

Education Committee

We, the Committee on Education, recommend that local churches:

1. fully support **Point Loma Nazarene University** as the officially sponsored University for the Southwest Educational Field of the Church of the Nazarene, and to faithfully pray for the PLNU students, faculty, president, administration, and Board of Trustees.
2. pray that PLNU will thrive in its mission *to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service is an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.*
3. encourage high school students to give priority consideration of PLNU for their college education, participate in PLNU campus events, Preview Days, Southwest NYI Elevate/Memorial Day Weekend, and other special events, whether in person or online, pending local and global conditions.
4. provide prospective student names to PLNU Admissions at:
<https://www.pointloma.edu/undergraduate/admissions>
5. continue to give full support to the PLNU “Grant-in-Aid” program for **students from the Church of the Nazarene on the Sacramento District** as follows:
 - a. **District Grant** – \$2,800.00 is awarded annually by PLNU to eligible, full-time, dependent undergraduate students attending PLNU. This amount is based on District Educational Funds paid in the current district assembly year.
 - b. **PLNU Matching Grant** – a program in which the local church contributes \$250.00 per student per year and the university in turn, matches the amount, making a total of \$500.00.

* The General Grant & PLNU Matching Grant combined would be a maximum of up to \$ 3,300.00.
6. embrace denominational guidelines for Funding the Mission of Education in the amount of at least **2.5%** of the annual giving in *Raised for All Purposes* by the local church.
7. encourage their pastoral leadership to participate in continuing education opportunities provided through the PLNU Center for Pastoral Leadership (*Seminar by the Sea, Master of Ministry*, and other ministry resources can be obtained at):
<https://www.pointloma.edu/centers-institutes/center-pastoral-leadership>
8. encourage full time ministers and their families to consider summer vacation opportunities through **LOVE for Pastors** (Loma Ocean View Escape) at PLNU. More info available at:
<https://www.pointloma.edu/events/loma-ocean-view-escapes-love>
9. encourage participation in alumni/auxiliary activities of PLNU and consider requesting a subscription to the University’s magazine, **VIEWPOINT**, at: <https://viewpoint.pointloma.edu/>
10. encourage local church communities to visit the PLNU campus to develop ongoing appreciation for “our” university. Virtual Campus Tours can also be viewed at: <https://www.pointloma.edu/visit>
11. feature the ministry of PLNU periodically through inviting university personnel, including special speakers, musical groups, and students, to participate in our local church ministries. Expenses related to this

participation are generally a local church responsibility.

12. refer names of individuals, families, corporations, or foundations who are potential donors to the PLNU Office of University Advancement at: <https://www.pointloma.edu/give>
13. be aware that the *Sacramento District Nazarene Endowed Scholarship* is available to students from the Sacramento District attending PLNU and is awarded annually based on the following qualifications:
 - for continuing students as a sophomore, junior, or senior during the awarding year;
 - for members of the Church of the Nazarene from the Sacramento District;
 - in good standing with the University and have a clear profession of faith;
 - have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0;
 - a minimum scholarship, per student, of \$1,000.00 per year;Application may be obtained through PLNU Office of Student Financial Services (sfs@pointloma.edu)
14. submit the name(s) of qualified individuals to the District Advisory Board to be considered as potential nominees for the PLNU Board of Trustees. All nominees will be required to complete the appropriate forms to establish qualifications and expertise that would provide effective leadership for the university.

We want to acknowledge that in the Summer of 2024, Dr. Bob Brower will conclude 26 years as president of Point Loma Nazarene University. Dr. Brower has provided exceptional leadership as a spirit led man of God. The future of PLNU will always be enriched because of his vision, integrity, and devotion to the mission of Christian higher education. Thank you, Dr. Brower & Linda, for the honorable manner with which you always serve PLNU and the Church of the Nazarene. To the churches of the Sacramento District, please join us in prayer for God's leadership in the selection process for a new presidential leader at PLNU.

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Respectfully Submitted,

The Sacramento District Education Committee

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