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THE KINGDOM



Joplin District Highlights Summer 2020-2021

Dangers of the Virus

-some thoughts-

In these days of confused situations
In this night of a restless remorse
When the heart and the soul of a nation
Lay wounded . . .

From the grave of the innocent Adam
Comes a song bringing joy to the sad
Oh, your cry has been heard and the ransom
Has been paid up in full, be ye glad

Oh, be ye glad
Oh, be ye glad
Every debt that you've ever had
Has been paid up in full by the grace of the Lord
Be ye glad, be ye glad, be ye glad
-Be Glad by Acapella

- Leaders have tried to take care of others and may have forgotten about themselves. Now, they need to take proper care of themselves!
- Pastors have tried to keep up but have not been able to meet every need. Laypeople will need to understand, their pastors have never ministered in a climate like this before.
- The ministries of the church have either flourished or faded. We will have to get rid of some of the “dead limbs” if we are to survive when we come back. Some ministries will no longer be viable. Our priorities have been rearranged and when we come back they will need to be rearranged again.
- Helping needy families has been important but it will take on a new look, as we will have to quickly adjust to new needs.
- Health issues will be moved from the back burner to the front burner and we will see an increase in and on the health profession.
- More people will need counseling. These plans and people must be set in place to handle the influx.
- Biblical preaching will be crucial, no “feel-good” messages will do. We will need to hear about the “solid ground” we need to stand on.

So, because we choose to be a people of faith not fear, we have confidence that the God we serve is still on the Throne. He is not surprised by these current affairs. He is still in control. We choose to place our trust in the God who is able. “Our faith still holds onto the Christ of Calvary.” We determine to neither slouch nor back away, but we will stand firm in the One who is our Rock!

Therefore, we can be glad, our debt is cancelled, and has been paid in full and Jesus Christ is still Lord!
Oh, be glad, Joplin District, be glad!

Rev. Phil Rhoades, District Superintendent

New Members

Chanute: Jerry Spillman, Linda Spillman, Bryan Jackett, Ryan Gottschalk, Courtney Aikins, Cathy Aikins, James Reed, Betty Harris, Becky Stout, Bennie Hill

Deepwater Crossroads: Aires Sage, Stacia Wilson, Kayla Keith, Ida Evans

Fort Scott: Mina Query, Andrea Bryant **Goodman Banner:** Matti Davidson

Joplin First: Larry Robbins, Carol Jones, Ana Lopez **Joplin Traders:** Perry Trokey, Crystal Doyle, DeWain Anderson, April Anderson **Mountain Grove Faith**

Community: Tom Hicks, Tarissa Hicks, Elizabeth Dunbar **Nixa:** Adie Brant, Aiden

Horne **Pittsburg/Connecting Point:** Glenn White, Michele White, Jesse Briscoe, Sharde Briggs, Bryce Anderson, Lori Anderson, Briley Buckley, Matt Briggs, Lisa

Kimrey, Mark Kimrey, Josh Green, Tiffany Green, Frank Robinson, Carolyn

Robinson, Jeff Lovell, Angie Lovell, Connor Howard, Alvin Meyers

Springfield Grace: Mary McVeigh, Edith Higgins **Webb City:** Austyn Clark, Christane Mahurin, Nevaeh Watts, John Lionberger, Wyatt Fieker, Summer Clark

Baptisms

Deepwater Crossroads: Aires Sage, Stacia Wilson, Ashlynn Tanner, Hunter Tanner, Tyler Tanner **Goodhope:** Dustin Cody, Danica Cody, Emmett Cody

Nixa: Ella Venable **Neosho Casa Jaziel:** Arturo Lopez, Valeria Flores, Humberto Morales, Paloma Estrada, Erick Estrada **Pleasanton:** Austin Croan, Mae-Lin

Flores, Mary Jo Ruppel **Rogersville Harvest Community:** Emma Lutrell,

Tanner Lueck **Webb City:** Michael Orr

Joplin District 3 Year Calendar

	2020	2021	2022
Daniel Fast	Jan 2-12	Jan 2-12	Jan 2-12
College/Career Retreat	Jan 10-12	Jan 8-10	Jan 7-9
PK Retreat	Jan 10-12	Jan 15-17	Jan 14-16
DCPI	Jan 14-16	Jan 12-14	Jan 11-13
Field YES Conference	Jan 24-25	n/a	Jan 28-29
M Conference			
Membership Sunday	Feb 16	Feb 21	Feb 20
Ministry Assessment Center	Feb 21-22	Feb 19-20	Feb 18-19
Credential/Studies Interviews	Feb 27	Feb 25	Feb 24
Ministry Retreat	Mar 5-8	Mar 4-7	Mar 3-6
MNU Sunday	Mar 8	Mar 7	Mar 6
Singles Retreat	Mar 6-8		
Empower	Mar 13-14	Mar 12-13	Mar 11-12
SPARK	Mar 20-22	Mar 19-21	Mar 18-20
Ladies' Retreat		April 9-10	April 8-9
MAX	Apr 16-18	Apr 22-24	Apr 21-23
NYI Training/Convention	May 30	June 5	June 4
MNU The Call	June 1-5	June 7-11	June 6-10
General Assembly		June 23-30	
Teen Camp	June 8-12 June 12-16 June 16-20	June 14-18 June 18-22 June 22-26	June 13-17 June 17-21 June 21-25
"The Call" Sunday	June 21	June 27	June 26
NYI Mission Trip	July 26-31	June 20-26	June 25-July 10
NYC			
Children's Camp (1 st -3 rd) Children's Camp (4 th -6 th)	July 8-10 July 12-15	July 12-14 July 14-17	July 11-13 July 13-16
Conventions/Assembly	July 26- Online	July 24-27	July 23-26
District Revival	Sept 15-18	Sept 13-17	Sept 12-16
Church Board Training	Sept 19	Sept 18	Sept 17
DCPI	Sept 25-26	Sept 24-25	Sept 23-24
Prime Time	Oct 5-7	Oct 4-6	Oct 3-5
TEAM Days	Oct 8 or 10	Oct 7 or 9	Oct 27 or 29
Encounter	Nov 13-14	Nov 12-13	Nov 11-12
Pastors' Christmas Banquet		Dec 6	

Highlights for Nazarene Missions International

Special points of interest:

- > **May Emphasis: Let's Engage Our Kids and Youth in Missions!**
- > **June Emphasis: Let's Pray Over Our Future Generations!**
- > **July Emphasis: What is ISSF?**



Our Youth, Missions and Prayer

Do you have kids or teens in your church interested in missions? If not, why? How is your church equipping a love and vision for a world bigger than your local congregation? Instilling a heart for those around us locally and globally is what the Great Commission is all about!

Joplin District has a heart for missions and wants to raise up future Nazarenes to carry out our call boldly! Throughout the church year keep your eyes open to see where a missionary will visit a church! Maybe you could host a missionary! Encourage your youth to plan an outreach to bless others here or around the world.

Lets be cultivating hearts for missionaries and guiding them to see things that are bigger than we are. Missions can only be done through prayer and fasting and supporting one another! And these practices can never be taught to early.

Need an idea on where or how to start? In the month of June, how could your local youth departments raise money for World Mission Broadcast (WMB)? Kids and teens listen to the radio and have passions for what they enjoy listening to...WMB is a means in which millions around the world are being reached and hearing about Jesus through program production, airtime and follow-up materials. One minute of air is \$4.

How could the youth of your church reach a 5minute goal? Or 10minute goal? ger than ourselves, outside of ourselves for the glory of the One who brings us all together.

The next generation likes to be involve and Nazarene Church has plenty of opportunities to start now! Lets begin to engage! The call is now! Let's be in prayer over our children, teens and leaders as we think of ways to think big

Pray for YOUR Pastor!

Pray for your Pastor as they work through these trying times. Their hearts are heavy and burdened for their churches trying to reach and shepherd the best they can, all the while preaching and living what God has called them to. Be in earnest prayer and encouragement. for them and their families.

What is ISSF?

ISSF stands for **International Student Scholarship Fund**. The NMI International Student Scholarship Fund assists students in need who attend campus based Nazarene Theological schools in world mission regions, so their educations can be completed as debt free as possible.

Would you like to give to support hearts who are called now? Hearts for Nazarene schools to mold and prepare while away on the field? Please send ISSF contributions to Global Treasury Services, Church of the Nazarene P.O Box 843116 KS 64184-3116



MAY 2020 NEWSLETTER

MAY 2020



30 NYI Training & Convention—Carthage, MO

JUNE

6 District Teen Quiz @ Nixa Organic



8-12 CTR Week 1

12-16 CTR Week 2

16-20 CTR Week 3

JULY



26-31 Mission Trip—Encuentro—Indianapolis, IN

AUGUST



Aug 15 First Teen Quiz

Aug 29 District NYI Council Meeting

2020-21 SAVE THE DATE

Nov 13-14 Encounter

Jan 8-10 College/Young Adult Retreat 2021

Jan 15-17 PK Retreat 2021

Jan 23 District NYI Council Mtg. 2021

Feb 12-14 Field PK Retreat 2021

March 12-13 Empower 2021

April 22-24 MAX@MNU 2021

June 14-18 Camp 2021, Week 1

June 18-22 Camp 2021, Week 2

June 22-26 Camp 2021, Week 3

June 23-25 Global NYI Convention 2021

Fred says, "It's not too late to sign up for camp!"

Register at camptablerock.com/joplin."

CHURCH OF  THE NAZARENE



District Revival

with Rev. Corey Jones

7 PM EACH EVENING

SEPTEMBER 15- NIXA

SEPTEMBER 16- NEOSHO

SEPTEMBER 17- INDEPENDENCE

SEPTEMBER 18- WHEATLAND



**CHURCH
BOARD
SECRETARY
AND
TREASURER
TRAINING**

**SEPTEMBER 19
DISTRICT OFFICE
9:00-1:00 PM
LUNCH INCLUDED**

**THE MOST EFFECTIVE FORM OF
EVANGELISM IS CHURCH PLANTING**

Dynamic Church Planting International

DCPI Trainings:
September 25-26, 2020
January 12-14, 2021

Location- Joplin District Office
2014 Grand Ave
Carthage, MO 64836

To Register- Call or Email District Office
417-358-9624
joplindistrictnaz@gmail.com

OCTOBER 5-7

BRANSON, MO

PRIME TIME RETREAT

**Contact: Pastor Brian Letsinger
for more information
brian@marshfieldnazarene.org**





SPEAKER: REV. KEVIN JACK

TEAM DAYS

October 8 or 10

*Join us for a cup of coffee and
a time of encouragement and
training (lunch included).*

Together Everyone Accomplishes More

We are Better Together!

Location: Carthage Nazarene

Time: 9:00-2:00 pm



SUNDAY SCHOOL
Make the Connection

Sunday School and Discipleship Ministries, Int'l

Chairman: Rev. Dustin Ledford
2000 Grand Ave, Carthage, MO 64836



Joplin District Worship and SDMI Report as of February 2020

Church Name	SS AVG	SS YTD	MW AVG	MW YTD	RL
Anderson IronWorks	29	33	30	37	63
Ava Cold Creek Cowboy	0	0	351	316	600
Ava Highway	70	79	127	148	405
Baxter Springs	10	12	15	17	41
Bolivar	100	95	96	104	77
Bradleyville	27	27	33	31	60
Branson Citizens	20	21	39	37	65
Branson First	44	48	58	69	111
Buffalo	20	15	22	18	46
Butler	28	28	85	67	239
Camdenton New Life	97	99	133	139	200
Caney	52	44	34	26	107
Carl Junction	6	5	9	7	16
Carthage	273	255	520	515	920
Cassville	24	16	28	19	49
Chanute	30	39	100	114	250
Cherryvale	14	14	21	21	25
Clinton	16	17	40	34	53
Coffeyville Central	16	16	33	24	65
Coffeyville First	71	71	119	121	322
Deepwater Crossroads	36	33	52	50	121
Dogwood	55	63	123	155	383
El Dorado Springs	68	68	111	111	172
Elk City	15	14	44	45	83
Erie	22	21	22	23	56
Fordland Faith Journey	41	41	61	61	139
Fordland Union Chapel	11	12	15	20	50
Forsyth Trinity	8	11	24	25	30
Fort Scott	105	103	340	333	400
Galena Parkhill	22	23	50	50	101
Garnett	109	111	173	191	213
Girard Living Faith	56	54	203	213	334
Goodhope	32	37	37	35	100
Goodman Banner	174	178	171	171	520
Hartville Solid Rock Cowboy	0	0	30	28	20
Houston New Horizon	13	20	22	29	81
Independence	253	237	385	338	550

Church Name	SS AVG	SS YTD	MW AVG	MW YTD	RL
Iola	26	26	29	33	38
Joplin Calvary	88	65	94	100	180
Joplin First	24	25	34	31	55
Joplin Good News	0	0	112	89	95
Joplin Traders	7	9	11	13	50
Lamar Living Hope	26	26	27	28	34
Lebanon Freedom	16	18	22	28	74
Mansfield	25	41	31	35	77
Marionville	21	17	41	35	69
Marshfield	127	121	211	214	555
McCune	10	11	17	17	65
Monett	5	15	39	31	285
Monett Fuente De Agua Viva	38	33	90	85	60
Mount Vernon	22	22	25	26	29
Mountain Grove Faith Community	45	41	66	63	78
Neodesha	43	43	59	68	97
Neosho	67	60	136	127	235
Neosho Casa Jaziel	69	54	59	97	436
Nevada	36	37	57	59	145
Nixa	80	72	96	98	143
Nixa Organic	24	22	30	31	37
Noel	0	13	16	16	14
Norwood Countryside	24	25	34	39	110
Osceola	9	13	13	16	36
Ozark	35	38	44	43	50
Parsons	272	224	178	216	550
Pittsburg	176	193	612	592	760
Pleasanton	16	38	42	29	135
Powell Twin Springs	21	27	30	36	40
Reeds Spring New Hope	0	0	10	12	46
Republic	17	18	27	29	42
Rogersville Harvest Community	26	27	48	46	160
Sarcoxie New Beginnings	13	13	31	31	78
Seymour	261	242	322	325	705
Springfield The Well	518	440	771	754	1000
Springfield Dayspring	8	12	12	22	30
Springfield Grace	25	21	42	33	97
Springfield One Life	96	124	195	202	305
Springfield Scenic	0	1	26	18	64
Strafford	25	27	29	35	46
Warsaw	19	16	33	33	97
Webb City	97	110	119	162	352
Wheatland	13	15	24	22	49
Total	4437	4355	7700	7761	14690

Allocations Report as of May 19, 2020

Church	WEF	P&B	MNU	District
Anderson Iron Works	2,100.50	1,124.95	1,124.95	2,624.49
Ava Cold Creek Cowboy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ava Highway	12,764.00	4,677.32	5,069.05	12,390.90
Baxter Springs	5,648.00	679.53	789.56	1,929.88
Bolivar First	3,151.00	1,725.24	1,791.17	4,378.44
Bradleyville	0.00	694.49	621.57	1,519.29
Branson	10,610.99	4,227.39	4,175.09	10,205.72
Branson Citizens	621.30	268.15	488.15	923.62
Buffalo	658.95	218.17	218.17	533.24
Butler	6,510.38	2,078.23	2,078.23	6,055.73
Camdenton New Life	12,372.61	4,428.21	4,783.13	11,692.11
Caney	1,709.71	478.01	702.37	1,716.93
Carl Junction	215.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Carthage First	37,700.68	13,245.77	13,245.77	32,378.53
Cassville	1,019.09	362.21	362.21	885.39
Chanute	7,352.89	2,105.69	2,385.63	5,831.57
Cherryvale	599.70	582.30	582.30	1,423.40
Clinton	855.00	128.26	162.01	395.98
Coffeyville Central	1,780.87	1,231.82	487.94	2,037.38
Coffeyville First	5,355.00	1,803.38	2,039.63	4,985.74
Deepwater Crossroads	1,000.00	200.00	100.00	210.00
Dogwood	1,560.23	437.31	301.14	736.10
El Dorado Springs	1,720.34	368.99	113.69	277.92
Elk City	1,008.40	202.50	202.50	495.00
Erie	1,406.00	579.00	517.00	1,537.00
Fordland Faith Journey	2,120.18	819.64	819.64	2,003.55
Fordland Union Chapel	657.35	366.05	366.05	894.78
Forsyth Trinity	3,174.54	1,223.16	1,283.55	3,137.58
Fort Scott	15,869.72	6,634.66	6,791.39	17,052.89
Galena Parkhill	5,271.00	2,106.80	1,889.94	4,619.77
Garnett	14,742.00	7,481.21	7,481.21	18,830.41
Girard Living Faith	8,736.98	2,837.52	3,135.53	7,664.61
Goodhope	2,011.58	822.92	751.06	2,083.43
Goodman Banner	14,968.33	4,880.50	3,672.88	11,759.55
Hartville Solid Rock Cowboy	1,329.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
Houston New Horizon	1,307.17	760.89	415.34	1,015.29
Independence	26,615.26	10,896.62	10,111.70	26,579.51

Church	WEF	P&B	MNU	District
Iola	2,029.44	832.58	727.46	2,287.43
Joplin Calvary	6,220.47	2,544.77	2,544.77	6,220.52
Joplin First	1,254.24	1,056.38	966.37	3,046.04
Joplin Traders	1,454.69	661.22	0.00	0.00
Lamar Living Hope	3,054.11	782.14	830.20	2,029.33
Lebanon Freedom	6,374.69	1,840.36	1,971.83	4,819.99
Mansfield	3,705.43	1,919.68	1,329.67	3,250.34
Marionville	2,554.46	836.15	914.45	2,235.21
Marshfield	23,981.85	7,654.51	6,968.58	22,503.83
McCune	1,704.44	626.89	631.34	1,543.29
Monett	2,741.67	1,138.69	1,138.69	2,783.13
Monett Fuente de Agua Viva	2,267.85	800.11	800.11	1,955.79
Mount Vernon	2,947.90	1,042.55	1,126.54	2,753.74
Mountain Grove Faith Community	6,636.73	1,767.75	1,989.83	4,863.70
Neodesha	5,944.95	2,346.69	0.00	5,736.36
Neosho	9,279.76	4,276.41	4,605.34	11,257.49
Neosho Casa Jaziel	0.00	0.00	129.00	233.00
Nevada	3,010.00	1,410.76	1,491.09	3,644.82
Nixa	13,743.30	5,444.07	5,444.07	13,307.73
Nixa Organic	3,735.93	1,388.35	1,388.35	3,662.89
Noel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Norwood Countryside	1,924.45	767.05	619.63	1,514.67
Osceola	1,010.66	388.60	468.33	1,144.87
Ozark First	3,418.00	1,268.10	1,199.25	3,355.00
Parsons	2,221.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pittsburg	33,791.89	12,159.53	13,823.94	33,791.75
Pleasanton	3,821.86	1,537.32	1,537.32	3,757.83
Powell Twin Springs	1,701.08	557.81	599.63	1,465.79
Reeds Spring Community	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Republic First	677.82	106.57	106.57	260.49
Rogersville Harvest Community	1,375.00	337.50	337.50	825.00
Sarcoxie New Beginnings	6,190.00	1,240.69	1,228.99	3,004.02
Seymour	20,909.05	7,635.44	7,635.44	18,664.42
Springfield Dayspring	415.39	169.93	169.93	415.39
Springfield Grace	5,327.00	2,228.33	2,368.33	5,306.91
Springfield One Life	19,785.77	7,063.18	7,920.92	19,362.21
Springfield Scenic	1,100.00	225.00	225.00	1,100.00
Springfield The Well	27,337.71	11,183.61	11,183.61	33,310.59
Strafford	4,035.84	1,703.64	1,651.07	5,534.95
Warsaw	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Webb City	10,436.69	3,844.75	4,119.73	10,138.51
Wheatland	2,826.00	1,296.00	1,146.00	2,801.00
Total(Organized):	465,501.56	172,760.00	170,398.43	444,693.76