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District Superintendent

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Sacramento District Family Camp **REFLECTIONS '08**



Carson City CONNECTED Worship Team
Ron & Debbie Huckabay, Mike Sturm,
Luke Huckabay, and Jennifer Huckabay Ramos



Dr. Oliver Phillips, Director of Mission Strategy for the Church of the Nazarene, delivers his message in his unique style.

LIVING as People of God!

(Looking back over 1 Peter 2:1-12)

◆ **TRANSFORMED PEOPLE**

Pastor Kevin Angel

- Love your siblings
- Get rid of the trace chemicals
- Crave the pure milk of the Word!

◆ **CHOSEN PEOPLE**

Pastor Brad Dyrness

- God chose YOU
- He will build your house
- You are priests for the world!

◆ **OBEDIENT PEOPLE**

Pastor Greg Nethaway

- Obedience is our highest calling
- Obedience is loving our neighbor
- We're called to love the lost indefinitely!

◆ **AUTHENTIC PEOPLE**

Pastor Steve Scott

- You are people of mercy
- Avoid the life of SCORN
- Embrace what it means to BLESS others!

◆ **JOSEPH'S 21st CENTURY LETTER**

Dr. Oliver Phillips

- You were built for the road ahead
- Your life is the Direct Evidence of God
- Together: God + You = Anything!!!

July 2008 Statistics		
	SS Min.	Worship
Angels Camp	25	36
Auburn Parkside	199	357
Carson City Connected	27	103
Chico First	0	116
Dayton Valley	15	49
Dorris	27	43
Fairfield New Hope	71	92
Fairfield New Life	253	547
Fallon	33	227
Gardnerville Crossroads	129	145
Grass Valley	24	32
Hallwood	45	73
Laguna Family	39	76
Lemmon Valley	43	66
Lincoln Emmaus	55	210
Live Oak	23	67
Lodi Crossroads	56	122
Manteca First	43	72
Marysville	32	49
Mount Shasta	26	26
Oroville	179	554
Paradise	33	68
Placerville	104	128
Red Bluff	37	71
Redding First	227	398
Redding Gateway	21	54
Redding IU Mien	17	72
Reno First	50	62
Rio Linda LifePointe	65	95
<i>Rio Linda Mien</i>	0	77
Roseville First	105	201
Sac Arden	133	123
Sac Cordova	95	115
Sac First	109	180
Sac Hispanic	4	21
Sac Korean Bethel	25	47
Sac Liberty Towers	151	376
<i>Sac LT Hispanic</i>	0	46
Sac New Covenant	15	37
<i>New Cov Mien</i>	17	35
<i>New Cov Samoan</i>	0	22
Sac Samoan	68	110
Sac The Crossing	31	198
Sparks Faith	132	45
Sparks First	223	302
<i>Sparks 1st Latino</i>	0	53
Stockton First -English	*15	*41
Cielo	*60	*55
Cambodian	*12	*12
Stockton Horizon	*61	*208
Stockton Samoan	36	45
Sun Valley Hope	13	17
Susanville	66	139
Sutter Creek	312	409
Tracy New Heart	23	130
Truckee Tahoe Forest	0	173
Vacaville	50	144
Weaverville	65	132
West Sac Southport	65	82
Willows	12	23
Woodland	25	51
Yerington	*17	*27
Yreka	66	145
Yuba City -Main	1567	1788
<i>YC Gridley</i>	0	100
<i>YC Korean</i>	0	15
Month's Average	5471	9731

* Estimate, No Report

Sunday School & Discipleship Ministries

Renee' Bennett, Chairperson

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Discipleship is not an option! It is not a program,
It is a direct command from God.

Discipleship, along with prayer, is the key to spiritual growth and development of our churches. We are always looking for new ideas or programs to boost our Sunday School or small groups.

Is there an easy answer? No.

It is going to take more leaders willing to spend more time with fewer people. More church leaders, board members and pastors who pray, and when they are done, pray more.

The upcoming Discipleship Summit is a resource the general church has made available after spending the last year and a half listening and talking to people all around the USA/Canada regions.

The result is a plan to assist and resource the local church through an on-line resource called the Global Discipleship Summit.

Global Discipleship Summit

An online resource available November 1, 2008

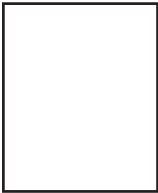
Available to your local church according to your needs, plans, programs, and schedules.

Avoid travel, meals, hotels, suitcases, programs, seminars, schedules and costs.

Learn global principles of discipleship to assist you in your calling to make Christlike disciples in the nations.

- Download teaching modules of discipleship.
- Equip others to make Christlike disciples.
- Use video clips for one-on-one discipleship conversations.
- Teach principles in Sunday School and small groups.
- Empower every member to answer, “Who am I discipling, and who is discipling me?”

Log onto www.discipleship.nazarene.org
today to learn more about this awesome resource
for you and your team.



Adult Ministries

TBS

District Women's Ministries

2009 District Women's Retreat



The speaker for our 2009 Retreat is Dr. Carolyn Johnson of Firm Foundation Ministries. It's going to be an excellent Conference.

Check out Carolyn's website at: www.firmfoundationministries.com. Watch for more information in the months to come.

New Women Ministries Director Named

Patty Powers of Gardnerville Crossroads has been appointed the new director for District Women's Ministries, replacing Julie Grossman.

Thanks, Julie, for your hard work and doing such a great job of keeping our District women "connected."



Come to the Fire Women's Conference

October 9-11, 2008

College Church of the Nazarene, Olathe Kansas

www.cometothefire.org

Prime Time Ministries

Age 55 & Up



Jamaica Journey

Jan 22-Feb 4, 2009

A Work & Witness Event Emphasizing Prime Time Adult Involvement

Cost: \$1950 (includes project money, insurance, meals, housing, ground transportation, devotional book, team shirt and airfare.)

Check it out at www.goprime-time.org or contact Rev. Charles Bledsoe, Eastern Michigan District, 392 Meadows Circle, Wixom, Michigan 48393.



Children's Ministries

Tad Gilstrap, Director

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We had a great summer season in children's ministry with Discovery and Explorer Children's Camps. Many children made first-time commitments and even more prayed to have a deeper relationship with Jesus. I would like to thank Director Ken Entwistle and the 40-plus volunteers who helped lead kids closer to God.



Thanks to Cathy Scharf and her team who provided spiritual growth and a creative, fun week at Family Camp for our district's kids.

These two events – along with all the local church activities of Bible School, sports camps, summer outings, kids church and Sunday school – have helped draw children into a closer relationship with our Lord this summer. Praise God!

With the fall season, I encourage you to continue helping kids grow in their faith. With all the opportunities for sports, school work, the arts, etc., it's easy to neglect spiritual growth. Because of its eternal benefits, let's make this a priority rather than just one of the options of life. Keep children in church as much as possible. Join the Children's Quiz Team, weeknight events, Bible studies, kids choir, etc., and spend time at home, for devotions and prayer.

I'm excited to see what God will do in the hearts of His most precious, His children.

Tad Gilstrap (P.S. If I can be of any assistance to your church or your family, please feel free to contact me in Yuba City at 530-671-1130 ext. 20.)



Nazarene Youth International

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Some "Can't Miss" Opportunities...

***Nazarene Preview Days: Nov 6-7, 2008**

Come experience all that Point Loma has to offer for Nazarene students! This is an overnight event, complete with a first-hand experience of life at Point Loma. You will have the opportunity to encounter a chapel service, visit a class taught by a PLNU professor, try our delicious Point Loma food, and participate in an activity alongside students. This Preview is catered to Nazarene students and is designed particularly for youth groups. So youth pastors, if you'd like an unforgettable, educational, fun-filled trip for the fall, bring your youth groups to Nazarene Preview Days!

Registration www.pointloma.edu/admissions

***PK's Retreat 2008** - For the past two years, the southwest region of NYI (which includes the Sacramento District) has sponsored a **Pastor's Kids Retreat** in October at Point Loma Nazarene University. The event is for PK's that are currently in Jr Hi/middle school or high school. The purpose is to build life-long bridges of understanding and camaraderie that will support and minister to the high pressure world of the PK. We are ready to go and will be taking reservations soon. Keep checking back at www.swny.com and www.ileadyouth.net for transportation details!

***30 Hour Famine** - You can still register your group! Through the partnership between the Church of the Nazarene and World Vision, students will learn about hunger while raising money to help fund a joint project to assist children and families in Mzimba, Malawi. As a Nazarene congregation participating in the Famine, your donations go directly to this project that affects not only the lives of people in Nazarene congregations in Mzimba, but also the whole community. Choose your own date! Register your group today at:

<http://www.30hourfamine.com/naz>

***National Youth Worker's Convention Comes to Sacramento October 10-13**

Join thousands of youth workers from across the globe to be trained, inspired, energized, humbled, and uplifted many times over! The breadth and scope of training available is truly amazing. Do not miss this opportunity as youth specialties brings it to Sacramento!

Go to www.nywc.com to register!

For All Things NYI

<http://www.nyitoday.org>

Information and events sponsored by
Nazarene Youth International.

<http://www.swny.com>

Southwest Region News

www.ileadyouth.net

Information for the Sacramento District

Nazarene Headquarters Moved to New Location

Nazarene Headquarters (Kansas City, MO) has moved to the new Global Ministry Center in Lenexa, Kansas. Their new address and main telephone number are as follows:

Church of the Nazarene
Global Ministry Center
17001 Prairie Star Parkway
Lenexa, KS 66220
913-577-0500

Sacramento District Institute of Ministry

Fall Quarter
(September-November 2008)

Sacramento

BIB-2033 New Testament Gospels
Leon Skinner, Instructor
Sacramento Arden

Stockton

PAS 1023 Spiritual Formation
Paul Graves, Instructor
Stockton Horizon

Red Bluff

PAS-2013 Practice of Christian Ministry
Phil Hopkins, Instructor
Redding First

Susanville

BIB-2003 Biblical Interpretation
Joe Sturgeon, Instructor
Susanville

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Alabaster

September is one of two months each year that we emphasize the Alabaster Offering (February is the other). Hundreds of buildings have been built around the world for the furtherance of the Gospel because of Alabaster funds. Here are pictures of the Nazarene Ministry Center in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and the Ashrafieh Church of the Nazarene in Amman, Jordan, both built with the help of Alabaster funds.



Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



Amman, Jordan

Thanksgiving Offering

November is the month we receive Thanksgiving Offerings for outreach to 151 world areas, support for more than 800 missionaries and volunteers, training for more than 6,300 national workers, support for 185 retired missionaries, support for primary and secondary schools serving almost 27,000 children annually...and the list goes on. .

Compassionate Ministries

December is Compassionate Ministries Emphasis month in the Church of the Nazarene. The Board of General Superintendents designated December to encourage a spirit of compassion and personal involvement among Nazarenes everywhere. NCM's prayer is that social holiness would erupt in every local church and that we could come alongside faithful members and resource them to serve. Check out www.ncm.org for more information.

Did you know?

- **The lives of Missionaries serving in “creative access areas” (CAA), and those to whom they minister, are in danger because of what they are doing.** Concerned CAA missionaries have discovered their pictures posted on district or church Web sites along with information about the area in which they serve. **Please do not distribute (via print, e-mail, or Web site) any information about CAA missionaries that tie them to the area in which they live and work.**
- Nazarene churches and schools in Amman and Damascus have reached out to Iraqi refugees with food, medicines, mattresses, blankets, and heaters. Nazarenes also provide aid for Iraqi children to attend our schools. The Church of the Nazarene has four privately funded schools in the Middle East for 900 children in grades K-10, located in impoverished neighborhoods.
- **32,000 Communities—One Boat** - Along the Amazon River, 62 cities with more than 32,000 tribal communities exist; 52 cities are only accessible by boat. World Mission Broadcast (WMB) plans to air radio programs from the Church of the Nazarene's Amazon River Boat. This alternative, portable radio station will help make connections with the people who reside near the river.
- **NMI's Prayer Vision Tour to the Horn of Africa is just two-months away.** Between October 8-18, NMI district leaders will gather in the Horn of Africa to listen, learn, offer prayer support, and simply be with their African Nazarene brothers and sisters. Log on to www.hoanazarene.org for information.
- **Nazarene ministry in India** spans 12 districts, more than 62,000 members, and supports 14 child development centers ministering to at least 1400 children. Roughly 700 children are sponsored through Child Sponsorships.

Upcoming Deputation

Bill & Gail Patch

Sep 6 – Stockton Horizon
Sep 7 AM – Stockton Horizon
Sep 7 PM – Tracy New Heart
Sep 8 – Marysville
Sep 9 – Grass Valley
Sep 10 – Gardnerville
Sep 11 – Sac- The Crossing
Sep 12 – Willows
Sep 13 – Paradise
Sep 14 AM – Redding 1st
Sep 14 PM – Placerville

Terry & Diane Barker

Oct 4 AM - Susanville
Oct 4 PM - Susanville
Oct 5 - Fairfield New Hope
Oct 6 - Fairfield New Hope
Oct 7 - Live Oak
Oct 8 - Red Bluff
Oct 9 - Hallwood
Oct 10 - Woodland
Oct 11- Liberty Towers
Oct 12 AM- Liberty Towers
Oct 12 PM - Weaverville

Check out the redesigned NMI website at
www.nazarenemissions.org

For Video search and downloads, check out
www.nazarenemedia.org

Dana & Sherry Howard

Nov 19 - Yerington
Nov 20 - Lemmon Valley
Nov 21- Fallon
Nov 22 - Reno 1st
Nov 23 AM - Reno 1st
Nov 23 PM - Sun Valley
Nov 24 - Open

Nov 25 - Open
Nov 26 - Open
Nov 27 - Thanksgiving
Nov 28 - Open
Nov 29 - Open
Nov 30 AM - Sparks 1st
Nov 30 PM- Dayton Valley

Family Camp Reflections, Continued

Thank You. . .

. . .to an amazing team of leaders, volunteers & FAMILIES for a GREAT EXPERIENCE!

EVENT STAFF: Mike Havens/Producer; Carol Nikkel/Assistant to Producer; Steve Scott/Director

WORSHIP TEAMS: Jan Holly & the Oroville Worship Team; The Ron Huckabay Family & "Bongo Mike" Sturm/Carson City CONNECTED

MINISTRY LEADERS & VOLUNTEERS - *Nursery*- Lisa Mayfield/Rio Linda; Brianna Mittby/Rio Linda; *Children*: Cathy Scharf, Director/Cordova; Steve Scharf; Vicki McMillan; Debbie Smith; Billy Keen; Austin Hedman; Diana Tremain/Paradise; Melody Robinson; *Youth*: Dennis Druckhammer/Tracy Praxis;

Kim Liburdi/Tracy/*Amphitheater*; Randy Kizer/Sacramento/*Sound & Lighting*; Sue Celli/Liberty Towers/*Power Point*; Del Ford/Placerville & Fran Tatman/Liberty Towers/*Shuttle*; Keith & Jo Chilson/Reno First/*Ushering*; Neal Watkins/Lemmon Valley/*Security*; Delene Havens//Liberty Towers/*Set Up-Clean Up*; Bob & Charlotte Capp/Auburn Parkside/*Set Up-Clean Up*; Elaine Carter/Liberty Towers/*Family Activities*; Jacquie McNulty/Liberty Towers/*Nurse*



That's right, fellas. Camp's over. We'll see you next year!

PEOPLE PROFILE OF ATTENDANCE

64	Jr Hi & Sr Hi Youth
72	Pre School & Elementary Children
184	Adults
322	Average Worship Attendance

GIVING PROFILE OF OFFERINGS/EXPENSE

Total Offerings	\$ 5,465.47
District Budget	9,000.00
Total Income	14,465.47
Total Expense	16,661.22
Gift to Diamond Arrow	500.00
	<i>(Family Golf Course Project)</i>

**Plan NOW for Family Camp
NEXT YEAR
August 3-9, 2009**

Scheduled Worship Speakers

Dr. Dan Copp

Director of Clergy Development
Church of the Nazarene/Kansas City, MO
(Grew up attending Sacramento North Church)

Dr. Vicki Copp

Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology
Director of Supervised Ministries
Nazarene Theological Seminary / Kansas City, MO
(Grew up in a Nazarene Pastor's Home)

Point Loma Nazarene University Women's Auxiliary

The auxiliary has been working hard for the students at Point Loma. We have had a good attendance at our workdays with great fellowship and successful boutiques. Everyone is welcome to attend - there is something for everyone to do. We have beautiful hand-made items you could put away for Christmas gifts. We meet the 3rd Thursday of each month, 10 am-2pm.

Sep 18 - Woodland Nov 20 - Rio Linda LifePointe
Oct 16 - Sac Arden Dec - No Workday

2009 Cross Style Conference Featuring Evangelist Stephen Manley January 23-25, 2009 Stockton Horizon

- *A saturated focus in the message of the cross through worship, preaching and teaching.
- *Saturday is an intensive day of sessions.
- *Children's activities and nursery will be provided.
- *Two meals will be provided.

There is no registration fee (love offering taken), but space is limited! If you are bringing a group, please contact Stockton Horizon to reserve seats.
209-478-4789

Sacramento District Benefit Golf Tournament

Friday, October 24, 2008

Teal Bend Golf Club, 7200 Garden Highway, Sacramento, CA

YOU ARE INVITED: men, women, recreational & serious golfers to a FUN benefit that will assist children and youth with an opportunity to attend a 5-day camp experience in the Summer of 2009!

START TIME: Sign-in 12:00-12:30 PM with Tee-Time at 1:00 (modified shotgun start)

SPECIAL EVENTS - Putting contest, Marshmallow Drive, Glass Smash, Closest to the Hole, Chip Dip and More!

TWO of the Featured Door Prizes:

7 nights FREE lodging at a North Lake Tahoe Condo!

ENTRY FEE: Only \$75 per player (includes green fees, drive cart, prizes, and unlimited soft drinks)

Registration is due by October 15

Contact your church office or the district office for a registration form (916-652-1193 ext 2 or sacdist@sacnaz.org).

TWO BIG CHANGES IN 2009

***CHURCH YEAR** will end February 28 rather than January 31 (pastors reports will be due March 13)

***ACOMM** (*District Assembly and Missions Convention*) will be held May 14-15 rather than being held in April. Location to be announced.

DOES YOUR PASTOR, OR ASSOCIATE PASTOR NEED A BREAK?

DO YOU THINK A RETREAT MIGHT BE JUST THE RIGHT THING?

If you answered yes to these questions, here's good news:

District Pastoral Team Retreat

Who? any pastors or pastoral staff (single pastors AND pastors with spouses) who are employed by their local church

When? November 4-6, 2008 (Monday afternoon through Thursday noon)

Where? Embassy Suites/South Lake Tahoe (Are you kidding me? *Beautiful!!!*)

Why? to rest, and enjoy the fellowship of other pastors & spouses

What? INTERpersonal interaction with other pastoral leaders & spouses
INSIGHTful thoughts from Dr. Jerry Porter

WORSHIP with Trent Smith (<http://www.myspace.com/trentsmithmusic>)

HOW? Please make sure your pastor/pastoral staff have the time, resources, and the opportunity to retreat to south lake tahoe, November 4-6!!!

All pastoral staff will receive registration forms & information by direct mail.



SEPTEMBER

- 7 Grandparents/Prime Time Day
- 12-13 District Women's Retreat
- 18 District Advisory Board
PLNUWA @ Woodland
- 30-10/3 SoloCon 2008
Prime Time Retreat

OCTOBER

- 4 NMI Council
- 5 Centennial Celebration
- 9-11 Come to the Fire Women's
Conference
- 16 PLNUWA at Sac Arden
- 18 Children's Quiz
- 19 Placerville Building Dedication
- 24 District Golf Tournament

NOVEMBER

- 4-6 Pastoral team Retreat
- 10 *Adventure* Deadline
- 13 District Advisory Board
- 20 PLNUWA at Rio Linda LifePointe
- 21-22 PLNU Homecoming

DECEMBER

- 6 Children's Quiz

JANUARY 2009

- 15 District Advisory Board
- 17 District Nominating Committee
- 18 Sanctity of Life Sunday
- 23 Church Pages & Photos Deadline
for Assembly Yearbook
- 24 NMI Council
- 25 Nazarene Seminary Offering

FEBRUARY

- 6 Pastor's Day at Point Loma
- 7 Children's Quiz
- 10 *Adventure* Deadline
- 19 PLNUWA at Woodland
- 20-21 Acquire the Fire - ARCO Arena
- 28 END OF CHURCH YEAR

MARCH

- 13 PASTORS REPORTS DUE
- 19 District Advisory Board
- 21 Children's Quiz
- 23-24 Credentials Board

APRIL

- 12 Easter
- 16 PLNUWA at Sacramento Arden
- 25 District Finance Committee

MAY

- 14-15 ACOMM

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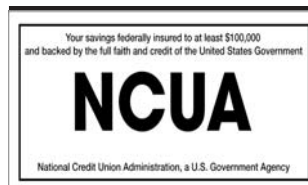
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