

from Terry & Becky. . . .



Becky & I want to express our appreciation to the District for the gift to help us celebrate our 45th anniversary. It has and continues to be a wonderful journey together. We have been so blessed to become a part of the Illinois District family. Thank you.

The writer to the Hebrews declares, "Let us encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," . . . If you read before and after, you realize encouragement not only offers joy to others but helps our faith journey. According to Scripture, encouraging others will help us keep our heart pliable and receptive to God.

Let's make it a priority to encourage others this week and give the devil a 'black eye.'



NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

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

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

COSTA RICA w/ Encuentro

June 29, 2024 - July 6, 2024

You can be a part of this team by praying for them as they travel and minister to those in Costa Rica. Their project will be to work at a Children's Center.

DISTRICT CONVENTION SPEAKER: Dr. Tim McKeithan



For the past 35 years, Tim and Susan have ministered for the Church of the Nazarene in Spanish. When they moved to Barcelona, Spain for Tim's job as a full-time symphony musician, neither of them spoke Spanish, and they did not go there for ministry. But God had a better plan! Within three years, Tim was asked to pastor the Barcelona congregation as a tentmaker Nazarene missionary, which he did for 5½ years. It was during those 9 years that God confirmed His call to them to be missionaries – a call which had begun even earlier while Tim and Susan lived and worked five years in Hong Kong. They would have never thought that God wanted them to be pastors or missionaries. That call came as God continued to reveal to them the spiritual needs of the people around them – people that they met and worked with each day in their regular jobs (symphony and university). They prayed, "Lord, who are *You* going to send to help these very special people, who all need *You*?" God seemed to say, "How about you help them to know Me?" The call began in Hong Kong, was confirmed in Barcelona, and continued thereafter.

After 14 years overseas and 5½ years pastoring, the McKeithans came back to the US to study for full-time ministry at Nazarene Bible College. Upon graduation, they served in Argentina and Chile for 10 years, working in the SAM Regional Office. Tim also taught at the seminaries and district centers in several countries. When Susan and Tim's elderly parents needed care back in the US, they left the mission field, but not their call to missions. Tim accepted the position at Nazarene Bible College to develop and lead the Bachelor Ministry degree program in Spanish. In the past 12 years, more than 300 Spanish-speaking students have taken NBC courses, working towards a degree or ordination. Tim and Susan planted Spanish-language congregations in Colorado Springs and Kansas City, which are thriving to this day. Susan was ordained since coming back and co-planted/co-pastored those Spanish congregations.

- Dan Reinhart, NMI President

NEWS ACROSS THE DISTRICT



WELCOME Clara Eden Flowers to our Illinois District Family. Born May 16 at 4:42 pm. 6 lbs. 3 oz. 19 in. long. Congratulations to parents, Rev. Michael and Mindy Flowers.

It was the consensus of Champaign Grace church board to continue church/pastor relationship with Pastor David and Joni Hater.

It was the consensus of the Decatur First church board to continue church/pastor relationship with Pastor Christen and Jared Piatt.

It was the consensus of the Clinton First church board to continue church/pastor relationship with Pastor Michael and Janet Taylor.

Congratulations to these Pastors, church boards and congregations for these excellent reviews.

With a grieving heart we share that the District Advisory Board has voted to disorganize the Sparta Church of the Nazarene. This decision was made in consultation with Pastor Dwayne Anderson.

Be in prayer for our churches. Carbondale Nuevos Comenizos and Benton First are looking for pastors.



NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP
INTERNATIONAL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

District NDI Convention

July 12, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Dr. Jeff Stark, Speaker

District Children's Camp

July 15 - 19, 2024

Anita White, Speaker

Anita earned a degree in Early Childhood Education and began her career as a teacher. However, God had other plans. After teaching in public schools, God provided the opportunity for her to use her talents and gifts for the Lord in ministry as a Children's Director in Pittsfield. She now serves as Youth & Family Ministries Director in Estes Park, CO.

We need tall empty pill bottles with labels removed for a kids' camp project. Bring to District Assembly!

SPARK

A Children's Workers Workshop

September 12-14 @ Pinecrest Conference Center

Poster: <https://equiptoengage.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/SPARK-Central-2.pdf>

Registration: <https://equiptoengage.org/event/sparkcentral-3/>

Early Registration Ends August 19—Cost is \$155/participant.

This would be a great investment in your children's workers.

ADULT 'REIGNITE & RENEW' RETREAT

September 20-22, 2024

Pinecrest Camp & Conference Center

Fredericktown, MO

See the poster for more information.

Early Bird Registration must be purchased by August 1, 2024

TEAM DAY

Saturday, OCTOBER 12, 2024

@ SALEM GRACE

This will be the only Team Day this year.

NDI Leadership Conference

@ Tulsa, OK

November 5 - 7, 2024

More details to come. This conference is for those who lead in discipleship - teachers and officers and those who believe God is calling them to be a disciple maker.



2024 Youth Camp @ CTR

June 24 - 28, 2024

District NYI Convention

Thursday, July 11, 2024

Decatur First

7:30 pm

Speaker: Dr. Scott Sherwood

BRING WITH Youth Mission Project

Friday, July 12 @ Decatur First

Students from across the district are invited to show up at Decatur First to assemble Crisis Care Kits as a part of the district youth mission project. Everyone can participate by bringing any of the following items: Medium sized bottle of shampoo (12-18 oz); bars of soap (bath size or larger); medium toothpaste; toothbrushes (in original packaging); boxes of band-aids (30 or more); finger nail clippers; study hair combs; hand towels; pocket size packages of tissues; baby-size stuffed toys. Bring to Assembly and place at the display table in the Lobby.

Nazarene Youth Conference '26

July 1-5, 2026

Salt Lake City, Utah



Because of the change in the General Assembly schedule, NYC will be in 2 years. It will be open to students who were in 6th through the 10th grade this school year (2023-24).

Check out the web site: <https://nazareneyouthconference.com/>

More information to be distributed at District NYI Convention.

- 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.

Illinois District Calendar of Events

2024

June 24 - Registration Deadline for Children's Camp, postmarked by 6/24

June 24 - 28 - Youth Camp at Camp Table Rock

June 29 - July 6 - Mission Team to Costa Rica

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

July 13 - District Advisory Board Meeting at the conclusion of District Assembly

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

August 1—Registrations for m&m Retreat are due

August 19—Early Bird Registration for SPARK ends

August 31 - Deadline for Registration for R&R Adult Retreat

August 31 - District Advisory Board Meeting

September 1 - 12 - Zone Mission Rallies w/ missionaries Ermias and Mulu,

September 12 - 14 - IL/MO SPARK, @ Pinecrest Camp & Conference Center

September 14 - District Teen Quiz

September 20-22 - 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

October 5 - District Teen Quiz

October 12 - TEAM DAY @ Salem Grace

October 16-18 Chic Shaver Personal Evangelism Conference at ONU

November 2 - District Men's Day @ Pana First

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

November 9 - District Teen Quiz

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

2025

January 11 - District Teen Quiz

February 1 - District Board of Ministry Interviews to Renew District License

February 8 - District Teen Quiz

February 10-12 - M25 (Nazarene Conference on Evangelism) - Kansas City, MO

April 5 - District Ladies Day

April 26 - District Board of Ministry Interviews for Ordination and First Time District License Applications

June 4 - 6 - PALCON at ONU

June 23-27 - Youth Camp @ Camp Table Rock

July 10-12 - District Conventions & Assembly

July 14-18 - District Children's Camp at Passion Church Campus

September 19-21 - R&R Adult Retreat @ Pinecrest Camp & Conference Center

September 26-28 - m&m Retreat @ Embassy Suites, St. Charles, MO

December 6 - District Leaders, Pastor & Family's Christmas Gathering, Effingham

81st Illinois District Assembly & Conventions July 11 - 13, 2024

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Thursday, 6:00 pm - Registration

Thursday, 7:00 pm - NYI Convention

Friday, 7:30 am - Registration

Friday, 8:30 am - NDI Convention

Friday, 12:30 pm - Registration

Friday, 1:30 pm - NMI Convention

Friday, 6:00 pm - Registration

Friday, 6:45 pm - Praise & Worship

Friday, 7:00 pm - Celebration of Ministry Service

Saturday, 7:30 am - Registration

Saturday, 8:30 am - Assembly Morning Session

Saturday, 1:30 pm - Assembly Afternoon Session

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. Our policy is NO Lice/Nits at Camp.

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

2024 Reignite & Renew

Adult RETREAT



Pinecrest Camp & Conference Center

1252 HWY C.

Fredericktown, MO

www.pinecrestcamp.org

SEPTEMBER 20 - 22



FOR ALL ADULTS - SINGLE OR MARRIED, 18 YEARS OR OLDER. NO CHILDREN OR TEENS EXCEPT FOR BABIES THAT ARE NURSING.

ANNUAL LIVE AUCTION - TO RAISE FUNDS TO ASSIST WITH PASTORAL NEEDS ON THE DISTRICT. BRING HOME-MADE GOODIES, FUN ITEMS, HOME-GROWN PRODUCE AND OTHER DESIRED ITEMS IN GOOD CONDITION.

SPEAKER: HAL PERKINS

Private Housing & 6 meals: \$205/person

(Early Bird - \$175/person)

Mail a check and take \$5 off the above prices.

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION MUST BE PURCHASED

BY August 1, 2024 (SAVES \$30/person)

Additional \$10/person discount for FIRST-TIME ATTENDERS!

BRING YOUR OWN BEDDING & TOWELS!

PRIVATE HOUSING IS LIMITED. IT WILL BE PROVIDED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.

PAYMENTS MAY BE MADE ON-LINE.

PASTE THIS INTO YOUR BROWSER: <https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration?ID=20>

OR USE THE QR CODE.

YOU MAY ALSO MAIL A CHECK IN BY August 31, 2024.

Mail to Kathy Williams, 8653 Knox Road, West Frankfort, IL 62896.

Pay in Full to be registered, if you cancel by September 13, all but \$25 is refundable.



For questions reach out to Kathy Williams at

kdhallwilliams6@gmail.com

REGISTRATION FOR RENEW & REIGNITE ADULT RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2024

Name: _____ Spouse Name (if applicable): _____

E-mail: _____ Phone #: _____

Local Church: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Special Needs: (i.e. cannot navigate stairs; will need help moving from cafeteria to chapel, etc.) _____

Registration: (Write in the number of attenders at each line that applies.)

_____ First time attender: A \$10 discount off prices below!

_____ Early Bird Registration (Postmarked before July 31, 2024) \$170/person If mailed

_____ Early Bird Registration (before July 31, 2024) \$175/person if online

_____ Standard Registration (Postmarked August 1 – August 31, 2024) \$200/person if mailed

_____ Standard Registration (August 1 – August 31, 2024) \$205/person if online

_____ T-Shirt \$15.00/shirt Size: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____

_____ T-Shirt \$16.00/shirt Size: XXL _____ XXXL _____

_____ TOTAL AMOUNT Enclosed

Pay in Full to be registered, if you cancel by September 13, all but \$25 is refundable.

OR USE THIS LINK: <https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration?ID=20>

OR THE QR CODE:



Name of Roommate preference if not a couple: _____

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Make check payable to Illinois District Church of the Nazarene



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CRISTO

81st Illinois Distrito Asamblea y Convenciones

Julio 11 - 13, 2024

Decatur First Iglesia del Nazareno

Decatur, IL

SCHEDULE

- Jueves, Julio 11, 7:00 pm - Convención JNI de distrito
- Viernes, Julio 12, 8:30 am - Convención NDI de distrito
- Viernes, Julio 12, 1:30 pm - Convención MNI de distrito
- Viernes, Julio 12, 6:45 pm - Servicio previo de alabanza y adoración
- Viernes, Julio 12, 7:00 pm - Servicio de ordenación
- Sábado, Julio 13, 8:30 am - Asamblea de Distrito



Carla Sunberg

Superintendente General



Jeff Stark

DNI Convención



Tim McKeithan

MNI Convención



Scott Sherwood

NJI Convención

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