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Dr. Timothy Crump, District Superintendent



# Is God Really With Us?

There are times when we act as though God is not with us. This was undoubtedly true for Ahaz, the king of Judah. In Isaiah chapter 7, we find Ahaz's fear, rather than a trust in God, prompted him to make a deplorable decision. How much easier it would have been for him to have listened to God or His prophet, Isaiah, who declared: "The Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel." (Isaiah 7:14)

King Ahaz needed to be reminded that God was with him. Yet generation after generation, we have continued to rely on our strength and wisdom rather than taking advantage of the presence and power of God.

In this Advent season, may you remember that God is with you! Listen to Him, rely on Him, and take your fears and doubts to Immanuel - God with us. Today He seeks to dwell within us, providing us with strength, courage, and power even amid our most significant doubts and fears. God is really with us!

Dr. Timothy Crump

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# **New Assistant District Superintendent**

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Rev. Nathan Rogers as Assistant District Superintendent for our district.

My recommendation to appoint Rev. Nathan Rogers was approved by the District Advisory Board and General Superintendent in Jurisdiction, Dr. David A. Busic. As with all district staff, the appointment is reviewable and renewable annually.

Rev. Rogers is presently the Pastor of Worship and Administration at the Columbus First Church of the Nazarene, Columbus, Indiana. Before his current assignment, he served ten years as the Pastor of Worship and Arts at the Grace Church of the Nazarene in Nashville, Tennessee, and almost five years as the Pastor of Worship at the Castleton Church in Indianapolis, Indiana, and briefly at the Tillamook Church of the Nazarene in Tillamook, Oregon. Nathan is a graduate of Trevecca Nazarene University with a B.S. in Music Business.

Please be in prayer for Rev. Rogers, his wife, Emily, and their children: Alivia, Jackson, Max, and Liam, during this time of transition. Nathan's last day at Columbus First will be Sunday, January 2, 2022.



Rev. Nathan Rogers nrogers@swidnazarene.org

# District NYI Update

# 2021-2022 NYI Events

District Celebrate Life - 2/26/22 Regional Celebrate Life - 5/12-14/22 Youth Camp - 6/20-24/22 NYI Convention - 7/24/22



# **Rev. Mark Thompson**

**District NYI President** pastormark@restorationnaz.church (812) 278-4474



# Teen Quizzing 2021-2022



**1/8/2022**Restoration

2/12/2022 Crossroads Community

**3/11 - 3/12/2022** Mackey

All teen quizzes start at 8 AM Central / 9 AM Eastern.

### CONTACT

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Teen Quizzes are in-person!



# **NYC 2023**

Plans for NYC '23 will get ramped up in the spring, but we want to make sure you have the dates saved on your calendar; July 5-9, 2023, in Tampa Bay.

# 2021-2022 SDMI Events

- Men's Breakout 3/12/22
- District Ladies Retreat 3/25-26/22
- Children's Camp 6/17-20/2022



# **Rev. Doug Lane**

**District SDMI Chairperson** pastordouglane@gmail.com (615) 969-6395



SUNDAY SCHOOL & DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL



# **Christy Boes Eubanks**

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# **Submitting Offering of Thanks**

Thank you for your generous support of the Offering of
Thanks for World Evangelism Fund (WEF). Please see that all
funds received for the Offering of Thanks are submitted promptly
through Funding the Mission or sending a check to Stewardship Ministries.

# **Christmas Gifts for Missionaries**

As we think about Christmas gifting, consider giving a gift to your Nazarene missionaries through Links or their deputation account. Each missionary may have unique projects or needs; contact them to see how your gift brings the most incredible blessing before sending or submitting funds.

# **Could You Go?**

Click here to access the current list of missionary needs around the world. It is designed to help those interested in pursuing missionary service for any length of time and find a position that suits their interests and gifting. Could you go?

# **See The Impact: Health Care**

Following the example of Jesus, Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM) partners with local Nazarene congregations around the world to clothe, shelter, feed, heal, educate, and live in solidarity with those who suffer under oppression, injustice, violence, poverty, hunger, and disease. NCM exists in and through the Church of the Nazarene to proclaim the Gospel to all people in word and deed.

In many parts of the world, accessing health care can be a complicated or impossible task. Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM) partners with local Nazarene churches that provide health care ministries for those most in need. Click here for more information.

# **SWID Lifeline**

S.W.I.D. Lifeline is a financial program designed to provide a solid financial base for Southwest Indiana District Work & Witness building projects. All LifeLine funds go 100% directly to the Work & Witness Project (building materials etc.)

Membership in Lifeline involves the contribution of \$10.00 or more each quarter or \$40.00 per year for the construction of buildings and building improvements on mission fields around the world or in ethnic areas of the United States and Canada.

All churches are encouraged to participate, and a goal of 10% of the Morning Worship Average Attendance is the recommended lifeline membership. (Example: Morning Worship Average is 160, then 16 Lifeline members are the church's goal = \$640.) Churches also receive 10% credit at the time of the project. The 10% credit generally lags one year to 18 months before being credited. This is best put on the pastor's year-end report as other local benevolences.

Finances contributed to Lifeline helps distribute the cost of projects throughout the district by enabling everyone to supply material for the projects. Individuals on the project trip are then responsible for their traveling, living, and insurance expenses. This allows more people actually to be able to participate in a trip.

Promotion is usually done in January as part of Volunteer Ministries. Bulletin Boards and especially speakers who can share actual trip experiences are recommended. Individual slides, pictures, and PowerPoint presentations are often available with the speakers. Doug Jones is available for most services to give presentations.

For further information contact:

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# THE HALF-MILLION MOBILIZATION

Colossians 4:2

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."

We begin to usher in a new day in the USA/Canada Region in the Church of the Nazarene.

We do this not in our own strength, but in the strength of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Do we believe God can change the trajectory of our declining churches?

Do we believe God will raise up leaders to start new churches?

Do we believe God has a place in our current culture for the Nazarene holiness message?

Of course, the answer is yes. Perhaps there has never been a better time in the USA/Canada Region for the work of God's church to breakthrough.

Let us join together in a time of prayer for renewal in our ministry and our churches.

Let us pray for a resurgence in the Nazarene message of hope and holiness.

# https://usacanadaregion.org/pray Prayer Guide



# **Compassion & Hope House Update**

The Compassionate Ministry Center in Newberry is growing and needs our help! If you would like to sponsor a meal for the Tuesday Celebrate Recovery Ministry please consider donating \$40. You may want to sponsor a month.

If you are interested send a check to:
Gary Ritter, District Treasurer
1880 Guthrie Rd.
Bedford, IN 47421

# We Want To Wish You A Merry Christmas And Happy Mew Year!



Pictured Left to Right: Gary Ritter, District Treasurer, Anita Ritter,
Dr. Tim Crump, District Superintendent, Cindy Crump,
Rev. Nathan Rogers, Assistant District Superintendent, Emily Rogers

# SWID Calendar

# 2022

January 8 - Teen Bible Quizzing - Restoration
January 15 - Children's Bible Quiz -Evansville Faith
January 18 - District Church Properties Meeting
January 21 - District Ministerial License Applications Due
January 21 - Deadline for Ministerial Candidate Workshop

February 5 - Children's Bible Quiz
February 12 - Teen Bible Quiz - Crossroads
February 18-19 - Ministerial Candidate Workshop
February 22 - District Advisory Board Meeting
February 26 - District Celebrate Life - Location -TBD
February 27 - Alabaster Offering

March 5 - Children's Bible Quiz
March 11-12 - Teen Bible Quiz - Mackey
March 12 - Men's Breakout
March 25-26 - Ladies Retreat

April 2 -Children's Quiz
April 9 - Board of Ministry -Ordination Interviews
April 10 - Palm Sunday
April 17 - Easter
April 21-27 - Missionary Tour - John & Sandy Cunningham
April 23 -Board of Ministry Interviews
April 29-May 1 - Pastor & Mate Retreat (Louisville)

May 6-7 Olivet Nazarene University-Trustees Meeting & Commencement
May 7 - Children State Bible Quiz
May 10 - District Church Properties Board Meeting
May 12-14 Regional Celebrate Life @ Olivet
May 16 - SWID Nominating Committee Meeting
May - 17 District Advisory Board Meeting

June 17-20 Children's Camp @ Higher Ground
June 20-24 Teen Camp @ Higher Ground
July 24 -27 - NYI, NMI, SDMI Conventions & District Assembly-Evansville

# **SWID Happenings**

# Dedication of New Ministry Center In Sullivan with Rev. Todd Gotshall







SWID's Christmas Banquet -December 4th









Rev. Darin Nossett, Oakland City



Rev. Mark Thompson, Restoration



**Restoration -Advent Wreath** 



Restoration Praise Team

# **SWID Happenings**

John & Melony Paulus Valley Mission (Co-Pastors) 4 Year Renewal-November 18, 2021 Rev. Sam Moore Cayuga Rev. Richard Wetnight Cayuga







Cloverdale & Rev. Pursell hosted Judith Montgomery & family in concert!

Rev. Reid filling in @ Springs Valley







Contact Us

# Remote District Office Reminder

As a reminder, our District Office is now working remotely and would be glad to connect with you using the following contact information:



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# OLIVET NAZARENE UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES

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### LAY PERSONS

Doug Jones (2022) Lydia Johnson (2024)