

Northern Lights Newsletter

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Joy of Heaven, to Earth, Come Down

Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us (Matthew 1:23).

During the Advent season as we look forward to Christmas it is good to focus our attention on the “Amazing Love” of God in becoming our Kinsman Redeemer. Emmanuel, God incarnate, God with us, is at the core of the great Gospel we are blessed to declare. He, the God of eternity, entered the human race to ransom His beloved and fallen creation. The Apostle John expresses this fearful and holy theme by these precious words: **The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth (John 1:14).**

Speaking of the finished work of our Kinsman Redeemer, Charles Wesley declared, “Amazing love, how can it be that Thou, My God, shouldst die for me!” I cannot think of any more eloquent or profound sentence to express the amazing Love of our Savior God.

May we, in the busyness of this season, never lose sight of this Amazing Love!

Merry Christmas!

Dan Gilmore
District Superintendent



NMD NYI
Winter Retreat
FEB. 21-23, 2020

<i>Where</i>	<i>When</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Center Lake Bible Camp	February 21-23	\$110

<https://www.nmdnyi.com/winter-white-out.html> is the direct link to forms and information.

Middle School and High School students will be gathering at Center Lake Bible Camp in Tustin on February 21-23, 2020 for Northern Michigan's NYI Winter Retreat! This is not just another event in the middle of Michigan's Winter, but a spiritual renewal for youth who are longing for God in a broken world. More than one student has said, "Out of all the events we do, this is the one that I feel closest to God." What parent doesn't want to hear that from their child! If your church hasn't participated before, here is a quick rundown of what to expect. Friday groups arrive between 6-8pm for check-in. We then have our "official" opening at 8pm with a crazy game followed by worship. Over the 3 days teens will participate in winter activities (night sledding, cross country skiing, etc.), the rec room, powerful worship, and wild group games. Most importantly this will be a time to meet God and strengthen bonds with other teens. Event concludes following lunch on Sunday. Please promote this event with your students and if there is someone in your group who has been before, have them share their experience. To register simply fill out "The Roster" and send a check covering the group's deposit (\$25 a person) by Feb. 2nd with Medical / Release forms. When the group arrives February 21st you can bring a check with the balance. Forms can be mailed to Rev. Jeremy Gomez at 10160 S. Grant Ave., Clare, MI 48617. If you have any questions you can call 989-386-3381. You can also go to nmdnyi.com and click on Winter White Out for additional forms. Looking forward to our time together.



Rev. Jeremy Gomez is the Discipleship Pastor at Clare Church of the Nazarene and the Northern Michigan District NYI President.



Dec.7	District Ministry Team Christmas Gathering – Cherry Grove COTN
<u>2020</u>	
Jan 25	District Board of Ministry – Traverse City COTN
Feb 20	District Advisory Board (Nominating & Finance Committees) Traverse City COTN
Feb 21-23	NYI Winter White Out – Center Lake Bible Camp, Tustin, MI
March 7	District Celebrate Life – Beaverton COTN
April 16	Camp Board Meeting
April 24-25	District Assembly – Cadillac Cherry Grove COTN
May 7	ONU Baccalaureate
May 8	ONU Commencement
May 14-16	Regional Celebrate Life – ONU
July 27-31	Children’s Camp – Manton Christian Camp
Aug 2-7	Family/Teen Camp – Manton Christian Camp

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

“The very purpose of Christ’s coming into the world is that He might offer up His life as a sacrifice for the sins of men. He came to die. This is the heart of Christmas.”
-Rev. Billy Graham