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Dr. Timothy Crump, District Superintendent



Equipping the Local Church To Make Christ-Like Disciples

Time For Psalm 46

Amid a chaotic world, don't forget that **God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.** What difficulties or challenges are you facing today that you must release to God?

God's Presence, Provision & Protection is greater than the difficulties or moments of crisis we experience! God's help is not from some great distance but is an ever-present help! Notice that God is our refuge – period! For many, they trust in God and something else! Who or what are you trusting in these days?

Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging . . .

If God is our help, refuge, and strength – there is no logical reason to fear.

As a child, I remember watching the cartoon "Underdog," where I learned the phrase – "There's no need to fear, cause Underdog is here!" These days my faith and hope are not in Underdog but in God, the maker of heaven and earth!

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

If you have ever been to Jerusalem, you would have a difficult time finding a river!

But take a moment to read Ezekiel 47:12 and Revelation 22:1. The promise of the abundant, constant provision will be the river for Jerusalem.

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Today, are you aware of the nearness of God?

Near the end of this psalm are these words: **"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."**

These days instead of trying to personally be still, which is extremely difficult with all of the chaos, anger, hatred, and uncertainty.

Instead, I turn my focus to my refuge and strength – God and it is amazing how still life can become!

Dr. Tim Crump

MINISTERS & MATES AT BROWN COUNTY INN



Date: April 21-23, 2023

Address: 51 IN-46, Nashville, IN 47446

Cost: \$430 per couple / \$370 per single

Deadline to register March 17. No Refunds

See registration form for additional information



SWID Family,

Below is a portion of a recent email from Dr. Leon Blanchette at Olivet Nazarene University to our district pastors in regards to a recent grant from Lilly Endowment. They need families in our churches to participate in a survey. Please take a moment to read and consider participating.

Thank you for your time.

The grant that Olivet received is from Lilly Endowment for the purpose of helping parents pass their faith to their children. While we all know this is an important directive in scripture, at times, we are not always sure how to live out this command. This research project will be a part of the newly created Center for Faith and Family and will focus on the churches and families that make up the Olivet Education Region. I would like to ask that the parents of your church complete an online survey that will help us know the needs of our parents so we can design a plan that will effectively help them. Your district superintendent has expressed his complete support of this project.

After the parents complete their own survey, a code will be generated that is required for the children's survey. In other words, the children cannot access the survey without the code from their parents. It would be helpful to us to have surveys completed from parents as well as children, but there is no pressure to have the children fill out the survey if they choose not to do so.

The research team would like to begin gathering data in about three weeks, so I am asking you to make this available to your families as soon as you can. The survey link is below:

<https://surveys.olivet.edu/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=167353832311>

Thank you so much for your assistance. We are hopeful that the training that will result from this research will help the parents of your church to effectively pass their faith to their children.



Rev. Mark Thompson
District NYI President

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Sammy Taylor Memorial Basketball Tournament '23

Where: Brown County High School, Nashville, IN
235 School House Ln, Nashville IN 47448

When: Saturday, April 1st, 2023

Who participates: Local church teams of middle school and high school students from SWID

What is at stake: The SWID Men's Basketball Championship and 12 spots on the SWID Regional Celebrate Life Team which will participate at Regional Celebrate Life at Olivet in May.

Entry Fee: \$125 per team; please pay with 1 church check made out to **SWID NYI**

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Andrew Johnson at **ajohns101@gmail.com**.

Rules of Participation

1. Each player must be currently enrolled in grades 6th-12th grade and attend a Nazarene Church on SWID.
2. Each player may play for only one team.
3. Each team must have numbered matching jerseys or t-shirts to wear during the tournament. – NO Exceptions.
4. No swearing, fighting, or arguing will be tolerated. Two technical fouls and you are out of the tournament and will not be eligible to be chosen for the District Team.
5. The champion of the tourney will receive a traveling trophy.
6. Entry forms and fees must be received by mail, or email **by Monday, March 27th**.
7. There will be a short coaches and referee meeting prior to the first game your team plays.

CLICK FOR REGISTRATION





SUNDAY SCHOOL & DISCIPLESHIP
MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

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2022-2023 Children's Quizzing



children'squizzing

March 4th @ 10am
Zone Quiz
Evansville Faith

[Register Here](#)

SWID WOMEN'S RETREAT

March 24 & 25

[Click For More Details](#)



March 11, 2023

Where: Valley Mission
When: March 11, 10am-2pm
Speaker: Dr. Greg Chenoweth
Cost: \$20
Food: McAlister's Deli

[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION](#)

JUDITH MONTGOMERY FAMILY



SWID PRIMETIME BANQUET

CORY COMMUNITY CHURCH
OF THE NAZARENE
April 24, 2023 6:30pm

COLUMBUS FIRST CHURCH
OF THE NAZARENE
May 1, 2023 6:30pm

MACKEY CHURCH
OF THE NAZARENE
May 8, 2023 5:30pm (CDT)

\$20 per person
Registration due
10 days prior to event

[CLICK HERE FOR
REGISTRATION FORMS](#)

The Toy Maker

Love that Surprises,
Transforms, and Sends

2023 Nazarene
Vacation Bible School

**FREE
RESOURCES
HERE**

KIDS CAMP

**JUNE 26-29
SAVE THE DATE**





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Missionary Speaker Opportunities

There are wonderful opportunities to have two missionary speakers come to the churches on SWID this summer and fall. These missionaries are available for any event the church may schedule. This might include church services, Prime Time fellowships, small group Bible studies, youth group, Caravan, children's gatherings, dinners, Faith Promise emphasis, and anything else the church hosts.

Rusty and Diane Robbins, our current SWID Care and Connection Missionaries are available July 3-8, 2023.

Friday Ganda, a native of Africa serving as a missionary in Africa, is available September 10 (PM service only), September 11-12, and September 14-16, 2023. He will need transportation from the Bedford area.

If interested in hosting one of these missionaries, please contact Janet Ritter as soon as possible at 812-279-0680 or ronjanritter@gmail.com.



Global Week of Prayer Sunday

February 26, started the annual NMI Global Week of Prayer. To access resources, click here. Subscribers to NMI Central will receive an email each day with prayer needs and insights.

Greetings from The Robbins

Our SWID Care and Connection Missionaries, Rusty and Diane Robbins, have sent a video message.

[Click here to watch the video.](#)

Crisis Care Kits

Crisis Care Kits will be collected on Saturday, March 25 at the Ladies Day Retreat. It isn't too early to start making these kits. [Click here](#) to see what to include in the CCK. Please contact Dave Lynn at 812.486.5504 or [email](#) with any questions.



SWID Missionary Tour with Carol Rittenhouse

SWID Missionary Tour with Carol Rittenhouse, former SWID Links Missionary, will be April 16-19, 2023. Plan now to attend one of the services.

[Click here](#) to see the locations and times.

SPECIAL NOTE: John Borgal founded in 1992 the Fawn Grove Compassion Center, where we send our CCK's. He is retiring at the end of March. Let's celebrate his retirement by collecting a record number of CCK's! For more information [click here](#).



Love Your Neighbor: General Assembly Service Project – June 9-14 Love Your Neighbor Indianapolis: Service opportunities including evangelism, food preparation, clean-up, and light construction. Please visit <https://ga2023.nazarene.org/love-your-neighbor> for more information and to register.

SWID Calendar

March 2023

- 4 - Children's Quizzing @ Evansville Faith
- 10-11 - Teen Quiz - Mackey
- 11 - Men's Breakout with Dr. Gregg Chenoweth
- 12 - Daylight Savings Time Resumes
- 24 - District Women's Retreat
with Susie Shellenberger
- 27 - SWID Nominating Committee

April 2023

- 1 - Sammy Taylor Basketball Tournament
- 1 - Children's Quizzing @ Newburgh New Life
- 2 - Palm Sunday
- 9 - Easter Sunday
- 15 - Board of Ministry Interviews
- 16-19 SWID Missionary Tour
- 24 - Prime Time Banquet @ Cory Community

May 2023

- 1 - Prime Time Banquet @ Columbus First
- 4 - Disaster Relief Leadership Meeting
- 5 - Baccalaureate Service @ Olivet Nazarene
- 6 - Commencement @ Olivet Nazarene
- 8 - Prime Time Banquet @ Mackey
- 9 - Investment and Audit Committee Mtg
- 11-13 - Regional Celebrate Life @ Olivet Nazarene
- 16 - District Advisory Board Mtg.
- 31 - End of Church Year

June 2023

- 9-16 General Assembly and Conventions
- 26-29 - SWID Children's Camp @ Higher Ground
- 26-30 - SWID Youth Camp @ Higher Ground



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Snapshots from Around the District



Oakland City celebrates 4 more years with Pastor Darin Nossett



Pastor Jonathan Scott and Newburgh New Life Church are now mortgage free



Fellowship with the growing congregation at Patricksburg Nazarene



Recent Children's Quiz at Mackey Nazarene



SWID Welcomes Pastor Jared & Pastor April Young to Mitchell Nazarene



Dr. Crump recently installed Rev. Jon Gibson to The Point in Seymour. Welcome to SWID Pastor Jon!



Pastor Tim Lichtley held a chili cookoff at Brownstown Nazarene



For more pictures from around the district
Check out our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/swidnazarene

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Rev. Larry & Diane Carr is celebrating their 50th Anniversary on March 17. If you wish to send a card, you may send it to:

Rev. Larry & Diane Carr
500 College Ave.
Terre Haute, IN. 47802

Contact Us

As a reminder, our District Office is now working remotely and would be glad to connect with you using the following contact information:
Each of us can be contacted through the District Office @ 812.279.6621



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