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Northern Lights Newsletter

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Greetings in the name of Jesus, Name above all names! This month as we celebrate the blessings of our liberty let us remember and champion this blessed truth: *Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people (Prov.* 14:34). As Christians we know that liberty is an exalting blessing from heaven. (...where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty (2 Cor. 3:17).) It is also a very precious and fragile gift. It will not remain upon a people set to do evil.

I love this operational description of freedom: *Freedom is not the sanction to do what we please, it is the opportunity to do what we should.* Doing right is the surest way to "secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity." (*From the preamble to the US Constitution.*)

The timeless words from President Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address (November 19, 1863) have good instruction for us today: ...[I]n a larger sense, we can not dedicate – we can not consecrate – we can not hallow – this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. ... It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us – that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion – that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain...

May God strengthen us to the holy task of promoting the gospel of Christ. For it is the power of God unto salvation to every person who believes! 2 Chronicles 16:9 - The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong in the behalf of those whose heart is perfect toward Him...

Blessings in Christ! Dan Gilmore



Children/Family Fun Events Aug. 4-9, 2019

4th Sunday Evening* - S'mores around the campfire

5th Monday Afternoon 1:00-3:00 pm - Carnival

- 6th Tuesday Evening* Underground Church 7th Wednesday Afternoon 1:00-3:00 pm - Water Fun

8th Thursday Evening* - Movie Night

9th Friday Afternoon 2:00-3:00pm - Field Day *All evening events will take place after the evening service

Teen Activities, Aug 4-9, 2019

NMD

Date Times	Breakfast 8:00 AM	Service 10:00 AM	Lunch 12:00 PM	Afternoon Activity 1:00 PM	Dinner 5:00 PM	Service 7:00 PM	Evening Activity 8:30 PM
Monday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Boat Wars	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Relay Races
Tuesday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Old School	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Night Swim
Wednesday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Service Project	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Min. to Win it
Thursday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Kayaking Trip	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Movie Night
Friday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Open Swim	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	GO HOME

Activities Director - Brandon Reddick

Speaker - Rev. Joe Lee Band - ONU Boy Counselors Girl Counselors registration will begin Sunday at 4pm

NYI President - Pastor Jeremy Gomez

Family Camp

Children's Camp For ages 8-12

Genesis 1:1

Manton Christian Camp

Early registration cost before June 25 - \$140. After June 25, registration cost will be \$175. Registration at 12:00 p.m. on Monday at the campground.

Talent Show at 11:00 a.m. on Friday Check Out at 12:00 p.m. on Friday Ask your pastor for an application form or download one at our website at

www.nmdnaz.org/summercamp.html

If you are able to help or if you know of potential helpers/counselors, please contact Pastor Brandon Metzger at bmetzgeronu@gmail.com. Thank you.

Teen Camp during Family Camp Week

August 4th – 9th

IDENTITY / BELONGING / PURPOSE

Join teens from around the district for an awesome packed camp filled with activities such as kayaking, water boat wars, amazing worship and much more!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 28TH 2019 FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT NMDNYI.COM MORE INFO EMAIL PASTOR JEREMY REVJGOMEZ@ICLOUD.COM









\$130 includes lodging, meals for the week, activities and kayaking trip!



July 8-14	Nazarene Youth Conference 2019 – Phoenix, AZ
July 29-Aug 2	Kid's Camp – Manton Christian Camp, Manton, MI
August 4-9	Family Camp – Manton Christian Camp, Manton, MI
Sept. 5-7	ONU Theological Conference
Sept. 20-21	District Men's Retreat – Lost Valley Bible Camp
Oct. 5	Leadership Training Day – Cherry Grove
Oct. 11-12	District Women's Retreat – Evergreen Resort – Cadillac, MI
Oct. 23-27	ONU Homecoming
Nov. 1-3	Pastors and Spouses Retreat – Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn
Dec.7	District Ministry Team Christmas Gathering – Cherry Grove

District events, news, and prayer requests are updated regularly on the district website: <u>www.nmdnaz.org</u>

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