

July 2026



## *Nixa Church of Christ*

### *News and Notes*

Meeting Times:  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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There were present at that season some who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answered and said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were worse sinners than all other Galileans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them, do you think that they were worse sinners than all other men who dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish." Luke 13:1-5

- Thanks to Evangelist John Lee for being with us to speak on June 21st.
- We look forward to Evangelist Tad Morris being with us to speak during our morning service on July 12th when he will deliver two messages. We will also have a carry-in dinner at noon.
- We also look forward to the week meeting at Ozark starting with a fellowship meal on Saturday July 25, Sunday services at 9:30am and 2pm, daily classes from 8am to 4pm, and evening services Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7pm. Evening activities are planned for Tuesday and Thursday.
- Please continue to pray for those with special needs including Lisa Allen, Darby Allen, Jean Deason, Charley Payne, Brenda Bogard, Nancy Moore, Nadine Farthing, Clayton Moore, Jerry and Ruth Moore, Devin McCall, Shannon Allen, Barbara Hutchinson and John Derhammer.
- We offer live streaming of our Sunday morning worship on YouTube or for later viewing. Our website at [www.nixachurchofchrist.org](http://www.nixachurchofchrist.org) offers a variety of resources including audio messages from our visiting evangelists. There are also links to VBR (Video Bible Reading), The Gospel Message, and our newsletters.
- If you know of someone who would like to be added to our mailing list or have change of address. please let us know by email at [nixachurchofchrist@gmail.com](mailto:nixachurchofchrist@gmail.com) or our mailing address, PO Box 1521, Nixa, MO 65714.

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## *Cause and Effect*

Speaking to the Children of Israel in Deuteronomy chapter 28, Moses gave the people very clear instructions. If you obey God, then good things are going to happen to you when you cross over into the Promised Land. And if you don't obey God; then bad things will happen. And looking at the series of events over the previous 40 years it was easy to see what Moses meant here. More than once, large groups of people died because of disobedience. Deuteronomy chapter 28 is a fairly long chapter, and a good portion of it is devoted to specific bad things that would happen if the people chose to disobey and leave God. What I found interesting as I read this chapter, was the similarities between it and the story of Job. Most indications would speculate that the story of Job came before the wandering in the wilderness; but it's easy to see how Job's friends came to the conclusions they made; whether or not they had read this. Just as in Deuteronomy 28, horrific things were happening to Job and their conclusions were based on causality. Horrible events must be the result of horrible actions. But is that always the case?

Jesus addresses cause and effect issues in Luke 13:1-5. Here some of the people are talking to Him about an incident that happened where some Galileans were killed by Pilate. And Jesus poses a question to them, about whether they thought this had happened to them because of something bad they had done. Jesus then also brings up a story about a tower that fell over and killed eighteen people. And Jesus asks if whether they thought this happened because those people were the worst sinners in Jerusalem. But to all these questions, Jesus answers no. But also tells them that if they do not repent, that they would perish as well. The implication being not that some terrible personal tragedy would befall them as well; but that the only thing that awaits those who sin; would be a spiritual death. Peter expands on the discussion about sinful cause and effect in 2nd Peter 3:9. "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

The idea being that in some cases people assume that since there are no immediate consequences for their actions; it means that there will never be consequences for their actions. And this seems to be wrong on three counts. One, sometimes there are physical consequences from the sinful things we do, because those actions create their own issues. Secondly, many times our sinful actions can have an unintended influence on the actions of others, and inadvertently lead others astray. And lastly, the point that Peter brings out; a final reckoning is coming where the good are rewarded and the evil are punished; and that ought to influence the things that we do right now.

Solomon makes both of these points in the book of Ecclesiastes. "Because the sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil." Ecclesiastes 8:11 "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil." Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

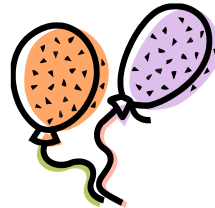
Just because something bad happens to someone doesn't mean that they are bad. But if we are disobedient to God, then eventually those things will catch up to us. Not necessarily in this world; but most assuredly when our time on Earth here has concluded.

Michael Allen

**Birthdays in July:**

- July 5 - Darby Allen
- July 8 - Danny Krasser
- July 10 - Logan Jane Carter
- July 21 - Karen Carmichael
- July 28 - Jerry Moore
- July 30 - Bennie Bogard

**Calendar Events**



**Mark your Calendar for July:**

- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 5 - Leaders Meeting 8:30am
- July 6 - Ladies Class 6:30pm
- July 12 - Tad Morris
- July 12 - Carry-in Dinner at Noon
- July 25-31 - Week Meeting (Ozark)

“Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.” Galatians 6:7-8

**Coming Soon in 2026**

- September 13 - John Lee
- October 17-18 - Fall Meeting
- November 15 - John Lee
- December 13 - Louis Garbi

**Program Schedule for July 2026:**

**- Sunday Morning -**

Date	Songs	Read	Announcements	Table	Speaker
5	D. Young	D. Carmichael	D. Young	G. McCleave	Brownsberger
12	Brownsberger	D. Gooch	D. Carmichael	B. Young	T. Morris
19	M. Allen	C. Allen	M. Allen	D. Gooch	T. Allen
26	J. Allen	A. Carter	J. Allen	D. Carmichael	C. Allen

Teacher for Adult Class in the Auditorium: B. Lee (Story of Jesus through the Harmony of the Gospels)

**- Wednesday Evening -**

Date	Songs	Teacher
1	T. Allen	Mutual Edification (Theme: Freedom)
8	M. Allen	T. Allen Obadiah: The fall of Edom - God humbles the Proud
15	T. Allen	Brownsberger Joel: The Day of the Lord is Coming
22	D. Young	G. McCleave Jonah: Following God’s commands is not optional
29	Services dismissed to support the Ozark meeting	

Wednesday Evening Study: A more extensive study of the prophets, specific stories and concepts

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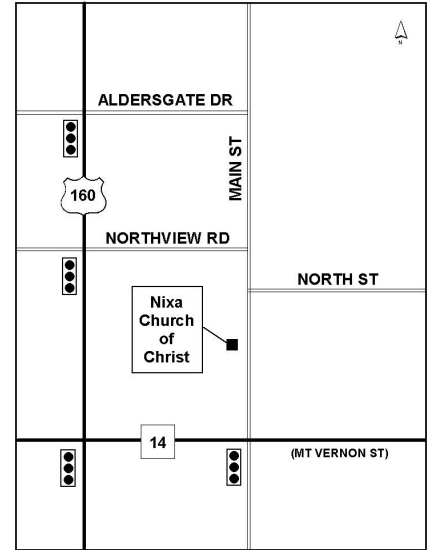
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