

January 2025



## *Nixa Church of Christ*

### *News and Notes*

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

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“So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Genesis 3:27-28

- Thanks to Evangelist John Lee for being with us to speak on December 15th.
- We look forward to Evangelist John Morris being with us to speak during our morning service on January 19 when he will deliver two messages. We will also have a carry-in dinner at noon.
- Our sincere congratulations and best wishes to Joshua and Lauren Sherman who were married on December 7th.
- We are sad to see Sondra Johnson depart from us but understand her desire to be closer to family.
- We will have a short business meeting immediately after our morning service on January 26. We will discuss the next use of the church property remaining at 317 N. Main Street.
- Please pray for those with special needs including Mary Jane Johnson, Nancy Moore, Devin McCall, Clayton Moore, Shannon Allen, Chuck Waterworth, 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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## *Our Perspective On Work*

Of all the aspects of your work, which is most critical? What is most important about your employment, whether you punch in at a factory, sit in an office, sweat in a field, or build homes?

For a Christian, the response is this: you labor hard as for the Lord, not for men. Life is certain to include work. When we realize this truth—that we work for Jesus—our perspective of our work changes and helps us to rescue it both from emptiness and idolatry. Genesis 1:28 tells us exactly this. "God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it." He commanded them to rule over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and every living creature that moves on the ground.

It is Him we want to respect above everything else. Knowing this helps us see that every job has dignity and that we can abound in the Lord's work. "Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." 1 Cor 15:58

Each morning as we prepare for work and each evening as we relax, knowing we serve the Lord Jesus first can make a difference. Of course, our work can easily frustrate us and demoralize us. On certain days, we can clearly see the thorns, thistles, and cursed earth described in Genesis 3. But 1 Corinthians throws out the assurance to us that when we labor for the Lord, our efforts never go in vain. We never waste any work we do for Him. God weaves all we accomplish for His glory.

Paul tells us, nevertheless, that proof of success in the Lord's work may never be totally evident in this life. Indeed, our perceptions of success can often deceive us! We may see an annual bonus, a promotion, or a sales target hit, but we cannot see the everlasting reward that awaits us when we attain our inheritance or all that God is doing through us. We must live by faith, believing that He is observing our efforts and is applying everything we do to advance His will.

In whatever career you hold right now, make it your first goal to honor Jesus in the way you work. Certainly, try to satisfy your clients and your supervisor, but remember who truly deserves glory from your efforts as each new day starts. Work "by the strength that God provides—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ (1 Peter 4:11). You can find genuine job satisfaction by serving the Lord Christ in your daily endeavors.

Brandon Lee

# Calendar Events

## Birthdays in January:

- Jan 12 - Deanna Maples
- Jan 13 - Chris Allen
- Jan 20 - Elaine Holt
- Jan 24 - Gale Maples

“For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.”

1 Peter 2:15-16



## Anniversaries in January:

Jan 27 - Barry & Marilyn Brownsberger

## Mark your Calendar for January:

- January 1 - New Year’s Day
- January 6 - Ladies Bible Class 6:30pm
- January 12 - Leaders Meeting 8:30am
- January 19 - John Morris
- January 19 - Carry-in Dinner at Noon
- January 20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- January 26 - Business Meeting at Noon

## Coming Soon in 2025

- February 16 - Dan Huff
- March 16 - Tad Morris
- April 13 - Doug Twaddell
- May 4 - John Lee
- June 8 - Louis Garbi

## Program Schedule for January 2025:

### - Sunday Morning -

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

Teacher for Adult Class in the Auditorium: T. Allen (1 Peter)

### - Wednesday Evening -

Date	Songs	Teacher
1	D. Young	D. Carmichael (Daniel Chapter 1)
8	J. Allen	T. Allen (Daniel Chapter 2)
15	Mutual Edification -	T. Allen (Theme: Hope)
22	T. Allen	Brownsberger (Daniel Chapter 3)
29	Brownsberger	J. Gooch (Daniel Chapter 4)

Wednesday Evening Study: Chapter by chapter study of the Book of Daniel

# Contact Information

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David Young

**Flowers for Ill or Bereaved:**

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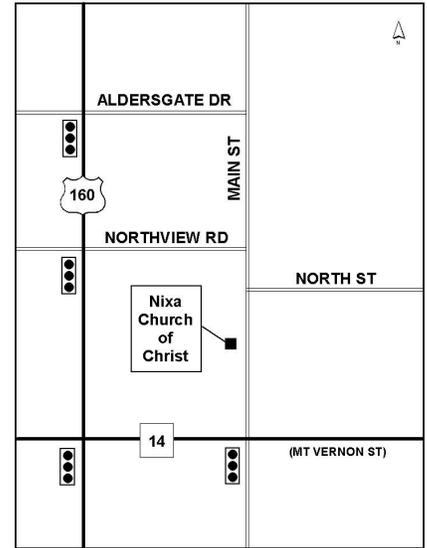
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