

Nixa Church of Christ

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Romans 16:16 "The churches of Christ salute you"

November 2009

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Flowers for Ill or Bereaved:

Nadine Farthing & Connie Harp

Food for Ill or Bereaved:

Karen Carmichael

Building Cleanup:

Amanda Harp & Alesia Harp

Grounds Maintenance:

Chris Allen

Meeting Times:

Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Greeters:

Greg & Cheryl McCleave

Assistants at Table:

Bob Moore

Preparation at Table:

Ann Dennis

Counting Money:

C. Payne, G. McCleave, T. Little

Lock up of Building:

Bob Moore

Bulletin Information:

Nancy Moore & Shelly Allen

Classroom Teachers Sunday:

Preschool: Nancy Moore

Lower Elem: Karen Carmichael

Upper Elem: Deanna Maples

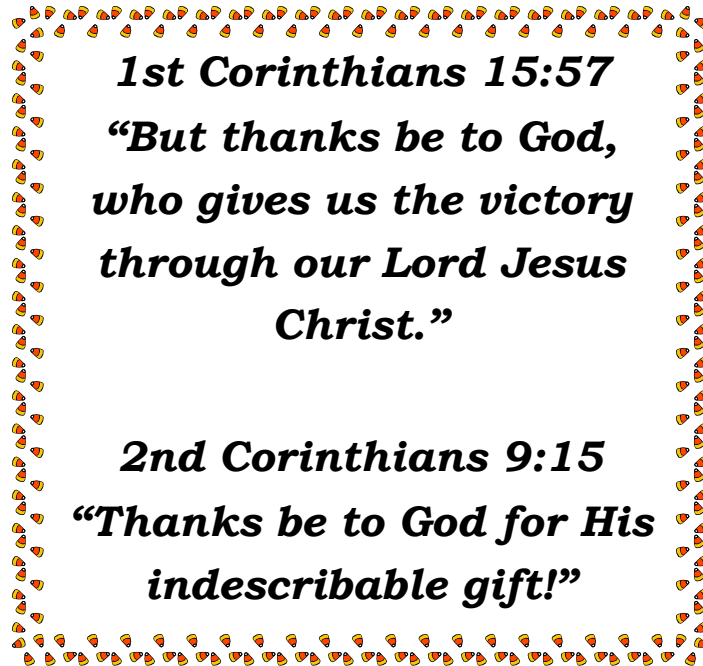
High / Coll: Greg McCleave

Classroom Teachers Wed:

Preschool: Shelly Allen

Elementary: Nadine Farthing

High / Coll: Various



1st Corinthians 15:57

***"But thanks be to God,
who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus
Christ."***

2nd Corinthians 9:15

***"Thanks be to God for His
indescribable gift!"***

Program Schedule for November 2009 - Sunday Morning -

Date	Songs	Read	Speaker	Table	Announcements
1	A. Owen	G. McCleave	M. Allen	T. Allen	E. Cox
8	Brownsberger	A. Owen	T. Dennis	B. Moore	M. Allen
15	E. Cox	J. Herndon	K. Ferguson	G. McCleave	D. Carmichael
22	T. Dennis	B. Young	J. Allen	T. Little	R. Farthing
29	J. Allen	B. Moore	T. Little	W. Moore	Brownsberger



Teacher for Adult Class in the Auditorium: Tom Allen

- Sunday Evening -

Date	Songs	Drill	Speaker
1	Brownsberger	Q & A Night -	T. Dennis
8	Mutual Edification Night -		M. Allen
15	M. Allen	T. Dennis	K. Ferguson
22	T. Allen	Bible Reading -	Proverbs 1 - 11
29	Brownsberger	Bring Uplifting Verse Night	

- Wednesday Evening Class: Famous Bible Quotations

Date	Songs	Teacher	Reference
4	M. Allen	C. Payne	Acts 20:35
11	E. Cox	Carmichael	John 4:24
18	J. Allen	T. Allen	Eccl 11:1
25	T. Dennis	J. Allen	Matt 18:20

ISN'T LIFE FRUSTRATING?

I was on my way to a meeting the other day and I was running late. Things had not gone my way at work and I was tired of fighting upper management. All I could think about were the chores at home that weren't getting done and they were sending me out of town again. Meanwhile, here I sat at a train crossing while the clock ticked away. After the train passed, I continued on my way and noticed a church sign on my right that had one word on it - "Patience". Boy did I need that. Sometimes we ask for a sign from God and there it is in bold 6 inch letters. I am thankful that I was reminded of patience because I had run completely out and my frustration level was at an all time high.

Most of us do get frustrated from time to time because we didn't accomplish what we had hoped to. Maybe we are not as successful in the workplace as we thought we should be or we really tried to make that varsity team but were cut on the last day. Or perhaps we thought we could finish that home project but because we thought we lacked the skills we simply gave up. When we can't get it done, it is easy to feel disappointed and defeated. Frustration is that sense of seeing our goals and not reaching them and it can overwhelm us.

But we are not alone in this. Moses, for example, was extremely frustrated with his responsibility over God's people when he said, "*I am not able to bear all these people alone because the burden is too heavy for me. If you treat me like this please kill me here and now...*" (Numbers 11:14-15) Now that's frustrated! Of course we know that later God supplies Moses with what he needs to be successful.

In the New Testament, listen to Paul as he tells us about the conflicts of good and evil within him. "*For what I am doing, I do not understand; for I am not practicing what I would like to do, but I am doing the very thing I hate.*" (Romans 7:15) It sounds like Paul is a little frustrated with himself wouldn't you say? But Paul knew where to put his confidence to overcome his inner conflicts, "*For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man.*" (vs. 22)

We too can overcome our challenges and conflicts if we put our busy lives into God's perspective. Here are three simple ways to overcome frustration by looking at life God's way:

- 1st We are merely vessels of God. (II Timothy 2:21) "*Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from these things (wickedness) he will be a vessel of honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work.*"
- 2nd Everything is on God's time, not ours. (Eccl. 3:1) "*There is an appointed time for everything. And there is a time for every event under heaven.*"
- 3rd God won't allow our frustrations to overtake us. (1 Cor.10:13) "*....God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape so that you will be able to endure it.*"

So the next time you think you've had enough and feel like giving up, remember we are really here for God's purpose. And know that all things will happen in God's good time and whatever frustrations we face, God will allow us to endure them.

News and Notes

Thanks to all who took part and attended our Fall Two Day Meeting. The lessons given were outstanding, and I truly feel that all who were here were edified. No doubt we will find ourselves using the phrase “*turtle up*” in future conversations. Also thanks to brother **Rick Sparks** who conducted the nightly week meeting afterwards. We are also happy to announce that **Chris Pickrel** placed membership with the congregation on September 30th. His address is 302 E Mt Vernon St, Nixa MO 65714. We also have an address for those wishing to send cards to **Jenna Lemons**: 712 W Briarwood Ln, Nixa MO 65714.

Our hearts are saddened by the death of **John Atwood**, who passed away on October 2nd. Our hearts go out to all of his family in their time of sorrow. Please also remember sister **Ruth Moore** and her daughter **Denise**, who recently traveled to Houston, Texas and are receiving treatments for their cancer. In addition, sister **Glen Frazier** fell last week and is bruised up, but we were happy to see her at services again. Also, please remember sister **Idola Murfin** in your prayers, as she is struggling at this time; as well as our other shut-ins, **Jenna Lemons** and **Jane Gooch**.

A special thanks to the anonymous donor who purchased the new blue song books for the auditorium. Also thanks to the Waterworth family; **Chuck** and his daughters **Barbara**, **Paula** and **Leslie** for the donation of the large felt story boards for the children’s classes. They are very much appreciated and no doubt will be well used. Once again, don’t forget to **send us recipes** and their stories in preparation for the 2 week meeting in 2012. Lord willing, it will be here sooner than any of us think.

Program Schedule Notes:

November 1st we will be having another Question & Answer night, where Bible questions submitted by the members will be addressed by Tom Dennis. Also, on November the 29th, we will be having a second “Bring uplifting verse night”. For this, we ask that everyone bring a verse that is especially inspirational to you, and then there will be an opportunity to discuss them.

Mark your Calendar for November:

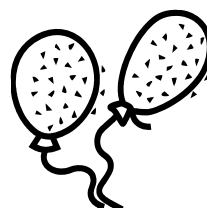
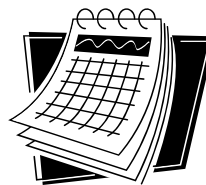
Nov 1 Ladies Bible Study (5:00)
Nov 7 Giving Back Dinner (5:30)
Nov 15 Carry in Dinner at Church

Birthdays in November:

Nov 2 Nancy Moore
Nov 4 Marilyn Allen
Nov 4 Gavin Farthing
Nov 14 Claudette Carey
Nov 14 Tom Dennis
Nov 22 Lauren Allen

Anniversaries in November:

Nov 22 Wilburn & Ruth Moore (1947)
Nov 25 Rex & Nadine Farthing (1954)



Wednesday Evening Classes

Lessons we can take from famous Bible Quotations

Charlie Payne (Acts 20:35)

“It is more blessed to give than to receive”

David Carmichael (John 4:24)

“they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth”

Tom Allen (Ecclesiastes 11:1)

“Cast thy bread upon the waters”

Jeff Allen (Matthew 18:20)

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name”

Our **SPOTLIGHT** this month is **Marilyn Allen**. Marilyn was born in Springfield, Missouri on November 4th, 1940. Her husbands name is Tom and they have four children; Sheryl Gorham (York, South Carolina), Michael (Nixa), Jeff (Nixa) and Chris (Nixa). She accepted Christ as her savior, by her recollection sometime during the 7th or 8th grade; and has been a member of the Church here at Nixa since March 13th of 1983. Her favorite scriptures are *1st Corinthians 10:13* "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it." & *Philippians 4:13* "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." What makes a good Christian parent? "Be the best example you can be. Let them see God is 1st in your life. The work of the Church is Preach the word. The work of the home is Teach the word. Don't waste the time God has given you with your children. You never know how long you will have." When asked you had been a good Christian example to her: "My mother. She had a lot of adversity in her life, but she never let it get her down. She studied her Bible & prayed & taught me to trust the Lord, & rely on Him. Even in the nursing home she let her light shine & went about encouraging others. In addition, Reba Lee has been such a wonderful example for me & others. I have learned so much from her & continue to do so. She reminds me of my mom." Favorite food: Pizza & anything chocolate; especially truffles. Favorite color: blue & turquoise. Hobbies include reading, sewing, crossword puzzles and collecting novelty salt & pepper shakers; belonging to local & national collector clubs; serving four years as the local president. Two things that are very important to her are her family and singing. Her final words of wisdom: "Live each day as if it were the last one; it may be. Pray that God might help you accomplish the most with the day He has given you. Stand up for the right. Be an example for good to anyone you come in contact with. Remain faithful till the end."

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