happy to have **Bill & Mary Nance** with us today. As you may know, Bill has been receiving treatment for prostate cancer. His last report was that he is now cancer free. Prayers have been answered. . . . Please keep our upcoming VBS in your prayers. Especially remember those who are coming from the Portland congregation to help us in this effort.

LAST WEEK’S STATISTICS THAT SHOW OUR DEVOTION—Bible Study, 31; Morning Worship, 48; Evening Worship, 36; Contribution, \$1,282; Wednesday Bible Study, 38.

PICTURE MAKE-UP DATE—As you may know, we are trying to update our picture board and then move it to a place that makes it more usable. If you have not had your picture made yet, please plan to do so on **Saturday, August 6**. A sign-up sheet will be in the foyer for you to select a specific time.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NEXT SUNDAY—Next Sunday will be the day after our VBS, and some of the group from the Portland, TN group will still be with us. Some of them, along with our own young people, will help conduct the services. Also, we will have a **covered-dish dinner following the morning services**. Everyone is invited, and encourage, to bring a dish or two of good food and join us. Right after the dinner, the Portland group will return home.



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, July 17

A.M.— “What Does It Mean to Be Free?” (John 8:30-36)

P.M.— “Faith Into Action, Part 2” (Hebrews 11:4)



THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	John McBroom	John McBroom
Song Leader:	Tim Wheeler	Tim Wheeler
Bible Reading	John Miller	
Opening Prayer:	Phil Adams	Steve Hopper
Preside at Lord's Table:	Rusty Curtis	Rusty Curtis
Serving at Lord's Table	<i>Nate LaFollette, Isaiah Wheeler Anthony Wheelers, Joseph Wheeler</i>	
Closing Prayer:	Jeff Whitaker	Chris Bragwell

Wednesday: *Singing, Chris Bragwell; Prayer, Jim Husband
Devotional, Phil Adams*

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

Wednesday—7:00 p.m.



"At times, I felt like you were preaching
right at me this morning.