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The Power of Scripture



by Josh Cumpston,
Administrator

Toward the end of the school year, several of our students were baptized,

and a few made decisions to follow Christ. It was, and continues to be, very exciting and encouraging for me, our staff, and I hope now all of you who just read that first sentence.

One particular student's testimony reminds me that the Bible is a life-changing book, that it is the word of God, and that the Holy Spirit works through it to teach us, correct us, rebuke us when needed, comfort us, and help us grow a deeper, fuller relationship with God. I hope this testimony will encourage you, too.

Kyle lived in the boys' dorm for three years. By his own account, he knew quite a bit about the gospel and Scripture from his time at NC, but Christianity was an academic exercise to him, not anything that was personal or life changing. He relied on himself and his many talents. Kyle told me, "I knew it in my head, but not in my heart."

This all changed for Kyle a few weeks ago. He had been wrestling about what he believed. He knew what the Bible said and was trying to figure out how he wanted to deal with all that he had been hearing. Kyle was at Heartland Evangelical Free Church on May 1st. On that particular Sunday, the pastor had decided to have the entire book of Romans read as the kick-off to his new sermon series.

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Phillip Nguyen receives the TOEFL award from Superintendent Josh Cumpston for his exemplary score on the TOEFL test.

Academic Excellence Celebration Highlights Student Accomplishments

For this year's end of the year academic awards, Superintendent Josh Cumpston wanted to do something different. Traditionally, the awards ceremony has consisted of a reading of senior scholarships, honor roll recognition, and a smattering of other awards. This year, Cumpston wanted to get more people involved and highlight other academic accomplishments. The celebratory tone was set by the NC band, which kicked off the event with a rousing song.

Cumpston recognized the entire senior class for its ACT average of 25.2, which is well above both the national and state averages. Additionally, the ACT average of those students who have attended Nebraska Christian for all four years of high school is 27.1. The senior class also stands out for having one National Merit Finalist (Katie Cumpston) and five students who received Regents Scholarships from the University of Nebraska system (Trevor Swanson, Zac Dockweiler, Tara Murphy, Alexis Hower, and Katie Cumpston).

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Meet NC's Newest Alumni.

Row 1: Alexis Hower, Susan Hofmann, Whitney Heuermann, Carson Falk, Logan Faeh, Zac Dockweiler, Noah Dexter, Katie Cumpston, Christina Bailey, Aaron An. Row 2: Phillip Nguyen, Martin Nguyen, Duc Nguyen, Jackson Nelson, Matthew Myers, Tara Murphy, Makenna Loy, Cameron Langemeier, Nolan Kohmetscher. Row 3: Isabella Yang, Albert Yang, Panny Wang, Trevor Swanson, Dillon Rose, Skyler Qu, Cassidy Ostrand, George Nguyen.

Kohmetscher, Murphy Win State Track Gold

The Nebraska Christian track team had a great two days at Class C State Track. Team members brought home a total of 10 medals, three of which were gold. This is the first time in school history that three individual championships were won at state track. Senior Nolan Kohmetscher was responsible for two of the golds, winning both the 3200 meter run (9:42.00, new school record) and the 1600 meter run (4:32.28). He also placed 4th in the 800 meter run (2:00.24). Senior Tara Murphy won the other gold medal in the 100 hurdles (15.14, new school record), and she placed 8th in the 300 hurdles (49.27).



Nolan Kohmetscher



Tara Murphy

Murphy said, "Winning the 100 meter hurdles was definitely the greatest moment in my high school athletic career. All the time, training, and practice finally paid off, and I couldn't be more excited about it!" Other NC medalists were Se-

nior Katie Cumpston, who placed 3rd in the 1600 meter run (5:21.27, new school record) and 4th in the 3200 meter run (11:42.52, new school record); Sophomore Brennan Nokelby, who placed 5th in the 1600 meter run (4:35.99) and 6th in the 3200 meter run (9:53.84); and Senior Dillon Rose, who placed 5th in discus (153-05.00).

The boys' team finished in 4th place with a total of 36 points, and the girls' team finished in 11th place with a total of 22 points.

Between the girls' and guys' teams, 14 students qualified for state competition, and both teams went into state as district champions, which was a first for Nebraska Christian as a Class C school. Additionally, the girls' team broke nine school records over the course of the season.

"We had some really special things happen this year," said Assistant Track Coach Larry Hoff.

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Dollars & Sense

by Tom Dockweiler ('79), *Business Manager*



Another school year is over. The students have already closed and turned in their books, and about the time most of you are reading this, the business office will be closing its books as well. It looks like we will finish in the black, having met budget for four straight years now. God has been so good to us. You have been so generous. Thank you.

I was involved with a great group of 8th grade students this year and thoroughly enjoyed that privilege. I'm a better teacher than I was when I started 30 years ago, but I still have considerable room for improvement. Hopefully my math students are better than they were when they started this fall, and I know they will continue to improve in the years ahead. Please pray for all of our students. Some are returning next fall, others are moving on to other places and other things, but all of them need our prayers.

Of course, I have also been involved with many of our staff on budgeting, receiving, and spending funds. Most days I enjoyed that, as well. When I started this job in the mid 1990's, funds were so tight that I often had to negotiate with staff on who would be able to get their paycheck on time and who would be willing to wait. I have been thrilled lately to be able to say "yes" more often than "no" to requests for things that will make a staff member's job easier and their ministry to students more effective. Please pray for the staff and administration that we would not only have the "stuff" that we think we need to be effective in ministry, but also that we would abide in Christ and bear much fruit.

In addition to what we have seen God do through the routine academic and business office activities, God has been working, through the

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by Mark McHargue ('85),
Campaign Chairman

We are blessed to have Phase 1 of the Next 50 Years Capital Campaign, the new girls' dorm, Elliot Hall, completed! In just 20 months the Lord provided \$1.4 million needed to finish this project. Now girls from six different countries are enjoying the fruits of this blessing.

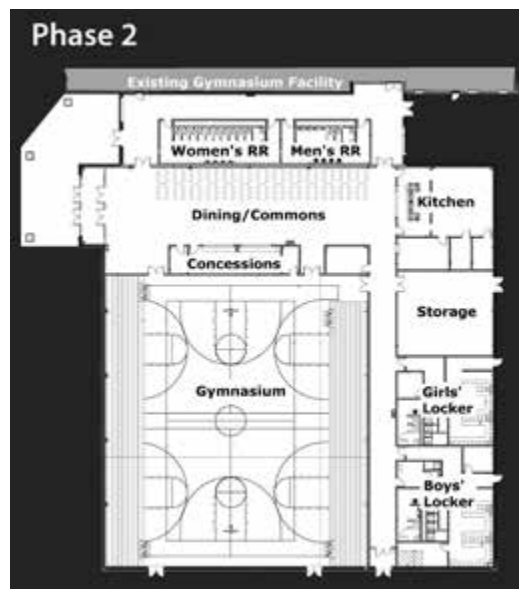
We are now in the early stages of seeking funding for Phase 2, which addresses the needs of the cafeteria, dining, fine arts, and gymnasium. Phase 2 will greatly enhance our athletics programs, fine arts education, and the day-to-day interactions of our students.

Phase 2A — \$3.2 million

- New construction of a kitchen, dining hall, commons area, restrooms, and concessions stand; and updated siding, roof and windows for the existing gymnasium. *Upon complete funding of Phase 2A we will begin Phase 2B

Phase 2B — \$2.8 million

- New construction of a gymnasium, locker rooms, storage rooms, and expanded parking lot.



- Fully air conditioned competition gymnasium and activity center
- Seating in gymnasium for over 900
- Collegiate-sized 94-foot competition basketball court
- Two regulation-sized courts run opposite for multi-team practices or tournaments
- 10-foot end lines for player safety
- Competition locker rooms
- Concessions stand open to seating in commons area
- Seating for over 200 in the commons area
- New kitchen, pantry, cooler, and freezer
- ADA restrooms that also serve as a storm shelter
- Fully fire-sprinkled facility
- Ample storage space

Calendar of Events

AUGUST

- 8 Football Practice Begins
- 15 Volleyball & Cross Country Practices Begin
- 16 School Begins, 8 a.m.
- 19 NC Family Carnival, 5:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 30 Homecoming

For additional events visit
nebraskachristian.org/calendar

We also want to remind you that there are still funds available to match a generous dollar-for-dollar matching grant of up to \$50,000. This means that:

- Your gift of \$50 will equal \$100 for the campaign!
- Your gift of \$500 will equal \$1,000 for the campaign!
- Your gift of \$5,000 will equal \$10,000 for the campaign!

Please prayerfully consider how you can be part of Phase 2 of The Next 50 Years Capital Campaign.

If you would like to donate to the campaign, please send your donation to the Nebraska Christian Foundation, PO Box 222, Central City, NE 68826.

Thank you for your faithful prayer support of Nebraska Christian, its ministry, and The Next 50 Years Capital Campaign.



Tune in to
AM-750 KMMJ
Saturday at 6:30 a.m.
to hear Josh Cumpston
and Gordon Thiessen.



27 Seniors Graduate May 14

by Alex Hao, junior

On Saturday, May 14th, Nebraska Christian Schools held its commencement ceremony to honor and celebrate the graduates of the class of 2016.

The commencement began with the processional of the class of 2016. The students in the class of 2016 are: Aaron An, Christina Bailey, Katie Cumpston, Noah Dexter, Zachary Dockweiler, Logan Faeh, Carson Falk, Whitney Heuermann, Susan Hofmann, Alexis Hower, Nolan Kohmetscher, Cameron Langemeier, Makenna Loy, Tara Murphy, Matthew Myers, Jackson Nelson, Duc Nguyen, Martin Nguyen, Phillip Nguyen, George Nguyen, Cassidy Ostrand, Skyler Qu, Dillon Rose, Trevor Swanson, Panny Wang, Albert Yang, and Isabella Yang.

After the procession of the class of 2016, Mr. Joshua Cumpston, the superintendent of Nebraska Christian, spoke and welcomed the visitors and parents who came to the commencement. Mr. Doug Langemeier gave an invocation, and the Nebraska Christian Choir sang "The Lord Is My Light." Three of the seniors spoke at the commencement: Alexis Hower, Cassidy Ostrand, and Katie Cumpston.

Following another choir number, State of Nebraska Attorney General

Doug Peterson gave the commencement address. He challenged the class to allow God to use them wherever they go, whether they travel the world, attend a prestigious university, or spend the rest of their lives raising a family in their hometown, and not to slip into the mindset that God only uses those who are successful by the world's standards.

Then, with assistance from Nebraska Christian board members, Mr. Joshua Cumpston presented the class of 2016 with their diplomas.

"It is hard to say goodbye to my dearest friends; however, I think all of the graduates are ready to step on to their next journeys. I really appreciated all the good memories that NC has brought to me, and I want to encourage all students to seize the days and learn more about Christ when they are at NC," said Isabella Yang, who attended Nebraska Christian for three years.

Congratulations to all the graduating seniors!

Hokwang (Aaron) An, son of Kihoon An & Sunhee Uh of Seoul, Korea, attended NC for one year. He is grateful for how his English improved while he attended NC, and he especially enjoyed the senior trip to Washington, D.C. He plans to attend business school at the

Top Left: Cassidy Ostrand and Albert Yang
Bottom Left: Nebraska Attorney General Doug Peterson

Middle: New graduates celebrate following the ceremony
Above: NC board member Chuck Murphy and Tara Murphy

University of Nebraska—Lincoln.

Christina Marie Bailey of Central City is the daughter of Dan & Amy Bailey. She has attended NC for four years, and she is the third child in her family to graduate from NC: sisters Janelle (Bailey '10) Murphy and Shanna Bailey ('13) are also alums. Christina especially valued Mr. Ostrand's Government and Economics classes. "I learned more in there than just about any other class," she said. Christina plans to attend Central Community College and then transfer to Grace University to study education.

Katherine Renae Cumpston, daughter of Josh & Allene Cumpston of Central City, has attended NC for five years. Of her time at NC, Katie says, "NC has prepared me well for life after high school and has given me the tools I need to succeed in the real world." She plans to attend Wichita State University, where she will study biomedical engineering/pre-dental and will walk on to the cross country and track teams.

Noah Cameron Dexter of Burwell is the son of Rance ('86) & Jodi Dexter. He has attended NC for six years. His sister Alysha (Dexter '05) Ramsey is also an NC graduate, as are several of Noah's extended relatives. His favorite NC memory is reading his first story in front of Mr. Garrison's English class and

seeing people enjoy it. Noah's future plans include traveling the world and spreading the gospel while writing every step of the way. In fact, his first published novel is set to release this summer.

Zachary Allen Dockweiler of Central City has attended NC since kindergarten. Many of his family members are NC graduates, including his parents Tom ('79) & Sherry (Masters '79) Dockweiler, sisters Melody (Dockweiler '04) Strauser and Carmen (Dockweiler '06) Chase, brother-in-law Brady Chase ('05), and multiple aunts, uncles, and cousins. Zac's favorite NC memory is beating Fullerton in overtime in football and the moments afterward with the team. He plans to major in mathematics at the University of Nebraska Omaha.

Logan James Faeh is the son of Andy ('81) & Lori Faeh of Marquette. He has attended NC for five years, and all of his siblings (Luke '07, Audra '09, Anna '11, April '14) and several extended family members are also NC alumni. Of his time at NC, Logan says, "The coaches and teachers I've had and friends I've made have stood by me through each year and have encouraged me to grow closer to God and stronger in my walk with Him." Logan plans to attend UNL in the fall.

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Carson LeRoi Graham Falk of Pleasanton is the son of Andy & Monica Falk. He has attended NC since the 8th grade. Carson is thankful for the Christ-centered education he received at NC, and his favorite memory is beating Fullerton in overtime in football last season. He plans to study criminal justice at Central Community College.

Whitney Ann Heuermann of Archer is the daughter of Alan Heuermann and Jody Heuermann. She has attended Nebraska Christian for 13 years, and her brother Curtis ('13) is also an NC graduate. Whitney believes that her time at NC has given her a firm foundation spiritually, academically, and physically that has prepared her for the rest of her life. She plans to attend UNL, where she will major in agri-business and grazing livestock systems.

Susan Marie Hofmann is the daughter of Fred & Lori Hofmann of Sutton. Susan has attended NC for four years, and her sister Heidi (Hofmann '13) Rose is also an NC alum. Susan's favorite NC memory is the senior trip to Washington, D.C. She plans to study nursing at Central Community College's Grand Island campus.

Alexis Paige Hower of Grand Island has attended NC since kindergarten. Her parents, Jeff ('88) & Daurice (Pizzoloto '87) Hower, are NC graduates, as are several of her aunts and uncles. Her favorite NC memory is beating Aquinas in the sub-district final volleyball match. Alexis is a member of the Nebraska Army National Guard. She plans to serve for six years while attending the University of Nebraska at Kearney and earning a degree in criminal justice.

Nolan Ryan Kohmetscher of Hastings has attended NC for two years. His parents are Marc & Beth Kohmetscher. Nolan values his time at NC because of the friendships he's made. Nolan plans to attend Hastings College, where he will study secondary education and play on the men's basketball team.

Cameron Douglas Langemeier is the son of Doug & Kristy Langemeier of Marquette. Cameron has attended NC for six years. "NC has taught me how to put my faith into action and to rely on God when I go through a tough time," he says. Cameron plans to study business at Grand Canyon University.

Makenna Rene Loy is the daughter of Lonnie & Christi (Elsberry '90) Loy of Central City. Makenna is the first child in her family to graduate from NC, but she has several extended family members who are NC alums. Makenna is especially grateful for the opportunity she had to be on NC's speech team. "I love speech, and being able to have an outlet to express myself artistically was a great aspect that I heartily appreciated," she says. Makenna plans to study English at Colorado Christian University.

Tara Rosalyn Murphy is the daughter of Charles & Trish Murphy of Central City. She has attended NC for four years. All of Tara's siblings are also NC graduates: Charlene (Murphy '04) Friesen, Holly (Murphy '06) Oswald, Emily (Murphy '09) McHargue, Elliot Murphy '10, and Talia (Murphy '14) Faeh. Tara says her favorite NC memory is "pretty much every home football game ever. There's nothing quite like sitting in the end zone, bundled in blankets, and sandwiched between friends with a cup of steaming hot cocoa." She plans to major in athletic training at UNO.

Matthew Charles Myers of Central City is the son of Larry & Tracy Myers. He has attended NC for seven years. Matt says that being at NC has helped equip him to further the gospel and God's kingdom, and his favorite NC memory is learning about Rambis the Rhombus in Mr. Falk's geometry class. He plans to study computer programming and participate in music at UNK.

Jackson Nathaniel Nelson of Trumbull is the son of Joe & Eileen Nelson. He has attended NC for two years. Jackson says attending NC

has made him a better person. He has joined the United States Army.

Duc Ngoc Nguyen of Hanoi, Vietnam, has attended NC for one year. His parents are Hung Ngoc Nguyen & Thanh Thi Giang Nguyen. Duc's favorite NC memories are the senior trip and the conversations he had with Mr. Gib (Killion). He plans to study computer science at UNL.

Minh Nhat (Martin) Nguyen has attended NC for two years. His parents are Khuay Van Nguyen & Loan Ngoc Thi Le of Hanoi, Vietnam. Martin says, "NC has brought Jesus to my life and taught me the truth." His favorite memories are of the junior and senior trips. Martin plans to continue his education at UNL.

Phuc Ha Hong (Phillip) Nguyen is the son of Dang Dinh Nguyen & Huong Thi Giang Ha of Hanoi, Vietnam. He has attended NC for two years. Phillip says his favorite NC memories are the trips he went on. "I met so many friends and had so much fun," he says. Phillip will attend UNL, and he hopes to become a software developer.

Tan Huu (George) Nguyen of Quy Nhon, Vietnam, is the son of Nguyen Huu Quoc & Thai Thi My Chau. He has attended NC for two years. While at NC, George especially enjoyed Mr. Ostrand's class. He plans to study finance at the University of South Carolina.

Cassidy Rae Ostrand of Central City has attended NC for nine years. Her parents are Carl & Tonya Ostrand, and her sister Cailyn ('14) is also an NC alum. Cassidy says, "NC has impacted my life in so many ways! I have learned so much, both academically and spiritually. I have a lot of growing left to do, but thanks to Nebraska Christian, I have gotten a good start!" She plans to attend Hastings College, where she will study biology and play on the volleyball team.

Qiru (Skyler) Qu of Taiyuan, China, is the daughter of Hong Qu & Linhua Yang. She has attended NC for three years. Skyler is especially grateful for the friends she made

while attending NC. She plans to study nursing at UNO.

Dillon Tate Rose is the son of Ron & Jo Rose of Aurora. He has attended NC for 10-1/2 years, and his brothers Kirk ('07), Casey ('09), and Derek ('13) are also NC graduates. His favorite memories of NC come from basketball: "My favorite memory is when our basketball team beat Number 1 ranked Spalding Academy (2013-2014) and Number 1 ranked High Plains (2015-2016)." Dillon plans to begin his college career at Central Community College in Hastings before transferring to a four-year university to get his business administration degree.

Trevor Dane Swanson, son of Doug & Karen Swanson of Aurora, has attended NC for six years. All of his siblings are also NC graduates: Braden in 2009, Andrew in 2012, Tori in 2013, and Matt in 2015. Trevor says, "I have been able to grow my faith through hearing teachers and chapel speakers, and I have met friends that I will have for life at NC." He plans to study mechanical engineering at UNL.

Peiyi (Panny) Wang of China is the daughter of Yongsheng Wang & Tao Gong. She has attended NC for two years. Her favorite NC memory is the Honor Banquet, and she says she learned a lot about God while at NC. Panny's future plans include getting a job and having a good life.

Qichang (Albert) Yang of Taiyuan, China, is the son of Peicheng Yang & Rumping Xin. He attended NC for three years. Albert especially enjoyed being on the basketball team, and he says he had a lot of fun with his class. He plans to continue his education at UNL.

Qixuan (Isabella) Yang is the daughter of Peisheng Yang & Xiaoping Li of Taiyuan, China. She has attended NC for three years. Isabella loved bonding with the other girls in the dorm, especially when they went out at 1:00 a.m. to see the shooting stars. She plans to get a bachelor's degree from UNL and possibly a graduate degree.

Memorial Gifts

For: Valda Blauhorn
 From: Mary Reisinger
 For: Dwayne Killion
 From: Max & Alice Boberhouse
 Dolores Brown
 Jeff & Annette Collison
 Benjamin & Angela Davis
 Randall & Cherie Defreese
 Loree Elliott
 Billie Gee
 Dave & Deanna Gee
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 Scott & Patty Welk
 Alvin & Janet Wemhoff
 Daniel & Kimmarie Woods
 Marcia Woods
 John & Mervat Younes
 For: Richard Maddox
 From: Tod & Gayle Francl
 For: Keith Reichardt
 From: Mary Reisinger
 For: Bill Tallman
 From: Gil & Dorothy Gload
 For: Ruth Van Boening
 From: Tim & Lois Van Boening
 For: Kenneth J Wheeler
 From: Dan & Fran Schmid
 For: Judy Willoughby
 From: Gil & Dorothy Glad
 For: Eleanor Wright
 From: Gil & Dorothy Glad
 Thursday Morning Bible Study



Evelyn Rachel McHargue
 daughter of Jordan ('11) & Janae
 (Landrigan '10) McHargue

Evelyn Rachel McHargue was born February 15, 2016, at 8:24 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs 6 oz and measured 20 inches long.

Excited family who welcomed her home includes grandparents Mark ('85) & Judi (Elsberry '85) McHargue and Paul & Janet Landrigan, uncles and aunts Andrew ('08) & Emily (Murphy '09) McHargue, Levi ('12) & Britta Landrigan, Jahn Landrigan ('13), Danny ('14) & Rachel (McHargue '14) Stevens, and Charis McHargue, and cousins Carl and Rex McHargue.

Dollars & Sense, *continued from pg. 2*

Nebraska Christian Schools Foundation, to fund and build a brand new girls' dorm. One of the last entries I will make in the books this year will be an entry to transfer that facility to our asset and depreciation schedule. This is still more evidence of the goodness of God. Please pray that this new facility will be used in such a way that God is glorified and that the girls who live there will be drawn to him.

We do have one financial goal that we have not yet reached during the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Every year we try to collect and set aside \$100,000 to fund financial aid for students who would otherwise not be able to attend Nebraska Christian Schools. As I write this, that fund has a little over \$69,000 in it. Please pray that God would bring the students He wants to bring to Nebraska Christian and that through this fund, or in some other way, He would provide what they need to be able to attend.

Until next time, may God bless you and yours.

Academic Excellence Celebration, *continued from pg. 1*



NC students on the Highest Honors Honor Roll.

A special award given for the first time this year was the TOEFL Award, presented by International Program Coordinator Eric Zanger. This award was presented to students who received a 95 (out of 120) or higher on the Test of English as a Foreign Language, a test that is required for international students who want to attend college in the United States. Zanger explained that a score of 95 is good enough for entry to most graduate schools and many doctoral programs. Three NC students received this award: Sophomore Kyle Kim, Senior Phillip Nguyen, and Senior Isabella Yang.

Other students specially recognized were those on the highest

honors honor roll. Those students earned a 4.16-4.33 GPA during the school year. (Nebraska Christian recognizes the A+ and operates on a 4.33 scale.) This year, 25 students attained highest honors.

The celebration also included the recognition of four students, two junior highers and two high schoolers, who showed great improvement over the course of the year. As the celebration ended, Activities Director Larry Schreiber handed out the NSAA Academic All State Awards for the winter and spring activities. The students were recognized for both their contributions within their sport or activity and their academic achievements.

NC Almanac

10 years ago ('06)

- 39 seniors graduate. Rebecca Brill ('06) and Sam Krug ('06) are class speakers.
- A book signing is held for 13 junior and senior girls whose work was published in the Multnomah Press devotional *This Is Now*.

20 years ago ('96)

- 23 seniors graduate. Sarah Stuhmer ('96) is valedictorian, and Akiko Yoshinari ('96) is salutatorian.
- Ritta siblings Robert ('69), Ed ('73), Mike ('78), Eddra ('81), and Tom ('83) receive the Alumni of the Year award.

30 years ago ('86)

- 22 seniors graduate. Jennifer Dods ('86) and Curtis Juett ('86) are co-salutatorians.
- Brant Taylor ('86), Rance Dexter ('86), and Rod Swanson ('86) are selected to the Goldenrod Conference All Star basketball team. Dexter is also selected to play in the Eight Man All Star football game.

40 years ago ('76)

- 37 seniors graduate. Susanna Anthony ('76) is valedictorian, and Dennis Garwood ('76) is salutatorian.

50 years ago ('66)

- 33 seniors graduate. Audrey Schmunk ('66) is valedictorian, and Janet Warkentin ('66) is salutatorian.



State Track Qualifiers.
 Row 1: Alyssa Prettyman, Olivia Prettyman, Rachel Epp, Katie Cumpston. Row 2: Cassidy Ostrand, Tara Murphy, Whitney Heuermann, Jeremiah Ebel, Dillon Rose. Row 3: Nolan Kohmetscher, Logan Faeh, Brennan Nokelby, Cameron Langemeier, Andrew Winsterman.

H O M E C O M I N G 2 0 1 6

Sep. 30 Tailgate
Football vs Palmer

Oct. 1 Renewed Strength 5k
Dorm Reunion



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Power of Scripture, continued from pg. 1

Church began with a couple of songs, a welcome, and prayer. I, along with five other men, took my place in chairs at the front of the church, and then we began reading the book of Romans, chapter by chapter and verse by verse. The words we were reading were on the screen, and many followed along there or in their Bibles. It was a nice service, but nothing I deemed life-changing—but I didn't know how God had been tugging at Kyle. I thought many people probably enjoyed reading scripture together, but it wasn't what I would have planned if I were planning a service to reach those yet unsaved.

Kyle returned to the dorm after church with a lot to think about. Later that evening, Kyle asked one of his teachers about baptism and said he wanted a true relationship with Christ. As they discussed what God had done for him, Kyle knew he needed to give his life to Christ and ask for forgiveness of his sins. He was excited and couldn't wait to tell

others what God had done in his life.

When I spoke with Kyle the next day, he told me, "I know that some people weren't listening or following along the whole time during Romans, but I couldn't look away from the screen. I have never been more focused before; it was like I couldn't look away. I was so convicted by some of those verses; they were speaking to me."

Isn't that amazing! Kyle was convicted and given the solution in the book of Romans. Truth that was truth two millennia ago is still truth today, and it still convicts and saves without any help from our plans, ideas, or methods.

I know that I sometimes allow thoughts to creep in that somehow I am important, and what I do or don't do is going to determine the outcome of someone else's decision to follow Christ. I don't think I am alone in that line of thinking, whether others would admit it or not. The funny thing is that God and His Word don't need us to do anything special.

NC Flashback

Since this issue is all about the end of the school year, for this flashback we'll go back to the Class of 1980's graduation. Can you identify the student giving the Valedictory Address? Send your guesses to advance@nebraskachristian.org to be entered into the drawing for our prize.

From the last issue: The ladies preparing for one of NC's dinners are Susan Ritta, Lela Musgrave, and Deb Johnson. Congratulations to Pastor Ron Ruark! His name was chosen from those who correctly identified the women, so he wins our prize.

NC Flashback

They handle themselves quite well; we just need to make sure they are presented. What a fantastic reminder that the Bible is enough, always has been, and always will be!
 That's the power of Scripture.

Hebrews 4:12 (ESV) For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the divi-

sion of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV) All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.