

A WORD FROM TERRY & BECKY

We all have hopes that 2022 will be normal! But I am sure it will be different. We just do not know what different will look like. We do know that God will be there with us. He will never leave us nor forsake us. A wonderful promise! A great hope! This is our foundation! This is what we build our life on!



As we move into the final 3 1/2 months of the church year, I encourage you to continue to strive to trust Jesus and proclaim the hope we have in Him. There are many people in our communities who are longing and looking for the hope that we have in Christ.

Let us continue to call people to discover the gift of forgiveness and let us invite them to receive the gift of God's grace through the sacrament of baptism.

It will be exciting to come together at District Assembly to hear how God is working through each of your churches to fulfill the mission God has called us to accomplish.

- Terry & Becky

HALF-MILLION MOBILIZATION OF PRAYER

The Vision of Stan Reeder, USA/Canada Regional Director, is to mobilize 500,000 Nazarenes to be in prayer, seeking God to discover what He wants to say to us about the ministry of the Church of the Nazarene and a movement of God in the USA/Canada. Here is a [LINK](#) to watch to give you more information.

INTERIM APPOINTMENTS

Rev. Bob Lothenore has been appointed the Interim at Pittsfield.

Rev. Mike Tapscott has been appointed the Interim at Shelbyville.

PRAY FOR CHURCHES SEARCHING FOR PASTORS

The following churches are in search of their next pastor: Flora, Mansfield Community, Shelbyville, Griggsville, Mattoon Homestead, Decatur First, Pittsfield, Champaign First.

TEAM DAY SOUTH

January 22 @ Salem Grace

FINAL REGISTRATION IS DUE by January 19.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register.

There is no cost but registration is so helpful for planning. Thank you!

Registration begins at 8:30 am.

The event will end at 1:00 pm

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

District Credentials & Ministerial Studies Board - February 5 in Roxana

Pastors, Take Note! Recommendation from church boards for individuals renewing for District License are due by Monday, January 17.

Applications from individuals renewing District Minister's License be sure to turn in your application by January 17 as well.

Rodney' email address is rodney@illininaz.org

For those who are applying for a district minister's license for the first time or if you are applying for ordination, your interviews will be on April 30 at Mattoon East Side. Application deadline is April 9.

YEAR END REPORTS

The church year ends April 30, 2022.

To help us prepare for this reporting session, we will have several area wide PREP MEETINGS scheduled!
March 10, Murphysboro/Mt. Vernon Zone - Place & Time TBD

March 12, Metro Zone - Roxana, 10 am

March 15, Virtual Meeting - GoToMeeting, 9:30 am

March 15, Virtual Meeting - GoToMeeting, 7:00 pm

Other Zones to be scheduled!

District Nominating Committee will meet
on March 26, 9:00 am

Annual Meetings between April 17 - May 1



ZONE MISSION TOUR MARCH 20 - 31, 2022

In 2006, John and Vicki moved to Budapest, Hungary, where John served as District Superintendent and as Eurasia region's evangelism and church planting coordinator. While serving on the Eurasia Region the Moore's also served as adjunct lecturers at European Nazarene Bible College in Busingen, Switzerland. From there they moved back to Australia where John served as Field Strategy Coordinator (FSC) for Australia/New Zealand and Asia Pacific Regional Education Coordinator. Vicki served as manager of the ANZ Field Office. In June 2019 John began a new assignment as Global Mission Capacity Development Coordinator overseeing the development of FSCs globally.

Vicki was born into a pastor's home in Puyallup, Washington. She spent most of her early years on the Northern California District, and then graduated from Point Loma Nazarene University with a Secondary Teaching certificate. She spent most of her career teaching high school English. She is the mother of 4 children, 2 boys and 2 girls. She and John share 6 remarkable grandsons and a granddaughter on the way!

Schedule at this time:

- March 20 am - Springfield First
 - March 20 pm - Springfield Zone - Place TBD
 - March 23 @ Benton, 7:00 pm
 - March 25 @ Nebo, Time TBA
 - March 27 am - Arcola Hispanic
 - March 27 pm - Mattoon Zone - Place TBD
 - March 29 @ Rantoul, 7:00 pm
 - March 30 @ Chrisman, 7:00 pm
- Others services are being scheduled across the district.

The supply of Crisis Care Kits were used up for the storm damage in Kentucky. Begin to make plans to put together CCK's to bring to District NMI Convention. If you need information regarding what goes into a CCK, please contact Sandy.

- Sandy Stickler, NMI President

TEEN QUIZZING SCHEDULE



Feb. 12 - Pittsfield
March 4 & 5 - Champaign First (District Finals)

**DISTRICT CELEBRATE LIFE
March 11 & 12
Roxana Church of the Nazarene**

Celebrate Life returns in 2022! The cost will be \$75/individual. Registration information will be made available soon!

**REGIONAL CELEBRATE LIFE
MAY 12 - 14, 2022
Olivet Nazarene University**

Pastors, make sure you have someone making your monthly report. You can access the reporting page by clicking on this [LINK](#).

SAYING GOODBYE



Revs. B.J & Alisha Thelander will be moving to Oregon. He has accepted the role of Executive Pastor @ Church on the Hill in McMinnville, OR. Their last Sunday will be January 16. The Thelander family will be missed around our District. B.J. was also serving as our District SDMI Chairperson.

Rev. Juan & Kelly Loreda, have resigned from the pastorate at Champaign First. Juan has accepted the position of Chaplain at a hospital in Indiana. Their last Sunday will be January 23. They, too, will be missed from our District.



A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

- Lamentations 3:22-23

Illinois District Calendar of Events

2022

January 22 - TEAM DAY SOUTH @ Salem Grace

February 5 - District Credentials & Ministerial Studies Board - Renewal of District License @ Roxana

February 12 - Youth Quiz @ Pittsfield

February 19 - District Advisory Board Virtual Meeting

March 4-5 - District NYI Quiz Finals @ Champaign First

March 11-12 - District Celebrate Life @ Roxana

March 19 - District SDMI Council Mtg.

April 2 - District Finance Committee Mtg.

April 9 - District NMI Council Mtg.

April 23 - District Children's Quiz @ Salem Grace, 10:00 am

April 30 - District Credentials & Ministerial Studies Board - Candidates for Ordination, First Time License @ Mattoon Eastside

June 3-4 - Regional Children's Quiz @ Olivet

June 16-18 - National Hispanic Conference @Southern Nazarene University

June 27-July 1 - Teen Camp @ Camp Table Rock

July 14-16 - District Gathering Celebration, Conventions & Assembly

July 18 - 22 - Kid's Camp @ Passion Church Campus (formerly Camp Warren)

September 16 - 18 - Lay Retreat @ Pinecrest Camp & Conference Center, Fredericktown, MO

September 30-October 2 - m&m Retreat @ Embassy Suite Conference Center, St. Charles, MO

November 11 - 13 (tentative) NYI Spiritual Life Retreat, Eagle Crest Camp

December 3 - District Pastors & Families Christmas Gathering, Effingham

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June 10 - 17 - Dates for General Conventions & General Assembly in Indianapolis

June 26-30 (tentative) Teen Camp @ Camp Table Rock

July 5-9 - Nazarene Youth Conference in Tampa Bay, Florida

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