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New Passion... New People... A New Illinois



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District Superintendent

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JUNE 2011

Combined Convention Day
NYI SDMI NMI
July 13, 2011

DECATUR FIRST
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
1177 W. HICKORY POINT RD. DECATUR, IL
217-875-0616

Registration begins at 7:30 AM

Conventions begins at 9:00 AM



NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

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"That the world may know"



June is World Mission Broadcast month

The annual World Mission Broadcast Offering provides resources to reach millions around the world for Christ via broadcast media, especially radio. Received in June each year, the World Mission Broadcast Offering provides funding for program production, airtime, and follow-up materials. Holiness programming, delivered by radio, television and the Internet, reaches around the world with the message of Jesus and his redeeming love and helps to disciple those who respond.

In 2010, World Mission Broadcast is reaching the unreached in:

- 36 Languages
- 72 Countries
- 140 Programs
- 7,012 Broadcasts*

Your participation is needed to reach the unreached through World Mission Broadcast. In addition to the offering, prayer support of individuals and local churches is vital to this broadcast ministry.

While NMI promotes the World Mission Broadcast Offering for June of each year, contributions may be made at any time by sending a check. Mark check for World Mission Broadcast, make it payable to "General Treasurer, Church of the Nazarene," and send to:

Global Treasury Services
Church of the Nazarene
PO Box 843116
Kansas City MO 64184-3116

Go to the [World Mission Broadcast site](#) to learn more.

July is International Ministry Bible Schools and Seminaries Month

International Ministry

Nazarene educational institutions around the world are training preachers, teachers, evangelists, nurses, and vocational and lay leaders. This education is essential to the success of evangelistic efforts. Please remember the students, faculty, and their staff in your prayers

August is LINKS

The LINKS program of the Church of the Nazarene is a network of personal connections between missionaries and Nazarenes around the world. Missionaries are assigned to districts and, then on the district level, connected to local churches. This gives each church an opportunity to become personally acquainted with the missionary family and their field of service. Typically, churches send cards, cash gifts, packages, and other remembrances to their LINKS missionaries.

In return, the churches feel a sense of involvement with the global mission enterprise of the church through regular correspondence from the missionaries, updates from their field, and even through deputation services while the missionaries are on home assignment. The missionaries are encouraged, knowing people care and pray for them. The relationships built over time personalize names and faces that both the missionaries and their LINKS churches value highly.

We are planning a **District Work & Witness Trip to the Philippines**. The Team Leader is Rev. Ivan Jess. He can be contacted through the Arcola First Church at 217-268-3114 or e-mail revj1@juno.com. The project is going to be at APNTS.

I was recently in a meeting with Missionary Greg Taylor who shared a little history and update of the APNTS project that will be our regional W&W project. Manila is a city of fifteen million people. There are thirty-five Nazarene churches in metro Manila. Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary is a mission training school and a center of ministry throughout Asia. It is a hub for regional activities. English is the language spoken at the seminary. Initial funding was used to build the Nielson building, a four-story structure. Various W&W teams have committed to finish the floors.

- Basement—Communication system (completed)
- First floor—administrative offices (completed)
- **Second floor—Cobb Worship Center and a multi-purpose floor. This is to be funded and completed by 2013 by the Central USA Region.**
- Third floor—Library & research center (completed)
- Fourth floor—Fairbanks International Communication and Donald Owens School of World Mission (funded by Korea District) is to be completed and dedicated, November 2010.

We are going to be working on the Second floor as part of the Central USA Region.

*Our regional project is in honor of Dr. Brent and Marty Cobb and in memory of their young son, Stephen, who was tragically electrocuted while they were missionaries in Korea. Dr. Cobb later served as Regional Director of the Asia-Pacific Region. The Northeastern Indiana District will send the first team in January, followed by Southwest Indiana in February. Our W & W teams will be working alongside the locals.

The work will be inside. The second floor is a huge open space with a concrete floor and walls with metal studs.

This will be a great trip. The Team will be staying and eating on campus near the project work area.

Team size is limited so let Pastor Ivan know if you want to go. The dates have not yet been locked in. More information will be given at the combined NMI, NYI and SDMI Convention on July 13, 2010. See you there! -- Bill Brandon



NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL

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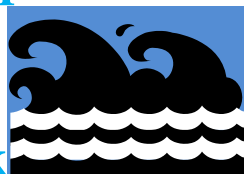


July 5-11, 2011 Louisville, KY

www.nyc2011.org

Please pray that this will be a life-changing event for our students.

Camp Table



Rock
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June 20-



Radiate Oct. 7-8, 2011

Red



Carpet Days

September 30-October 1, 2011

**Convention Info: This year NYI Convention will be combined with NMI and SDMI on
Wednesday, July 13, 2011.**



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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Make the Connection

SDMI Convention

Wednesday, July 13

Pastors make sure all of your delegates are registered!

Children's Camp 2011

"The Amazing Race"

Lake Williamson, August 1-5

Carlinville, Illinois

This camp will offer swimming, a water slide, bonfire, hayride, mini golf, and a number of other outstanding activities and events.

Cost is only \$175 if registration and payment are postmarked by 6/28/2011.

It is \$195 if postmarked 6/29/11 through 7/15/11.

After that, cost is \$205 if room is available.

We also need to pay for each staff member and counselor who attends. Therefore, we are assessing each church **\$20 per camper if you do not provide a counselor. If you do provide a counselor, you will only be assessed \$10 per camper. Counselors must be pre-approved by the SDMI chairperson. All camp registrations are to be given to the local church!**

Registration, promotional material and a form requesting to help at the camp are on the district website. Questions or comments e-mail Pastor Tim at nazpaz1@yahoo.com or call (217) 875-0616.

Honoring Sunday School Teachers

The Illinois District SDMI Council is looking to honor longtime faithful Sunday School teachers at the upcoming SDMI Convention. If you know of a SS teacher who has taught 40 or more consecutive years please send their name, number of years they have taught SS, address, phone number and e-mail to:

SDMI Chairperson Pastor Tim Crump
1177 West Hickory Point Road
Decatur, Illinois 62526
(217) 875-0616 nazpaz1@yahoo.com

Children's Camp Counselors Needed

August 1-5th

If interested please go to the
following link and sign up today:

**[http://newweb2011.illinoisnaz.org/html/campwork
erap.html](http://newweb2011.illinoisnaz.org/html/campwork
erap.html)**

If you need further details
please call Pastor Tim Crump
@ 217 875-0616 or
e-mail him at nazpaz1@yahoo.com

Tulip Time in Pella, Iowa

May 3-5, 2012

Sponsored by Illinois District Prime Time

Cost - \$260 per person

**Contact Doug Krassow for more information
618-254-4026 or 618-717-2855**

A Family Week Festival

Camp Meeting

Conventions & District Assembly

July 10-14, 2011

Sponsored by the Illinois District Church of the Nazarene



Dr. Stan A. Toler
General Superintendent



Dr. Jim Spruce
District Superintendent



Rev. Larry & Tamala Leckrone
Evangelist/Song Evangelist



Rev. Susie Shellenberger
Convention Speaker



Dr. John Bowling
President, ONU

CAMP MEETING – CONVENTIONS – DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Sunday, July 10

CAMP MEETING - 4:30 PM

Rev. Larry & Tamala Leckrone
Evangelist/Song Evangelist

Monday, July 11

CAMP MEETING - 10:30 AM

CAMP MEETING - 7:00 PM

Rev. Larry & Tamala Leckrone
Evangelist/Song Evangelist

Tuesday, July 12

CAMP MEETING - 10:30 AM

CAMP MEETING - 7:00 PM

Rev. Larry & Tamala Leckrone
Evangelist/Song Evangelist

Wednesday, July 13

Combined Convention Day - 8:30 AM

SDMI – NMI -- NYI

Rev. Susie Shellenberger
Convention Speaker

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT - 7 PM**

Dr. Jim Spruce

*(Registration for
District Assembly delegates
begins at 6:00 PM)*

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Sunday

4:30 PM

Monday – Thursday

10:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Mrs. Debbie Brewer
Children's Director

Thursday, July 14

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY - 8:30 AM

Dr. Stan A. Toler
General Superintendent
*(Registration for delegates
begins at 7:45 AM)*

O.N.U. REPORT – 1:30 PM

Dr. John Bowling & the Olivetians

**ORDINATION SERVICE – 7:00
PM**

Dr. Stan A. Toler
General Superintendent

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PROVIDED FOR
ALL SERVICES**

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NEED HELP? Call DECATUR FIRST – 217-875-0616

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CHURCH NEWS

WELCOME NEW ARRIVALS

Eli Michael Maloney's

Born at 10:03 AM on May 9, 2011
At Memorial Medical Center in
Springfield, IL.
He weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and was 19
3/4 inches long.
Rev. & Mrs. Jonathon Maloney,
pastor at Taylorville, are the proud
parents.

Rylee Noelle Erickson

Born on April 22, 2011
Chad & Laci (Yates) Erickson are
the proud parents and Jim & Ruth
Yates are the proud great-
grandparents from our Casey
church.

Larissa Hope Workman

Born on April 13, 2011
She weighed 6 lbs. 3 oz. and was
19.3 inches long.
Rev. & Mrs. Darin Workman are the
proud parents and the proud
grandparents are Bill and Melodye
Freesmeyer and Dennis and Evelyn
Workman. The grandparents attend
our Pittsfield church.

ANNOUNCING COME TO THE FIRE 2011


**ENTER
HIS
REST**

"My Presence
will go with you,
and I will give
you rest"
Exodus 33:14

SEPTEMBER 29 TO OCTOBER 1

GROVE CITY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
COLUMBUS, OHIO AREA

FREE REGISTRATION [COMETOTHEFIRE.ORG](http://cometothefire.org)



For Registration Information:

<http://cometothefire.org/request-materials/>



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Kingdom Mathematics

We know about math, in fact math has a lot to do with how we look at and measure the mission of our churches and our district. There are four basic functions of mathematics: addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Let's all agree that we don't like subtraction, the "take away" function. Though we face it's reality in many of our declining churches, we despise it, and wish to escape the empty horizontal dash that precedes any negative sum. Whether it's attendance figures or funds raised, we don't want to subtract anything.

We also don't like division. This is the figure associated with "church splits," when "one becomes two" by separation. While some churches have been born out of such "messed up" mathematics, we do not want to go there.

What the church most often aims for is addition. "How many more this week than last week?" or "How much increase this year?" Addition means growth, and we like that. Healthy churches, like healthy bodies, grow. Not in inches and pounds, but in members and dollars, and usually square feet of space. We like adding, and we should always rejoice when addition is happening in our congregations and on our District. We long to have more folks worshiping among us, and more churches in Illinois.

But, to steal a phrase, may I show you a "more excellent way." Multiplication is the function of divine choice, and the mathematics of the kingdom. Wasn't the first commandment given to humanity to "go forth and multiply?" Multiplication is how our families grow. And though we rejoice at the healthy growth of our children, we all understand that at some age they will stop growing, and start multiplying. We want healthy, strong growing children, but what we really want is grandchildren. So, while it is true that "healthy churches grow," it is likewise true that mature churches, like mature adults, "reproduce."

What does this look like for a church or as a district strategy? It means that the principle of "reproduction by multiplication" becomes a core value in all of our churches. In fact, we should take it one step further. Going back to our bodies as examples again, our growth, while it is measured by addition, is produced by multiplication. And that is because the most basic elements of our bodies, our cells, multiply regularly. Multiplication is addition on steroids.

We've all heard illustrations like this:

You are offered a job, which lasts for **4 weeks**. You get to choose your salary.

- **Either**, you get \$100 for the first day, \$200 for the second day, \$300 for the third day. Each day you are paid \$100 more than the day before.
- **Or**, you get 1 cent for the first day, 2 cents for the second day, 4 cents for the third day. Each day you are paid double what you were paid the day before.

Which do you choose?

If you choose addition (and who wouldn't want to have \$100 more pay each day?) here's what you'll have:

- At the end of week 1: \$2,800; week 2: \$7,700; week 3: \$12,600; and at the end of week 4: \$17,500, for a grand total of \$40,600. Not bad for a month's work.

But consider the results of multiplication:

- Choose multiplication and at the end of the first week you'll pocket \$1.27; then week 2: \$162.56; week 3: \$20,807.68; and at the end of week 4 you get the astounding payday of \$2,663,383.04! All for a grand total of \$2,684,354.55!

Now, there are two important facts about multiplication that we must see as we pursue our mission. 1) Multiplication grows much slower than addition – at first. Imagine two participants in the above experiment, one choosing addition, the other multiplication meeting to compare their earnings at the end of the first week, or even the second. Multiplication starts very slowly. 2) We must start with "the one." If addition is what we want, then we're not so concerned about the quality of "the one" who gets added. We're just as happy to "add" Christians from other churches so that the final total is more than what we had before. But, if we are going to multiply, we have to find those who have first "become disciples who will make disciples." We can add church attendees, but what we will get is church attendees. Multiplication resists the seduction of addition and reaches "the one" who will most likely multiply. Who is that? The answer is lost people who have been found by Jesus.

Both of these principles are illustrated in the ministry of Tim Young, Jr., a former math teacher, and our new church planter at Granite City. Tim, with his wife Andrea, is planting the church in their community by living missionally and seeking simply to make disciples. Tim, as we heard at our recent District Team Days, is a dynamic preacher and communicator. No doubt, he could rent a building and in a short time, he would gather a congregation of 30 or so who would come to worship and hear him preach. We would rejoice that a new congregation has been added to our District, and the worship attendance would read +30. But who would they most likely be? Disciples who multiply, or Christians who are looking for a new church to attend?

Instead, what Tim and Andrea have done is this. They have begun to invest time into their community in places like the local skate park, where they eventually met Anna. Tim and Andrea began discipling Anna and nurturing her hunger to know Christ through Bible Study, and personal friendship. This went on for several weeks, until last Thursday night, when Anna became a disciple of Jesus. She was baptized this week and has already begun talking to her friends about Jesus, the Christ whom she is now following. Anna is "the one" with whom multiplication can begin.

Jesus, our all wise shepherd, knew this math as well. He understood that in his kingdom it makes sense to leave a flock of 99 sheep in order to find "the one" lost one. He talked about planting seeds and how one seed, in good soil can produce 30, 60, even 100 "times" what was planted. This is why Jesus spent the majority of his time with only twelve disciples in the hopes of one day reconciling the whole world to God.

And it's why his last commandment to them was to "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them ..., and teaching them to obey all things that I have commanded you." And it's also why the principle of multiplication has to start not just with pastors and churches, but with each disciple of Jesus. Multiplication is essential to the fulfilling the mission of our district, "to produce healthy, multiplying, holiness churches". Go forth and multiply... Mark Copley