

from Terry & Becky. . . .

Be still and know that I am God... Psalm 46:10



I am thinking this cold weather may be a good time to practice being still with God. Many of us are spending a little more time indoors working to stay warm, in comfy warm clothes, in front of a fire, under a blanket or all of the above - with our phones, a book, or the tv going. What if we let go for awhile and be still.

Lately I find myself grabbing my phone to check messages, play a game, scroll through Facebook, etc. if I am sitting, if I am waiting, even for a few minutes. What if I took that time and made a conscious effort to focus on God, to listen. I wonder what I might hear, how I might be encouraged, what I might see, what I might be missing...

It takes a concentrated effort for me to be still, to quiet my mind, to just listen. With God's help I believe it could be a special time.

Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; Psalm 37:7a

Taking it a step further, the less we speak the less likely to say something unwholesome, make ungodly talk for which we will be held accountable or get caught up in a Facebook disagreement.

Even a fool is thought wise if he keeps silent, and discerning if he holds his tongue. Proverb 17:28

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. Ephesians 4:29

Father, may I take time to listen to you. May I be aware of my words. May they be pleasing to you, building others up.



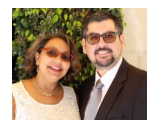
NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

MEET OUR NEW LINKS MISSIONARIES

- **ROD & SARAH REED.** They are currently serving at Africa Nazarene University in Nairobi, Kenya.



SPRING ZONE MISSION TOUR



Liliana and Fernando Almeida are global missionaries with the Church of the Nazarene. They are both currently serving on faculty at the European Nazarene College (EuNC) on the Eurasia Region. They will be our guest missionaries.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ZONE</u>
Tuesday	April 9	East Central-Mattoon East Side
Wednesday	April 10	North East-Georgetown
Thursday	April 11	North Central-Decatur West Side
Sunday pm	April 14	Illinois River-Bethel Community
Monday	April 15	Metro-Collinsville New Community
Tuesday	April 16	Southern-Murphysboro
Thursday	April 18	South Central-Salem Grace

"Are you getting your weekly missions update/lesson material? Sign up at <https://nazarene.org/nmi-central/> "

Learn more about your NMI - <https://illinoisnaz.org/nmi-faqs/>

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
March 11, 2024 - March 19, 2024
COSTA RICA w/ Encuentro
June 29, 2024 - July 6, 2024

Cost: \$1850

Deadline is January 15 with a passport.

Contact Danaka Bulthuis for more information:
217-763-6450

28th Global Week of Prayer

The 28th annual Global Week of Prayer is February 25 – March 2, 2024. Resources are available for children and adults in over 15 languages and may be accessed at

<http://www.nazarene.org/nmigwp>

The district NMI Council will be meeting in person at Salem Grace, January 27 at 3:00 pm.

- Dan Reinhart, NMI President



NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 27, 2024 - TEAM DAY South @ Salem Grace Leadership with Mark Bane See the poster on page 5

April 6, 2024 - District Women’s Day at Roxana Check the poster on page 6

July 12, 2024 - District NDI Convention

July 15 - 19, 2024 - District Children’s Camp **Camp Applications are on the Illinois District web site.** [Camp-Application.pdf \(illinoisnaz.org\)](#)

- Randy Wright, District NDI President

UPCOMING TRAINING/RESOURCING EVENTS

IL/MO Pastor’s Advance PASTOR TALKS

March 12 - 14, 2024

Pinecrest Camp, Fredericktown, MO

Cost will be between \$65/person, includes 5 meals and 2 nights lodging. Private lodging will be limited. Here is the link to register: <https://forms.gle/aYYk1ZSwdyHEVxRHA>

NYI Leadership Conference - March 3-5, 2024 Nampa, Idaho. Contact David Hater for more information.

Exponential - ONEIGHTY - March 4-7, 2024 Orlando, Florida. 6 Tickets still available. Contact Terry Armstrong

Wesleyan Holiness Women’s Conference March 7-9, 2024, Dallas, Texas



QUIZ DATES

February 10 - Pana First
March 15-16 - Shelbyville

UPCOMING NYI EVENT

March 8 & 9, 2024
District Spring Retreat & Celebrate Life @ Roxana

Cost is \$35/person for Event, covers event and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. The NYI Council is working on housing arrangements. That information will be mailed out as soon as costs are finalized.

May 16 - 18, 2024
Regional Celebrate Life @ ONU

2024 Youth Camp @ CTR
June 24 - 28, 2024
Registration forms to be available
Speaker: Rob Click

Camp Information is included in the eLetter, pages 6 & 7.

District NYI Convention
Thursday night, July 11, 2024
Decatur First

July 1-5, 2026
Nazarene Youth Conference ‘26,
Salt Lake City, Utah

- David Hater, District NYI President

Please note: Our district treasurer is Laura Mondy. Her email address is dist.tres@illinoisnaz.org. If you mail your check, send to:
Laura Mondy, District Treasurer
1206 W. 4th St.
Centralia, IL 62801.
FEBRUARY 6 is a zoom meeting for all local church treasurer’s. Pastor’s are invited to participate.



Illinois District Calendar of Events

2024

January 18 - Deadline for District Minister's License, Application, Questionnaire and Recommendation

January 27 - TEAM Day South @ Salem Grace w/ Mark Bane - LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

February 3 - Board of Ministry Interviews for renewal of District Minister's License @ Roxana

February 10 - Teen Bible Quiz @ Pana First

March 2 - Alternative Date if bad weather on 2/3 for Board of Ministry Interviews

March 3-5 NYILC Conference @ Nampa, ID (For Youth Leaders)

March 4-7 - EXPONENTIAL @ Orlando, FL

March 7-9 - Wesleyan Holiness Women's Conference @ Dallas, TX

March 8-9 District NYI Spring Retreat & Celebrate Life @ Roxana

March 12-14 - IL/MO Pastor's Advance at Pinecrest Camp and Conference Center

March 15 & 16 - District NYI Quiz Finals @ Shelbyville

March 24 - Palm Sunday

March 31 - Easter Sunday

March 11-19 - Mission Team to Trinidad & Tobago

April 6 - District Women's Day @ Roxana First

April 9 - East Central Zone Mission Rally @ Mattoon East Side

April 10 - North East Zone Mission Rally @ Georgetown

April 11 - Deadline for Ordination Applications, First Time License Application, Questionnaire, Recommendation

April 11 - North Central Zone Mission Rally @ Decatur West Side

April 13 - District Children's Quiz

April 14 - Illinois River Zone Mission Rally @ Bethel Community

April 15 - Metro Zone Mission Rally @ Collinsville New Community

April 16 - Southern Zone Mission Rally @ Murphysboro

April 17 - South Central Zone Mission Rally - TBD

April 27 - Board of Ministry Interview for Ordination & First Time License @ Mattoon East Side

May 16 - Deadline for Annual Pastor's Report

May 19 - Pentecost Sunday

May 20 - Early Bird Registration Ends for CTR

May 31 - Early Bird Registration Ends for Children's Camp

June 3 - Registration Deadline for CTR

June 24 - 28 - Youth Camp at Camp Table Rock

June 29 - July 6 - Mission Team to Costa Rica

July 1 - Registration Deadline for Children's Camp

July 11 - 13 - District Gathering Celebration, Conventions & Assembly

July 15 - 19 - Children's Camp at Passion Church Campus

September 1 - 12 - Zone Mission Rallies

September 13 - 15 - Adult "Reignite & Renew" Retreat @ Pinecrest Camp & Conference Center

September 27-29 - m&m Retreat, New Harmony Retreat & Conference Center,
New Harmony, Indiana, Dr. Carla & Chuck Sunberg, Speaker

November 5-7 - NDI Leadership Conference @ Tulsa, OK

December 7 - District Leaders, Pastor & Family's Christmas Gathering, Effingham



DAY

SOUTH

January 27, 2024

Salem Grace



Creating a Culture of Calling

Engaging the whole people of God into the whole mission of God.

Creating a Culture of Calling



A training designed to teach: Pastors, leaders and laity how to identify, develop and send leaders to places of ministry in the church and beyond.

This training will help local and district leaders build up their leadership pipeline.

COST: \$10/person (Lunch is included)

REGISTRATION: <https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration?ID=18>

SIGN UP BY: January 22, 2024

TIME: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm



Ladies' Day

April 6, 2024



Joy Wisehart, speaker

Roxana Church of the Nazarene

\$20 per person

On-line registration: <https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration?ID=19> or scan the QR code



Mark your calendars now!

Inspiration, fellowship, fun, prizes, lunch, praise and worship, laughter, and more!

Willing to bring a skit from your church? Donate a prize or gift basket?

Have questions or suggestion?

Call Phyllis at 217-412-2908 or Debbie at 618-604-5552

Illinois District Church of the Nazarene

2024 Children's Camp

July 15 - 19 (Monday 10:00 AM - Friday, 12:30 PM)

(Recommended for children entering 3rd - 7th grade in fall)

**** Those entering 2nd grade may attend if accompanied by a counselor****

PASSION CHURCH CAMPUS

4225 Camp Warren Ln, Decatur IL 62521

CAMP DIRECTORS: DEBBIE BREWER and LORI WORKMAN

CAMP SPEAKER: ANITA SHOTTS

CAMP ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE: Canoeing, Paddle boating, Fishing, Zipline, Swimming, Bon-fire

Registration begins at 10:00 AM on Monday, July 15, 2024 (Lunch is served that day)

Camp concludes at 12:30 PM on Friday, July 19, 2024

(Lunch is served that day)

CAMP COST

Early Registration materials postmarked by May 31, 2024 - \$230/camper

Postmarked June 1 - June 24, 2024 - \$260/camper.

Counselor/Workers must be approved by pastor and camp director.

Counselor/Worker cost is \$100/person.

Registration DEADLINE must be postmarked by June 24, 2024

Registration includes money for t-shirt and Snack Shack.

LICE/NIT POLICY

Churches will be responsible for initiating a lice check no earlier than 24 hours prior to camp.

Forms are available online. We have a no lice/nit policy.

HOW TO REGISTER

- Fill out the attached forms after reading all the information.
- Turn in your completed and signed registration forms to your local church. Local church will mail.
- **Parents**, please make all checks payable to the local church.
- **Churches**, please make one check payable to IL District Church of the Nazarene.
- The local Nazarene church then mails all camp registration forms and payment to:

Debbie Brewer

8201 Old St. Louis Road

Belleville, IL 62223

ILLINOIS DISTRICT NYI

REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2024

WHEN: JUNE 24-28, 2024

HOW TO REGISTER

A NOTE FOR THE YOUTH PASTOR/LEADER:

In the past, Camp Table Rock had an online group registration form in addition to the paper registration. However, to help eliminate any confusion in 2024 we are only doing the paper registration, and that process is staying the same. If you are new to this process or need a refresher we have a step-by-step process listed below.

1. Go to camptablerock.com/illinois click through the information slides until you see the Registration slide
2. Select "Registration Forms"
3. Print off the entire form
4. If you are a parent/guardian please complete the registration form for each teen you are sending to camp
5. If you are an adult leader attending camp please complete the form for yourself
6. Once you've completed the paper form please return your form to the youth pastor/leader in charge of your group
7. Youth leaders: please send your students/leaders forms to Roxana Church of the Nazarene, Attn: Jamie Toolen/Teen Camp, with your payment (information below) to this mailing address: 500 N Central Ave, Roxana, IL 62084

Cost:

STUDENTS:

- \$365 BEFORE 5/20
- \$425 BEFORE 6/3

LEADERS: \$295

TRANSPORTATION: \$75

Deadline:

JUNE 3, 2024

Where:

CAMP TABLE ROCK
2079 PENINSULA DRIVE
SHELL KNOB, MO 65747

Check In:

JUNE 24TH 3-5PM
CAMP ENDS: JUNE 28TH
AT 10:30AM

PAYMENT INFORMATION

FOR THE YOUTH PASTOR/LEADER

1. Collect all \$50 deposits from each student and adult leader who is attending camp by May 27, 2024 - make sure all deposits are made payable to your local church
2. Send one church check made payable to "Illinois District Church of the Nazarene" to Jamie Toolen's mailing address mentioned previously
3. Deposit payments are non-refundable
4. Your church groups remaining balance is due on the deadline (June 3, 2024)
5. Last minute drops ("no shows") without any communication to the camp Office Manager and Jamie Toolen at least 7 days before camp, will result in no refund of any amount.
6. If you have a last minute drop you can substitute a new person to use their funds; however, communication about the substitution must be made with the camp office and Jamie Toolen

CONTACT INFORMATION

FOR THE YOUTH PASTOR/LEADER

Camp:

417.858.9222

camptablerock@gmail.com

District Teen Camp Director:

Pastor Michael Flowers

907.521.8390

revmichaelflowers@gmail.com

PAYMENT METHODS:

WE ACCEPT CHECKS, CASH, AND MONEY ORDERS.

FAQ'S, DRESS CODE, & PACKING LIST:

CAMPTABLEROCK.COM
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