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**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

**ARE YOU READY FOR CHRISTMAS?**

Are you ready for Christmas? You probably think this is a crazy question, this is only November 30th. There are 25 days left, who could possibly be ready?

There are cards to send, presents to buy, a house to decorate, a tree to put up. I'm not talking about things to do, but our attitudes. What is your attitude towards Christmas?

If we hustle and hurry through the Christmas season to the extent that we are glad to get it over with we've missed the heart of this joyous season.

Slow down, it's a time of happiness, fellowship and rededication to the things that make life worth living.

Be glad Jesus came.

We do not have to find God,  
He has found us.

God has invaded human life  
And our world will never be the same.

The good news of Christmas  
is Immanuel - "God is with us."

He has come to dwell within  
our souls, our homes, our church.

Enjoy this special season.

**ATTENDANCE STATS**

Please call in your average attendance stats by Tuesday, December 1. November has five Sundays which needs to be considered when arriving at your average attendance for November. Thank you.

**GLADWIN**

Gladwin Church of the Nazarene has the following items available:

- 15 copies of Worship in Song (brown) - good shape (will bring to Christmas Party)
- 2-3 dozen plastic molded jr. size stackable chairs

They need the following items:

- Blue Master Chorus Books
- 1-2 small speakers, each with individual adjustable volume control
- 2 small, matched, mountable speakers for back of Sanctuary
- Gently used video projector

**HOLINESS SUMMIT**  
March 14-15, 2010  
Saginaw Valley Church of the Nazarene  
989-754-2000

The Summit will include Eastern Michigan District, Michigan District, and Northern Michigan District. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday. There will be three services on Monday: two in the A.M. and one service in the P.M. closing the summit. The keynote speakers will be Dan Bohi, Mark Quanstrom, Brett Rickey, Susie Shellenberger, and the worship leader will be John Mathias.

**TEAM DAY**  
February 20, 2010

The Sunday School and Discipleship Ministries International Board has asked that the pastors be reminded to mark your calendars for TEAM Day on Saturday, February 20, 2010. The SDM Board is planning to offer a scholarship to every district church to pay the registration fee for their Sunday School Superintendent or their representative.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

December 5, 2009 - Pastors Christmas Gathering at Clare Church of the Nazarene. Mailings will be sent to you to make reservations, and to indicate if your church would like to be a Buddy Church for Christmas this year.

February 20, 2010 - TEAM Day at Perry High School in Perry, Michigan

March 14-15, 2010 - Holiness Summit at Saginaw Valley Church of the Nazarene.

May 17-21, 2010 - PALCON

June 1-2, 2010 - District Assembly at Alanson

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S SCHEDULE**

December 5	Christmas Party - Clare
December 6	Glen Lake
December 13	Clare
December 20	Reed City

Look forward to seeing you at the Christmas gathering!

Wayne H. Brown

**PULPIT SUPPLY PASTORS**

For your convenience, included with this newsletter is a list of pastors that are available for pulpit supply.

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