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Dr. Timothy Crump, District Superintendent



There Is Still Time!

It is hard to believe we are two-thirds of the way through 2023. Time sure flies when you serve the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. On January 1, 2023, in quiet time with the Lord, I wrote the following entry into my journal as I sensed God challenging and preparing me for this year. The verse God gave me for 2023 was:

"Whatever you hand finds to do, do it with all your might, for in the realm of the dead, where you are going, there is neither working nor planning nor knowledge nor wisdom." Ecclesiastes 9:10

Throughout the first day of 2023, God instructed me what I should focus on . . .

- Revitalize (re-energize) relationships, pastors, and churches.
- Restore broken things, places, and people.
- Relax & Reflect God- "Tim, Trust Me! Prepare but remember I will provide!"
- Remember Me "Seek Me with all your heart!" I have been with you!
- Reconcile As much as it depends on you be at peace. (Family, Church Matters)
- · Rejoice Stop! Don't push past the work of your hand and more importantly the miracles along the way.
- · Remain in ME and I will remain in you!
- Repent for the sins of the country and church. Listen to My spirit as He guides, convicts and consoles.
- · Resist the temptation to remain silent when evil is lifted.
- Rest demonstrates that I truly believe that You (God) holds all things together!
- Return (Nehemiah 1:9, Hosea 6:1, Joel 2:12)

"Even now, declares the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning. Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. Who knows? He may turn and relent and leave behind a blessing." Joel 2:12-14a

Today is a gift from God! How will you use the moments He gives you?

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3 Easy Steps to Bless Your Pastor

These three steps are also described in this PDF (English/Spanish).

<u>Step 1</u>| Share the 50 Ways list with your entire church! If you aren't the best person to be able to make that happen, pass this on to someone on the church board or leadership team. There are several different formats of the 50 Ways list, so your church leaders can choose what works best for them.

<u>Step 2</u> | Take up an appreciation offering for your pastor. Imagine your pastor's face when receiving an unexpected financial gift from the church body.

<u>Step 3</u> | Celebrate your pastor by collecting notes, praying for them in the church service, planning an appreciation meal, and/or other ways of celebrating that your pastor would appreciate.

Special Bonus! For all participating churches that complete all 3 steps, we will email your senior pastor a special webpage with a \$300 marriage retreat scholarship application to attend a "Weekend to Remember" Family Life marriage retreat. Your pastor will also be given access to free and discounted retreat and vacation opportunities. Fill out the form for your pastor to receive this bonus.

PLAN NOW! October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

EQUIP 2023

DISTRICT TRAINING EVENT

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2023 9:00AM-2:30PM

VALLEY MISSION CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
110 HILLCREST WAY, BEDFORD, IN 47421



Travis Smith FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER

TO REGISTER, CLICK HERE OR





REGISTRATION ONLY \$15.00 THROUGH OCT 23!

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Teen C.A.R.E Corps 2024
Location: Caribbean Nazarene College, Trinidad and Tobago
Dates: June 4-14, 2024
Cost: \$1400

Looking for a mission opportunity this next summer? If you are a high school student, look no further. Next summer we have the opportunity to serve at the Caribbean Nazarene College in Trinidad and Tobago. We will be working on the college campus to help with the general upkeep of their facilities. Along with working on the campus, you will have the chance to experience many ministries that the college is involved in!

Please have applications sent to Rev. Michael Elliott no later than October 1, 2023. This gives us time to review applications and set up interviews for some time during the fall. There will be at least two in-person meetings in the spring. The date and location are TBA. Be praying if you should be a member of this group serving in Trinidad. Is God calling YOU?

Please give the recommendation form to your Pastor (or youth Pastor) with a stamped envelope addressed made out to Rev. Michael Elliott 1071 Wildwood Loop NW Corydon, IN 47112. This needs to be a non-family member. This needs to be postmarked by October 1 as well.

CLICK HERE FOR ADDITIONAL TEEN CARE CORPS DOCUMENTS (APPLICATION, RECOMMENDATION..)



The 23-24 Teen Quizzing Schedule has been calendared. We are excited for another GREAT season of learning the word.

All information is available by clicking here.

Questions? contact Rev. Garrett Lee at glee@truevine.net



To be added to the SWID NYI Email list, email <u>swidnyi812@gmail.com</u>





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SWID Missionary Tour with Friday and Mary Ganda

SWID Missionary Tour with Friday and Mary Ganda will be September 11-17, 2023. Please plan to attend one of the services. Click here to see the locations and times. Churches, please remember to bring your deputation offering. Every Church is asked to give to the Deputation offering for our missionaries. If bringing a check, please make the check payable to General Treasury and put Friday Ganda in the memo line. It is also possible to pay this directly on Funding the Mission.

Alabaster Offering

Alabaster is celebrating 75 years this year with a year-long celebration lasting until June 2024! The Global NMI is asking for every church to participate in the Alabaster Offering during this year-long celebration. Traditionally, February and September are Alabaster months. Alabaster Sunday for SWID is Sunday, September 24. Did you know that 100% of the Alabaster offering goes towards building or purchasing property all around the world? Thank you for promoting Alabaster. For resources and more information on Alabaster go to nazarene.org/alabaster.

Care and Connection Missionaries- The Robbins

Our Care and Connection Missionaries are Rusty and Diane Robbins from the Eurasia Region. Please keep loving on The Robbins through December 2023. In January, we will receive a new family to love. <u>Click HERE for more information</u>.

NMI Central

NMI Central is sent every Wednesday by email. This is where prayer needs and praise reports for the global ministries of the Church of the Nazarene and our missionaries will be shared. It will also include ways to become involved and stories from missionaries and other Nazarene Missions partners.

NMI Central also includes lesson ideas to share with the local church members. There are no printed adult lessons to purchase.

Please go to <u>www.nazarene.org/nmi-central</u> to sign-up for the NMI Central weekly publication.

SWID Calendar

September

- 9 Primetime Day at Valley Mission COTN
- Teen Ouiz @ Brazil
- 10 SWID Missional Tour Columbus First
- 11 Missionary Rally @ Rockville
- 12 SWID Church Properties Board
- 12 Missionary Rally @ Brownstown
- 13 Missionary Rally @ Spencer
- 14 Missionary Rally @ Calvary Comm Fellowship
- 16 Men's Breakout w/ Antonio Marshall @ Zion
- 17 SWID Missional Tour Cory Community
- 17 Missionary Rally Mackey
- 19 Advisory Board Meeting
- 23 SWID Missional Golf Scramble
- 24 SWID Missional Tour Mackey
- 29-Oct 1 SWID Laymen's Retreat @ **New Harmony Inn**

October

- 1 SWID Missional Tour Community of Hope
- 3-4 Olivet Trustees Meeting
- 5 Primetime Day @ Olivet Nazarene University
- 7 Kids Bible Quizzing [North: Spencer/South: Mackey]
- 8 SWID Missional Tour VIncennes First
- 14 Teen Quiz Mackey
- 15 SWID Missional Tour Valley Mission
- 19-22 ONU Homecoming

November

- 2 Disaster Response Team Mtg
- 4 EOUIP at Valley Mission
- 5 Daylight Savinigs Time
- 7 Investment & Audit Team Mtg
- 11 Teen Ouiz @ Peter's Switch

11 Kids Bible Quizzing
[North: Columbus First/South: Point Township]

- 19 Thanks Offering
- 23 Happy Thanksgiving

December

- **District Advisory Board Dinner**
- Minister's & Mates Luncheon @ Gasthofs
- Teen Ouiz @ Rockville
- 15 Ministerial Packets Due
- 25 Merry Christmas

January

- **Happy New Year**
- 2 SWID Church Properties Board
- 13 Teen Ouiz @ Crossroads Community
- 26-27 Ministerial Candidate Workshop



Get the latest district calendar updates Subscribe to our calendar here

Snapshots from Around the District



Rev. Garrett & Carol Lee received a unanimous 4-year extention at St. Bernice



Rev. Alyssa and Rev. Tyler Beadle baptized 12 believers recently at Francisco!



A crowd of almost 200 gathered for the NMI Convention at Valley Mission



Power was out, but the Spirit was with us at the NDI/NYI Conventions last month.



Springs Valley recently burned their mortgage



Rev. Darrell Wineinger with Rev. Bill Reid



Rev. Alan & Lori Bradley recently received a 4-year extension at Faith Community



Rev. Nate Denning baptized a total of 9 believers at Northside Community



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

MISSIONAL TOUR



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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