

from Terry & Becky. . . .

As I look out the window to the snow covered yard, I am reminded of the words of Isaiah, "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;" Fresh snow is such a beautiful white. But time and traffic and snow plows tend to come along and take the beauty of the snow away, making it brown and dirty and ugly. Satan works to take what God has done in us, through the blood of Christ and tries to mess it up and make our clean life dirty. But this morning I want to remind you of the words in Isaiah 41:13, "For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you. Do not fear; I will help you." God can keep our lives clean and pure and white as a fresh blanket of snow. Let's trust Him and follow His ways.



NEWS FROM ACROSS THE DISTRICT



Pastor Wayne and Karen Clevenger have accepted the pastorate at Rantoul Church of the Nazarene. They began their new assignment on December 22 and are off to a great start.

Pastor Nikki and Gabe Whitney have accepted the unanimous call to become the pastor at Hope Chapel Church of the Nazarene in Lincoln, IL. Pastor Nikki has been serving as the Worship Pastor at Belleville First. They will begin their ministry in Lincoln March 2025. Join us in praying for them as they search for a house.



Pastor Deb Braunig has announced her resignation at Monticello Church of the Nazarene, effective January 26, 2025. Would you pray for this congregation during their transition.

Continue to pray for our other churches that are seeking new pastoral leadership. Carbondale Nuevos Comienzos, Paris First, Glen Carbon Glenview, Fairview Heights Parkview, Collinsville New Community and Shelbyville.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL



DISTRICT WOMEN'S DAY

April 5, 2025 at Roxana
Cost is \$25/person
Sue Duffield is the speaker
Registration will open online in January



Here is the link: [Illinois District Toolbox > Forms > Registration](#) or the QR code when it opens

- Randy Wright, District NDI President

M25 EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

February 10—12, 2025
Kansas City, MO

Check out the website: M25conference.com
for registration information
Registration: \$99/person through the end of the month.

Keynote Speakers: Stan Reeder, Carla Sunberg, LaMorris Crawford, Kevin Jack, John Maxwell.

There are 6 workshop time slots available with over 20 workshops each time slot.

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.



DISTRICT

March 7 - 8, 2025
Roxana, IL

Cost is \$25/person. You must register using this link: <https://cl.olivet.edu/register.php?dpwd=ERCUF3GN>
You will pay at the event. Bring one church check for all registrants. You can call Michael Flowers, District CL director for more information: 447-244-1080

FIELD

May 8 - 10, 2025
Olivet Nazarene University
Bourbonnais, IL

Use the above link to register for this event.

YOUTH CAMP

June 23 - 27, 2025
Camp Table Rock
Shell Knob, MO

NAZARENE YOUTH CONFERENCE '26

July 1-5, 2026
Salt Lake City, Utah
Check out the web site:

<https://nazareneyouthconference.com/>
More information will be made available in the near future.



- David Hater, District NYI President



NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

SPRING 2025 MISSION RALLIES



Make plans now to be part of this special opportunity. The Reeds have been our 2024 Links missionaries and will be in the midst of their retirement deputation tour. Come meet these special folks who have served so well in Eastern Africa.

DATE	TIME	ZONE	HOST CHURCH
Mon, 3/17/25	7:00 PM	South Central	Mt. Erie
Tues, 3/18/25	7:00 PM	Southern	Anna
Wed, 3/19/25	7:00 PM	Metro	Belleville Emmanuel
Thurs, 3/20/25	7:00 PM	Illinois River	Griggsville
Sun, 3/23/25	6:30 PM	North Central	Springfield 1st
Mon, 3/24/25	6:30 PM	North East	Chrisman
Wed, 3/26/25	7:00 PM	East Central	Mattoon East Side

NMI LEADERSHIP CHANGE

The Board of General Superintendents have announced the election of Cheryl Crouch as the next director of Nazarene Missions International, effective June 1, 2025. She and her husband reside in Texas where she serves in her local church and on the West Texas district as NMI president. She and her husband also served as Nazarene missionaries to Papua New Guinea.



MISSION TEAMS

June 7—12, 2025, Appalachia Reach Out, Cost: \$325/person. Includes: transportation, lodging and meals for the trip. We will be working with Appalachia Reach Out at their new location in Portsmouth/Wheelersburg, OH June 7th -12th. Lodging, meals and snacks will be provided by ARO. Projects will be geared more towards compassionate ministries (i.e. church, bible studies, arts and crafts, Celebrate Recovery). In fact, ARO purposefully wanted us to come during this time period so that we could be there during Celebrate Recovery's graduation service. Registration should start in January. If you are interested or have questions about the trip, contact Pastor Daniel Mattison at 573-840-0100 or email at nmi.missions.teams@illinoisnaz.org

Dan Reinhart, NMI President
nmi@illinoisnaz.org

Illinois District Calendar of Events

2025

January 28 - Pastor's Professional Development with GS Carla Sunberg on zoom, 9:00 am & 6:30 pm

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

February 15 - Children's Invitational Quiz 2 (Dig Sites 11-15); South Area @ 10:00 am @ Centralia

February 22 - Invitational Quiz 2 (Dig Sites 11-15); North Area @ 10:00 am @ Decatur West Side

February 25 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

March 7-8 - District NYI Celebrate Life, Roxana

March 14-15 - District NYI Quiz Finals

March 17 - District Missionary Tour, South Central Zone @ Mt. Erie

March 18 - District Missionary Tour, Southern Zone @ Anna

March 19 - District Missionary Tour, Metro Zone @ Belleville Emmanuel

March 20 - District Missionary Tour, Illinois River Zone @ Griggsville

March 23 - District Missionary Tour, North Central Zone @ Springfield First

March 24 - District Missionary Tour, North East Zone @ Chrisman

March 25 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

March 26 - District Missionary Tour, East Central Zone @ Mattoon East Side

March 17-20 - Exponential Conference, Orlando

April 5 - District Ladies Day @ Roxana

April 12 - District Children's Quiz Finals @ Salem Grace

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

April 28 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

May 8-10 - ONU Field Celebrate Life

May 27 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

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

July 22 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

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

August 26 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

September 23 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

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

October 28 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

November 18 - 20, EXPONENTIAL—Central, Naperville, IL

November 25 - Pastor's Professional Development on Zoom

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



**BE LIKE
JESUS**



Ladies' Day

April 5, 2025



Sue Duffield, speaker

Cost: \$25/person

Registration begins at 9:30 am

Schedule:

10:00 am - Opening

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

3:00 pm - Headed Home

Roxana Church of the Nazarene

500 N. Central

Roxana, IL

On-line registration begins January 1, 2025.

Can your church donate a gift basket?

Have questions or suggestion?

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

Use the QR code or paste this link into your browser for registration:

<https://app.illinoisnaz.org/Registration?ID=33>





DISTRICT EVENT

March 7-8, 2025

Roxana Church of the Nazarene

500 N. Central Ave.

Roxana, IL

Registration Cost: \$25/student

Housing options and cost are still being worked out

and will be announced as soon as possible.

FIELD EVENT MAY 8-10, 2025

Olivet Nazarene University

One University Ave.,

Bourbonnais, IL

Registration Cost: \$145/student

Register Online:

<https://cl.olivet.edu/register.php?dpwd=ERCUF3GN>

