

You will not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day,  
nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

## PSALM 91:5-6

### North East TX District Update: Covid-19 Response, District Assembly Cancellation

#### *District Family & Friends,*

Last week, your North/East Texas District Advisory Board voted to cancel the 2020 District Assembly. This was done with the approval and blessing of Dr. Fili Chambo, our General Superintendent. This decision is a difficult one, and the learning curve for each of us in this Pandemic crisis is challenging, but we choose to act in an abundance of caution and Godly love.



More information will come regarding the follow up to this decision, but here are a few important updates:

- Based on the Manual of the Church of the Nazarene, **current district officers, board members, & committee members will continue in their assignments for another year.** Elections for these positions will take place in 2021.
- **General Assembly and General SDMI Convention delegates** will be elected by the District Advisory Council (District Advisory Board plus District NMI President, NYI President, SDMI Chair).
- **NMI and NYI General Convention delegates** will be elected by those district councils.
- **Finance Report** - The District Advisory Committee will work with the Finance Committee to approve a budget for the 2020-21 year. This - and other District business reports - will be posted on the District website [Netxnaz.net](http://Netxnaz.net)
- **Minister Licenses & Ordination:** Special ordination services could be scheduled with our General Superintendent at a later date this Fall after gathering restrictions are lifted. The

DAC will review and approve the report of the District Board of Ministry to grant first time and renewals of District Licenses. The BOM Chairman, Pastor Scott McDorman, can respond to any questions to this plan.

- **Local Church Annual Meetings** - Annual meetings may be conducted following the lifting of gathering restrictions - this means the Annual Meetings may not be held until May, June, or July, The Pastor and Local Board shall decide if the current board & church officers will continue to serve for the coming year, or if local elections will be held. There will be no need to elect District Assembly delegates or General Assembly & Convention delegates this year..
- **Annual Reports** - Pastors will still complete their on-line APR (Annual Pastor's Report) along with several other end-of-church year reports. These are due by May 10. Instructions will be issued this week.
- **Worship** - Find ways to help each other prepare and deliver online messages, worship, and discipleship. In recent communications with local Pastors, we have encouraged the implementation of creative online or interactive worship services, Bible Studies, Check in-Accountability groups, Prayer meetings, etc.
- **Stewardship** - The work of the local, district, and general church is continuing along with resource needs to carry the Gospel to the world. We are encouraging churches to set up on-line giving, or other means of enabling our congregations to remain faithful in stewardship. There is a new feature on the District website [Netxnaz.net](http://Netxnaz.net) which allows donation to local churches and to the Scottsville Camp (Look for: "*Donate to a Local Church*").
- **Stay in Touch** - Look for ways to support your pastor and staff; to enlist your members, teachers, group leaders, and other servants in your congregation to help you stay in touch with all of your church family and assist those in the greatest need.
- **Looking Ahead** - We are planning for Mission Area / Zone worship celebrations across the district when major restrictions are lifted. What an amazing time it will be to come together to lift up the name of Jesus, rejoice together, and share the stories of God working for the good.

Our District Advisory Board will continue to meet and to consider important matters related to our congregations and issues raised by the CV pandemic, as well as continuing to look forward to how

God is calling us to make Christ-like disciples in North/East Texas.  
Please pray for us to have wisdom and faith.

***Still...All About the One,***

***Keven***

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***North/East TX District Camp Dates for 2020***

- *LifeFest Family Camp - has been postponed to the Labor Day weekend*
- *Teen Camp - June 8-12*
- *Kids & Preteen Camp - July 19 - 23*

***Details, schedules, and registration info coming soon!***

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