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*morning by morning*  
NEW MERCIES I SEE

*September 14, 2019*

**Announcements** due Wednesday to [ephesuschurch@birminghamephesus.org](mailto:ephesuschurch@birminghamephesus.org)

**Reserve Room:** [ephesuschurch@birminghamephesus.org](mailto:ephesuschurch@birminghamephesus.org) or voicemail 252-7490.

**Drivers Needed.** please TEXT Wayne Blanding at (205) 903-5550.

**The Prayer Line Number** is 515-604-9094, access code: 337243850# Join us Sunday-Friday at 6a.m., Sunday-Tuesday 6p.m. and Thursday-Friday at noon. We are praying for you.

**Bulletin Secretary.**, please TEXT Tameka Hannah at (205) 249-9720

**FIGHT for Your Marriage**, authored by Anika Chrishon.

[fightforyourmarriagetoday.com](http://fightforyourmarriagetoday.com)

[thenecessaryschool.com](http://thenecessaryschool.com)

Advent Christians, those believing in the soon return of Christ, are in danger of two extreme positions that impact their ministry...

- being overly excited about the Second Coming, causing them to dismiss the present world as doomed and neglect their full obligations to alleviate the problems of those around them
- being overly indifferent about His Coming to the point that their focus is only on eliminating the social ills of those around them and not on the future hope we've been given to share

You might see...

- the overly excited ones as in a "waiting room" (just sitting there, doing nothing but waiting for that wonderful cure) and
- the overly indifferent ones as in a "living room" (actively participating in family life, but making themselves too comfortable with the way things are).

There is counsel on avoiding these two extremes though. We find them in these two quotes:

For the "waiting room" variety...

- "They neglected to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to deal justly, and to love mercy...They have sold their souls for earthly riches and enjoyments, and have not sought to become rich toward God." Ellen G. White, *The Great Controversy*, p. 654

Introit

Call to Worship & Invocation ..... Elder Mark Hannah

Mission Statement ..... Elder Mark Hannah

Announcements

Welcome

Greetings & Fellowship

Hymn of Worship

Intercessory Prayer ..... Elder Clinton Jones

Tithes and Offering ..... Elder Clinton Jones

Children's Ministry

Scripture Reading ..... Landon Dowe Jr.

Praise & Worship

Spoken Word ..... Pastor Larry Bailey

Benediction ..... Elder Mark Hannah

Closing Hymn

And why would the "living room" ones not want to share this message of hope, along with their admirable work for mankind?...

"The great controversy is ended. Sin and sinners are no more. The entire universe is clean. One pulse of harmony and gladness beats through the vast creation. From Him who created all, flow life and light and gladness, throughout the realms of illimitable space. From the minutest atom to the greatest world, all things, animate and inanimate, in their unshadowed beauty and perfect joy, declare that God is love." p. 678

There's a list in a blog article by Rachel Ashworth of several ideas to your coming year's bucket list. Think of all the ways that you can minister to "the least of these" by adopting some of these practices.

- <https://outlookmag.org/33-ways-to-rock-your-jesus-year/>

Make your own list to fit your current life description. Because each year that passes brings us one year closer to the Lord's Return!

*Next Week's Lesson: To Love Mercy*