

# eLETTER

September 2024 Terry L. Armstrong, District Superintendent

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# from Terry & Becky....

Quick reminder that our challenge is to Be LIKE JESUS. I've been thinking about how Jesus treated the woman caught in adultery. Compassion and kindness are 2 of the attributes that Jesus demonstrated that



should be the way we treat others. Thank you for treating others with respect.

#### New Across the District .....

Prayer Requests: Health Needs—Pastor Larry Barnhart, Pastor Jim Frye, Rev. Rita Briggs, Pastor John Stanley. Family Needs—Susan Wilhelm and family in loss of Rev. Les Wilhelm, Pastor Josh Beeman's family, loss of his grandmother. Churches in Pastoral Transition—Carbondale Nuevos Comienzos, Lincoln Hope Chapel, Paris First and Rantoul.

#### **RETIREMENTS:**



Pastor Gary & Shiela Williamson will be retiring on September 22 after serving 12.7 years at Paris First Church of the Nazarene. They will be retiring to Indiana.

Pastor David & Sandi Allison will be retiring on October 6 from Rantoul Church of the Nazarene. Pastor David served at Rantoul for the past 6.8 years. They will be retiring to Racine, Wisconsin.



Pastor Greg and Luann Wooten have accepted the call of Benton First to serve as their next pastoral family. They will begin their ministry their on October 13.

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# DISTRICT WORK PROJECT Saturday, October 5

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Mahomet Property, 702 Turkey Farm Rd, Mahomet, IL. There is a garage on the property that is falling down. The project for the day will be to tear down the building. Bring gloves, shovels, and wheel barrels. The work day will start at 8:00 am. Lunch will be served. Contact Pastor Josh Cisneros to let them know that you are coming so they can make arrangements for lunch. His number is 432-210-6301.





#### **FALL MISSIONARY TOUR**



589 attended the 7 services across the district. You gave \$10,364.00 in deputation offering for Missionaries Ermias and Mulu from Kenya.

Many have enjoyed learning of the church growth methods and success in east Africa.



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#### **FACEBOOK LINK**

Here is a link to the introduction of the Global Missions face-book page.

https://www.facebook.com/share/v/qTFaxe45aZSy6pG9/

# **MISSION TEAMS**

FYI, plans are being developed for 1 or 2 possible Mission team (Work & Witness) opportunities next summer. Announcements and details will be available by the end of this year.

#### **ILLINOIS MISSIONARIES**

Pastor Danaka and Ken Bulthuis have been appointed 'Sponsored Missionaries to Thailand' by the Church of the Nazarene. They are in the process of raising funds to cover their living expenses for 2 years.

A generous benefactor on our district has presented a matching challenge. Every \$\$ that is raised between now and October 27 will be matched up to \$20,000. Thus far, \$8,615.00 has been raised. You can help us reach our goal by going to give.nazarene.org/pledge/kdbulthuis or scan this QR code:



- Dan Reinhart, NMI President

# **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**



# NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL

### **TEAM DAY**

Saturday, OCTOBER 12, 2024 1:30—4:30 pm @ Roxana Church of the Nazarene Rev. Kim Smith, Speaker Reinvigorating the Local Church

HELPING US PROCESS PROVEN 'PRINCIPLES' THAT WILL ENA-BLE US TO BE BETTER PASTORS AND LEADERS AND FULFILL OUR GREAT COMMISSION CALLING TO GO MAKE DISCIPLES.

Registration is not required.

Show up at Roxana Church of the Nazarene.

The event will start promptly at 1:30 pm.



Pastor Kim served for 38 years as pastor, serving churches that ranged in size from 30 to 700. In 2013, he was elected District Superintendent of the Iowa District until he retired in 2021. After 3 years of retirement he has started pastoring again in Sikeston, MO where he and the congregation are excited about a NEW SEASON

of RENEWAL and GROWTH.

## This will be the only Team Day this year.

# **DISTRICT MEN'S DAY**

November 2, 2024
Pana First Church of the Nazarene
Speaker: Dr. Jim Cooper
Cost: \$20/man

Single Elimination Bag Tournament—Grab you a partner, sign up at 9:45 am

A Full Chicken Dinner is included

# NDI Leadership Conference @ Tulsa, OK

November 5 - 7, 2024

# **HISPANIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

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@ Lake Williamson Conference Center

November 8 - 9 Cost: \$150

Speaker: Rev. Tim McKeithan





# November 16, 2024 Bond Christian Service Camp

# 1119 Missouri Blvd. Mulberry Grove, IL

Reconnect with other students from across the district for a fun day of fellowship, devotion, worship, and activities including archery tag.

Early Bird Registration by October 10—\$17 Registration between Oct. 11—Nov. 10—\$21



Registration after November 11—\$25 https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration? ID=31

# 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 2026. It will be open to students who were in 7th through the 11th grade **this** school year (2024-25).

Check out the web site:

results

https://nazareneyouthconference.com/

More information will be made available in the near future.

Teen Bible Quizzing began on September 14 at Decatur West Side. Contact Lizzy Hines for details. Her email is elizabeth111577@ymail.com. It is not too late to join. Check out the District Facebook page for

- 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.

# 2024

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 @ Pittsfield

October 5 - District Work Day at Mahomet,

October 12 - Celebration of Life Service for Rev. Doug Haynes @ Godfrey, 12:00 pm

October 12 - TEAM DAY @ Roxana, 1:30 pm

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 8-9 - Hispanic Men's Retreat @ Camp Williamson

November 9 - District Teen Quiz @ Decatur First

November 16 - District NYI FIRE Event

December 7 - District Leaders, Pastor & Family's Christmas Gathering @ Effingham Thelma Keller Convention Center

# 2025

January 11- District Teen Quiz@Belleville Emmanuel

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

February 8 - District Teen Quiz @ Mt. Erie

February 10-12 - M25 (USA/Canada Region Nazarene Conference on Evangelism) - Kansas City, MO

March 17—24 - Spring Mission Tour

March 17 - 20 - Exponential Conference, Orlando

April 5 - District Ladies Day

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

May 8 - 10 - ONU Field Celebrate Life

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

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Roxana Church of the Nazarene 500 North Central Ave Roxana, IL



# ILLINOIS DISTRICT ANNUAL

# MEN'S DAY

sign-ups for corn-hole @ 9:45am

Fried Chicken Dinner w/ all the fixin's for lunch

**Corn-hole bags tournament:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd place prizes

Nov 2

Pana First Church of the Nazarene



FREE PARKING | \$20 REGISTRATION FEE 1200 EAST 6TH ST | PANA, IL 62557

https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration?ID=32





Orador: Dr. Timoteo Mckeithen







Conferencias, juegos y mucha diversión. ¡Te esperamos!

8 y 9

noviembre

2024

Lugar: Lake Williamson Christian Center

Costo: \$150

Incluye hospedaje y 4 alimentos

