# North/East Texas District Journal July 9-10, 2023 Richardson TX



### NORTH/EAST TEXAS DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES

No.	Dates	Place	Gen. Supt.	Dist. Supt.		Churches	SDMI Att.	Mbrs. Finances
55 <sup>th</sup>	8/1-2/1963	Dallas Central	G. B. Williamson	Paul Garrett	W. W. Cummins	68	4,543	4,732 597,484
56 <sup>th</sup>	8/6-7/1964	Denison	V. H. Lewis	Paul Garrett	W. W. Cummins	68	4,457	4,746 631,215
57 <sup>th</sup>	8/12-13/1965	Texarkana First	Samuel Young	Paul Garrett	W. W. Cummins	66	4,526	4,765 674,056
58 <sup>th</sup>	8/18-19/1966	Dallas First	George Coulter	Paul Garrett	Lloyd Millikin	66	4,444	4,823 725,037
59 <sup>th</sup>	8/10-11/1967	Tyler-Marvin Methodist	Hugh C. Benner	Paul Garrett	Lloyd Millikin	62	4,305	4,868 772,168
60 <sup>th</sup>	8/15-16/1968	Dallas Trinity	Edward Lawler	Paul Garrett	Lloyd Millikin	64	4,346	5,002 892,825
61 <sup>st</sup>	8/7-8/1969	Texarkana First	Orville W. Jenkins	Paul Garrett	Ark Noel Jr.	64	4,358	5,160 971,263
62 <sup>nd</sup>	8/12-14/1970	Dallas First	Samuel Young	Paul Garrett	Ark Noel Jr.	62	4,346	5,188 1,042,122
63 <sup>rd</sup>	8/20-21/1971	Dallas Central	V. H. Lewis	E. L. Cornelison	Ark Noel Jr.	59	4,706	5,314 1,166,894
64 <sup>th</sup>	8/11/12/1972	Grand Prairie	George Coulter	E. L. Cornelison	Ark Noel Jr.	61	4,728	5,490 1,284,618
65 <sup>th</sup>	8/16-17/1973	Texarkana First	Eugene L. Stowe	E. L. Cornelison	C. E. Pittenger	60	4,806	5,581 1,422,173
66 <sup>th</sup>	8/22-23/1974	Richardson First	Orville W. Jenkins	E. L. Cornelison	Jack W. McClung	60	4,715	5,767 1,645,965
67 <sup>th</sup>	8/22-23/1975	Dallas First	Eugene L. Stowe	W. M. Lynch	Jack W. McClung	58	5,095	5,898 1,711,953
68 <sup>th</sup>	8/19-21/1976	Dallas Central	William M. Greathouse	W. M. Lynch	Jack W. McClung	59	5,408	6,090 1,946,055
69 <sup>th</sup>	8/18-20/1977	Richardson First	George Coulter	W. M. Lynch	Jack W. McClung		5,191	6,130 2,129,075
70 <sup>th</sup>	8/17-19/1978	Richardson First	V. H. Lewis	W. M. Lynch	Jack W. McClung	60	4,970	6,358 2,317,444
71 <sup>st</sup>	8/16-17/1979	Dallas First	Charles H. Strickland	W. M. Lynch	Jack W. McClung	62	4.933	6,425 2,647,378
72 <sup>nd</sup>	8/15-16/1980	Dallas First	Orville W. Jenkins	W. M. Lynch	Kenneth V. Baten	nan 63	4,667	6,440 2,963,332
73 <sup>rd</sup>	8/14-15/1981	Texarkana First	Eugene L. Stowe	W. M. Lynch	Kenneth V. Baten	nan 64	4,673	6,650 3,434,304
74 <sup>th</sup>	8/13-14/1982	Dallas First	William M. Greathouse	W. M. Lynch	Kenneth V. Baten	nan 64	4,796	6,773 4,153,961
75 <sup>th</sup>	8/12-13/1983	Dallas Central	William M. Greathouse	W. M. Lynch	Kenneth V. Baten	nan 64	4,872	6,972 4,456,730
76 <sup>th</sup>	8/10-11/1984	Richardson First	Jerald D. Johnson	W. M. Lynch	Kenneth V. Baten	nan 69	4,856	7,173 5,087,872
77 <sup>th</sup>	8/16-17/1985	Dallas Central	Jerald D. Johnson	W. M. Lynch	Kevin C. Rodgers	; 70	4,897	7,230 5,396,419
78 <sup>th</sup>	8/15-16/1986	Dallas Central	John A. Knight	W. M. Lynch	Geoffrey Gunter	71	5,153	7,571 5,647,733
79 <sup>th</sup>	8/14-15/1987	Dallas Central	John A. Knight	W. M. Lynch	Geoffrey Gunter	71	5,235	7,829 5,701,553
80 <sup>th</sup>	8/18-19/1988	Dallas Central	John A. Knight	W. M. Lynch	Geoffrey Gunter	74	5,098	7,849 5,598,705
81 <sup>st</sup>	8/18-19/1989	Texarkana First	William J. Prince	W. M. Lynch	Geoffrey Gunter	74	5,080	7,967 5,743,649
82 <sup>nd</sup>	8/10-11/1990	Texarkana First	Raymond W. Hurn	W. M. Lynch	David Roland	74	5,182	7,958 6,119,193
83 <sup>rd</sup>	8/15-16/1991	Dallas Central	Raymond W. Hurn	W. M. Lynch	David Roland	75	5,530	8,112 6,318,029
84 <sup>th</sup>	8/13-14/1992	Dallas Central	Eugene L. Stowe	W. M. Lynch	David Roland	75	5,193	8,262 6,330,066
85 <sup>th</sup>	8/19-20/1993	Dallas Central	James H. Diehl	W. M. Lynch	David Roland	77	5,232	8,519 6,776,555
86 <sup>th</sup>	8/11-12/1994	Dallas Central	Donald D. Owens	W. M. Lynch	John J. Marra	74	5,062	8,676 6,772,559
87 <sup>th</sup>	8/10-11/1995	Dallas Central	Donald D. Owens	W. M. Lynch	John J. Marra	75	4,947	8,680 7,609,863
88 <sup>th</sup>	8/8-9/1996	Texarkana First	Jerald D. Johnson	David F. Nixon	David Downs	75	4,666	8,738 7,228,361
89 <sup>th</sup>	8/14-15/1997	Dallas Central	Jerry D. Porter	David F. Nixon	David Downs	71	4,716	8,474 7,937,619
90 <sup>th</sup>	7/29-31/1998	Longview Conv. Ctr.	John A. Knight	David F. Nixon	Steve Hendrix	66	4,662	8,502 7,658,700
91 <sup>st</sup>	7/28-30/1999	Longview Conv. Ctr.	John A. Knight	David F. Nixon	Steve Hendrix	67	4,667	8,627 8,214,046
92 <sup>nd</sup>	7/27-29/2000	Richardson	William J. Prince	David F. Nixon	Steve Hendrix	67	4,562	8,855 8,948,111
93 <sup>rd</sup>	8/2-3/2001	Richardson	Jesse C. Middendorf	David F. Nixon	Steve Hendrix	68	4,485	8,986 8,626,579
94 <sup>th</sup>	7/18-20/2002	Sulphur Springs	Paul G. Cunningham	David F. Nixon	Steve Hendrix	65	4,506	8,771 8,259,886
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95 <sup>th</sup>	7/17-19/2003	Richardson	Paul G. Cunningham	David F. Nixon	Steve Hendrix	65	4,562	8,618 8,799,400
96 <sup>th</sup>	7/29-30/2004	Richardson	James H. Diehl	David F. Nixon	Larry Williams	66	4,381	8,699 8,800,415
97 <sup>th</sup>	8/3-5/2005	Richardson	James H. Diehl	David F. Nixon	Larry Williams	65	4,188	8,605 8,724,118
98 <sup>th</sup>	7/27-28/2006	Richardson	Nina G. Gunter	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	65	4,125	8,620 8,880,417
99 <sup>th</sup>	7/26-27/2007	Scottsville Camp	Nina G. Gunter	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	63	3,870	8,059 8,920,842
100 <sup>th</sup>	7/17-18/2008	Richardson	James H. Diehl	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	63	3,690	8,023 9,332,681
101 <sup>st</sup>	7/16-17/2009	Dallas Central	James H. Diehl	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	63	3,991	7,915 9,170,245
102 <sup>nd</sup>	7/15-16/2010	Carrollton	Jerry D. Porter	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	63	4,024	7,926 8,449,868
103 <sup>rd</sup>	7/15-16/2011	Tyler First	Jerry D. Porter	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	63	4,191	8,068 8,515,772
104 <sup>th</sup>	7/12-13/2012	Richardson	Stan A. Toler	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	63	4,509	8,159 8,867.705
105 <sup>th</sup>	7/11-12/2013	Richardson	Stan A. Toler	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	64	4,305	8,395 8,601,462
106 <sup>th</sup>	7/10-11/2014	Richardson	Eugenio Duarte	Robert L. McDonald	Larry Williams	64	4,332	9,278 8,558,933
107 <sup>th</sup>	7/9-10/2015	Richardson	Eugenio Duarte	Curtis Lewis, Jr.	Larry Williams	70	4,479	9,217 8,522,558
108 <sup>th</sup>	7/10-12/2016	Richardson	David Busic	Curtis Lewis, Jr.	Larry Williams	63	4,089	9,213 8,020,123
109 <sup>th</sup>	7/9-10/2017	Richardson	David Busic	Keven J. Wentworth	Larry Williams	63	3,768	8,301 7,940,632
110 <sup>th</sup>	7/8 -9/2018	Richardson	Carla Sunberg	Keven J. Wentworth	Larry Williams	68	3,593	8,118 7,508,394
111 <sup>th</sup>	7/7-8/2019	Richardson	Carla Sunberg	Keven J. Wentworth	Larry Williams	68	3,635	7,956 7,745,315
112 <sup>th</sup>	7/6 & 14/2020	Virtual	Filimao M. Chambo	Keven J. Wentworth	Larry Williams	68	3,468	7,948 7,534,902
113 <sup>th</sup>	7/11-12/2021	Richardson	Filimao M. Chambo	Keven J. Wentworth	Larry Williams	70	3,495	7,948 8,511,565
114 <sup>th</sup>	7/10-11/2022	Richardson	David Graves	Keven J. Wentworth	Larry Williams	68	3,455	7,653 7,862,471
115 <sup>th</sup>	7/9 - 10/2023	Richardson	David Graves	Keven J. Wentworth	Chris Galloway	68	3,357	7,616 8,074,023



ORDINATION CLASS – 2023 From left to right: Rev. Chris Galloway (District Secretary); Dr. David Graves (General Superintendent); John Sieffert (Spouse); Norita Sieffert (Ordinand); Forrest Walker (Ordinand); Saul Garcia (Ordinand); Blanca Garcia (Spouse); Dr. Keven Wentworth (District Superintendent)

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## I. Official Directory

## A. DISTRICT OFFICERS

Presiding General Superintendent-Dr. David Graves, 17001 Prairie Star Parkway, Lenexa, KS 66220 (913-577-0500) Nazarene Publishing House—PO Box 419526, 2923 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64141 (fax: 816-753-4071; 800-877-0700) District Superintendent—Dr. Keven Wentworth (Pam) (2026), PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083 (Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; Office: 214-842-3716) District Office— PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083 (Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; 214-842-3716) District Camp General Manager – Joseph "Joe" Williams, PO Box 307, Scottsville, TX 75688 (Email: Scottsville.camp@gmail.com; fax: 903-215-8471; 903-938-5874) District Treasurer—Jennifer Otey, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083-1269 (Email: treasurer@netxnaz.net District Secretary-Rev. Chris Galloway, (2026), District NMI President-Cheryl Adams (2024),

District NYI President- Rev. Chip Lee (2025

NDI Chairman — Rev. David Baker (2024)

Hispanic Coordinator-Rev. Giovanni Monterroso

Scottsville Camp and Conference Center — (mail: PO Box 307, Scottsville, TX 75688)

400 Harkins Ln., Marshall, TX 75672 (www.scottsvillecamp.com; fax: 903-215-8471; office: 903-938-5847) Denomination Number—120005

## **B. DISTRICT BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **ADVISORY BOARD**

District Superintendent—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269. Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; office: 214-842-3716)

Secretary— Rev. Chris Galloway, (2026) **MINISTERIAL MEMBERS** Rev. Charlie Ashby (2025) Rev. Chris Gallowav. (2026) Rev. Debra White Smith (2024) Rev. Larry Williams (2027)

#### LAY MEMBERS

Naposhi Amos (2024) Marcia Freeman (2027) Donna Kyzer-Rice (2025) Scott Nelson (2026), 4994 Highway 78 South, Nevada, TX 75173 Dist. Treas. - Jennifer Otey, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083-1269

(Email: treasurer@netxnaz.net; 972-742-1367)

### SCOTTSVILLE CAMP AND CONFERENCE BOARD

District Superintendent—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net: Office: 214-842-3716)

Camp Treasurer—Jerry Wilson Hispanic Ministries Coordinator—Giovanni Monterroso Camp Managers - Joseph "Joe" Williams

#### MINISTERIAL MEMBERS

Rev. Ron Adams (2025) Rev. Ed Schauer (2024) Rev. Daniel W. Smith (2024)

#### LAY MEMBERS

Jackie Cly (2024) Sam Randall (2025) Larry Shrum (2024)

### **COURT OF APPEALS**

#### (ALL TERMS EXPIRING 2025)

District Superintendent—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269. Richardson, TX 75083 (Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; Office: 214-842-3716)

Jeff Adams Rev. Jim Henvey Jack Martin

# DISTRICT BOARD OF MINISTRY

#### **EX OFFICIO MEMBERS**

District Superintendent—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; Office: 214-842-3716)

District Secretary—Rev. Chris Galloway, (2026) Chairperson – Board of Ministry – Rev. Karl Payton Course of Study & Transcripts - Rev. Jonathan Odom LLH Coordinator – Dr. Debra White Smith

#### **MEMBERS**

Rev. David Baker (2026) Rev. Sigrid Blandon (2027) Rev. Denise Crawford (2026) Rev. Don Gardner (2026) Rev. Marlene James (2026) Rev. Giovanni Monterroso (2026) Rev. Jack Powers (2026) Rev. Beth Rush (2026)

### **TRUSTEES TO SOUTHERN NAZARENE UNIVERSITY**

District Superintendent (ex officio)—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269. Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; Office: 214-842-3716)

Rev. Karl Payton (2024) Ronnie Marchant (2026) Donna Kyzer-Rice (2026)

### **BUDGET AND FINANCE TEAM**

District Superintendent— Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269. Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; 214-842-3716)

Chairman—Rusty Williams District Treasurer— Jennifer Otey *MINISTERS* Rev. Chris Galloway Rev. Abe Powers Rev. Larry Williams LAYPERSONS Rusty Williams Philip Lindquist Teri O'Connor Joel Welch

## C. DISTRICT AUXILIARY ORGANIZATIONS

### **NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL BOARD**

District Superintendent (ex officio)—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; 214-842-3716)

Chairman— Rev. David A. Baker (2025) Hispanic Coordinator (ex officio)—Rev. Giovanni Monterroso Secretary—Rica Payton Treasurer—Debbie Lindquist NMI President—Cheryl Adams NYI President— Rev. Chip Lee

#### **NDI COUNCIL MEMBERS**

#### MINISTERS

Rev. Charlie Ashby (2024) Rev. Rev. David A. Baker (2025) Rev. Tracey Hord (2026) Rev. Chad Townsley (2025)

#### Laypersons

Diane Altes (2024) Steve Martin (2025) Kelli Odom (2026)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES Director— Rev. Beth Bidle Rush Children's Quizzing Director—Rev. Jan Wilton Youth Ministries Rev. Chip Lee ADULT MINISTRIES Adult Ministries Director— Rev. Norita Sieffert Prime Time Director— Pending Women's Ministries Director — Rev. Marlene James Men's Ministries Director — To be Determined and Approved Cowboy Church Ministries - To be Determined and Approved

Hispanic Church Rep. – Sara Pineda

### **DISTRICT NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL**

(ALL ELECTED OFFICERS AND COUNCIL SERVE A 2-YEAR TERM)

District Superintendent (ex officio)— Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083 districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; Office: 214-484-6511

President (& Deputation) — \*Cheryl Adams (2024) Vice President — \*Gloria Nelson (2025) Secretary — \* Valerie Farris (2024) Treasurer — \* Debbie Gossage (2024) Publicity — \*Margaret Cash Care & Connection — \*Connie Friesen Nazarene Mission Teams — Rev. David Baker Media – Brooke Smith Children's Director — Tracey Hord Cowboy Church Representative – Rev. Lindsay Parson Mission Call/NYI Liaison — Rev. Chance Henson Jesus Film/Harvest Partners Liaison – Rev. Jeremy Talley SNU Scholarships — Cheryl Adams or Gloria Nelson

#### Mission Area Coordinators\*\*

Mission Area #1: Valerie Farris Mission Area #2: Barbara Schuler Mission Area #3: Connie Friesen Mission Area #4: Jerry Messer Mission Area #5: Sara Pineda Mission Area #6: Gloria Nelson Mission Area #7 Margaret Cash

\*members of the Executive Council (for those officers elected, the expiration of their term is shown behind their names) \*\*NOTE: NMI continues to use the older version of the Mission Areas definitions, as it works best for their needs – under the new definition, Sara Pineda assists any MAC who has an Hispanic church, and MAC's are: Mission Area A, B, C & D – Gloria Nelson & Jerry Messer; Mission Area E & G – Valerie Farris; Mission Area F & H – Margaret Cash; Mission Area I, J, K & L – Connie Friesen & Barbara Schuler

### **DISTRICT NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS**

(ALL ELECTED OFFICERS AND COUNCIL SERVE A 2-YEAR TERM)

District Superintendent (ex officio)—Dr. Keven Wentworth, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083

(Email: districtofficenaz@netxnaz.net; Office: 214-842-3716)

President — Rev. Chip Lee (2024) Vice President — Julia Willis Lexa (2024) Treasurer —Joel Wilson Secretary – Alyus Nelson Quizzing Director — Rev. Abe Powers Missions Director – To be Appointed Adult Rep West – Rev. Adam Cheek (2024) Adult Rep East – Rev. Chance Henson (2024) Adult Parent – Amy Crabtree (2024) Adult Parent – Lori Henry (2024) Student Rep – Amanda Lee (2024) Student Rep – LaKendra Lofton (2024) Student Rep – Noah Crabtree (2024) Student Rep. – Genna Riggle (2024)

# D. CHURCH DIRECTORY

A Place of Hope Location – 413 South Bois D'Arc St., Forney, TX 75126

Pastor – (8/20) Keven Wentworth (Pam)

### Athens

Location - (mail: PO Box 787) 509 Robbins Rd, Athens, TX 75751

Pastor - (8/10) John Micheal Cash (Margaret) Music Dir. - Margaret Cash Vision Min. Dir. - Terry Mayhall Chr. Ed. (Dir/Min) - Moosey Davis NDI Supt. - Sharon Davis NYI Pres - Margaret Cash Adult Min. Dir. - Danna Mayhall Men's Min. Dir. - Steve Conway Women's Min. Dir. - Shirley Miles NMI Pres. - Barbara Fisk Church Board Sec. - Margaret Cash Church Treas. - Sharon McCain

Bonham (Organized 1907) Location - (mail: PO Box 442) 347 FM 273, Bonham, TX 75418

Pastor - (06/18) Tony Whitehead (Melinda) Children's Min. Dir. - Melinda Whitehead

### **Bruton Terrace**

Pastor – (5/12) Marlene James (Napoleon) Assoc, Pastor - Rev. Earnestine Davis NDI Supt. - Donna Sands Children's Min. Dir. - Naposhi Amos NYI Pres. - Shannon Thomas Youth Leader – Daniel Allen Children's Pastor - Tomica Jackson Women's Min. Dir. - Earnestine Davis NMI Pres. - Beverly Sands Church Board Sec. - Naposhi Amos Church Treas. - Janice Fleming

### Building the Kingdom Community

Location - 308 E Beltline Rd, Cedar Hill, TX 75104

Pastor - (01/08) Victor B. Jackson (Ramona) NDI Supt. – Rodney Taylor Children's Min. Dir. - Rodney Taylor Youth Leader - Rodney Taylor Women's Min. Dir. - Daphney Pyburn

(Website: www.athenstxnaz.org; 903-675-1415)

(www.bonhamcommunity.org)

(Organized 2009)

(012 - 0005)

(www.bkcconline.com; 972-291-4837)

(012-0040)

(Organized 1949) Location - (mail: PO Box 170608) 8851 Bruton Rd, Dallas, TX 75217

(012-0090)

(Website: www:btcnchurch.com; btcn.church@gmail.com; 214-388-6787)

(012-0010)

CTM (2020)

(Organized 1978)

(012-0039)

Men's Min. Dir. – Aubrey Jackson Church Board Sec. - TBD Co-Church Treas. - Corey Carter Co-Church Treas. - Valencia Brown

#### Carrollton

(Organized 1958) Location – 1529 E Hebron Pkwy, Carrollton, TX 75010 Pastor - (07/2016) Sean O'Connor (Teri) Office Secretary – Jill Banas Music Dir – Teri O'Connor NDI Supt. - Sean O'Connor (Teri) Children's Min. Dir. - Karen Hall Youth Pastor – Joel Wilson (Cindy) Prime Time Dir. – Robin Worley Single Adult Min. - Sean O'Connor Men's Min. Dir. – Sean O'Connor Women's Min. Dir. - Jill Banas NMI Pres. - Sandy Moore Church Board Sec. - Vicky Worley Church Treas. - Larry Hall

#### (012-0101) (Website : www.cnaz.org; 972-394-2600)

(Organized 1983) (012-0142)

Casa de Oracion

Music Dir. - Anahi Silva

NYI Pres. – Melissa Diaz NMI Pres. - Carmina Espinoza

Location -907 Epenard, Dallas, TX 75211

Pastor - (7/20) Hermes Cayalo Cossio Assoc. Pastor: Juana Quiroga Cossio

Church Board Sec. - Carmina Espinoza

NDI Supt. – Juana Quiroga Cossio Children's Min. Dir. - Alma Rosa Lara

Church Treas. - Adan Espinoza

Catalyst Rowlett

(Organized 2013) (012 - 0205)

Location - (mail: PO Box 718, Rockwall, TX 75087-0718) 7200 Princeton Rd, Rowlett, TX 75089

(www.catrow.org; info@catrow.org; 214-494-9833)

Pastor - (9/14) Marshall "JR" Forasteros (Amanda) Assoc. Pastor – Sonya Brown Music Dir. - Nathan Ross Children's Min. Dir. - Vanessa Hewitt (John) Church Treas. – Pam Moriarty (Tim)

#### **Commerce Bread of Life**

Location – (mail: PO Box 1302, Commerce, TX 75428) 301 State Highway 224, Commerce, TX 75428

Pastor – (4/15) David Lay (LesLee) Office Secretary - LesLee Lay Assoc. Pastor - Charles Wells Music Dir. – Ryan Blaske NDI Supt. – Brenda Blaske NYI Pres. - Brenda Blaske Church Board Sec. - Lynette Gill Church Treas. - Lisa Price

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(casadeoracionnazareno911@gmail.com; 214-968-1317)

(Organized 1992) (012-0076)

(www.commercenazarene.org; 903-886-1515)

#### **Cornerstone Community**

(Organized 1908) (012 - 0251)

Location - (Mailing: PO Box 8958, Greenville, TX 75404) 3133 HWY 34 S, Greenville, TX 75402

(Web Add: www.cccotn.com; cccotnoffice@gmail.com; 903-455-6422)

Pastor - (8/06) Ronald M. Hight, II (Roxie) Music Dir. - Samuel Hight NDI Supt. – Havley Hight Children's Min. Dir. - Mae Richardson NYI Pres. - Ashlie Hight Women's Min. Dir. - Roxie Hight NMI Pres. - Allen Weekley Church Board Sec. - Delores Shelton Church Treas. - Ronnie Baker

#### **Dallas First**

Location – 825 N Cockrell Hill Rd, DeSoto, TX 75115 Pastor - (06/15) Larry Williams NDI Chairperson - Larry Williams Worship Dir. - Vashelle Jackson Office Secretary – Kathy Williams (Tim) Women's Min. Dir. - Wilma Coughlin NMI Pres. - Jerry Messer (Sharon) Church Board Sec. - Karon Hendricks Church Treas. - Lori Burdine

#### **Dallas Primera**

Location - 4609 Terry St, Dallas, TX 75223 Pastor - (12/2020) Felix Vargas Assoc. Pastor - Arnulfo Rodas Music Dir. - Berny Flores NDI Supt. - Marlen Baez NYI Pres. – Arturo Arvizu NMI Pres. - Rita Beltran Church Board Sec. - Marlen Baez Church Treas. - Mauricio Rodriguez

#### **Denison First**

(Organized 1910) (012-0180)

Location - (mail: PO Box 1006, Denison, TX 75021) 2710 W Crawford St. Denison, TX 75020

(www.GodsLove4u.org; office@GodsLove4U.org; 903-465-4250)

Pastor – (11/21) Daniel Turner (Sharon) NDI Supt. - Tessa Young Prime Time Dir. - Larry and Katie Lumm Men's Min. Dir. – Johnnie Johnston Women's Min. Dir. - Gayle Guthrie NMI Pres. - Camille Kimbrell Church Board Sec. - Katie Lumm Church Treas. - Gayle Guthrie

### **Duncanville Trinity**

(Organized 1939)

(012-0160)

Location - 611 N Cedar Ridge, Duncanville, TX 75116

Pastor – (11/17) Wayne Putman (Pat) Office Secretary - Yvonne Caldwell

(www.trinitynaz.org; office@trinitynaz.org; 972-298-1011)

#### (Organized 1902) (012-0110)

(office@dalfirst.org; www.dallasfirst.org; 972-223-8300)

#### (Organized 1981) (012-0145)

(Web: www.facebook.com/PrimeralglesiadelNazarenoenDallasTX

Assoc. Pastor – Rev. Moises (Moy) Marquez Cantu Worship Dir. – Cory Cummins NDI Supt. – Roger Van Otterloo NYI Pres. – Jorge Espriella Church Board Sec. – Georgiana Hicks Interim Church Treas. – Yvette Adams

#### **Faith Community**

(Organized 1937)

(012-0020)

Location – (mail: PO Box 1103) 104 N Louise St, Atlanta, TX 75551 Pastor – (4/22) Curtis Coombs (Judy) Assoc. Pastor – Arlie Kyzer (Curley) Music Dir. – Donna Kyzer-Rice (Phil) NDI Supt. – Mark Chiles (Denise) NYI Pres. – Zachary Caraway (Tressa) NMI Pres. – Judy Coombs (Curtis) Church Board Sec. – Al Wylie (Donna) Church Treas. – Judy Moore

Faith Fellowship(Organized 1939)(012-0560)Location – 1104 Griffith Ave, Terrell, TX 75160<br/>(Web: www.terrellnazarene.org; technology@terrellnazarene.org; 972-563-8048)Pastor – (2/21) Norita Sieffert (John)<br/>Music Dir. – Paul Marshall<br/>NDI Supt. – Carolyn Marshall<br/>Children's Min. Dir. – Carolyn Marshall<br/>Adult Min. Dir. – Norita Sieffert<br/>Prime Time Dir. - Norita Sieffert<br/>NMI Pres. – Pat Saddler<br/>Church Board Sec. – Suzie Himler<br/>Church Treas. – Kathy Bell

#### Fuente de Agua Viva Igelsia del Nazareno

Location – 2400 W Grand Ave, Marshall, TX 75670 Pastor – (09/18) Ubaldo Salazar (Teresa) NDI Supt. – Teresa L. Salazar NYI Pres. – James L. Salazar Church Treasurer - Teresa L. Salazar (Organized 2018) (012-0033) (fuentedeaguaviva18@gmail.com; 903-754-6562)

#### Gilmer

(Organized 1950) (012-0210)

Location – (mail: PO Box 1356, Gilmer, TX 75644) 3295 State Hwy 155 S, Gilmer, TX 75645

(www.gilmernaz.com; gilmernaz@gmail.com; 903-734-3375)

Pastor – (3/19) Chance Henson (Leigh) Ministry Asst. – Tony Weeks Music Dir. – Martha Cly NDI Supt. – David Hamblin Church Board Sec. – Jackie Cly Church Treas. – Karin Kirkwood

#### Gladewater

(Organized 1932) (012-0220)

Location – (mail: PO Box 727) 401 W Upshur, Gladewater, TX 75647

(www.gladewaternaz.com; gladewaternaz@gmail.com; 903-845-4425)

Pastor – (8/20) Charlie Ashby (Ciara) Music Dir. – Tommy Bynum NDI Supt. – Kandy Nichols Children Min. Dir. – Ciara Ashby Adult Min. Dir. – Tammy Ferguson Prime Time Dir. – Kelly Shott Women's Min. Dir. – Ann Hinds NMI Pres. – Cindy Williams Church Board Sec. – Tina Bigler Church Treas. – Mat Griffin

<b>Grace Pointe Community</b> Location – (Mail: 105 Martin Dr., Wylie 75098) Pastor – (11/91) Jerry Wilson (Judi) Assoc. Pastor – Tim Peal Assoc. Pastor – Matt Shermer Music Dir. – Joei Shermer NDI Supt. – Matt Shermer Children Min. Dir. – Judi Wilson NYI Min. Pres. – Tim Peal NMI Pres. – Judi Wilson Church Board Sec. – Jami Potts Church Treas. – Steve Williams	(Organized 1952) 2650 N Hwy 78, Wy	. ,	(jeryl105@gmail.com)
<b>Grand Saline</b> Location – 400 W Garland, Grand Saline, TX 75 Pastor – (4/21) Jeremy Talley (Andrea) NYI Pres Christi David NDI Supt Christi David NMI Pres. – Jeremy Talley Church Board Sec Renee Miller Church Treas. – Renee Miller	(Organized 1910) 5140	(012-0240)	(903-962-3314)
<b>Gun Barrel City First</b> Location – 150 Mabelle Ln, Gun Barrel City, TX Pastor – (06/96) Edward Schauer (Michelle) Assoc. Pastor – Julia Lexa Assoc. Pastor – Tiffany Frazier NDI Supt. – Michele Schauer Children's Min. Dir. – Michelle Schauer NMI Pres. – Elsa Miller Youth Pastor – Julia Lexa (Matthew) NYI Pres. – Tyler Frazier Church Board Sec. – Dianne Rorie Church Treas. – Kay Brady	(Organized 1988) 75156	(012-0256)	(903-887-6820)
Henderson Location – (mail: PO Box 367, Henderson, TX 7 Pastor – (04/17) Chad Townsley (Jacy) Assoc. Pastor – Jacy Townsley Assoc. Pastors – Roger & Glenda Gragg Music Dir. – Branson Blanton NDI Supt. – Jerry Stuart Children's Min. Dir. – Jacy Townsley NYI Pres - Molly Bell	<b>(Organized 1936)</b> 75653) 906 W Main,		az.org; 903-657-4362)

NYI Pres. - Molly Bell Prime Time Dir. – Rev. Roger Gragg

Men's Min. Dir. – Elmer Van Horn Women's Min. Dir. – Rev. Roger Gragg NMI Pres. - Jacy Townsley Church Board Sec. - Alex Tabor Church Treas. - Jason Bell

#### Heritage Nazarene Church

(Organized 1914) Location - 601 N. Heritage Pkwy, Sherman, TX 75092-7155

(Website : www.heritagenazarene.com; heritagenazarenechurch@gmail.com; 903-893-2643) Pastor - (02/19) Kevin O'Brien (Anh NDI Supt. - Kari Hastings NMI Pres. - Valerie Farris Church Treas. - Joe Freeman

#### Hilltop

(Organized 1951) Location – 10818 University Blvd, Tyler, TX 75707

(www.hilltopnaz.church; office@hilltopnaz.church; 903-566-5553)

(012-0596)

(012 - 0530)

Pastor – (2/21) G. Michael Scarlett (Amy) Assoc. Pastor - Amy Scarlett NDI Supt. - Spencer Thompson NYI Pres. – Rani Dodez Church Board Sec. - Sandra Rankin Church Treas. - Gennie Grundv

**Irving First** 

(Organized 1937) Location - 1725 N MacArthur Blvd, Irving, TX 75061

(www.irvingfirstnaz.org; office@irvingfirstnaz.org; 972-259-7505)

(012 - 0280)

(012 - 0100)

Pastor - (4/23) Alvarado, Oscar A. (Olivia) NDI Supt. - Holly Hertig NMI Pres. - Holly Hertia NYI Pres. - Holly Hertig Church Board Sec - Georgia Quintero Church Treas. - Georgia Quintero

#### **Jacksonville First**

(Organized 1939) (012-0290)

Location - (Mail: PO Box 8366) 1709 Beaumont St, Jacksonville, TX 75766 (Web: www.Jacksonvillenaz.org: JacksonvilleNazarene@suddenlinkmail.com: 903-586-8027) Pastor - (7/09) Tom Moore (Pearl) NDI Supt. - Donna Reynolds NMI Pres. - Bonnie Lambert Church Board Sec. - Freida Scully Church Treas. - Connie Ramos

### **Journey Community Church**

Location - 9999 Ferguson Rd., Dallas TX 75228 (Website: www.journeydallas.org; Email: jccn.office@gmail.com; 469-399-0559) Pastor – (1/18) Jonathan Odom (Kelli) Executive Pastor: Jeremy England (Karleen) Assoc. Pastor: Mallorie Teel Family Ministries Dir.: Carly Dewese Church Board Sec. - Bill Hoyle

(Organized 1924)

Church Treas. - Terese Hutson

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#### (Organized 1935) (012 - 0320)

Location - (mail: PO Box 1207, Kilgore, TX 75663) 309 E Sabine, Kilgore, TX 75662

(Website: www.kilgorenazarene.com; 903-984-2144)

Church Treas. - Carolyn Wesson

#### Lake June Iglesia de Nazareno

Location – (mail: 1462 Mission Hills Ln., Dallas, TX 75217) 7500 Lake June Rd, Dallas, TX 75217

(lakejuneiglesia@gmail.com; 973-510-1100)

Children's Min. Dir. - Estela Vazquez Men's Min. Dir. - Luis Vazquez Women's Min. Dir. - Norma Moreno NMI Pres. - Gabriela Delatorre Church Board Sec. - Orlando Fernandez Church Treas. - Gabriela Delatorre

Pastor - (12/15) Samuel Moreno (Norma)

### Living Hope

Location - 2420 Brown St, Waxahachie, TX 75165 Pastor – (09/04) Dave Carlson (Phyllis) Office Secretary – Aubry Borg Music Dir. - Jeff Weiszbrod NDI Supt. - Corev Neavin Childcare/School Dir./Min - Faith Weiszbrod Children's Min. Dir. - Corey Neavin Men's Min. Dir. - Joel Welch Women's Min. Dir. - Brittany Moreno NMI President – Melanie Pope Church Board Sec. - Nora Crist Church Treasurer - Joel Welch

Lone Star Cowboy Church of Collin County (Organized 2015) (012-0006)Location - 123 Cowboy Way, Nevada, TX 75173 (www.LSCCNevada.org; admin@lsccnevada.net; 972-763-5722) Pastor – (9/17) Jeff & Lindsay Parson Office Secretary - Teresa Miller Assoc. Pastor – Don Montgomery Assoc. Pastor/Chr. Ed. (Dir/Min) - Lindsay Parson Assoc. Pastor (Youth Pastor) - Forrest Walker Assoc. Pastor (Young Adults) - Sean Grace Music Dir. - Lee Thomas Children's Min. Dir. - Eric & Carly Foehner Men's Min. Dir. - Dale Seawright Women's Min. Dir. – Trina Kelly Church Board Secretary - Bob James Church Treas. - Mike Cromeens

#### (Organized 1976)

(012-0615)(www.lhnaz.org; 972-937-4673)

(012-0120)

Pastor – (6/21) Ashley Hord (Tracey) Assoc. Pastor - Tracey Hord NDI Supt.- Carolvn Wesson Children's Min. Dir. - Connie Friesen NYI Pres. – Didi Henderson NMI Pres. - Barbara Schuler Church Board Sec. - Cathy Copeland

Kilgore

(Organized 1932)

#### Lone Star Cowboy of Grayson & Cooke Counties

Location – 21116 N US Hwy 377, Whitesboro, TX 76273

(CTM: 2013) (012-0024)

(Website: www.lsccgrayson.com)

Pastor – (6/21) Tyler Parson (Shareah) Music Dir. - Erin Fletcher Church Board Sec. - Ellis Gray

Church Treas. - Loren Siems

#### Lone Star Cowboy of Hunt County (Organized 2015)

Location -960 Lone Star Ranch Rd, Quinlan, TX 75474 Pastor – (08/11) Lane Verschoor (Robin) Music Dir.: Josh Hessert Vision Min. – Josh Hessert Chr. Ed. Dir. - Robin Verschoor Church Treas. - Harold Tranner

#### Lone Star Cowboy of Navarro County (Organized: 2015)

Location - (mail: PO Box 313, Corsicana, TX 75151) 4495 W Hwy 22, Corsicana, TX 75110

(www.lonestarcowboychurchofnavarrocounty.com; 903-872-1670)

(012-0001)

(012-0015)

Pastor – (10/10) Charky Marquis (Shelia) Office Secretary- Becky Adams Music Dir. – Tim Draper Children's Min. Dir. - Kathy Fields (3-4yr olds) Children's Min. Dir. – Dana Collins (5-12yr olds) Youth Dir. - Chelsea Covington Adult Min. Dir. - Al Peck Single Adult Min. Dir. - Hank Hollingsworth Men's Min. Dir. - Charles Fluharty Women's Min. Dir. – Bennie James NMI Pres. – Becky Adams Church Board Sect. - Mike Fields Church Treas. - JD Johnston

#### **Longview First**

(Organized 1935)

Location - (mail: P.O. Box 10180, Longview 75608) 2601 H G Mosley Pkwy, Longview, TX 75605

#### (012 - 0350)

(longviewnaz@gmail.com: www.longviewnaz.org: 903-236-0342)

Pastor - (11/15) Mark Hendrick (Shari) Office Secretary - Melissa Edwards NDI Supt. - Doug Pfaff Youth Pastor – Alyus Nelson NMI Pres. – Nikki Harbison Church Board Sec. - Paul Hara Church Treas. - Shawn Hara (Bethany)

### Maranata

(Organized 1991)

(012 - 0285)

(972-600-8253)

Location –2427 Finley Rd, Irving, TX 75062 Pastor - (5/2020) Oscar Giovanni Monterroso (Rosmeri) NDI Supt. - Esther Marguez NYI Pres. - Samuel Marrero NMI President - Ericka Jaramilo Church Board Sec. - Jessica Zavala-Gonzalez Church Treas. - Sara Pineda

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#### **Marshall Community**

Location –907 Pocono St, Marshall, TX 75672 Pastor – (1/19) Gary Crabtree (Amy) Church Treas. – Katelyn Hardaway

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#### Martin's Chapel

Location – 569 CR 4610, Troup, TX 75789 Pastor - (08/15) David A. Baker (Sylvia) Office Secretary – Marsha Mosley Music Dir. –Chance Waggoner NDI Supt. – Steve Martin Children's Min. Dir. – Misti Owens NYI Pres. – Chance Waggoner Prime Time Dir. – Shirley McLeroy Men's Min. Dir. – Chance Waggoner Women's Min. Dir. – Sylvia Baker NMI Pres. – Marianne Nichols Church Board Sec. – Dr. William Roberson Church Treas. – Marsha Mosley

McKinney New Life

(Organized 1951) (012-0380)

(Organized 1918)

Location - (mail: PO Box 187, McKinney, TX 75070) 501 East Virginia, McKinney, TX 75069

(www.mckinneynewlife.org; 469-714-4620)

(martinschapel@gmail.com; 903-842-4366)

Pastor – (07/05) E. Jack Powers (Phyllis) Music Dir. – Desiree Rodriguez Prime Time Dir. – Richard & Alice Wycoff Church Board Sec. – Desiree Rodriguez Church Treas. – Sue Bischoff

Mineola

(Organized 1947) (012-0420)

Location – (mail: PO Box 943), 503 N Line St, Mineola, TX 75773 (Website: http://www.mineolanazarene.org; mineolanaz@yahoo.com; 903-569-3057) Pastor – (05/14) Randy Larpenteur (Brenda) Music Dir. – Brenda Larpenteur NDI Pres. – Mike Smiley NMI Pres. – Carole Larpenteur Church Board Sec. – Mike Smiley Church Treas. – Pat Smiley

Mount Enterprise(Organized 1969)(012-0425)Location – (mail: PO Box 244) S of Mt Enterprise on CR 3271 W, Mt Enterprise, TX 75681(903-822-3329)Interim Pastor – Rick Emmert (J'Neen)NDI Supt. – Becky Ross(903-822-3329)Church Board Sec. – Becky RossChurch Treas. – LeeAnn Walthall(903-822-3329)

#### **Mount Pleasant Journey**

(Organized 1949) (012-0440)

Location – (mail: 4000 Mark Ln) 2940 W Ferguson Rd, Mt Pleasant, TX 75455 (Web Address: FB.com/MPJourneyNaz; mpjourneynaz@gmail.com; 903-572-5562)

Pastor – TBD-Assoc. Pastor - Branden Lane Church Board Sec. – Tris Thurman Church Treas. – Terry Fitch (012-0370)

#### Mount Pleasant Monte Ararat

(Organized 2004) (012-0188)

Location - (mail: 501 E. First St, Mt. Pleasant 75455) 215 N Jefferson, Mt Pleasant, TX 75455

(sagarnazareno@yahoo.com; 903-573-0998)

(012 - 0500)

Pastor – (02/01) Saul Garcia (Blanca) Office Secretary - Kelly Garcia Worship Dir. - Abdiel Castillo NDI Supt. - Jose G. Valdez NYI Pres. - Maria Tinoco NMI Pres. – Blanca Garcia Women's Min. Dir. - Yolanda Monroy Children's Min. Dir. - Esther Lozano Church Board Sec. - Kelly Garcia Church Treas. - Karen I. Lozano

#### New Life of Paris (aka Paris New Life)

Location - (mail: 195 20th St NE, Paris, TX 75460) 110 N. Cedar St., Blossom, TX 75416-2508 Pastor – (02/22) Michael Suits (Janice) NMI Pres. - Kathy Childress Church Board Sec. - Tammie Powell Church Treas. - Janice Bowden

NewStart - Frisco

(Organized 1998) (012-0197)

Location - 10141 North County Road, Frisco, TX 75034 (info@newstart-frisco.com; www.newstart-frisco.com; 214-282-5576)

Pastor - (10/04) Denise Crawford (Curt) Assoc. Pastor - Amber Rogde Childcare/School (Dir/Principal) - Denise Crawford Children's Min. Dir. - Madison Howe Adult Min. Dir. - Curt Crawford Church Treas. - Henry Brigman

Nexus Community

(Organized 2015)

(012-0012)Location - (mail: PO Box 700364, Dallas, TX 75370) 9550 Forest Ln #501, Dallas, TX 75243

(Organized 1943)

(https://www.NexusNeighbor.org; 469-664-5777)

Pastor - (10/17) Jamie Coleman (Aizada) Assoc. Pastor – Janice Wilton (Bob) Assoc, Pastor – Brian Clark (Allison) NDI Supt. – Debbie Lindquist Children's Min. Dir. - Janice Wilton (Bob) NMI Pres. – Aizada Coleman Church Board Sec. - Phil Lindquist Church Treas. - Debbie Lindquist

#### North Dallas

(Organized 1940)

(012-0140)

Location – 10303 Webb Chapel Rd, Dallas, TX 75229 Pastor - (03/99) Jim Henvey Assoc. Pastor – Robert Williams Music Dir. - Kathy Arnold Worship Leader. - Heather Oglevie NDI Supt. - Joseph Norwood Children Min. Dir. - Gwen Lemons Nursery Min. Dir. - Debi Harris

<b>North Dallas Connections</b> Location – 1601 Richland Dr., Richardson, TX 7 Pastor – (05/10) Jason Potnick (Leesa)	<b>(CTM)</b> 75081	(012-0008)	
<b>Ovilla Road</b> Location – 315 W Ovilla Rd, Glenn Heights, TX Pastor – (12/19) Chip Lee (Stephanie) Assoc. Pastor – Cavin Downey NDI Supt. – Chip Lee Childcare/School Dir. – (Interim) Chelsea Maloy NYI Pres. – Stephanie Lee Church Treas. – Elvia Sanchez			roadnaz.com; 972-923-2213)
<b>Palestine</b> Location – 1850 E Hwy 84 E., Palestine, TX 75 Pastor – (04/22) Don Gardner (Evie) Assoc. Pastor/Music Min. – Daniel Smith NMI Pres. – Nancy Skruggs Church Board Sec. – Nancy Skruggs Church Treas. – Evie Gardner	<b>(Organized 19</b> 801	50) (012-0490)	
<b>Pittsburg</b> Location – 350 CR 2110, Pittsburg, TX 75686 Interim Pastor – (6/23) Donald E.Sides Church Board Sec. – Howard Baker Church Treas. – Glenda McNeil	(Organized 19	31) (012-0520)	(pittsburgnaz@netxnaz.net)
<b>Pottsboro NewStart</b> Location – (mail: PO Box 1202, Sherman, TX 7 Pastor – (2/03) Daniel Turner (Sharon)	<b>(CTM)</b> 5091) 2806 Wind	(012-0523) sor Dr., Sherman, TX	X 75092 (903-814-8870)
Renovacion, Iglesia del Nazareno Location – (mail: 3809 Ramble Creek Dr., McKi Web. @renovacion Pastor – (04/13) Sigrid Blandón (Alejandro) Music Dir. – Alejandro Morales NDI Supt. – Claudia Chavez NYI Pres. – Kelly Palacios-Espitia NMI Pres. – Silvia Hernandez Church Board Sec. – Silvia Hernandez Church Treas. – Claudia Chavez			TX 7506 o@gmail.com; 972-944-7260)
<b>Restauración</b> Location –1624 Wynn Joyce Rd., Garland, TX 7 Pastor – Felix Torres (Marta) Office Secretary – Glendy Guzman NDI Supt. – Noemi Jaquez	<b>(Organized 20</b> 75043	01) (012-0206)	

NYI Pres. – Glendy Guzman NMI Pres. – Noemi Jaquez Church Board Sec. – Glendy Guzman Church Treasurer. – Maritza Aldana

#### Richardson

#### (Organized 1959) (012-0525)

Location – 2101 E Renner Rd, Richardson, TX 75082-2209

Pastor – (1/13) Chris Galloway (Kristi) Church Administrator – John Fruehling (Sheryl) Office Secretary - Kerrie Russell (Jeff) Worship Arts Pastor – Jim Puckett (Annette) Children's Pastor – Hannah Martin Associate Children's Pastor - Michele P. Davis (Greg) Adult Min. Pastors – Adam and Heidi Cheek Youth Pastors - Abe and Lynsey Powers Pastoral Counselor – Ruth Ann Riggle (Steve) NYI Pres. - Kristie Phillips NDI Supt. - Scott Menjoulet NMI Pres. - Christy Harding Men's Min. Dir. - Jason Bibler Women's Min. Dir. - Michelle Menjoulet Church Board Sec. - Montie Brown Church Treas. - John Brown

#### **Round UP Cowboy Church**

(Organized 2015) (0

(012-0013)

(www.yourchurch.org; office@yourchurch.org; 214-570-5600)

Location – (mail: PO Box 152) 7352 N Hwy 78, Farmersville, TX 75442

(www.roundupcowboychurch.org; ruccmain@gmail.com; 972-800-3819)

Pastor – (06/20) John Spencer (Clara) Ministry Leader – Steve Pierce NYI/Children's Min. Dir. – Juli Williams Men's Min. Dir. – William (Billy) Luckett Women's Min. Dir. – Linda Day, Work & Witness Coord. – John Williams Church Board Sec. – William (Billy) Luckett Church Treas. – Ben Thompson

Soul Flight Ministry (CTM & Compassionate Ministry Center) (2019) (012-0037) Location – (Mail: P.O.Box 763745, Dallas, TX 75376) 713 Escapade Ct, Midlothian, TX 76065 Pastor – (9/19) Marty Hill (Jennifer)

Sulphur Springs(Organized 1924)(012-0550)Location – 1300 S League St, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482903-885-4725)Pastor – (2/23) – Gwendolyn Williams (James)903-885-4725)NDI Supt. – Jan GrayYI Pres. – Dustan DorganChurch Board Sec. – Jan GrayChurch Treas. – Dudley Goggans

Texarkana First(Organized 1909)(012-0570)Location - (Mail: PO Box 6470, Texarkana 75505)6241 St. Michael Dr., Texarkana, TX 75503Pastor - (11/22) Paul Davis (Karen)NDI Supt. - Jack Martin

Children's Min. Dir. – Rita Martin NYI Pres. - Staci Burnett Men's Min Dir. - Jack Martin Church Board Sec. - Staci Burnett Church Treas. - Darren Cummings

#### PAC (2023) (012-0043)The Church of the Assembly of Saints

Location – 2427 Finley Rd, Irving, TX 75062 Pastor - (2/23) Thomas Bonkandja

the Haven (effective June 2020) (Organized 1949) (012 - 0230)Location - (mail: PO Box 531594, Grand Prairie, TX 75053) 1513 S Belt Line Rd, Grand Prairie, TX 75051

(Organized 1952)

(Website: www.thehavengp.org; office@thehavengp.org)

Pastor - (12/19) Ron Adams (Cheryl) Office Secretary - Carol Schilling Assoc. Pastor – Chris Phelan (Tawnya) Pastor (Hispanic Ministries): (8/21) Salatiel Pimentel (Rita) Assoc. Pastor (Children's Ministries) - Kristen Ray (Tim) Worship Leader – Don Schilling NMI Pres. - Lisa Walker Church Board Sec. - Natalie Reyes Church Treas. - Carol Schilling

#### The Shepherd's House

Location -3221 Mockingbird, Midlothian, TX 76065 (Web: www.shepherdshousechurch.org; tshn@sbcglobal.net; 972-723-9922)

(012-0260)

Pastor - (6/23) Randall Harrell (Amber) Office & Technology Admin. - James Galbraith Music Dir. – Melanie Galbraith NMI Pres. - Becky Scasta Church Board Sec. - Larry Hudson Church Treas. - Dan McComas

#### Vida a Las Naciones

(Organized 2000) Location – (mail: 516 N Ross Ave) 1295 W Oakwood, Tyler, TX 75702 Pastor - (05/02) Arnoldo Toj (Eduviges) Music Dir. - Jonathan Toj NDI Supt. - Luisa Alas NMI Pres. - Eduviges Toj Church Board Sec. - Jessenia Alfaro Church Treas. - Maria Beltran

#### Whispering Pines

Location -170 CR 3811, Hawkins, TX 75765 Pastor – (12/05) Jeffrey Karlson (Michele) Office Sec. - Michele Karlson Church Board Sec. - Ted Dooley Church Treas. - Temple Dockery

(Organized 1982)

(012 - 0593)(www.nazarene.ch/tylerhispanic)

(012 - 0150)

## **E. ORDAINED ELDERS**

#### MINISTERIAL ROLE CODES

CED—Christian Education Minister; CHP—Chaplain; DA—District Assignment; DIA – District Interim Assigned; DS – District Superintendent; EDU – Education; ESR – Evangelism Service, Retired; EVC – Evangelist, Commissioned; EVR—Evangelist, Registered; EVT—Evangelist, Tenured; GA—General Assignment; GS—General Superintendent; MIS—Missionary; PAS—Pastor; PSV-FT—Pastoral Service, Full-Time (Associate Ministry); PSV-PT—Pastoral Service, Part-Time (Associate Ministry); RA—Retired, Assigned; RU—Retired, Unassigned; SEC—Song Evangelist, Commissioned; SER—Song Evangelist, Registered; SPC—Special Service/Interdenominational; STU—Student; TRF – Transfer in process; U – Unassigned

2010	PAS	Adams, Ron E	(The Haven)
1994	RA-2019	Adkins, Kenneth N	(Mt Enterprise)
2006	U-2022	Allembaugh, Daniel James	(Catalyst Rowlett)
2010	U-2022	Allen, Malissa Jo	(The Shepherds House)
2013	PAS	Alvarado, Oscar A	(Irving First)
1985	SPC	Anderson, B. Scott	(Richardson)
2015	RU-2023	Anderson, Philip B	(Grand Saline)
2013	PAS	Ashby, Charles H	(Gladewater)
1992	PAS	•	
2004		Baker, David A	(Martin's Chapel)
2004 1990	RA-2013 RU-2015	Benson, Deborah	(Hilltop)
2012		Bird, Karen Blandán Narania, Sigrid	(Richardson)
	PAS	Blandón-Naranjo, Sigrid	(Renovacion)
1991	RU-2004	Bozeman, Georgie A	(Longview)
2017	PSV-PT	Brown-Singer, Lesonya	(Catalyst Rowlett)
1984	PAS	Carlson, David J	(Living Hope)
2010	PAS	Cash, John Micheal	(Athens)
2015	SPC	Cayalo Cossio, Hermes	(Casa de Oracion)
2013	PSV-FT	Cheek, Adam M	(Richardson)
2014	PSV-PT	Cheek, Heidi N	(Richardson)
2015	PSV-PT	Clark, Brian	(Nexus Community)
1974	RU-2023	Clark, Lowell G	(LSCC-Collin County)
2012	PAS	Coleman, Jamie	(Nexus Community)
1992	RA-PAS	Coombs, Curtis	(Faith Community)
2022	TRF	Cooper, Kaylla Sherara (Martin	(Bruton Terrace)
1995	RU-2012	Cox, Claude Andrew (Andy	(Martin's Chapel)
2013	PAS	Crabtree, Gary T	(Marshall Community)
1989	RU-2015	Craig, Harold	(Hilltop)
2003	PAS	Crawford, K. Denise	(NewStart-Frisco)
2009	PSV-PT	Davis, Earnestine	(Bruton Terrace)
1995	RA-2015	Davis, Johnny B	(Martin's Chapel)
2020	PSV-PT	Davis, Michele P.	(Richardson)
2020	PAS	Davis, Paul W.	(Texarkana)
1972	RA-1999	DeHaro, Jose P	(Journey Community)
1979	RA-2017	Devendorf, Richard (Dick)	(Longview)
2018	PSV-PT	Downey, Cavin	(Ovilla Road)
2021	DIA	Emmert, Rick	(Mt. Enterprise)
2020	PSV-FT	England, Jeremy P	(Journey Community)
1996	RU-2010	Ethington, James (Jim)	(Richardson)
2013	PAS	Forasteros, Marshall "JR"	(Catalyst Rowlett)
2022	PSV-PT	Frazier, Tiffany A	(Gun Barrel City)
1957	RU-1996	Friend, John T	(Richardson)
1999	PAS	Galloway, Christopher M	(Richardson)
2023	PAS	Garcia, Saul	(Mount Pleasant Monte Ararat)
1989	PAS	Gardner, Don W	(Palestine)
2010	PSV-PT	Gragg, Alan R	(Henderson)
2010	PSV-PT	Gragg, Glenda L	(Henderson)
2010		Gragg, Giorida E	

1963 1997 1989 2018 1995 1973 2003 2016 2011 1977 2006 2014 1992 2009 1977	RU-1998 PAS PAS PAS PAS RA-2013 PAS PAS RU-2023 RU-2004 PAS PAS RA-2016 PAS RA-2014	Griffin, Fable, Harrell, Randall S Hendrick, Mark Henson, Chance Henvey, Jim Hernandez, Jesus Hight II, Ronald M Hill, Marty Hinson, Matthew B Hollowell, Jerry Jackson, Victor B James, Marlene I Johnston, Johnnie D. Karlson, Jeffrey Keith, Darrell E
1996 1960	RU-2020 RU-1998	Ketcham, Philip King Jr., Norwood D
1975	RA-2001	Kyzer, Arlie
1957	RA-2006	Lambert, Jr. Charles H
2000 1983	RU-2020 PAS	Lanicek, David Larpenteur, J. Randy
2010	PAS	Lay, David
2019	PAS	Lee Jr., Kenneth Dale (Chip)
1982	RA-2018	Lewellen, Garry
1973		Lipscomb, William E
1970		Lothenore, Bob W
1994 1990	RU-2020 RA-2021	Lummus, Charles M Marquez, Moises
2016	PSV-FT	Marquez, Moises Marquez-Cantu, Moises
2014	PAS	Marquis, Charky
2021	PSV-FT	Martin, Hannah E.
2006	RA-2016	Martinez-Rodríguez, Eustacia Caridad (Morejón)
1965	RA-1995	McDaniel, Marvin
1982	RA-2020	McDonald, Robert L.
2006 1995	U-2022 DIA	McDorman, Scott Mendoza, Juana Quiroga Cayalo
1995	RU-2004	Mitchell, Ralph
1983	PAS/DA	Monterroso, Giovanni
1977	PAS	Moore, Thomas W.
2011	PAS	Moreno, Samuel
1977	RU-2016	Morris, David
2000	PAS	O'Brien, Kevin
2010 2011	PAS PAS	O'Connor, Sean C. Odom, Jonathan
2012	PAS	Parson, L. Jeff
2018	PAS	Parson, L. Tyler
1998	DA	Payton, Karl
1986	PSV-PT	Peal, Timothy
1986	RA-2017	Pettigrew, Al Gary
2021	PSV-PT	Phelan, Christopher M.
2001 2000	SER GA	Phelps, Phillip R. Pickard, Justin M.
2000	PSV-FT	Pimental, Salatiel
2014	PAS	Potnick, Jason R.
1983	PSV-PT	Powell, Mitchell
1993	PAS	Powers, E. Jack
2022	PSV-FT	Powers, Lynsey
2022 2018	PSV-FT PAS	Powers, Richard (Abe)
2018	U-2020	Putman, Wayne Rhodes, Rufus Charles
1985	RA-2022	Rickert, Roger

(Dallas First) (The Shepherd's House) (Longview First) (Gilmer) (North Dallas) (Bruton Terrace) (Cornerstone Community) (Soul Flight Ministry) (Carrollton) (New Life of Paris) (Building the Kingdom) (Bruton Terrace) (Denison First) (Whispering Pines) (Mineola) (Hilltop) (Living Hope) (Faith Community) (Jacksonville) (Longview First) (Mineola) (Commerce Bread of Life) (Ovilla Road) (Longview First) (Heritage) (Journey Community) (Carrollton) (Faith Fellowship) (Duncanville Trinity) (LSCC - Navarro) (Richardson) (The Haven) (LSCC - Collin County) (Round Up Cowboy) (The Shepherd's House) (Casa de Oracion) (Mineola) (Maranata Iglesia) (Jacksonville) (Lake June) (Richardson) (Heritage) (Carrollton) (Journey Community) (LSCC-Collin County) (LSCC-Grayson/Cooke) (Hilltop) (Grace Pointe Comm.) (Longview) (The Haven) (Longview) (Dallas First) (The Haven) (N. Dallas Connect.) (KC First) (McKinney New Life) (Richardson) (Richardson) (Duncanville Trinity) (Faith Fellowship) (The Shepherd's House)

1999	PSV-PT	Rodas, Arnulfo M. Valdez	(Dallas Primera)
1979	RA-2021	Rogers, J. Mack	(LSCC Grayson/Cooke)
	RU-2015	Rowley, David	(Nexus Community)
	RU-2015	Rowley, Sharon	(Nexus Community)
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		Rush, Elizabeth Bidle	(Carrollton)
	PAS	Salazar Jara, Ubaldo	(Fuente de Agua Viva)
2021	PSV-PT	Scarlett, Amy J.	(Hilltop)
2010	PAS	Scarlett, G. Michael	(Hilltop)
1986	PAS	Schauer, Edward	(Gun Barrel City)
	PSV-PT	Shermer, Matthew	(Grace Pointe Community)
	RA-2019	Sides, Donald E	(Pittsburg)
	PAS	Sieffert, Norita	(Faith Fellowship)
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	RA-2019	Simmons, Artis O. (Dean)	(Gladewater)
	RA-2015	Simmons, Robert C.	(Dallas First)
	PSV-PT	Smith, Daniel W.	(Palestine)
2014	SPC	Smith, Debra White	(Palestine)
1961	RA-2013	Snodgrass, Robert G.	(Richardson)
2015	PAS	Spencer, John	(Round Up Cowboy)
	RU-2004	Stallings, Richard	(Dallas First)
	RU-2023	Stallings, R. Wayne	(Dallas First)
	RA-2021	Stokely, Kenneth	(Marshall Community)
	PAS	•	
		Suits, Michael	(Paris New Life)
	RA-2022	Sweely, Wayne H.	(Sulphur Springs)
	PAS	Talley, Jeremy	(Grand Saline)
	PSV-PT	Teel, Mallorie	(Journey Community)
1986	RU	Thomason, Rick C.	(Irving First)
1999	PAS	Toj Hernandez, Arnoldo	(Vida a Las Naciones)
2010	PAS	Torres Montalvo, Felix Luis	(Restauracion)
	PAS	Townsley, Chad	(Henderson)
	PSV-PT	Townsley, Jacy	(Henderson)
	SPC	Troutman, Christopher P.	(Richardson)
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		Troutman, Courtney E.	(Richardson)
	PAS	Turner, Daniel B.	(Denison & Pottsboro NewStart)
	PAS	Vargas Jaramillo, Felix Antonio	(Dallas Primera)
	PAS	Verschoor, Simon Lane	(LSCC Hunt County)
2005	U-2021	Walker, David C.	(Hilltop)
2023	PSV-PT	Walker, Forrest	(LSCC-Collin County)
2017	PSV-PT	Wells, Charles	(Commerce Bread of Life)
1979		Wentworth, Keven J.	(A Place of Hope/District Office)
2013		Whitehead, Tony	(Bonham Community)
	RU-2007	Wilkins, James H.	(Bornan Commany)
	PAS	Williams, Larry D.	
		Dr., Duncanville, TX 75116 (North Dallas)	
	RU-2004	Wilson, David E.	(Richardson)
	PAS	Wilson, Jerry	(Grace Pointe Community)
	PSV-PT	Wilton, Janice A	(Nexus Community)
1975	RU2015	Wright, Harol D.	(Bruton Terrace)
1976	RA-2006	Wycoff, Richard E.	(McKinney New Life)
2013	U-2021	Young, Andrew William	(Denison)
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## **F. ORDAINED DEACONS**

Bush, Ronald
Buttles, Robert Stan
Puckett, Jim
Ramos, Connie L.
Rogde, Amber K.

(Athens) (Richardson) (Richardson) (Jacksonville First) (NewStart-Frisco)

### **G. LICENSED MINISTERS**

(E) Elder Track (D) Deacon Track (Track Levels Completed1-4 or G)

2020 2023	PSV-PT D Fitch, Kimberly Schufeldt PSV-PT E Fontenot, Angela
2023	PSV-PT E Galbraith, Melanie
2023	
2021	PAS E Hord, Ashley
2021	PSV-PT E Hord, Tracey
2020	PSV-PT E Jackson, Tomica Jones
2022	PSV-PT E Lane, Branden James
2017	PSV-FT EG Lexa, Julia Willis
2023	PSV-PT E Mujica de Joya, Maria Soledad
2023	PSV-PT E Membreno, Alma Yanira
2017	PSV-PT E1 Nelson, Alyus
2018	PSV-PT E1 Parson, Lindsay
2019	PSV-PT E1 Ray, Kristen
2022	PSV-PT E Richey, Faith C. Harding
2021	PSV-PT D1 Riggle, RuthAnn
2021	PAS E Williams, Gwendolyn
2020	PSV-PT E Wilson, Joel

(Longview) (Ovilla Road) (The Shepherds House) (LSCC-Collin County) (Kilgore) (Kilgore) (Bruton Terrace) (Mount Pleasant Journey) (Gun Barrel City) (Renovacion) (Casa de Oración) (Longview) (LSCC-Collin County) (The Haven) (Richardson) (Richardson) (Sulphur Springs) (Carrollton)

### H. REGISTERED SONG EVANGELISTS

Phelps, Phillip R.

(Longview)

## **II. GENERAL INFORMATION**

### A. RECEIVED AND RECEIPTED ON TRANSFER

1. Elders

Juana Quiroga Mendoza Cossio (Santa Cruz-Bolivia); Paul Davis (Arizona); Richard Devendorf (South Arkansas); LaSonya Brown-Singer (Southwest Native American); Mallorie Teel (West Texas); Randall S. Harrell (West Texas)

2. Deacons

None

3. Licensed Ministers

None

### **B. GRANTED TRANSFERS AND RECEIPTED**

1. Elders

Chris Sutherland (Hawaii Pacific); Beverly Bateman (Alaska); Keith Bateman (Alaska); Donnie Carpenter (West Texas); Kevin Harris (West Texas)

2. Deacons None

3. Licensed Ministers Madison Mullens Bechtold (Missouri)

### C. ELECTED TO ELDER'S ORDERS

Saul Garcia (Mount Pleasant Monte Ararat); Norita J. Sieffert (Faith Fellowship); Forrest S. Walker (LSCC-Collin County)

### D. ELECTED TO DEACON'S ORDERS

None

E. GRANTED RECOGNITION OF CREDENTIALS (ELDER)

None

### F. REMOVED FROM THE ROSTER OF MINISTERS

1. Elders

None

2. Deacons None

3. Licensed Ministers None

### G. CREDENTIALS TO BE FILED (4 YEARS CONSECUTIVE UNASSIGNED) None

### H. RETURN OF A FILED CREDENTIAL

None

### I. DECEASED

#### 1. Elders

Bernard "Bernie" Johnson (Longview); Gaylon White (Hilltop)

### J. GRANTED RETIRED RELATIONSHIP

#### 1. Elders

Philip B. Anderson (Grand Saline); Lowell G. Clark (LSCC-Collin County); Matthew B. Hinson (Carrollton); R. Wayne Stallings (Dallas First)

#### 2. Deacons

None

3. Licensed Ministers

None

### K. GRANTED MINISTER'S LICENSE

1. Renewals

Kimberly Fitch (Longview First); Melanie Galbraith (The Shepherds House); Saul Garcia (Mt. Pleasant - Monte Ararat); Faith Harding (Heritage); Ashley Hord (Kilgore); Tracey Hord (Kilgore); Tomica Jackson (Bruton Terrace); Branden Lane (Mount Pleasant Journey); Julia Lexa (Gun Barrel City First); Alyus Nelson (Longview First); Lindsay Parson (LSCC Collin County); Kristen Ray (The Haven); RuthAnn Riggle (Richardson); Norita Sieffert (Faith Fellowship); Forrest Walker (LSCC-Collin County); Gwendolyn Williams (Sulphur Springs); Joel Wilson (Carrollton First)

### 2. New

Angela Fontenot (Ovilla Road); Sean Grace (LSCC-Collin County); Maria Soledad Mujica de Joya (Renovacion); Alma Yanira Membreno (Casa de Oración)

### L. MINISTER'S LICENSES NOT RENEWED FOR FAILURE TO REAPPLY

Caleb Bechtold (McKinney New Life)

### **M. CHANGE OF ROLE CODE**

B. Scott Anderson to be listed as SPC; Beth Rush to be listed as SPC; Debra White Smith to be listed as SPC; Chris Troutman to be listed as SPC; Courtney E. Troutman to be listed as SPC; Juana Quiroga Mendoza is to be listed as DIA; Hermes Cayalo Cossio is to be listed as SPC

### N. NEW CHURCHES ORGANIZED

None

## O. CHURCHES DROPPED

None

### P. CHURCHES INACTIVE

None

### **Q. CHURCHES DISORGANIZED**

None

### **R. CHURCH NAMES CHANGED**

None

### S. CHURCH-TYPE MISSIONS

A Place of Hope; Fuente de Agua Viva, Lone Star Cowboy Church of Grayson & Cooke Counties, North Dallas Connections, Pottsboro NewStart, The Church of the Assembly of Saints

### T. JOURNAL CORRECTIONS

2021 – List of Elders: Kenneth Stokely should be shown as RA (Retired Unassigned) 2022 – List of Elders: Kenneth Stokely should be shown as RA (Retired Unassigned)

### **U. DUPLICATE CREDENTIALS ISSUED**

None

### V. WHERE TO SEND MONIES

Global Treasury Services—PO Box 843116, Kansas City, MO 64184-3116 Send the following monies to General Treasurer, plainly marked: World Evangelism Fund and specials not in World Evangelism Fund

Education (SNU), Pensions and Benefits, District Tithe and District Auxiliaries (NMI, NYI and Sunday School)

NE TX District Treasurer, Jennifer Otey, PO Box 831269, Richardson, TX 75083-1269 Make checks payable to: North/East TX District Church of the Nazarene

## **III. Plan of Examination**

### A. DISTRICT BOARD OF MINISTRY

(See Directory under District Boards)

### **B. INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS**

(Information is posted at <a href="https://www.netxnaz.net/ministries-studies/">https://www.netxnaz.net/ministries-studies/</a>)

### **C. COURSE OF STUDY STUDENTS**

(P = Placed in) (C = Continued In) (Followed by Year in COS)

#### <u>YR</u> Level

### **1. NEW STUDENTS IN COURSE OF STUDY**

- 23 P-1 Fontenot, Angela
- 23 P-1 Grace, Sean
- 23 P-1 Membreño, Alma Yanira
- 23 P-1 Mujica de Joya, Maria Soledad

### 2. CONTINUING IN GOOD STANDING

- 20 P-4 Fitch, Kimberly Schufeldt
- 21 P-3 Galbraith, Melanie
- 22 P-2 Harding, Faith C.
- 21 P-3 Hord, Ashley
- 21 P-4 Hord, Tracey
- 20 P-4 Jackson, Tomica
- 22 P-3 Lane, Branden James
- 17 C-3 Nelson, Alyus
- 18 P-4 Parson, Lindsay
- 20 P-3 Williams, Gwendolyn S.

### 2.a GRADUATED

(D = Deacon track) (E = Elder track)

03	EG	Garcia, Saul
16	EG	Lexa, Julia Willis
19	EG	Ray, Kristen
20	EG	Sieffert, Norita
16	EG	Walker, Forrest
20	EG	Wilson, Joel

# IV. Daily Proceedings

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Minutes of the Joint Session of the

North/East TX District Church of the Nazarene Assembly

North/East TX District Nazarene Discipleship International Convention,

### North/East TX District Nazarene Youth International Convention, and

#### North/East TX District Nazarene Missions International Convention

### Sunday, July 9, 2023 at 5:30pm

#### At Richardson Church of the Nazarene in Richardson, Texas

The service began at 5:30 pm with District Superintendent, Dr. Keven Wentworth opening the 115th Dallas District Assembly and 6th North/East Texas Assembly.

Dr. Wentworth introduced the Praise Group from Bruton Terrace Church of the Nazarene. They began the Assembly by singing *You Are Good, The Lord is Blessing Me, Revelation 19:1, Psalm 23 I Am Not Alone.* Upon conclusion of the congregational singing, Dr. Wentworth invited the Assembly to pause and soak in the presence of the Lord before proceeding. Dr. Wentworth introduced the theme of the 115th District Assembly, "We are still about the One, and it begins with me." He then encouraged the Assembly to pray to the One for guidance. Dr. Wentworth expressed gratitude to the Bruton Terrace Church, recognizing Pastor Marlene James and her husband, Napoleon James.

Following his remarks of appreciation, Dr. Wentworth reflected briefly on General Assembly having occurred a month prior in June of 2023. He then welcomed everyone to the North/East Texas District Assembly where he remarked he expected great things. Following his greeting, Dr. Wentworth instructed the congregation to stand and greet one another.

As the time of greeting came to an end, Dr. Wentworth drew the Assembly's attention to the screens for the QR code to access the delegate handbook and instructions for accessing WIFI. Dr. Wentworth then welcomed General Superintendent Dr. David Graves and his wife Sharon to Dr. Graves' final Assembly as a presiding General Superintendent.

General Superintendent Dr. David Graves and District Secretary Reverend Chris Galloway approached the stage. Dr. Graves gave further instructions to download the Delegate Handbook by scanning the QR code.

Dr. Graves called the assembly to order. He instructed the delegates to download and open the My District App. He then instructed District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway to organize the Assembly.

District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway made the following motion:

- a. Name recording secretary Jonathan Odom
- b. Name pages Ed Schauer as Page Coordinator
- c. Establish the voting area of the assembly For digital voters: All Areas; \*\*for in-person voting: Atrium, & Rm. 153.
- d. Set times for the sessions and services: Monday July 10
  - 8:00 am to 11:00 am NMI, NYI, NDI Conventions & Reports
  - o 1:15 pm to 4:00 pm or adjournment -Assembly Business
  - o 5:00 pm Ordinands and Retiring Pastor's Dinner
  - 7:00 pm to adjournment Ordination Services
- e. Establish Special Orders of the Day:
  - Report of the District Superintendent Monday 2:15pm
  - Time and day for the ordination service Monday evening 7:00pm
  - Time for the university/college report Monday afternoon 1:40pm.
  - Time for the memorial service no service; recognition of Memoirs Report on Monday pm; Memoirs list in Delegate Handbook.
  - The approval of this vote also seats the alternate for the Assembly

Dr. Graves called for a motion to adopt which was seconded from the floor. Dr. Graves called for a vote. The voice vote was unanimous.

District Secretary Chris Galloway presented the Report of the Board of Ministry to the assembly. Dr. Graves outlined the report, recognized the newly District Licensed Ministers. He then recognized those to be ordained at Monday Evening's Ordination service by asking them to stand. He also mentioned that there were three approved ordinands who were unable to be ordained this year because of a conflict attending the 2023 Nazarene Youth Conference. Dr. Graves emphasized that the Assembly needed to approve those being ordained by approving of the Board of Ministry Report. He called for a motion to adopt which was seconded from the floor. Dr. Graves called for a vote by raising hands. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. Graves presented the report of the nominating committee as presented in the online delegate handbook on pg. 52. Dr. Graves called for a motion to approve, followed by a second and called for a vote by raising hands. District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway presented the ballots for District Offices, NMI, and NDI.

Dr. Graves called for a motion. The motion was seconded and there was a unanimous voice vote.

Following the vote, Dr. Graves invited District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway and District Superintendent Dr. Keven Wentworth to explain the voting process. Dr. Wentworth drew attention to the WIFI password and then explained the resources needed to cast ballots.

Following this explanation, the business portion of the evening was concluded.

Dr. Wentworth invited Dr. Jim Puckett to lead the congregation in song. The Assembly sang, This is Our God, Holy Forever, and The Jesus Way. Following the congregational singing, Mr. Montie Brown approached the stage, invited the ushers forward and explained the process by which the offering to cover Assembly expenses would be received. The option for giving included online giving by scanning a QR code, checks or cash in the plates tonight and the Joy Boxes for the remainder of the Assembly. Mr. Brown invited Rev. Dan Turner to pray for the offering.

As the offering was received, Dr. Jim Puckett and the choir sang *"I've Witnessed."* Following the offertory, the congregation sang *Trust in God*, led by Dr. Jim Puckett

Dr Graves began by asking can you trust Him? He then invited the assembly to turn to Numbers 13:18-20: "A group of people who showed great realism, based on obvious facts but the results were disastrous." He mentioned that the spies were sent to make an evaluation but not a conclusion for God had already promised victory. Instead, they returned and discouraged the people. Numbers 13:31-33. We seem like grasshoppers in our own eyes and look the same to them. Despite what God had done for them, they still chose to believe a human report rather than God's promise. Dr. Graves encouraged the congregation to be careful who they allow to speak into their lives.

He continued by suggesting that the spies set back the nation of Israel for a generation because of their fear. The spies preferred to go back to slavery in Egypt rather than following God. Numbers 14:1-4 "fear led to tears then to blasphemy to rebellion." "I wonder how many of our churches were on the verge of the promise land only to be influenced by negativity however well intended it might be. And the churches were held back for generations.

There were two spies who were the difference makers. Numbers 14:7-9. Joshua and Caleb said God will give it to us, don't be afraid. The difference is trust in God. Caleb saw the same walls and fortified the same giants but saw them with eyes of faith and trusted God. To fear controlled believers, giants are always bigger than God. Replace fear-controlled thinking with faith-controlled living; nothing will stand before your trust in God.

In conclusion, Dr. Graves prayed, "Lord, Increase our faith. May I see life through the lens of faith. Believing there is nothing or no one bigger than you and that you can use even me." As a response to the message, Dr Graves invited those who wanted to be difference makers to come forward. Many left their seats to be prayed for. Dr. Graves prayed, "May it be so!"

Following General Superintendent Dr. Graves's sermon, District Superintendent Dr. Keven Wentworth read the lyrics to a song; *"Stirred but Not Changed"* He stated that he wanted this to be a time where change accompanied the stirring by the Holy Spirit.

Dr. Wentworth then recognized the new Sr. Pastors across the district. He invited the new pastors and spouses to the front to be introduced to the assembly.

Paul Davis and wife Karen – Texarkana; Oscar Alvarado and wife Olivia - Irving; Gwendolyn Williams and husband John - Sulphur Springs; Randall Harrell and wife Amber - The Shepherd's House

Dr. Wentworth recognized the interim pastors on the district - Don Sides, Brandon Lane, Dave Walker, and Karl Payton.

He also recognized new associate pastors, Rev. Jeremy England, Journey Community and Tiffany Frazier, Gun Barrel City.

Dr. Wentworth invited Montie Brown to the stage to instruct the assembly of the new web-based voting system. Voting will be open until 8:45am on Monday, July 10, 2023. He also instructed that those without smart devices had the option to vote in the lobby.

Following Montie's instructions, Dr. Wentworth then asked the Assembly to pause, in order to remember what Dr. Graves challenged the Assembly with. The congregation sang "*I Sought the Lord*." At the conclusion of the song, Dr. Wentworth made a few announcements about Monday's business, after which the assembly stood in recess at approximately 7:50 p.m with a calling to glorify God.

### Minutes of the Business Session of the

#### North/East District Church of the Nazarene Assembly

#### Monday, July 10 at 1:15 pm

#### at Richardson Church of the Nazarene in Richardson, Texas

The reconvening of the assembly was preceded by two videos sharing about the ministry of Alabaster 75 Years and The Church of the Nazarene Foundation.

The assembly was reconvened Monday, July 10, 2023, at 1:20 p.m. Dr. Graves reported that 20 million dollars was given back to local churches over the last year because of generous people around the world. Dr. Graves then instructed the Assembly to page 57 for the District Advisory Report. He recognized Assembly of the Saints serving the Congolese community. Sold property and investment committee and other items. A motion was made and seconded. Dr. Graves recognized the Advisory Board before the final vote. Following his recognition, he called for a voice vote. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. Graves then recognized Missionary Shahade Twal sharing a story of the work they have been doing at Jerusalem First Nazarene. District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway sent greetings to Retired District Superintendent Dr. Rob McDonald. Following greetings, Dr. Graves introduced Dr. Scott Sherwood from Nazarene Bible College. A video promoting Nazarene Bible college was shown and Dr. Scott Sherwood followed the video with a report.

Dr. Scott Sherwood shared about the mission and vision for Nazarene Bible College. He shared that over the past year, NBC has educated 1,000 students in ministry. He mentioned that the average age of a NBC college student is 43 with the oldest student being 77 years old. With 120 faculty and a growing list of donors, Nazarene Bible College has had a great year. They are determined to continue offering a quality education for ministerial

students. Dr. Sherwood asked for the Assembly to recommend students to Nazarene Bible College and consider being NBC Presidential Partners. He concluded his report by offering thanks to District Superintendent Dr. Keven Wentworth and General Superintendent Dr. David Graves.

Dr. Wentworth then introduced a video from Nazarene Theological Seminary and introduced Reverend Lori Buckle to speak on behalf of NTS. Reverend Lori Buckle shared that she was raised in a denomination that did not affirm women in ministry. Later in life, after giving up on her ministry calling, she found NTS who welcomed her with open arms and taught her to minister.

Following the report, Dr. Graves asked Rev. Chris Galloway to share the results of the ballots. The results are as follows. District Advisory Board Minister: 157 votes cast: Don Gardner - 21 votes, Jonathan Odom - 34 votes, Ed Schauer - 24 votes, and Larry Williams - 90 votes. Rev. Larry Williams is elected. District Advisory Board Layperson: 157 votes cast: Darren Cummings - 43 votes, Marcia Freeman - 66 votes, Phil Lindquist - 59 votes. Ms. Marcia Freeman is elected.

Dr. Graves called attention to the Finance Committee report found on pg. 59-62. He summarized the report as well as drawing attention to next year's proposed budget. After offering a few moments to review the budget, Dr. Graves highlighted the section of the report titled Ministerial Support. He encouraged churches to review the ministerial support section. He then highlighted where and how to send funds as well as the Spanish translation of the report. He called for a voice vote, remarking that the vote includes approving the budget. The vote was unanimous.

Following the Finance Committee Report, Dr. Graves directed attention to the Treasurer's Report on pg. 35 in the delegate handbook. Following a pause to review the report, he called for a motion to receive the report. There was a motion, followed by a second, a call for questions, and a unanimous voice vote by stating "I".

Dr. Graves referenced the Audit Committee Report which will be finalized and added once received following a delay. Dr. Graves mentioned that the report will be included in the records as District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway edits the minutes to be recorded in the District Journal.

Dr. Graves mentioned that a highlight of District Assemblies is the District Superintendent's Report. While introducing the report, Dr. Graves mentioned that he and the assembly have been praying for Dr. Wentworth's daughter as she faces a serious illness. Before Dr. Wentworth issued his report, he invited Dr. Keith Newman to share about Southern Nazarene University.

Dr. Newman thanked Dr. Wentworth for his friendship and told this Assembly that his job as President of Southern Nazarene University is to say thank you to the Assembly. Dr. Newman told a story of a student from SNU who now is his dentist in Midwest City. He highlighted a new Physician Assistant program coming to SNU in January of 2024. He also included several improvements at SNU including a new Chick-fil-a in the Student Center. Dr. Newman shared that the enrollment demographics currently are 51% students of color and 49% white, stating that in the near future, SNU will be primarily a Hispanic populated campus. He then shared a video introducing the new team of professors for the School of Theology and Ministry.

Following the report from Southern Nazarene University Dr. Graves thanked Dr. Newman for his leadership at SNU. He told the Assembly that they can trust the leadership at SNU. He also invited the Assembly to pray for revival at Southern Nazarene University. Dr. Graves also thanked the Assembly for their support.

Following the report, Dr. Wentworth was welcomed to offer his District Superintendent's Report. Dr. Wentworth stated that he is proud to offer his seventh report to the North/East Texas District Assembly. Dr. Wentworth thanked *Dr. Graves for his contribution to the denomination and invited the Assembly to express thanks to Dr. Graves*. Dr. Wentworth then presented Dr. Graves and Sharon with a gift from the district. Dr. Wentworth offered thanks to all the leaders who serve across the District. He specifically recognized Sheri and Montie Brown who were applauded by the Assembly. He then thanked his wife Pam and the Pastors across the District.

Dr. Wentworth reminded the Assembly of the theme, "It's all about the One and it begins with me". He stated that if the world is going to change, the church needs to change its approach. Dr. Wentworth then invited a few

pastors across the district to share the work that God has been doing in the local church. Dr. Wentworth interview Chance Henson, Gilmer Nazarene; Randy Larpenteur, Mineola Nazarene, Jeremy Talley, Grand Saline Nazarene, Arnaldo Toj, Vida a la Naciones Church of the Nazarene, all referencing Church Under the Bridge; Sigrid Blanton, Renovacion Nazarene; Giovanni Monterreso, Irving Maranata Nazarene and the Congolese Church; and Jamie Coleman, Nexus Community Church.

Following the Interviews of the Pastors, Dr. Wentworth drew attention that the practices of these churches didn't take much money but began with churches and pastors being all about the One, starting with them. Dr. Wentworth shared a personal story of how God intervened in "sudden moments" in his life both with his wife Pam and his daughter Clarissa. He thanked the Assembly for their prayers. He followed this story by singing the song *The Anchor Holds*.

Following his report, Dr. Graves thanked Dr. Wentworth for his personal testimony and the testimony of what is going on around the district. Dr. Graves then called for a motion and a second. The vote to approve Dr. Wentworth's report unanimously passed. Following the report, District Secretary Rev. Chris Galloway presented Dr. Wentworth with a token of appreciation of thanks.

Dr. Graves instructed the Assembly to find the Memorial Roll Report on page 71. He then shared a story about the names of 1,600 deceased Nazarene clergy who were presented on the screens at General assembly. Dr. Graves then paused to pray for Dr. Wentworth's daughter Clarissa. Following Dr. Graves' prayer, the names of the deceased elders and members from the North/East Texas District were displayed. Dr. Wentworth prayed for the families of the deceased ministers.

Following the prayer, Dr. Wentworth invited Dr. Graves to share with the Assembly about his 14-year journey as a General Superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene. Dr. Graves shared with the Assembly advice that he received from a retired General Superintendent Dr. Donald Owens to enjoy the journey.

Dr. Graves also recalled advice he received from Retired General Superintendent Dr. Jim Diehl, to log every country, flight, and times preached. Dr. Graves' journal as a General Superintendent recorded 2,860 days away from home, 1,400 flights, 1,572 times preached, 1,941 elders ordained, and presiding over 31 District Superintendents appointed or elected. Dr. Graves shared with the Assembly how grateful he is for the Church to offer him the opportunity to have the honor and privilege to serve the Lord and the Church.

The Assembly responded to what Dr. Graves shared with a standing ovation. Following the ovation, Dr. Graves brought his wife Sharon to the stage to share his appreciation for him being on this journey alongside him.

Following Dr. Graves remarks on his journey as a General Superintendent, Dr. Graves called for motion to give the Editing Committee permission to finalize the minutes. There was a motion from the floor, followed by a second, and a unanimous voice vote.

Dr. Graves also called for a motion to conclude the 115th North/East Texas Nazarene District Assembly following the conclusion of the Ordination Service which begins at 7pm. The vote to conclude the Assembly following the Ordination Service was unanimous.

The Assembly went into recess at 4:23p.m. following a word of prayer by Dr. Graves.

#### Minutes of the Ordination Service of the

#### North/East District Church of the Nazarene Assembly

#### Monday, July 10 at 7:00pm

#### At Richardson Church of the Nazarene in Richardson, Texas

The assembly reconvened at 7:00 p.m. on July 10, 2023, for the ordination service. District Superintendent Dr. Keven Wentworth welcomed all to the service and invited Dr. Jim Puckett to lead the congregation in the song *Holiness unto the Lord*. Following the song, Dr Wentworth prayed for the service.

Following the prayer, Reverend Marlene James read Ephesians 4:1-7. Dr. Wentworth led the congregation in the Apostles Creed. Following the Apostles Creed, Dr. Wentworth recognized the newly retired Elders by announcing their names and showing pictures on the screens: Phillip Anderson, Lowell G Clark, Matthew B Hinson, R. Wayne Stallings. The Assembly offered a standing ovation in honor of the retiring elders.

Keven introduced the newly District Licensed Ministers and invited the congregation to read the charge to them. The licenses were presented to each newly licensed minister; Angela Fontenot, Sean Grace, Maria Soledad Mujica de Joya, and Alma Yanira Membreno. Dr. Wentworth also recognized those that received their license renewal; Kimberly Fitch, Melanie Galbraith, Saul Garcia, Faith Harding, Ashley Hord, Tracey Hord, Tomica Jackson, Branden Lane, Julia Lexa, Alyus Nelson, Lindsay Parson, Kristen Ray, RuthAnn Riggle, Norita Sieffert, Forrest Walker, Gwendolyn Williams, and Joel Wilson.

Reverend Larry Williams introduced the candidates for ordination to Dr. Graves: Saul Garcia, Dr. Norita Sieffert, and Forrest Walker. Upon receiving the candidates and following the presentation of the ordinands, Dr. Graves invited the ordinands to stand, and he received and examined the candidates. Upon examining the candidates, Dr. Graves gave the ordinands their charge as Elders and encouraged them to recall this moment as they journey through ministry. Dr. Graves followed the charge with recognizing the spouses of the Ordinands.

Dr. Puckett led the congregation in singing *And Can it Be.* Rev. Giovanni Monterreso read selected sections from the Nazarene Manual Paragraphs 502. Following the manual reading, Dr. Jim Puckett sang *Never Once.* 

Dr. David Graves then offered the evening's message. He began by referencing Hebrews 12:1-2. Dr. Graves offered instructions for the race of life. First of all, proper preparation by throwing off everything that hinders. Secondly, maintaining proper perception by fixing our eyes on Jesus. Thirdly, holding a patient perseverance by running the race with perseverance. In conclusion, Dr. Graves told the Assembly, don't give up!

Upon confirming those ordained, Dr. Graves prayed a prayer of blessing, invited the congregation to take pictures of the newly ordained ministers and officially closed out the 2023 North/East Texas District Assembly by singing the Doxology.

Respectfully Submitted,

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# V. Reports

# A. District Officers

## 1. District Superintendent's Report

## North/East Texas DISTRICT ASSEMBLY – JULY 10, 2023

## Dr. Graves, Pastors, Delegates:

It is my privilege to give to you my 7<sup>th</sup> report to the awesome family that make up the N/E Texas district family. Let me express my gratitude to all our auxiliary leadership: Chip Lee (NYI) David Baker (NDI) and Cheryl Adams (NMI). They have led us very faithfully into an ever-changing culture not only in our world but in the church realm. We are not doing these areas of the church like our forefathers did, but their call is just as important as it has ever been. They are walking in the right direction to lead us in the right direction.

It is a privilege to work with your advisory board this past year in dealing with district matters. They have done an excellent job representing our district family faithfully. The BOM board is continuing to provide great service to those who are on the journey to the call has places on their lives. Dr. Karl Payton has taken on this task along with many of your district pastors that serve alongside him. Dr. Karl and Rica have also come alongside 5 of our new pastors in mentoring them in becoming stronger in their leadership skills and a heart to talk to in time of need or inquiring.

Thanks to Ron Adams and the camp board who have had many, many challenges from COVID to management changes at Scottsville. We welcome Joe Williams to our district team as camp manager. Things are going to happen for that ministry is our prayer.

Thanks to three other individuals who have made my assignment so enjoyable and more efficient. Let me start out by saying how thankful we are to have Jennifer Otey keeping a good eye on your giving each month. She has transitioned all that needed to be done in a very professional manner.

I did say there were three individuals who assisted me in this walk with you. I turned 70 this year and have those moments where my ideas just float off into the unknown world. Of yeah, it just floated back into my head, so I better talk about it now quickly before it floats off again. You already knew who I was talking about: Sheri and Montie. Again, I do not know what universe our district would be in without the huge contribution to the office and to your answers in these 7+ years of service they have provided for you and especially for me. Thank you for your ministry to each of us on a super grand scale.

Let me express my thanks to each of you here in attendance and those who may be listening on the podcast feed for your continued faithfulness in your giving to others: SNU, P&B, WEF, and district. It looked like we were going to see a huge drop in giving this year as each monthly report came in but toward the end many of you came through and we made a major push in getting close to catching up on our goals. Thank you, pastor. Thank you, church. You are as awesome as I tell everybody outside our district you are.

As many of you, I very intently listened to the reports coming out of Asbury College and Seminary regarding the outpouring of the Spirit in a mighty movement of God. It caught my attention, just like many of you. In one instance of listening to the reports I heard an individual being interviewed on one national media station. In that interview the question that was on everyone's mind was: What happened? The person being interviewed responded, "I can only state that after chapel was being dismissed, there were some students who did not get up to leave which was the normal thing to do after chapel was over. They remained in their seats and began to weep. A heart felt weeping began sweeping through the chapel sanctuary. A moment like a mighty rushing wind took over that place." Wow!!

It was in that moment that the Lord laid the theme of this year's report on my heart that is seen on the cover of your reports. The first line remained as previous year's themes with a few nuances: We're All About the One. But after hearing this interview the Lord made it truly clear that the added line to our theme this year would be: It starts with ME! As I pondered what it was that the Lord was impressing upon my heart with this added line it became clear to me that if we are going to be about the ONE it must start with me. The movement of God among the people of God starts with ME. Could it begin here today? Could it begin in your church? Each of us believe that we need revival in our country why don't we take the steps to make that happen in the world and community God has called you into. But let it begin with me.

If our world is going to change, like so many of us want, the church will have to change its way of thinking about how we will be about the ONE. People are not going to look you up in a phone book, looking for a Church of the Nazarene. The Church of the Nazarene will have to take another approach and go into their world to touch the lives of those who need someone to point them to Christ, not just the church.

Over the next parts of my report, which I have titled: table talks, I want to use these talks to motivate you to ways you can be what God needs the church to be. So many churches think they do not have enough resources to compete against the bigger church in your town. I have been made aware from my personal times with the Holy Spirit, that every church within the N/E Texas family has the resources they need to be what God has called to be: a light in a dark world.

As I travel from church to church and spend time with our pastor's and their family, I am constantly reminded that we have an awesome team of pastor's that comprise our team. I tell everyone we meet how much I enjoy what I do and that is because of each of you that are my family have been such an inspiration and support over the past 7 years.

So here we go:

- Chance Henson-Gilmer(video)
- Randy Larpenteur (Mineola), Jeremy Talley (Grand Saline), Arnaldo Toj (Vida a la Naciones) Church under the Bridge
- Sigrid Blanton-Renovacion
- Giovanni Monterreso Irving Maranata (Congolese Church)
- Jonathan Odom- Journey Community

As you can see these ministries did not need a great deal of financial resources just people who took the phase: **It Starts with Me** and put themselves into what God was calling them to. Last year's Table Talk along with this year's talk has tried to give us a glimpse into what might be done in our community. It may not look like these, but it takes a person saying "it starts with me" to take that first step into a new area of ministry. I have come to believe that many of you are like me when God spoke to my heart

after 38 years of ministry being the same way, that I finally got the message with much hesitation on my part to actually do what God laid on my heart to do. You know what, it works when it starts with me. I am a believer in the two fish five loaves kind of philosophy. If I place whatever I have in His hands, He has shown me He will do some remarkable things with my obedience. But my experience has taught me that fears and my own inadequacies have been my Achilles heel in my ministry. I am convinced that for many that statement applies to you. So, my challenge to you with this assembly is to go back and face that fear. Face that inadequacy and place yourself into His hands and see how many He can feed through the best resource He has: YOU!

As a district family we should remember to acknowledge some awesome pastor's and their family for the way they have had to walk their way through CIVID and post COVID. It has caused many pastors across all denominations, including our Nazarene districts, to walk away from that calling because of the culture that has and is being created these days. Each leader represented here should try to come alongside your shepherd on more than a special day. They need your support. They need your prayers. They need your help. They need you to step into the vision of the church. They need you to walk into the mission of the church. They do not need more spectators. They need participants. They each member of the local congregation to face their fears and walk with them by faith. Please once again let these awesome men and women know you appreciate their ministry to you and your church family.

I would like to say to the 42 pastors who were able to meet with me on March the 4<sup>th</sup> for I Need Your Help Day a huge thank you for your insights and comments. I have pondered your input and have begun thinking through the next steps for our district in how best to serve you and your family. We will be looking at changing our agendas and our calendar to line up with your local and personal calendars. It'll be different than we have ever seen but we will do our best to accomplish what best fits into your schedule.

One item that I would like to address with you're here at this assembly. Many, and I mean many, of you feel isolated in your ministry. Some of that is a personal issue, I know well because God has dealt with me about what part I play in that isolation. But another reason is the lack of connection that has long been a pastor item in my 48 years of ministry. What I would like to challenge each pastor to consider is to be the ONE who takes the lead on getting with a group of pastors in your area or not and form an organic fellowship. Having churches get together for Sunday church sing, missionary speakers, or revivals. Connecting with pastors and setting up fellowship times with schedules that fit those individuals, taking into account our bi-vocational pastors. Instead of the district grouping pastors by zones take the initiative to start a group so that we can do our best to connect with fellow pastors. You said that is a huge need, let's take steps to make that go away.

As I close my report let me express my appreciation for each of you that has prayed for our family this past year. It has been a year of sudden events in our lives personally. Those events have brought about new insights into our walk with the Lord. I must be honest with you my reaction was not what I expected from myself. Many of us, if not all of us, have had those times when you have been challenged in how you reacted to a certain situation. God gave me a sermon for such a time as this found in Mark 4:35-41

As evening came, Jesus said to His disciples, "Let's cross to the other side of the lake," So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). But soon a fierce storm came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water.

Jesus was sleeping in the boat with His head on a cushion. The disciples woke Him up, shouting, "Teacher, don't you care that we're going to drown?" When Jesus woke up, He rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Silence! Be still!" Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm. Then He asked them, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?" The disciples were absolutely terrified. "Who is this man?" they asked each other. "Even the wind and the waves obey Him!" The Lord gave me 8 points:

- 1. No guarantee against the sudden
- 2. It may appear God is doing nothing
- 3. Fear can replace faith
- 4. Jesus hears our cries
- 5. Sudden storms reveal who we are in Him
- 6. Storms do not last forever
- 7. God will assist others in your storms
- 8. The God of the sudden moments is in control of all the moments

As I have had the honor of serving some awesome folks in our Forney church, we conclude each week with this phrase on the screen: Have an 8:28 Week. It has truly been lived out in my life and many of our lives this past year. The essence of that phrase in my interpretation for our setting is that no matter what may come into your life this week or month or even year God is using those events to mold you and transform you into the person He needs you to be.

Pam, Clarissa, Mina, Olivia, my sons, and I have found these words to speak volumes into our lives. One day not too long-ago Pam sent me a song on YouTube. It was a song I did many years ago when I was in my journey at San Antonio First. I have not sung it since almost 24 years ago. But after Pam sent this to me would you not know that the music popped onto my computer the same day when looking at my CCLI material. You know what happened next, I cried. Yep, I cried.

So, I leave you with a message we need for our day in each of our lives. When you listen to my points mentioned above, we are in a boat on a raging sea. There is only one thing that we need to focus on is: He is in our boat, He knows our needs in our culture, and if a revival comes from this event in our lives, we will see all around us today, He is working, and He will be in the midst of our storms. The question that speaks into my life today: Do you have faith to step out into the storms around you and trust Him with the sudden moments of your life?

## Respectfully submitted,

Keven J Wentworth, District Superintendent

# 2. Nazarene Discipleship International Chairman

## 2022 / 2023 Report

Dr. Graves, Dr. Wentworth, Fellow Pastors, Delegates, and friends of the District Assembly:

What a privilege it has been to represent you and serve you for the last two years. As I give my second report for the North/East Texas District NDI, I have heard a message I would like to share today from scripture. Esther 4:14 *"For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?"* 

Much of our present standing in Discipleship ministry comes from definition and redefinition of who we are and what we are called to do as Nazarenes. While the best instruction of our call for ministry comes from Jesus in the Great Commission; "...go make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And

surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." We now are left to the task of keeping the main thing the main thing. It is the job of our Denomination, District, Church, and Personal responsibility to keep the Great Commission the Great Commission! This year finds the Global Church and our District NDI board finding steps on how better to serve Christ and the one lost.

The District precedes much of the recent rebranding that has gone on in the Sunday School Division of the Church of the Nazarene. I am so grateful for the previous work of Dr. Wentworth and the District Advisory Board in organizing us around "We're All About The ONE". While we as a District are United with ONE another, and we Encourage and Equip the ONE called; NDI finds our best initiative of what it means to do discipleship by the third "One" statement in our district mission statement. We are searching and walking with the ONE lost. Discipleship will never be more than a word we use when it is convenient or when we are defining our cause until we are personally active, walking with the one lost. Discipleship is not corporate until it is personal, ministry is not effective until people are finding change in Jesus Christ through our influence!

With the renaming of Discipleship ministry, a beautiful event has taken place which reintroduces us to our roots as a Denomination. Key international leaders collaborated together to clearly portray what the "Journey of Grace" looks like as the church engaged in the Great Commission makes disciples. What emerged is an amazing marriage between Evangelism and Discipleship. With the confessed goal of discipleship being to walk with people from:

No Faith to, New faith to, Mature Faith.

The team decided a change of name for Sunday School would be important. While Sunday School with its central emphasis in our Denomination's history is still vital and important, we have determined to take discipleship out of the classroom, small group, and Zoom setting. Our best days are ahead as the church unleashes its members on their Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and uttermost parts of their worlds. The acronym NDI finds the following explanation for its selection.

**N – Stands for Nazarene**. We believe in the radical hope of Entire Sanctification and hold the line on the most optimistic theology of holiness in life and service.

We not only believe that God forgives but that He leads us into maturity of relationship with Him and others. To be called Nazarene is to be called into a sanctified life of holiness.

**D** – **Discipleship is our clear goal**. In making disciples we complete the call of Christ on our lives. It's not enough to tell the "Good News", we must model it and intentionally mentor others in their relationship with Christ. We understand that in the formation of our denomination, our calling was to the marginalized and disenfranchised. In our inception this work took us to the back roads, the hurting and the broken. We understand our calling is still the same today. We are not looking for people who have it all together, we will witness to and walk with the hurting until they are well.

**I** – International is a key understanding of who we are as a movement. We cross the globe, engaging culture, color, language and ideological barriers.

Together we are family, together we walk with those in our life space to transform the culture into the Kingdom of God! God's grace is taking the world by storm, one heart at a time!

As the NDI board met last winter, we had work to do to reorganize District training and provide positive and influential discipleship that will be reproducible in the life of our district churches. We heard the dialogue from pastors and offer a new format that can reorient and jumpstart a district wide focus for reaching those in transition through our ministries.

We are excited to provide Fall and Spring training opportunities with John Comstock from our Global Headquarters NDI. John will share a different training next spring than the one scheduled for this fall but we

wanted to make sure that one session was close enough so every church could attend. In the Fall we will be at Hilltop in Tyler, Texas, on Saturday, September  $30^{th}$  from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. In the spring we will be at RCN. There will be a box lunch and each training day will be \$25 to provide lunch and minimal costs for the training day.

When we encounter people, we often discover them in a season of their life. Seasons don't define our lives, but they definitely flavor our lives and cause us to be sensitive for change both to the good or to the bad. I discover Jesus intersecting people during seasons of their life often. Zacchaeus, Nicodemus, Matthew, Woman caught in adultery, Mary. Seasons are often complicated with catastrophe or chaos. What I love is that as disciples of Jesus we must learn to do what he would do. We rush in when most people rush out. Rather than bring you a how to disciple, or steps in discipling course. We as a council wanted to introduce you to a theology of discipleship. I believe this is a first step for becoming more like Jesus and then we can add layers of what to say and do. We have asked John Comstock from the Global Church Leadership Team to come share ideas of what it means to be laborers with Christ so that we can do what He did and still wants to do. At this time, I would like to introduce you to John Comstock as he introduces his session this fall, "Discipleship As A Healing Journey."

Children remain a focus for the Northeast Texas District Church of the Nazarene. Rev. Beth Biddle does an amazing job leading us in keeping children our priority. At this time, I would like her to represent children's ministry on our District. (See Reports from the Director of Children's Ministries and Director of Children's Quizzing.)

The people of Israel are in captivity now under Persian rule. If anyone knew seasons of life, Israel did. Like most seasons, this was not an easy or promising one. There was no guarantee of tomorrow, only a stubborn resilient hope in God almighty. Esther, a Hebrew girl emerges as a queen in a Gentile Nation. Her place of privilege & position was encouraged by her uncle to be used to plead for mercy and compassion for her people.

Although this put her life on the line, it is interesting that God used her as a redeemer because she was not afraid to let her voice be heard. She was not afraid to allow God to write His story through her life. Esther was not being scolded by her uncle because of her place of privilege but rather to chide her for her self-preserving guided tendency.

Esther was reproved for placing luxury and ease over service. Mordecai saw her place of favor as an opportunity for God to accomplish great glory for His name. Many times, we consider our inability as a reason not to witness, care for or walk with those who are lost.

However, we should understand that it is God's ability in our availability that creates a climate of change for the better to those in a season of transition. Like Esther, God has not equipped us, called, and empowered us to fill a place in life just to be comfortable or to be at ease. He calls us to make His name known. We are to call people into a mature relationship with Him so that God's Kingdom will be enhanced. There were no guarantees to Esther's safety or that she would be successful, only that she had entered the arena with God to do amazing things!

It is God who has given us salvation, fullness of the spirit, education, influence, ability, security and opportunity to serve. He wants to use us to optimize the Kingdom's purposes. He does not want us to get so caught up in our personal kingdom's that we would miss an opportunity to partner with Him! People in a season of transition need someone to walk with them.

"To miss your Kingdom assignment because you have become too caught up in your personal kingdom itself is the greatest tragedy you could ever face. An entire nation was grateful for how Esther responded to Mordecai's rebuke. Their lives were spared. How many can be spared in the culture where we live today when we choose to step up to service, even if it involves sacrifice?" (The Urban Alternative; Tony Evans) Respectfully submitted, Rev. David Baker District NDI Chairperson

## Living in the Land of the I: Inviting into The Story of I AM Northeast Texas Children's Ministry Report

Thank you for this opportunity to speak about the next generation in our churches and communities. We live in this tension between reflecting on the past and envisioning the future. We look back to see where we have been while looking ahead to what the future holds as we survey the culture we live. We are not here by accident; we were placed here for such a time as this.

One of my all-time favorite quotes summarizes this tension well... Corrie Ten Boom, a concentration camp survivor who, due to a clerical error, was released instead of going to the gas chamber, said ..." This is what the past is for...Every experience God gives us, every person He puts in our path, is the perfect preparation he can only see". Her story and life have influenced countless lives as she shared about God's faithfulness in dark and challenging spaces.

Each moment, each interaction, and each relational investment becomes a building block in someone's life. You may never see or know how influential you are in the lives of the children, youth, or families you **invest** in as you **inspire a** transformational encounter with God...But God Does!

I want to begin with a little story. Once there was a woman who lived in a beautiful garden which met a sneaky, sly reptile who invited her into a false story of self- importance...A Story of I. I am more **important**! I desire to be the one **in control**! I am the one who **makes a difference**! **Nothing else matters besides Me**! Me first, me second, me third! Me, Myself, and I – I desire to be like God! I want what I want! I want to be who I want to be! What I desire! What I believe! You may have recognized that story from the Garden of Eden. I, I, I, and God says It's all about Me and my love for you, my creation. Tension.

I suggest we culturally live in the land of I...proclaiming the Story of God – the Great I AM as we participate in the mission of God to offer reconciliation to all of God's creation. The people in the land of I seek individuals who **Inspire**, **Invest**, and **Influence**. Christ's call in our lives as His follower is to Go and Make Disciples.

Therefore, think about...Who inspired you to follow God and ask Jesus into your heart and life? Who intentionally took the time to invest in you? Who left a Christ-like Impression on your heart and in your life? Discipleship is helping people living in the land of I to connect with the One who created them, loves them, and longingly desires to be a part of their lives.

Who are you inspiring to wholeheartedly follow God? Who are you investing in without giving excuses? And who is God calling you to leave a Christ-like impression on - inspiring them to be transformed into the image of Christ. Was it a relative, a pastor, a friend, a Sunday School teacher...or a combination of individuals? Someone who saw you and believed in you! They may have even believed in you more than you believed in yourself. They spoke words of encouragement, support, and possibly some words of Godly wisdom into your life or loving correction. They willingly walked beside you through life's ups and downs. They inspired you and made a difference in your life. Let's take a moment and try something...I will ask you who that person was...and want you to respond out loud. Who made a difference in your life? Now think about...What would have happened to you if they had not invested in you? Would you have been left wandering in the land of I...doing your own thing? Going your own way? And thinking about yourself? When I am the most important person in the room, taking first priority, others take second place.

Relational investments have life-altering effects and eternal benefits. Investing in another person has a lasting impact on their life and trajectory. The number one outcome in predicting whether a child will do well is if they have an adult who will put their arm around their shoulder and say I'll walk this way with you. Investing includes inviting, welcoming, and knowing not just their name but who they are and understanding their God-given potential. Investing in the next generation's lives may have lasting returns you may never see. Are you willing to take a chance to engage, share, listen, and struggle with tough questions helping them find the answers? In your church, do you know the families who walk through your church doors consistently? Do you know their kids? Some of the most influential people in my life were friends with my parents, who "adopted" me as their grandchild or as a niece. Most of them have met their eternal reward, but their investment still gathers returns they did not see. Investing will cost you time, energy, finances, and commitment, but imagine how God may use you in the life of someone who invests in someone else.

This long-term investment in discipleship is not a new educational model...it is how Christ modeled discipleship with his followers. Our call is not a new program or new approach... Our call is one of intentionally investing in the lives of the next generation and their families. Are we programming for the immediate or prioritizing the future? It's not just about having a fun children's department or offering childcare so adults can worship distraction free...There is NO Happy Meal-sized Holy Spirit. We are all Part of the Body of Christ- youngest to oldest. Our call as followers of Christ is to see beyond what is and recognize their God-given potential as ministry partners establishing lasting connections in their lives, walking with each other on our journey to becoming more like Christ, and helping them form a solid foundation.

This is not a concern for the Children's Department or the Youth Department...this is a whole church issue. Let me repeat that ...It is all of our responsibility!! Ask God who He wants you to invite into a friendship with, invest in them as a person and a family, and become a Christlike influence in their lives. Look for opportunities to serve the community around you. Find low cost-high, impact ways to invest in families and their children. Open your gym for a once-a-week play day for preschool parents, serve coffee and tea, and spend a couple hours listening and learning about the people in your neighborhood. Invite a family over to play games and have snacks, including the kids with the multiple-age adults. Build Trust + Be Respectful = Influence.

Therefore, as your District Children's Director, I propose we intentionally shift our thinking from Children's Ministry to Children's Discipleship - From a departmental approach to whole church commitment and action - From a Church driven by programs to a relational one focused not just speaking the truth but living out the truth together ministering to their hearts and not just filling their heads with knowledge. Such a church... Are we investing our time and energy into programs or childcare opportunities with minimal return, or are we investing in relationships with lasting impact? Design programs that foster friendship formation within peer groups, with the ministry leaders and teachers, with influencers within the congregation, and with the pastoral staff at all levels. Let's ask the tough questions across generational lines, Who am I inspiring? Who am I intentionally taking the time to invest in? And what kind of influence am I having on those around me? Because every contact leaves a trace...therefore what kind of trace are you leaving in those living in the land of I...am I inviting them into the story of the Great I AM so they may find hope, forgiveness, and connection with the Great I AM as we intentionally invest in the lives of ourchildren, their families and in our communities? It starts with our obedience, leaving our comforts to go into the community and point those in the land of I to Jesus. INTENTIONAL INVEST!

## Reflecting on the Past and Envisioning the Future

**GA KIDS** – Last month was General Assembly. I want to share about GA Kids – The General Church desired to intentionally invest in the next generation and provide family experiences and children's interactive worship experiences based on the daily worship theme for early childhood (ages 3-completed KG) and elementary students (Completed Grades 1st-6<sup>th</sup>). Over 800 children registered, and over 225 volunteers served in various. (The Northeast Texas delegation jumped in filling Sunday worship bags, handed out Sunday morning worship bags, assembled furniture, set up rooms, helped with the intergenerational picnic party, participated as group leaders in preschool and elementary, and assisted with registration and offered a hand when needed…your investment did not go unnoticed)

General Assembly also included the World Quiz, and I would like to invite the District Quiz Director, Rev. Jan Wilton, to come and share and honor our North/East Texas World Quizzers and Volunteers.

## WORLD QUIZ -

**Children's Quizzing** – Our Quiz year starts soon – We will be studying the book of Matthew. Questions contact Jan

Thank you, Pastor Jan, for making Children's Quizzing a discipleship opportunity on the district. Thank you to the quiz leaders, coaches, and the quizzers' families for intentionally investing.

**Children's Camp** – A week from today, Kids Camp starts at Scottsville Camp near Marshall with Danny Thomason. Please pray for the campers, the counselors, the staff, and the services. Pray for lasting relationships to form, and they may experience the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Mark your calendars for next year's Kids Camp, July 15-18. Our theme will be Masterpiece – Reminding campers we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works.

**SPARK** – A retreat for local children's leaders/workers/helpers...etc. March 14-16, 2024, at Arrowhead Camp in Cleburne, TX. Each year your district desires to invest in your local church ministry and discipleship efforts with children and their families. The NDI council supports the cost of having the event to keep the cost low for you to participate. The retreat consists of two nights of lodging and 6 meals and 5 breakout sessions, and two worship services. You leave with new friends, valuable connections, and free or discounted resources to assist you in reaching the next generation for Christ. I would love for the North/East Texas District to send a participant from every church on the district. Registration begins this fall at <u>www.equiptoengage.org</u>.

**Naz Safe-** Thank you for your continued efforts to protect our churches' children and youth by participating in Nazarene Safe or Ministry Safe abuse awareness programs. We are better together. A team of individuals and I are available to come and meet with your congregation, hold a training session, or answer questions. We have several cost- effective options to assist your local churches to train workers online and in person. Please let me know how your district council can help.

**Explore: Intergenerational Camp.** October 6-8 at Scottsville Camp. This concept was born from the pandemic and a desire to disciple families and build discipleship practices with their children. Families come in all shapes and sizes, so a family may be a parent and a child, parents and children, grandparents and grandkids, two Naz Safe women with their girl's Sunday School Class, An uncle with his nephews, A family unit! During the weekend, the families participate in camp activities – chapel, crafts, games, fishing, canoeing, trivia, challenges, prayer stations, swimming, campfire, etc. They explore life disconnected from daily life to connect with each other.

"Children's Ministry is the most strategic and futuristic ministry of the church." Intentionally make an impact on this next generation.

Respectively Submitted,

Rev. Beth Bidle-Rush Northeast Texas Children's Director

## Children's Quizzing Report – Rev. Jan Wilton

Thank you so much for your support of NETX Kid's Quizzing. It has been an amazing year! This past year was one of the best.

At the close of the 2022 season, I decided to send out weekly lessons to help encourage churches to see that quizzing is not hard. I started this project in August 2023. It included 20 children's Bible study lessons covering 1st and 2nd Samuel, Thanksgiving and Advent. The lessons were emailed to over 30 NETX churches, coaches, and parents. I also included church children's ministry leaders who were interested in teaching the Bible study and perhaps participate in children's quizzing. The lessons included scripture, application, songs, videos, crafts, and activities. I enjoyed preparing the lessons and looking forward to 23-24 studies in Matthew!

We ended the quiz season with 31 quizzers from 8 churches participating in NETX District Quiz on April 22 at Nevada Lonestar. Twenty-four of these quizzers qualified with a 70% accuracy for the World Quiz with 17 who participated at GA WQ23.

I am so proud of our NETX District Kids Quizzers! NETX quizzers who participated in the World Quiz brought home 6 Gold All Stars, 7 Gold, 2 Silver and 2 Bronze.

The following is the list of quizzers and the awards they received:

## Red Level - Grades 1-3

Silver - Jon David Fitch

Gold - Hendrik Cheek, Todd Fitch, JJ (Mark) Hendrick, Abigail Livengood, Melody Phillips

Gold All Star (100%) - Olive Potnick

## Blue Level - Grades 4-6

Bronze - Sarah Manley, Sarah Niemann Silver - Ayla Cheek Gold - Timothy Buttles, Piper Grybush

Gold All Star (100%) - Jonathan Flach, Grace Geiger, Hannah Hord, Joseph Hord, Sophia Livengood

Please join me in congratulating these outstanding quizzers!

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Jan Wilton Northeast Texas District Children's Quizzing Director

# 3. Nazarene Missions International President

It is my honor to present my annual report as District NMI President of the North/East Texas District. What a joy it is to serve God & our district through missions! I truly have the best job!!! Missions is contagious, and the stories of God's work around the world fuels everything that we do! The identity statement for NMI is what guides us in our endeavors throughout the year: *We are the global missions advocate in every local church, nurturing a spirit of missions and mobilizing into action, impacting people around the world.* 

We joyfully collaborate with NDI and NYI to ensure that all children and youth can catch a spirit of missions within their hearts! One way we do that is to provide the opportunity to meet and interact with missionaries during their respective camps during the summer. Our keynote speaker today will be at Children's Camp later this summer. We had a missionary scheduled for teen camp, too, but that was changed at the last minute due

to scheduling problems with the storms that impacted our campgrounds, as well as much of the East Texas area, and that missionary's homebase in Oklahoma.

It has been a delight to have missionaries tour our district this year!!! We were honored to host Dr. Floyd Cunningham, Jonathan Daugherty, Thandeka (Creative Access) already this fiscal year. We welcome Shahade Twal as our keynote speaker today, and for his district tour. We will also be hosting Chad Dickerson again this year. There are others still "in the works" because of General Assembly this year – so if you want to host a missionary, please send me a note.

Thanks for bringing your *Crisis Care Kits* to convention again this year – they are well received everywhere we send them, and it's vital to keep our stockpile ready to go! We have about 200 boxes ready to be shipped to the warehouse. We will combine ours with those from other districts so that the stock is replenished at the warehouse. We will also keep some here to meet the needs of those in our USA South Central area that are victims of disasters.

As we do each year, it is our joy today to celebrate the local churches that have met the goals of NMI – to encourage people to pray for missions, educate people about the world's needs and what our global church is doing to meet those needs, challenge & engage children and youth to learn about and participate in the mission of the church, and raise funds for missions outreach. <u>THANK</u> <u>YOU</u>, local presidents and pastors, for continuing to give of yourselves – with your time, talent and treasure!!

<u>World Evangelism Churches of Excellence</u> (5.7% or more, in order by % given): North Dallas Connections (CTM), Commerce Bread of Life, The Haven (Grand Prairie), Mount Enterprise, Mineola, Gun Barrel Cityt, Pottsboro New Start (CTM), Maranata, Carrollton, Restaurcion, Martin's Chapel, Gladewater, Bruton Terrace, Casa de Oracion, A Place of Hope (CTM), Faith Fellowship (Terrell), McKinney New Life, North Dallas, New Life of Paris, Jacksonville, Pittsburg, Mount Pleasant Journey, Denison, Nexus Community, Texarkana First, Faith Community (Atlanta), Athens, Dallas First, Richardson

<u>Mission Priority One (MPO)</u>: (5.5% or more to WEF, and all NMI Objectives met, including submitting a local NMI report): **34 churches** *A Place of Hope (CTM),* Athens, Bruton Terrace, Carrollton, Commerce Bread of Life, Cornerstone Community, Dallas First, Faith Community (Atlanta), Faith Fellowship (Terrell), Gilmer, Gladewater, Grand Saline, Gun Barrel City, Henderson, Heritage (Sherman), Jacksonville, Kilgore, Living Hope, Lone Star Cowboy Church of Collin County, Longview First, Maranata, Martin's Chapel, Mineola, Mount Enterprise, Mount Pleasant Journey, North Dallas, *North Dallas Connections (CTM)*, Palestine, Pittsburg, Restaurcion, Richardson, Texarkana First, The Haven (Grand Prairie)

World Evangelism Churches (5.5% or more, but less than 5.7% & not MPO): Journey Community, NewStart - Frisco

As I complete this report, **our combined giving to World Evangelism Fund** (WEF), is **\$376,184.80**, which is **\$39,878.83** short of our goal of \$416,063.63. Our churches have also given \$117,300.87 to Mission Projects.

Thank YOU, delegates, for allowing me to serve! District leadership team – DS, Dr. Keven Wentworth, the District Advisory Board, District NYI President, Chip Lee & District NDI Director, David Baker! District NMI Executive Council: Gloria Nelson, Valerie Farris, Debbie Gossage, Margaret Cash, Connie Friesen,& the other members of the District NMI Council: Brooke Smith, Barbara Schuler, Lindsay Parson, Jeremy Talley, Chance Henson, Jerry Messer, Sara Pineda, Tracey Hord.

With God's help and guidance, your District NMI Council will continue to work toward implementation of our **District NMI Vision Statement** 

that was introduced last year by your District NMI Council at convention - living it out in creative ways!

• "Reaching those in our 'Jerusalem' that have come from the "uttermost parts of the earth".

We will not stop until everyone, everywhere has heard the good news of the gospel – that Jesus loves them!!

# 4. North/East TX NYI President's Report

It is with great pleasure that I report to you the North/East Texas Church of the Nazarene, my 6<sup>th</sup> Nazarene Youth International District President's report.

First off, I would like to give thanks to God for allowing me to continue to serve in this roll on our district. I would also like to express my gratitude to each of you for your prayers and support. Without God's guidance and your support this position would not be possible.

I would also like to take this time to thank our NYI council for the work they have done this past year. Each of them has played a pivotal role in the advancement of NYI in our district and without them I would not be able to continue to do what I do. Join me in thanking them for their service.

We are also launching a new North/East Texas NYI logo. One that holds true to the roots of Nazarene Youth International and reflects the Texas pride and location of our wonderful district. Be on the lookout for the new logo in future communications.

I reported to you last year the state of NYI was struggling but not struggling to survive, struggling by continuing to fight and not give up. I mentioned to you that this generation is longing to come along side us to work through the problems together, to be listened to, and to have meaningful conversations with you as we continue to navigate cultural and social uncertainties within our society. This holds true to this day; this generation still wants to be part of the solution and to work alongside each of us and to be heard. We are still facing uncertainties within the church with a global decline in youth in churches due to various reasons. It is my challenge to you today to come along side NYI and to continue to work towards reaching young people for Christ. There are many opportunities for us to do this as long as we make it a priority to do so. Some of the opportunities this year were as follows.

In March we attended the South Central NYI Extravaganza on the campus of Southern Nazarene University. It was one of the smallest delegations we have had attend this event in my time in this district. The ones that were there had a great time worshiping the Lord through music, teaching, and the sharing of God given talents. This annual event is for any youth 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade student, and it is a wonderful opportunity to get involved and to worship with other teens. Next year's Extravaganza will be held April 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> so please mark that on your calendar and make plans to join us on the campus of Southern Nazarene University.

At the time you are reading or hearing this we will be on our way home from Tampa Bay having attended the Nazarene Youth Conference. I look forward to reporting back to you on the events and victories this event has brought us. What I can report back to you is that we sent 78 students and adults to Tampa Bay this year. I am in full confidence that lives were changed, and victories were won during this conference. I would like to take the time to thank Chance Henson, our NYC coordinator and his team for their dedication and sacrifice to make this event a special one. We will have another opportunity in just 3 short years to attend another Nazarene Youth Conference in 2026. The location was just revealed in Tampa Bay but again I do not have that to share with you at the time of this report. However, you can still make plans to join us in 2026 for our next Nazarene Youth Conference by fundraising and making the decision to go now. This event is for students who will be going into 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the '26-'27 school year to the graduating class of 2030. So, please make plans to join us in the designated location for Nazarene Youth Conference 2026

We just returned from teen camp, and I have to say it was an amazing week. We faced some obstacles from having power outages delaying camp by a day and that this year is an NYC year which is typically a lower year for camp. I am pleased to announce that this year's camp is the largest attended camp in the last 6 years. We had over 250 campers at Scottsville Camp and Conference Center. This was the result of a couple of different factors. The first was we were able to team up with the Louisiana District NYI and have a combined camp on our campground. The other factor was you. You did a great job getting your teens registered and getting them to Scottsville. The camp theme or key word this year was Purpose. It was a challenge to our younger generations to seek out their purpose in Christ. To stop wandering around like the Israelites did and to seek out God's purpose for each of their lives. To do this we broke it down into four elements that they can seek out to help find their purpose. Those four elements of purpose are my challenge to each of you this year as well. We need to all seek out and put God's purpose for our life in the forefront of our daily lives.

First, Seek out community. If we want to reach our young people for Christ, we MUST seek out community with them. I am talking about biblical community which is doing life together with other people in a way that reflects the love of God to a watching world. Volunteer to work with the youth, spend a week at camp with them, host an intergenerational event that brings all generations together in fellowship and discipleship. Part of our purpose in life is to come along side each other and encourage one another to share one another's burdens and to rejoice with one another. Part of God's purpose in our lives is to be a community of believers that have a place to belong and to attract others to become part of that community through our acts of love.

Secondly, seek ways to reflect His image. We are each in danger of becoming lost in a world that puts so much emphasis on image. There are many who struggle with self-image and self-doubt. But the fact is we have been fearfully and wonderfully made in His image and we are his masterpiece regardless of what the world tells us or makes us feel like. The challenge is to accept that truth and to shatter who we want ourselves to be and surrender to what God has designed us to be. Every day we look into a mirror, and I no longer want to see myself in that mirror I want to see Jesus in my reflection in every aspect of my life. To do this we have to love how he loves. Loving others and Loving God but also loving who we are and what he created us to be. When we do this, we reflect the image of God to a watching world.

Thirdly, seek out evangelism. Evangelism is simply proclaiming the gospel. I hate to think about where I would be if someone never took the change to share the gospel with me. Jesus makes it very clear that not only is this our purpose but our mission as well. He tells us to go and make disciples, not to just fellowship with other believers but to go seek out new believers and to go and share your story with a watching world. Take time to share your testimony to the younger generations, be a light to a dark world by sharing the love of God to others and showing them what a life with Jesus and the helm looks like and that they too can surrender their life over to the author of creation.

Lastly, seek out worship. My father would tell me when I was younger that we are all going to end up worshiping something what is it that I am going to worship because if its not God it will be something. What does your worship look like? Can you take your worship deeper? Each day we are given is another opportunity to surrender to God and to worship who He is. The challenge is to take your prayers deeper than the day before, to sing louder than yesterday, to give like you have never given, get further into his word than you have ever gone, and surrender more and more to him each day. He is worth it, and he is fully worthy of every ounce of our lives.

Remember we are in view of a watching world. A world who desperately needs to be reached for Christ. We are living in a world where the num er of youth inside churches is declining. This does not have to be the trend; we have an opportunity to not accept this statistic and to do what we can to become a community that is reflecting his image while sharing who God is and worshiping who He is to the World. The whole world is watching, what are they going to see in us?

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Chip Lee

North/East Texas District NYI President

# **B. DISTRICT BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

## 1. District Advisory Board Report: 2022-2023

The North/East Texas District Advisory Board reports the following actions and recommendations:

- 1. The District Advisory Board held six regularly scheduled meetings during the 2022-2023church year; one specially called meeting; and 4 Email ballots.
- 2. Interim ministerial transfers were processed and referred to the Ministerial Credentials Board in accordance with Manual paragraphs 223,228.9, 228.10, 434. Recommended to the Board of Ministry for District License renewals those ministers assigned as Senior Pastors.
- 3. Approved the formation of a new church plant (Parent Affiliated Congregation) in Irving The Assembly of the Saints serving the Congolese community, with services in French.
- 4. The District Advisory Board approved the appointment of Donna Kyzer Rice as Trustee(Lay) for Southern Nazarene University for a 3-year term of 2023-2026.
- 5. Served as the District Nominations Committee for 2023.
- 6. Approved designated amounts of the District Superintendent's compensation for "housing allowance" and for transportation.
- 7. Approved the District Budget for 2023-2024. Also noted that District budget for prior year 2022-2023 was "balanced" with expenses less than income.
- 8. Approved the re-allocation of District funds for the assistance with insurance deductibles, repairs, or renovations at four local churches.
- 9. Approved the re-allocation of District funds for short-term assistance to Scottsville Camp for salaries and operation.
- 10. Appointed Jennifer Otey as District Treasurer, Rev. Chris Galloway as District Secretary, and Montie Brown as Advisory Board Secretary.
- 11. Conducted special church health reviews of church facilities, health, and planning at two local churches, to assist them in growth and renewal of their ministry.
- 12. Approved requests by local churches to seek loans for building projects or to sell church owned property at: Texarkana, New Start-Frisco (for church facility remodel),
- 13. Approved the sale of district-owned properties: church property at the former Crossroads (Casa View) Church (Manchester Road), an unimproved lot in Jacksonville, TX, the parsonage and church at the former Lookout Valley Church.
- 14. Approved and implemented a recommendation of the District Investment Committee to move district investment funds from Vanguard funds (at Bank of Oklahoma) to Axios funds (at Matson Money Partners.)
- 15. The recorded minutes of all District Advisory Board meetings are on file at the districtoffice.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Chris Galloway, District Secretary Dr. Keven Wentworth, District Superintendent Montie Brown, Recording Secretary

# 2. District Board of Ministry

We recommend the following transfers IN to be received: Elders: Juana Quiroga Mendoza Cossio (Santa Cruz-Bolivia); Paul Davis (Arizona); Richard Devendorf (South Arkansas); Lesonya Brown-Singer (Southwest Native American); Mallorie Teel (West Texas); Randall S. Harrell (South Texas)

We recommend transfers OUT to other districts:

Elders: Chris Sutherland (Hawaii Pacific); Beverly Bateman (Alaska); Keith Bateman (Alaska); Donnie Carpenter (West Texas); Kevin Harris (West Texas)

Licensed Minister: Madison Mullins Bechtold (Missouri);

We recommend the following to be granted an initial minister's license: Angela Fontenot; Sean Grace; Maria Soledad Mujica de Joya; Alma Yanira Membreno

We recommend the following to be elected to elders' orders and ordained: Saul Garcia; Norita J. Sieffert; Forrest Shane Walker

We recommend the following to be elected to deacon orders and ordained: None

We recommend the following to be granted renewal of minister's license: Kimberly Fitch; Melanie Galbraith; Saul Garcia; Faith Harding, Ashley Hord; Tracey Hord; Tomica Jackson; Branden Lane; Julia Lexa; Alyus Nelson; Lindsay Parson; Kristen Ray; RuthAnn Riggle; Norita Sieffert; Forrest Walker; Gwendolyn Williams; Joel Wilson.

We recommend the following for recognition of credentials: None

We recommend the following to be granted retired status: Philip B. Anderson (Grand Saline); Lowell G. Clark (LSCC-Collin County); Matthew B. Hinson (Carrollton); R. Wayne Stallings (Dallas First)

We recommend the following to be granted registered song evangelist: Phillip Phelps (Longview)

We recommend the following to be approved for special services: B. Scott Anderson (Richardson); Beth Rush (Carrollton); Hermes Cayalo Cossio (Casa de Oracion); Debra White Smith (Palestine); Christopher Troutman (Richardson); Courtney E, Troutman (Richardson);

We recommend the following to be approved for district Interim assigned: Juana Quiroga Mendoza (Casa de Oracion)

We recommend the following deceased ministers to be removed from the role of elders: Bernard D. Johnson (Longview); Gaylon White (Hilltop)

We recommend the following be dropped from the role of elders: None

We recommend the following be dropped from the role of Licensed Ministers for failure to reapply: Caleb Bechtold (McKinney New Life)

We recommend Journal corrections: None

Respectfully submitted, Karl Payton – Chair, Board of Ministry Jonathan Odom – Studies, Board of Ministry Keven Wentworth – District Superintendent Chris Galloway – District Secretary

# C. ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

## 1. North/East Texas District Church of the Nazarene 2023 District Finance Committee Report

## Overview

- The North/East Texas District operates on a 12-month year for the 2022-2023 district fiscal year, with this church year ending April 30, 2022.
- The District Financial Reports are prepared by the District Treasurer, using QuickBooks format, and submitted monthly to the District Advisory Board for their review.
- At the 2023 General Assembly, the General Assembly voted to eliminate the requirement for a 'District Assembly Finance Committee' Those responsibilities will now devolve on the District Advisory Board. The GA resolution noted:

"Under the authority of the District Advisory Board, a District Finance Committee (or similar group) could be appointed to aid in the stewardship of district financial resources. This committee could be filled by members with appropriate qualifications."

- The North/East Texas will continue to utilize (since 2029) an advisory group, the Budget/Finance Team, to work with the District Superintendent and the District Advisory Board in the preparation and review of the District Budget.
- The Funding the Mission plan is based on contributing the following allocation percentages of church income to these denominational, regional, and district funds:
  - a. World Evangelism Fund 5.5%
  - b. Pensions & Benefits Fund 2.25%
  - c. Education Fund (SNU) 2.25%
  - d. District Unified Ministry Fund\* 5.5%
     \* Includes NMI, SDMI, NYI & District
- Churches are strongly encouraged to utilize the Funding the Mission website at www.fundingthemission.org to report year-to-date income (total), verify funds submitted have been received and recorded properly by Treasury Services, check progress toward reaching the baseline allocation goals, and utilize all on-line tools and information available

# P&L Finance Report Summary

## North East District Church of the Nazarene Budget vs. Actuals: 2022 - 2023 AND Budget: FY2023 - 24

		Total 2022-2	Proposed			
	Act	tual 2022-23	Budget	2023-24		
Income						
4000 Budget Receipts - P/Y		8,311.17	4,000.00		6,000.00	
4010 Budget Receipts - C/Y		306,584.00	332,500.00		315,000.00	
4015 District Assembly Offerings		2,632.52	2,600.00		3,000.00	
4016 Campmeeting Offerings		0.00	1,500.00		0.00	
4056 Tithe-Contributions		18,000.00	18,000.00		18,000.00	
4070 Other Receipts		1,078.72	1,000.00		500.00	
4071 Transfer from Investments		50,000.00	0.00		75,000.00	
Misc. Services income		0.00	0.00		4,495.00	
Total Income	\$	386,606.00	\$ 359,600.00		\$ 421,995.00	
Expenses						
District Employees Salaries & Wages	\$	125,053.31	\$ 131,077.00		\$ 117,907.00	
District Employee Benefits & Allowances	\$	105,470.42	\$ 109,642.00		\$ 118,775.00	
District Business & Professional	\$	23,982.30	\$ 37,800.00		\$ 36,800.00	
District Operational Expenses	\$	46,571.67	\$ 48,013.00		\$ 51,540.00	
District Activities	\$	40,476.97	\$ 45,000.00		\$ 44,000.00	
Pastoral Development & Assistance	\$	16,647.45	\$ 15,400.00		\$ 16,200.00	
Church & Ministry Support	\$	3,644.51	\$ 22,568.00		\$ 33,300.00	
Total Expenses	\$	361,846.63	\$ 409,500.00		\$ 418,522.00	
Net Operating Income	-\$	25,642.55	-\$ 49,900.00		\$ 3,473.00	
Other Income - Non-operational						
Sale of Manchester		82 <i>,</i> 339.62	0.00			
Sale of Lookout Valley 1 Acre Parcel		2,100.00	0.00			
Sale of Restland Burial Plot		0.00	0.00		10,000.00	
Total Other Income	\$	106,363.17	\$ 0.00		\$10,000.00	
Church Support - Non-Operational				_		
Emergency Support Misc		0.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Support to local churches (Various)		23,985.00	0.00		0.00	
		27,000.00	0.00		0.00	
	\$	50,985.00	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	
		3,276.93	500.00		12,444.00	
		11,367.88	18,774.00		0.00	
		197.60	0.00			
		4,788.00	12,684.00		1,000.00	

	618.01	0.00		12,444.00
	1,235.00	8,645.00		1,456.84
	1,347.22	4,500.00		12,684.00
	1,991.11	0.00		0.00
	-1,184.88	0.00	\$	0.00
	12,000.00	12,000.00		0.00
Total Church Support - Non-Operational	\$ 86,621.87	\$ 58,103.00		40,028.84

#### Information and Recommendations 2023

#### A. General Information

- 1. We recommend that the District Treasurer arrange for an annual audit or review of the district treasurer's books by a CPA with approval of the District Superintendent and the District Advisory Board.
- 2. We recommend that mileage to and from all official district meetings of boards and committees are reimbursed at the current standard mileage rate for business purposes set by the IRS.
- 3. We recommend that all local churches contribute annually to Nazarene Bible College and Nazarene Theological Seminary on the designated special dates or at some other suitable time.
- 4. We recommend that the local church pay all expenses of all its official representatives to district functions.
- 5. We recommend that each church promote stewardship and that the materials available from Foundry Publishing (formerly Nazarene Publishing House) be used.
- 6. We recommend that the local church consider methods of assistance for retired elders and spouses to specific local, district, and general church functions.
- 7. We encourage every church to utilize the Church of the Nazarene Foundation to facilitate planned and deferred gifts from their members to any Nazarene ministry, if that organization does not have its own endowment program, including gifts to the local church, and to use the Foundation to manage investment accounts, endowments, or charitable trusts. Visit www.NazareneFoundation.org or call 1-866-273-2549.

## **B.** District Superintendent

- 1. We recommend that the District Superintendent be reimbursed in full for his Social Security payment from the District Unified Funds by the District Treasurer.
- 2. We recommend that the cost of the District Superintendent's family health insurance be paid from the District Superintendent's compensation package.

## C. Ministerial Support

- 1. We recommend that each local church reimburse its pastor for the entire amount of his/her Social Security payments, including parsonage, rental allowance, and utilities, in the basic income figure in calculating the Social Security; that this reimbursement be made regularly; that in case of pastoral change during the year, Social Security payments shall be brought up to date based on months of service rendered.
- 2. We recommend that the local church board or appropriate committee take time once a year to consider all aspects of the pastor's financial situation--salary, fringe benefits, expenses, etc.; those adjustments be made based on rising costs of living; and that raises in salary be given. Also, consideration shall be given to providing car and professional expenses required in the church work, since these are the obligations of the local church.
- 3. We recommend that each local church provide <u>a minimum</u> paid vacation each year (including paying guest minister) of two weeks for its pastor; that consideration be given for longer vacations commensurate with years of service rendered in the ministry on the following basis: 1 to 5 years, two weeks; 6 to 15 years, three weeks; 16 to 20 years, four weeks; and over 20 years, five weeks. Time used for attending district and general functions should not be counted as vacation time. A provision for a love gift at Christmas of at least one week's salary and benefits should be made. We recommend that a pastor's years of service be considered in the provision of a sabbatical during the pastor's 7<sup>th</sup> year of service to the local congregation and that the District Superintendent be available for consultation if necessary.

- 4. We recommend that each local church consider setting aside monthly in a savings fund a predetermined amount, looking forward to paying the pastor's expenses in attending the General Assembly.
- 5. We recommend that each local church give financial assistance to its pastor to attend district, college, and general church functions where they are expected to be in attendance and where their attendance may bring benefit to the local church.
- 6. We recommend that each local church board provide the pastor funding for a retirement plan.
- 7. We recommend that each local church pay the premiums for the term life insurance offered by the general church and accidental death and dismemberment and long-term disability insurance offered by the general church.
- 8. We recommend that each local church consider the cost of the pastor and dependents' health insurance coverage, as well as eligible staff and dependents' insurance coverage, in setting the annual compensation packages, in accordance with the then applicable law.
- 9. We recommend that each local church consider paying a minimum to an evangelist twice the weekly salary of the pastor, plus travel expenses one way.
- 10. We recommend that each local church that calls a commissioned, registered or tenured evangelist pay Social Security to him or her on the same basis as is recommended for the pastor in proportion to the remuneration paid.
- 11. We recommend that each local church remember the evangelists who have served them during the year with a Christmas check of appreciation.
- 12. We recommend that Sections "A," "C," and "E" of this Finance Committee report be sent to the secretary of each church board to be distributed to each board member. This letter will be sent from the District Finance Committee Chairperson. The District Office will also send a copy to each local church treasurer.

## **D. Budget Information**

- 1. District Income and Expenses please see District Treasurer Report 2023
- 2. Scottsville Camp Income & Expenses report not submitted at time of submission
- 3. Auxiliary Income and Expenses please see individual Auxiliary budget reports

## E. Fund Allocation to Churches

1. Fund Computation

A. That a unified fund be established to include District Administration / Home Missions expense, NMI, NYI and NDI and that it be known as the District Unified Fund.

B. That the funds for the District, World Evangelism Fund (general church), ministers' pensions and benefits, and zone education be calculated by using the Funding the Mission website: https://fundingthemission.org. The key principles of the calculation are:

- Percentages are calculated using the local church's Adjusted Church Income (bottom item under Line 32 of the Annual Pastor's Report) less amounts given for WEF (Line 33) and Mission Specials (Line 34) [Referred to as "Net Fund Base" in this report].
- Funding the Mission allocation goals are 5.5% of Net Fund Base for the World Evangelism Fund (WEF), 2.25% for Pensions and Benefits USA, 2.25% for Education and 5.5% for District Unified Fund.

c. All Fund payments should be sent on a monthly basis by the fifteen of the following month. (Example: April income, Missional funds due by May 15).

- 2. That each new church plant, until organization, gives 10% of its tithes and offerings as their allocation. These funds should be sent to the District Treasurer. (See #4a below.)
- That income for local organized churches is defined as all income that would qualify as a tax-deductible contribution to the donor, minus the amount(s) paid to the World Evangelism Fund and approved mission specials as noted on the <u>Funding the Mission</u> website.
- 4. Monies are to be sent to the following addresses:

## a. District Unified Fund

Make checks payable to NORTH/EAST DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE Monies are to be sent to: NORTH/EAST TEXAS DISTRICT TREASURER PO BOX 831269 RICHARDSON, TX 75083

- b. <u>World Evangelism Fund and approved mission specials</u> Make checks payable to GENERAL TREASURER CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE Monies are to be sent to: GLOBAL TREASURY SERVICES CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE PO BOX 843116 KANSAS CITY MO 64184-3116
- c. Online Payments

Churches may make online payments - via credit card or bank transfer - at <u>www.fundingthemission.org</u> at the "Contributions" tab, for the following funds: World Evangelism Fund, Pensions & Benefits, and Mission Specials.

- 5. Out of the "10% funds" given by each local organized church pursuant to E.1.a. above, the District Treasurer shall retain a 4.525% share for District administration and shall remit the balance received in the prior month no later than the 24th day of each month to the appropriate treasurer for the following and in the specified shares (which total 5.475%): Pensions and Benefits (2.25%); SNU (2.25%); District NMI (0.325%); District NVI (0.325%); and District SDMI (0.325%). The District Treasurer shall hold enough cash as working capital in the District's operating account from time to time so that the remittances can be made no later than the 24th day of each month, liquidating investments as necessary to do so.
- 7. We recommend that the District Advisory Board, Scottsville Camp Board, District NMI Council, District NYI Council, and District SDMI Board submit a proposed operating budget for each assembly year. Each budget should be completed and submitted to the District Advisory Board and the Budget Team Leader by April 1.
- 8. The District Superintendent, District Secretary, and Budget Team Leader will be consulted before any funds are loaned or transferred from the District funds to Scottsville Camp, District Auxiliaries, or any other organization (or vice-versa).
- 9. The Budget Team Leader (or other person as appointed by the District Advisory Board) shall administer the District Investment Fund on behalf of the District, and shall promptly inform, the District Superintendent and District Advisory Board of all actions regarding, and the status of, the Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Rusty Williams, Finance Team Leader Montie Brown, Recording Secretary Jennifer Otey, District Treasurer

## 2. Daily Journal

We, your Committee on the Daily Journal, have examined the District Advisory Committee Minutes, and the submitted District Reports of the 115<sup>th</sup> District Assembly. We find they are correct and in order.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Chris Galloway and Montie Brown

# 3. District Nominations Committee

For 2023, the members of the District Advisory Board served as the District Nominating Committee, and met on April 11, 2023, and in a supplemental meeting on May 20, 2023, in Richardson Texas. In making recommendations and nominations, the District Nominating Committee sought to ensure that all nominees met the requirements of Manual section 34 & 113.11.

The Nominating Committee, recommend the following assembly committees:

A. Public Worship: Dr. David Graves, General Superintendent, Dr. Keven Wentworth, District Superintendent, Rev. Chris Galloway, and Rev. Jim Puckett

B. Introductions: Dr. David Graves, Dr. Keven Wentworth, and Rev. Chris Galloway

C. Journal Committee: Montie Brown, Rev. Chris Galloway

D. Memoirs Committee: Dr. David Graves, Dr. Keven Wentworth and Rev. Chris Galloway

E. Assembly Treasurer: Jennifer Otey, District Treasurer

F. Nominating Committee: According to Manual 202.1, the District Superintendent, in consultation with the District Advisory Board, will appoint a Nominating Committee; and we note that this was done on April 11, 2023.

G. We recommend that these standing committees (above) be presented to the District Assembly and approved by acclamation.

The Nominating Committee recommends:

- 1. that the election of district officers and board members, be by plurality, and
- 2. that whenever an elected nominee declines the nomination, the District Superintendent shall be empowered to select the nominee who received the next highest number of votes.

The Committee recommends the following nominees for district offices and boards:

#### District Advisory Board - 4 yr term (expiring 2027)

Ministerial Member<br/>Ed Schauer – Gun Barrel City<br/>Larry Williams – Dallas First<br/>Jonathan Odom - Journey Community<br/>Don Gardner, PalestineLay Member<br/>Marcia Freeman – Bruton Terrace<br/>Darren Cummings - Texarkana

Phil Lindquist – Nexus Community

The Nominating Committee notes the following nominations received from the District NMI, NYI, and NDI Councils for candidates for their respective councils:

#### NMI Ballot – 3 year terms (ending 2026)

Vice-president Gloria Nelson Yes/No

#### NYI Ballot

No ballot in 2023 - by action of the NYI District Council all NYI officer's terms extended by one year to 2024.

#### SDMI Ballot - 3 year terms (ending 2026)

- Chairperson Charlie Ashby Gladewater <Vote for One> David Baker – Martins Chapel
- Council Ministerial Michael Scarlett Hilltop <Vote for One> Tracey Hord - Kilgore

Council - Lay Person

\*\*Highest number of votes to serve a 3 year term; second highest number to serve a 2 year term

<Vote for Two> Kelli Odom – Journey Community Steve Martin Respectfully Submitted, DR. KEVEN WENTWORTH, Chairman MONTIE BROWN, Recording Secretary

## 4. Memoirs Report

"O God our Refuge and Strength, always a present help in time of stress and strain, we thank you for countless blessings bestowed upon these your disciples throughout the days of their lives. We praise you, too, for the lives received, the way they responded to periods of sunshine and rain, the relationships they cherished, virtues they embraced, and above all, their dependence upon you for goodness and grace."

#### We thank God for the lives of the following elders:

Bernard D. Johnson – Longview Gaylon White - Hilltop

#### In addition, we praise God for the lives of the following members from our churches:

Athens - Todd Hopson, Shirley Montgomery, Betty Parker, Donna Kelly, JK Gilliam, Stanna Barden, Sarah Clanton, Dale Cast Bruton Terrace - Ladarius Williams **Carrollton** – Barbara Hamrick Cornerstone Community - Joyce Bodine Dallas First - Oscar Linnstaedter, Robert Middleton Denison- Esther Jackson, Kim Tucker McGee Faith Community - Joyce Jackson Faith Fellowship - Gloria Hill, Grady Hill, Robert LaRue, George Saddler Gun Barrel City - Jonathan Michel Heritage - Barbara Armstrong, Donny Brown, Dorothy Choate, Marilyn Dawson, Betty Elwood Jacksonville - Earl Gray, Marshall Holder Kilgore - Kathy Mix Morris, Margaret Rogers, Thomas Edward Rogers, Deborah Williams Longview - Dorothy Erickson LSCC-Collin County - Phylis Doll, Pam Selman **LSCC-Hunt County** - Jim Glick LSCC-Navarro County - Tammy Bryant, Randall Cunningham, Carol Turnbo Marshall - Donald (Don) Nichols Martin's Chapel - Josh Campbell Mt. Pleasant Journey - Wayne Clark, Wade Hill Mt. Pleasant Monte Ararat - Ma. Guadalupe Ruiz Navarro New Life of Paris – Roy Bowden, Robert (Bob) Brainard, Betty Jackson, James Reuland, Kenneth Rhodes NewStart - Frisco - Norma Story North Dallas - Danny Kaiser, Hope Powell Palestine - Jan Douthit

Pittsburg - Carolyn Baker
Richardson - Jean Pryor, Joseph (Joe) York
Round Up Cowboy - Cotton Alsbrook, Mark Blubaugh
Texarkana - James (Jimmie) Allen, Glenn Hanson
the Haven - Vicki Bear, Vicki Easley, Martha Howard

# **VI. Minutes of the Conventions**

# A. NDI CONVENTION - MINUTES

Monday Morning, July 10, 2023

The annual convention of the North/East Texas District Nazarene Discipleship International convened on Monday, July 10, 2023, at the Richardson Church of the Nazarene, Richardson, Texas. Dr. David Graves served as the presiding General Superintendent.

The convention was called to order by Dr. Keven Wentworth, District Superintendent. Rev. David Baker was introduced to give his second report to the convention. (The text of Rev. Baker's report is included in these minutes.) As part of Rev. Baker's report, Rev. Beth Rush and Rev. Jan Wilton presented reports highlighting Children's ministry and Children's Quizzing respectively. (The texts of the reports given by Rev. Rush and Rev. Wilton are included in these minutes.)

The results of the election for NDI board members, minister member and lay member, and the results of the NDI Global Convention delegate ballot were presented by Dr. Wentworth.

## The election results for NDI Board were: There were 159

#### ballots cast.

NDI Chair – 2-year term: 3-year term: Lay member serving a 3-year term: serving a 2-year term: Rev. David Baker Minister member serving a Rev. Tracey Hord, Kilgore Kelli Odom, Mesquite Journey Lay member Steve Martin, Martin's Chapel (Completing the term of Felicia Harris)

Respectfully submitted, Rica Payton NDI Convention Recording Secretary and NDI Board Secretary

# **B. NMI CONVENTION**

#### Nazarene Missions International Convention Minutes Monday, July 10, 2023

President Adams called to order the 6<sup>th</sup> annual NMI convention of the North/East Texas District.

District Superintendent Dr. Keven Wentworth introduced President Adams to present her 6th annual report as NMI President of the North/East Texas District.

She began her report by recognizing and sending greetings to the new regional Representative to the Global NMI Council, Rev Tim Evans. She also recognized the homegoing of former missionary Norma Storey who had retired to and lived on the North/East Texas District in recent years.

President Adams recognized the missionaries that toured the N/E Texas District this past year, including Dr. Floyd Cunningham, Jonathan Daugherty, and a missionary from a Creative Access Area. She welcomed Shahade Twal as the keynote speaker for this convention and district tour to follow and announced Chad Dickerson would also be on the district again this coming year.

Crisis Care Kits which were brought to the convention bring the total to about 200 boxes that are ready to be shipped to the warehouse, with some to be held on the district to meet any disaster needs in our area.

In her report, President Adams recognized Mission Priority One churches, World Evangelism Churches and World Evangelism Churches of Excellence. She also reported that \$376,184.80 was given by our N/E Texas District churches to WEF and another \$117,300.00 to Mission Specials this past year.

Elections were held for NMI Vice President. Gloria Nelson was re-elected to a 2-year term as North/East Texas District NMI Vice-President.

In conclusion, President Adams called on the convention to work toward implementation of the District NMI vision statement, *living it out in creative ways*. "Reaching those in our *Jerusalem* that have come from the *uttermost parts of the earth*."

She closed the meeting with the proclamation that <u>We will not stop until everyone, everywhere has heard</u> the good news of the gospel – that Jesus loves them.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Farris, North/East Texas District NMI Secretary

## C. NYI CONVENTION 2023 - Minutes

Monday Morning, July 10, 2023

Greetings from NYI District President Chip Lee. NYI President's Written Report is located in the Delegate Handbook and in District Journal.

An NYI video was shown to the convention.

Via Zoom, NYI President Chip Lee – who was in Alabama, returning from NYC, was interviewed by DS Dr. Wentworth and Rev. Chris Galloway (who were 'live' at the meeting in Richardson Church.

The convention was then adjourned.

# **VII. Financial and Statistical**

# A. DISTRICT TREASURER

## A. Changes to District Investment Funds: Update

A number of years ago, the District Advisory Board agreed to a proposal from the Finance Committee to transfer the district's investment fund to the Bank of Oklahoma. At the same time a different strategy for the investments were applied: 80% of the investments were put into a "medium" risk fund while the remaining 20% were invested in a very low risk fund. The prior strategy employed 100% of the funds in a 'high risk' fund.

This new strategy allowed the district to have readily available funds for transfers to the operating account in the event that was necessary. This strategy worked well for a number of years. Over the last 1-2 years, the Finance Committee leadership has been in discussions with another group (Matson Money / Axios Funds) which offered the same 80/20% protection with medium and low risk funds. They also employ an investment strategy known as "Academic Investing". This approach historically has produced higher returns while maintaining the same risk factors.

The funds were transferred to the Axios Group between December 2022 and January 2023. In the first quarter of 2023 we saw a loss in our fund balance of 0.2% and incurred management fees of 0.13%. In the second quarter (thru June 26), the fund balance grew by 0.47% (management fees expected to be 0.13% for the quarter).

Respectfully, Rusty Williams Budget & Investment Lead

# North/Texas District Church of the Nazarene

## **B. Balance Sheet**

As of April 30, 2023

	ΤΟΤΑ
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
0900 Inwood Bank	0.00
0910 Operating Fund	37,262.78
0950 Reserve - Non Operational Cash	0.00
Total 0900 Inwood Bank	37,262.78
1015 Spirit of Texas	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	\$37,262.78
Accounts Receivable	
1300 District Allocation C/Y	38,609.58
Total Accounts Receivable	\$38,609.58
Other Current Assets	
1001 Petty Cash	400.00
1011 BOK - Short Term	0.00
10112 Gains	0.00

Total 1011 BOK - Short Term	0.00	
1014 BOK - Long Term	0.00	
10142 Gains	0.00	
Total 1014 BOK - Long Term	0.00	
1020 Matson - 838596 - Long-Term Growth	649,215.99	
1025 Matson - 837770 - Income & Growth	481,504.96	
1060 Prepaid Insurance	54,963.97	
1070 Prepaid Deposits	0.00	
1080 Prepaid Expenses	0.00	
1301 Scottsville - Taxes & Insurance	43,856.56	
1305 North/Texas Primera - Pastor Salary	0.00	
1310 Other Receivables	-200.00	
1400 Contributions	0.00	
1499 Undeposited Funds	120,305.85	
Total Other Current Assets	\$1,350,047.33	
Total Current Assets	\$1,425,919.69	
Fixed Assets		
1500 Office Equipment	4,137.54	
1505 Accum Depr-Office Equipment	-2,994.50	
1510 District Office Bldg.	0.00	
1511 Accum Depr-District Office Bldg	-30,326.00	
1512 Catalyst Rowlett'	783,785.52	

# North/Texas District Church of the Nazarene

## **Balance Sheet**

As of April 30, 2023

	TOTAL
1530 Vida Naciones (former North/Texas Oak Cliff) L + Bldg	35,677.57
1536 Rowlett Land	48,980.00
1540 Bonham	555,373.77
1541 Lookout Valley	96,000.00
1544 LSCC - Nevada	412,748.09
1552 Accum Depr-Church Property Grp	-272,934.65
1553 Marshall	880,000.00
1554 Round UP CC	130,000.00
1555-B Church Conveyed Bldgs	0.00
1555-L Church Conveyed Land	0.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$2,640,447.34
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,066,367.03
IABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2001 *Accounts Payable	22,699.76
Total Accounts Payable	\$22,699.76
Other Current Liabilities	
2025 Other Pass-Thru Payable	617.03
2100 Payroll Liabilities	1,184.09
2105 Direct Deposit Payable	0.00
2110 Texas State Comptroller Payable	0.00
2115 Out Of Scope Agency Payable	0.00
2200 Deferred Expense - General Assembly	8,500.00
2210 Hispanic Ministry - Deferred Expense	0.00
2998 Transfers to/from Scottsville	-420.50
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$9,880.62
Total Current Liabilities	\$32,580.38
Long-Term Liabilities	
2810 Catalyst/Rowlett_WIF	280,439.33
2910 LSCC_Nevada_WIF	228,692.68
2940 Round UP CC_WIF	88,921.36
2951 Bonham WIF	90,313.70
2952 Bonham WIF - 2nd Note	1,725.03
2953 Marshall Property	141,102.92
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$831,195.02
Total Liabilities	\$863,775.40

# North/Texas District Church of the Nazarene

## **Balance Sheet**

As of April 30, 2023

	TOTAL
Equity	
3000 Opening Bal Equity	0.00
3050 Fund Balance - General Fund	1,154,211.03
3900 Retained Earnings	2,195,469.53
Net Income	-147,088.93
Total Equity	\$3,202,591.63
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$4,066,367.03

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Dallas District Church of the Nazarene dba North / East Texas District Church of the Nazarene *Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2023* 

# Dallas District Church of the Nazarene dba North / East Texas District Church of the Nazarene

**Financial Statements** 

Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2023

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## **Independent Accountants' Review Report**

To the Board of Directors Dallas District Church of the Nazarene dba North / East Texas Church of the Nazarene Richardson, Texas

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Dallas District Church of the Nazarene (the "District"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of April 30, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of district management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

#### Accountants' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

#### Accountants' Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Vail + Park, P.C.

Richardson, Texas July 14, 2023

# Dallas District Church of the Nazarene Statement of Financial Position April 30, 2023

Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	55,581
Investments in securities	1,1	64,603
Accounts receivable		56,134
Prepaid expenses and deposits	1	87,777
Total current assets	1,4	64,095
Non-current assets:		
Property and equipment, net	3,2	63,663
Right of use assets-operating lease		51,233
Total non-current assets	3,3	14,896
Total Assets	\$ 4,7	78,991
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 1	65,635
Scottsville Nazarene Camp: advance group deposits		35,540
Line of credit		94,000
Notes payble - current		77,254
Lease liabilities-current		23,189
Total current liabilities	3	95,618
Non-current liabilities:		
Notes payable - non-current	1,34	47,996
Lease liabilities -non-current		28,151
Total non-current liabilities	1,3	76,147
Total liabilities	1,7	71,765
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions	2,9	90,879
With donor restrictions		16,347
Total net assets	3,0	07,226
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 4,7	78,991

# Dallas District Church of the Nazarene Statement of Activities Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2023

	Without Donor		With Donor		
	Restrictions		Restrictions		Total
Support and Revenue					
Budgeted support	\$	314,896	\$	-	\$ 314,896
United Ministries Fund		-		359,564	359,564
Principal reduction		53,032		-	53,032
District contributions		20,633		-	20,633
Scottsville Nazarene Camp: operating revenue		380,282		-	380,282
Scottsville Nazarene Camp: designated receipts		-		5,000	5,000
Scottsville Nazarene Camp: contributions		1,332		-	1,332
Loss on sales of properties		(186,784)		-	(186,784)
Other income		373,145		-	373,145
Total support and revenue before					
net assets released from restrictions		956,536		364,564	1,321,100
Net assets released from restrictions		364,564		(364,564)	-
Total Support and Revenue		1,321,100		-	1,321,100
Expenses and Losses					
General administration		300,054		-	300,054
District activities		921,100		-	921,100
Scottsville Nazarene Camp		480,319		-	480,319
Total Expenses and Losses		1,701,473		_	1,701,473
Change in Net Assets		(380,373)		-	(380,373)
Net Assets at Beginning of the Year		3,371,252		16,347	3,387,599
Net Assets at End of the Year	\$	2,990,879	\$	16,347	\$ 3,007,226

## Dallas District Church of the Nazarene Statement of Functional Expenses Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2023

	General Administration		District Activities				Total	
Expenses and Losses	Aum	liisuauon		Acuvities	INdZa			Total
Salaries and wages	\$	125,461	\$	_	\$	69,957	\$	195,418
Employee benefits and insurance	Ψ	85,911	φ	_	Ψ	1,125	Ψ	87,036
Payroll taxes		22,357		-		12,691		35,048
Office rent and maintenance		27,064		-		48,599		75,663
Utilities				-		68,314		68,314
Professional fees		7,268		-		-		7,268
Postage		674		-		-		674
Vehicle expenses		14,170		-		-		14,170
Communications		-		-		-		-
Travel expenses		7,921		-		4,562		12,483
Office supplies and expenses		9,228		-		20,956		30,184
Church development		-		-		-		-
District activities expense		-		21,914		-		21,914
Board meeting expense		-		1,174		-		1,174
Camp assistance		-		16,000		-		16,000
Pastoral and leadership development		-		17,087		-		17,087
Church assistance		-		-		-		-
United ministries fund to others		-		369,339		-		369,339
Ministerial assistance		-		-		-		-
Administrative		-		-		51,833		51,833
Interest expense		-		263		37,015		37,278
Food purchases		-		-		98,251		98,251
Depreciation expense		-		81,154		56,832		137,986
Church support				86,476		-		86,476
Write off				241,871		-		241,871
Other expenses		-		85,822		10,184		96,006
<b>Total Expenses and Losses</b>	\$	300,054	\$	921,100	\$	480,319	\$	1,701,473

# Dallas District Church of the Nazarene Statement of Cash Flows Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2023

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$	(380,373)
Adjustments to reconcile net assets to net cash		
provided by operations:		
Depreciation expense		137,986
Proceeds on sale of property, net		82,339
Net investment loss		1,715
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable		(40,946)
Prepaid expenses and deposits		(36,412)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		127,651
Right of use assets		(51,233)
Advance group deposits		4,866
Net cash used in operating activities		(154,407)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of investments		(654,094)
Proceeds from disposition of investments		723,795
Purchase of property and equipment		202,161
Net cash provided by investing activities		271,863
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Increase in line of credit		14,000
Right of use liabilities		51,340
Payments on notes payable		(210,375)
Net cash used in financing activities		(145,035)
Net decrease in cash		(27,579)
Cash and cash equivalents at May 1, 2022		83,160
Cash and cash equivalents at April 30, 2023	\$	55,581
Supplemental cash flow information:		
Interest paid during the year	\$	37,278
Income tax paid during the year	\$	
neone an pair during the year	Ψ	-

## 1. Nature of Organization

Dallas District Church of the Nazarene (the "District") is organized as a not-for-profit organization, affiliated with the International Church of the Nazarene. The organization does business under the name "North/ East Texas District Church of the Nazarene".

The mission of the District is to encourage and resource ministries through the local Churches of the Nazarene as well as to create new ministries and local fellowships in order to impact people with the life-changing power of Jesus Christ in Northeast Texas. The District includes 68 unique congregations in Northeast Texas which it supports and is supported through budgeted support from its member congregations. Additionally, the District operates Scottsville Nazarene Camp, a camp that include lodges, cabins and dorms, meeting rooms, and recreational facilities, which collects user fees.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The summary of significant accounting policies of the District is presented to assist in understanding the financial statements. The financial statements and notes are representations of the District's management, who is responsible for the fairness and objectivity embodied in the financial statements. These accounting policies conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and have been consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the District are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the obligation is incurred.

#### Net Assets

Net assets, revenue, and support are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

- Net Assets without Donor Restrictions Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor restrictions.
- Net Assets with Donor Restrictions Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that such resources be maintained in perpetuity. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the District to use all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The District considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of ninety days or less to be cash equivalents.

## **Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the District's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

## Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are recorded at estimated realizable value. The District does not record the budget allocations from member churches as accounts receivables since such allocated amounts are conditional promises to pay and are not enforceable obligations. However, known current year budget allocations collected in subsequent periods after fiscal year-end are considered unconditional promises to pay and are therefore recorded as accounts receivable in the current period.

## **Prepaid Expenses**

Prepaid expense primarily consists of promotional products purchased in advance of, and to be used for future campaigns as well as advance payments for program events and other services.

#### **Property and Equipment and Depreciation**

Property and equipment are stated at cost or fair market value at the date the item is donated, less accumulated depreciation. Major expenditures, and those, which substantially increase useful lives, are capitalized. Maintenance, repairs and replacements, which do not improve or extend the lives of the respective assets, are charged to operations when incurred. When furniture or equipment is sold or otherwise disposed of, the asset and related accumulated depreciation is removed, and gain or loss is included in operations.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## **Property and Equipment and Depreciation (continued)**

Depreciation has been calculated using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Conveyed property	30 years
Buildings	5 - 30 years
Land improvements	5 years
Office equipment	5 years
Campground equipment	5 years
Vehicles	5 years

## **Federal Income Taxes**

The District is a not-for-profit corporation that is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

## Contributions

Unrestricted contributions and in-kind contributions are recognized and reported as increases to net assets without donor restrictions in the statement of activities in the fiscal year in which the donor makes the unconditional promise to give to the District. Contributions and in-kind contributions that are restricted by the donor as to their specified purpose or time period for use are recognized and reported as increases to net assets with donor restrictions in the statement of activities in the fiscal year in which the donor makes the promise to give to the District. When a donor restriction expires or is satisfied, the related assets are reclassified from net assets "with donor restrictions" to net assets without donor restrictions in the consolidated statement of activities. Unconditional promises to give due in the current year are recorded at their net realizable value.

#### **Contributed Services, Materials, and Supplies**

Contributed services are reported as contributions at their fair value if such services create or enhance non-financial assets; the services would have been purchased if not provided by contribution; and the service requires specialized skills. Material in-kind items used in the program (e.g., equipment, supplies, etc.) are recorded as income and expense or are capitalized at the time the items are placed into service or distributed. Additionally, the Foundation received significant contributions of time from its Directors and unpaid volunteers for various activities and other services of the Foundation. The value of this contributed time is not reflected in the financial statements since no objective basis is available to measure the value of the volunteered services.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## **Revenue Recognition**

On January 1, 2020, the District adopted ASC Topic 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, including the subsequent ASUs that amended and clarified the related guidance. The core guidance in ASC 606 is to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in amounts that reflect the consideration to which the District expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The amount to which the District expects to be entitled is calculated as the transaction price and recorded as revenue in exchange for providing goods or services.

## **Functional Expense Allocation**

The costs of providing various program and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of functional expenses. The District incurs expenses that directly relate to, and can be assigned to, a specific program or supporting activity. The District also conducts several activities which benefit both its program objectives as well as supporting services. Accordingly, certain costs, which are not specifically attributable to a specific program or supporting activity, are allocated by management on a consistent basis among program and supporting services benefited. Allocation among programs and supporting services benefited is mainly based on estimates of time and effort incurred by personnel.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and reported revenues and expenses. Significant estimates used in the preparation of these financial statements such as depreciation and amortization methods. It is at least reasonably possible that the significant estimates used will change within the next year.

## 3. Concentration of Credit Risk

Funds deposited in banks are federally insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). At April 30, 2023, the District maintains its cash in various accounts at amounts which are below the federally insured limit.

The District serves the Northeast Texas/Dallas Fort Worth Metroplex area and is entirely dependent upon budgeted payments from its member churches and their local church membership (excluding Scottsville Camp). Future changes within the area economy can significantly affect the ability of the member churches to provide funds for district operation.

# Notes to Financial Statements

## 4. Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the District has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at April 30, 2023:

## Mutual Funds

Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the District are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the SEC. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the District are deemed to be actively traded.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the District's assets at fair value as of April 30, 2023:

	Level 1	Le	vel 2	Lev	rel 3	 Total
Money market funds	\$ 1,164,603	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,164,603
Mutual funds	 -		-		-	 -
Total investement at fair value	\$ 1,164,603	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,164,603

## 5. Property and Equipment

The following is a summary of property and equipment as of April 30, 2023:

	Amount	
Dallas District:		
Conveyed property - land	\$	486,152
Conveyed property - buildings		2,456,412
Office equipment		4,138
Gross property and equipment		2,946,702
Less: accumulated depreciation		(384,761)
Total Dallas District		2,561,941
Scottsville Nazarene Camp:		
Land		86,354
Buildings		1,715,310
Land improvements		165,847
Campground equipment		74,319
Office equipment		8,680
Vehicles		33,206
Gross property and equipment		2,083,716
Less: accumulated depreciation		(1,381,994)
Total Scottsville Nazarene Camp		701,722
Total property and equipment, net	\$	3,263,663

Total depreciation expense for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2023 was \$137,986.

## 6. Line of Credit

The District has a revolving line of credit for \$100,000 maturing on August 11, 2023, with Cypress Bank. The line of credit bears interest at 5.00% and requires semi-annual interest payments. The loan may only be used for working capital and general operation purposes. The line of credit contains various covenants with which The District is in compliance. As of April 30, 2023, outstanding advances is \$94,000. The line is secured by vehicles and equipment.

# 7. Notes Payable

The following is a summary of notes payable as of April 30, 2023:

Notes Payable	Amount
Note payable to investment fund, payable in monthly installments of \$3,060 including interest of 5.0% through January 2032. Collateralized by land and improvements. The loan is subject to periodic review and changes.	\$257,477
Note payable to investment fund, payable in monthly installments of \$1,890 including interest of 5.5% through January of 2032. Collateralized by land and improvements. The loan is subject to periodic review and changes.	217,888
Note payable to investment fund, payable in monthly installments of \$895 including interest of 5.5% through May of 2033. Collateralized by land and improvements. The loan is subject to periodic review and changes.	82,932
Note payable to investment fund, payable in monthly installments of \$940 including interest of 5.0% through July of 2032. Collateralized by land and improvements. The loan is subject to periodic review and changes.	83,393
Note payable to investment fund, payable in monthly installments of \$1,057 for principal and interest of 5.5% through November 2038. Collaterized by by land and improvements. The loan is subject to periodic review and changes.	136,474
Note payable to financial institution, payable in monthly installments of \$4,717 including interest of 5.25% through October 2040. Collateralized by land and improvements.	647,087
Total notes payable	1,425,250
Less: current portion	77,254
Non-current portion	\$ 1,347,996

#### 7. Notes Payable (continued)

Notes payable maturities are as follows:

Years ending April 30:	 Amount	
2024	\$ 77,254	
2025	81,436	
2026	85,833	
2027	81,267	
Thereafter	1,099,460	
	\$ 1,425,250	

#### 8. Advertising costs

The District expenses advertising costs as they are incurred. The District expensed \$0 in advertising costs in the year ended April 30, 2023.

#### 9. Reserves

As of April 30, 2023 The District has a reserve is amount of \$12,000 for travel and lodging expenses to send delegates to General Assembly.

#### **10.** Commitments and Contingencies

The District leases certain real estate for its office space under long-term lease agreement with the right during the thirty-six months of the Term, and the copier under long-term agreement with the right during the fifty-one months of the Term. For leases effective on or after May 1st, 2022, the District determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception and, for long-term lease agreements (with a remaining lease term greater than 12 months), recognizes a right of used asset and lease liability at commenced date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term.

#### **10.** Subsequent Events (continued)

As a result of the adoption of the new lease accounting guidance, the District recognized on May 1, 2022 (a) lease liability of approximately \$74,135, which represents the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the District's incremental borrowing rate, and (b) right of use asset at approximately \$74,135.

Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Years ending April 30:	A	Amount		
2024	\$	24,177		
2025		23,566		
2026		9,496		
2027		689		
	\$	57,928		

The District is contingently liable on various mortgage notes of individual churches aggregating approximately \$3,760,912. In the event the churches are unable to satisfy their individual obligations, the District will be required to make the monthly payments on their behalf. During the current year, the District did not make any payments for such contingent liability.

The District is involved in lawsuits with other parties from time to time. While the ultimate result of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, the District does not expect them to have a materially adverse effect on its financial statements.

## **11. Subsequent Events**

The ongoing global pandemic resulting from the outbreak of the coronavirus (COVID-19) may disrupt the District's operations. As the District cannot predict the duration or scope of the COVID-19 pandemic, the positive or negative financial impact to our results cannot be reasonably estimated but could be material.

#### 12. Date of Management's Review

Subsequent events were evaluated through July 14, 2023, the financial issuance date.

# **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET 1**

<Rev. 1 - submitted 7/24/23> 2022 and 2023

# ASSETS

Current Assets Cash on hand and in banks Savings accounts Other Current Assets TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<b>2022</b> 83,160 0 <u>166,513</u> 174,873	<b>2023</b> 55,581 0 <u>243,911</u> 299,492
<b>Investments</b> Loans on real estate (itemized list) Other investments (itemized list) <b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>	0 <u>1,236,020</u> 1,236,020	0 <u>1,164,603</u> 1,164,603
<b>Property and Equipment</b> Property (itemized list) (net) Equipment (itemized list)	5,018,810 <u>116,482</u>	3,143,320 <u>120,343</u>
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	5,135,292	3,263,663
Other Assets (itemized list)	0	51,233
TOTAL ASSETS <sup>3</sup>	5,171,882	4,778,991

<sup>1</sup> All figures are shown at cost. It is recommended that a CPA audit the Balance Sheet.

 $^{2}$  Use date that coincides with the end of your assembly year.

<sup>3</sup> The "total assets" figure should be equal to the "total liabilities and fund balance" figure.

# LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Liabilities	2022	2023
Current liabilities	148,658	295,175
(that are due in one year or less)		
Notes payable (itemized list)	83,271	77,254
Other current liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>23,189</u>

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	231,929	395,618
Long-term liabilities (due in more than one year)	<u>1,555,235</u>	<u>1,376,147</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,784,283	1,771,765
Fund Balance		
Home Missions Fund	0	0
Home Missions Revolving Fund	0	0
Camp Fund	16,347	16,347
Medical Insurance Fund	0	0
General Assembly Fund	0	0
District Property Development Fund	0	0
Contingent Fund	0	0
Other Designated Fund Balances	0	0
(itemized list)		
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>3,371,252</u>	<u>2,990,879</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	3,387,599	3,007,116
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE <sup>5</sup>	5,171,882	4,778,991

<sup>4</sup> Contingent liabilities (such as guaranteeing payment of a loan for a local church) are not included in the long-term liabilities. A report listing each contingent liability should be prepared separately from this balance sheet (show the original loan amount and the present balance). <sup>5</sup> The "total liabilities and fund balance" figure should be equal to the "total assets" figure.

## B. NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES TREASURER FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2023

Internal Comprehensive Financial Review Report 2022 - 2023

June 1, 2023

North/East Texas District NDI Board and District Convention Delegates:

The annual Internal Comprehensive Financial Review of the North/East Texas District Nazarene Discipleship International (N/E TX District NDI) treasury was performed at the close of the assembly year of 2022 - 2023.

The review included the financial statements, which comprise the statement of assets, liabilities, and net assets – cash basis as of April 30, 2022; the related statements of support, revenue and expenses – cash basis, for the year then ended, and any additional notes to the financial statements.

It is the responsibility of the Internal Comprehensive Financial Reviewer to express an opinion on those financial statements. We believe that the comprehensive review evidence that was obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our comprehensive review opinion.

#### **Opinion:**

It is the opinion of the Internal Comprehensive Financial Reviewer that the financial statements present fairly - in all material respects - the assets, liabilities, and net assets of the North/East Texas District NDI as of April 30, 2023, and its support, revenue, and expenses for the year then ended; in accordance with the cash basis of accounting are free from material misstatement.

Respectfully submitted,

Rica Parton

Rica Payton

A copy of the full Income/Expense Statements are available upon request from the NDI treasurer.

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNT POLICIES

The North/East Texas District Nazarene Discipleship International (the NDI) is an auxiliary organization of the North/East Texas District Church of the Nazarene (the District). It is governed by a board comprised of pastors and laypersons elected from the District.

### A. REPORTING ENTITY

The Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI) is the organizational representative for Christian Education and Discipleship for the Church of the Nazarene on the regional, district, and local level.

It's mission states:

#### The Manual of the Church of the Nazarene

#### Section 812. Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI) BYLAWS Article II – Mission,

#### Purpose, and Core Principles

#### **SECTION 1. Mission Statement**

The mission of Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI) is to carry out the Great Commission to children, youth, and adults in preparation for a lifelong journey of being and making Christlike disciples in the nations.

#### SECTION 2. Purpose

The purpose of NDI is to assist local churches in:

- a. Reaching non-believers for Jesus
- b. Establishing new believers in their faith in Christ
- c. Walking with believers to a fully surrendered, heart-cleansed, fruit- bearing, and Spirit-filled life.

#### SECTION 3. Core Principles

NDI promotes the following five Core Principles that are essential to the discipleship process:

- a. Fervent Prayer
- b. Compassionate Outreach
- c. Comprehensive Biblical Learning
- d. Intentional Mentoring and Equipping
- e. Authentic Relationships

#### **B.** BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial overview includes assets, liabilities and operations for the SDMI under the administration of the District. These financial statements do not include results of operations from any other organization or the District.

#### **C.** BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The North/East Texas District NDI financial statements are prepared on the cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. As defined: **Cash Basis Accounting** is the practice of recording revenues when **cash** is received and recording expenses when **the expense is paid**.

## D. BUDGETARY DATA

Formal budgetary accounting is employed by the North/East Texas District Church of the Nazarene. The official budget is prepared for adoption and approved the by the District NDI Council. Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with cash basis accounting methods. Amendments may be made with the Board's approval.

## North/East Texas District Nazarene Discipleship International COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REVIEW YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2023

				Apr 30, 23
AS	SET	S		
	Cur	rent	Assets	
		Ch	ecking/Savings	
			Bank of Texas Checking	23,519.20
			Bank of Texas Money Market	69,104.15
		Tot	al Checking/Savings	92,623.35
	Total Current Assets			92,623.35
TOTAL ASSETS			SETS	92,623.35
LI	ABILI	TIES	S & EQUITY	
	Equ	iity		
		Ор	ening Bal Equity	33,711.81
		Retained Earnings		54,103.06
	Net Income		Income	4,808.48
Total Equity 92,623.3		92,623.35		
тс	TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 92,623.35			

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup> Includes Children's Camp, Preteen Camp, District Children's Quizzing, Departmental Administration; Adult Ministries income, Men's Ministries income, and fundraising for special projects.

<sup>2</sup> Repository for South Central Region Children's Quizzing Income.

<sup>3</sup> Expenses includes Administration, Board Expense, District and Global Convention Expense, Ministries expenses.

<sup>4</sup> Expenses generated by South Central Region Children's Quizzing.

# NDI Finance Report for 2022-2023

**Income & Expense Statement** 

May '22 - Apr 23

Ordinary Income/Expense Income	
Adult Ministries Income	562.58
Budgets 2021-2022	4,180.60
Budgets 2021-2022 Budgets 2022-2023	16,501.08
Children's Ministries Income	29,319.53
General Convention Fund	29,319.33
Income	2,000.00
Interest Income	83.37
Total Income	52,647.16
Expense	
Adult Ministries	685.85
Children's Ministries	39,431.56
General Expenses	8,061.07
Total Expense	48,178.48
Net Ordinary Income	4,468.68
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Regional Quizzing Income	5,850.87
Total Other Income	5,850.87
Other Expense	
Regional Quizzing Expense	5,511.07
Total Other Expense	5,511.07
Net Other Income	339.80
Net Income	4,808.48

## C. DISTRICT NMI TREASURER FOR THE YEAR ENDING April 30, 2022

# North/East Texas District Church of the Nazarene Nazarene Missions International

#### Internal Comprehensive Financial Review

June 2023

North/East Texas District NMI Council:

An Internal Comprehensive Financial Review of the North/East Texas District Nazarene Missions International (N/E TX District NMI) treasury was performed at the close of the 2022 - 2023 assembly year.

The review included a test of monthly financial statements, bank statements, checkbook records, check requests, investments statements, records of deposits, records of expenses with accompanying purchase receipts, and digitally archived records. All records combine to develop a statement of assets, liabilities, and net assets using the cash basis of accounting as of April 30, 2023. The approved annual budget forecasting future income and expenses was also reviewed.

It is the responsibility of the Internal Comprehensive Financial Reviewer to express an opinion on those financial statements, based on the review. It is believed that the comprehensive review evidence that was obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for the comprehensive review opinion.

Opinion:

It is the opinion of this reviewer that the physical review of all financial statements, investment statements, records of income and expenses, banking records, and archived records present fairly - in all material respects - the assets and liabilities of the North/East Texas District NM/ as of April 30, 2023, in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, and are free from material misstatement or misrepresentation.

Respectfully submitted,

Rica Payton Financial Reviewer

A copy of the full Income/Expense Statements are available upon request from the NMI treasurer.

#### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNT POLICIES

The North/East Texas District Nazarene Missions International (the NMI) is an auxiliary organization of the North/East Texas District Church of the Nazarene (the District). It is governed by a council comprised of members from across the District who support the purpose of NMI,

#### A. REPORTING ENTITY

The NMI is the organizational representative for Global Missions for the Church of the Nazarene on the regional, district, and local level. Its purpose states:

The purpose {of the Nazarene Missions International (NM/)} shall be to mobilize the Church of the Nazarene in missions through 1) praying, 2) giving, 3) educating, and 4) engaging children and youth. [Manual, Church of the Nazarene, 2017-2021, section 811.J

#### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The financial overview includes assets, liabilities and operations for the NMI under the administration of the District. These financial statements do not include results of operations from any other organization or the District.

#### C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The North/East Texas District NMI financial statements are prepared on the cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. As defined: **Cash Basis Accounting** is the practice of recording revenues when **cash** is received and recording expenses when **the expense is paid**.

D. BUDGETARYDATA

Formal budgetary accounting is employed by the North/East Texas District Church of the Nazarene. The official budget is prepared for adoption and approved the by the District NMI Council. Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with cash basis accounting methods. Amendments may be made with the Council's approval.

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07/02/23	Balance Sheet	
Cash Basis	As of April 30, 2023	

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	Apr 30, 23
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Prosperity Bank CD	
Betty Lynch Mem	6,009.59
Deputation Travel Fund	2,632.11
Global Convention Fund	12,250.00
Missionary Child Schol Fund	2,277.89
Work & Witness Fund	6,830.41
Prosperity Bank CD - Other	2,229.33
Total Prosperity Bank CD	32,229.
Prosperity Bank checking	37,404.
Prosperity Bank Money MKT	
Betty Lynch Mem Schol Fund	1,632.57
Deputation Travel Fund	3,819.96
Global Convention Fund	9,505.89
Missionary Child Schol Fund	1,200.27
Money MKT Interest	26.47
SIMS Fund	1,959.28
Work & Wintess Fund	1,922.66
Workshop Training Fund	3,359.11
Youth Speaker	1,600.26
Prosperity Bank Money MKT - Other	187.50
Total Prosperity Bank Money MKT	25,213.
Total Checking/Savings	94,848.
Total Current Assets	94,848.
TOTAL ASSETS	94,848.
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	96,583.
Unrestricted Net Assets	-1,509.
Net Income	-226.
Total Equity	94,848.
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	94,848.

## D. DISTRICT NYI TREASURER For the Year Ending April 30, 2023

	BUDGET 2022-2023 Budget	BUDGET	INCOME	EXPENSES	DIFF.					
INCOME EXPENSES	Church Payments	\$20,000.00)	\$15,946.96)		(\$4,053.04)					
	TOTAL DUES & SUPPORT	\$20,000.00)	\$15,946.96)		(\$4,053.04)					
	Regional Dues/TOLD Support	\$1,800.00)		\$1,000.00)	\$800.00)					
	Called Conference Scholarship TOTAL	\$100.00) \$1,900.00)		\$1,000.00)	\$100.00) \$900.00)					
	EVENTS	\$ .,000.00)		¢ 1,000100)	+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++					<b> </b>
	Fall/Winter Event NYC Tampa 2023	\$1,000.00)	\$0.00) \$123,450.00)	\$0.00) \$0.00)	\$0.00) \$0.00)	*Evnenco	e for NVC	will be a	ded after 1	the trin*
	Youth Camp District Extravaganza (Winter	\$2,500.00) \$5,000.00) \$1,000.00)	\$28,275.00)	\$0.00) \$35,613.24) \$0.00)		Lypense				
	General Assembly Regional Extravaganza	\$1,500.00) \$1,000.00)	\$0.00)	\$0.00) \$822.43)	\$0.00) \$177.57)					<u> </u>
	Quizzing	\$1,000.00)	\$640.00)	\$952.33)	\$687.67)					
	District Convention	\$1,000.00)		\$500.00)	. ,					
	TOTAL	\$14,000.00)	\$152,365.00)	\$37,888.00)	\$128,477.					
	Training	\$600.00)		\$418.34)						
	Council & event mtgs DLC & Region Leadership	\$500.00) \$1,500.00)		\$347.30) \$1,795.30)						
	TOTAL	\$2,600.00)	\$0.00)	\$2,560.94)	\$39.06)					
	ANNUAL SAVINGS									
	Global Convention NYC	\$1,000.00) \$500.00)	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00) \$0.00)	\$1,000.00) \$500.00)					
	TOTAL	\$1,500.00)	\$0.00)	\$0.00)	\$1,500.00)					<u> </u>
	GRAND TOTAL	\$20,000.00)	\$168,311.96)	\$40,948.94)	\$147,363.02					
	BOA Balance: 77,787.48									<u> </u>

# E. SUPPLEMENTAL STATISTICAL REPORT

Value of District Property	\$3,263,663
Value of District Center	\$0
Value of District Parsonage	\$0
Indebtedness of District Property	\$1,376,147