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Northern Michigan District Church of the Nazarene



I WAS GLAD TO WORSHIP TOGETHER!

by Dan Gilmore

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord (Ps 122:1), well describes my thoughts about our district assembly last weekend. Gladness fills my heart as I reflect on the joyous time we had together as a district family. My soul rejoiced as we sang together, heard the Word of the Lord together, and enjoyed the testimonies of God's faithfulness together. Every part of our assembly was precious from the opening song service of the Friday Ordination Service to the closing prayer at noon on Saturday, and the fellowship we enjoyed before during, and after. Thank you to our pastors, delegates, and visitors for being a vital part of this district family worship event!

I look forward to our district conventions on Saturday, May 15. My expectation is that we will again be blessed together in Christ Jesus. We hope to have a few other district gatherings throughout the summer and fall and I encourage you to make them a priority, for we are indeed Better Together!

As we continue in ministry across the district, let's be faithful in our love, prayers, and ministry to one another. By this we give great Gospel witness to all men, for our Lord has said, **By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one to another** (Jn 13:35). God bless and keep you all!

...Let us consider one another to encourage unto love and to good works:

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together... but exhorting one another, and all the more, as you see the day approaching (Hebrews 10:24-25).

District Assembly 2021



Celebrating our Ordinands
Rev. Rena (Kevin) Barret and
Rev. Josh (Stefanie) LaRoque



Dr. John Bowling
President - Olivet
Nazarene University



Dr. David Graves
General Superintendent



Honoring our retirees
Rev. Les (Linda) Barkman
and Rev. Mark (Brenda) Hoult

DISTRICT NMI CONVENTION

and SDMI and NYI Mini Conventions

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021 - 9:00AM

Clare Church of the Nazarene



JM McGinnis
NextGen Pastor
Harvest Community Church



Jay and Teanna Sunberg
Field Strategy
CoordinatorTeam
for Central Europe

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**THE
JOURNEY**
AUGUST 13 & 14

For more information and updates throughout the summer,
follow Global NYI on their social media accounts.

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In partnership with global youth and youth leaders, Nazarene Youth International is hosting The Journey event August 13-14. This will be a free, multifaceted inspirational event geared towards youth and young adults with after-parties to connect face-to-face with NYI from around the world. "Nazarene Youth International is passionate about calling our generation to a dynamic life in Christ," said NYI Director David González. "To empower youth in the work they are already doing as valuable members of the Body of Christ, we want to cast a vision of youth as disciples who make disciples."



A JOURNEY OF GRACE

Discipleship is a journey of grace with Jesus as our guide and companion.

Christian discipleship helps believers grow in the Lord Jesus Christ as they are equipped by His Holy Spirit, who resides within them, to overcome the pressures and trials of this present life and become more and more Christlike.

Join the journey today



The latest issue of NCM Magazine is now online! We are excited to share stories of Nazarene churches who are serving with Christ's compassion around the world.

[See how churches are spreading hope.](#)

"We fear men so much,
because we fear God so little."
- William Gurnall

U p c o m i n g E v e n t s

2021

May 8 - ONU Commencement

May 15 - NMI Convention, SDMI & NYI Mini Conventions

July 16-17 - Men's Ministry Promise Keepers Simulcast

Oct. 7 - Prime Time & Grandparents Day @ ONU

October 8-9 - District Women's Retreat - Lakeside Resort in Houghton Lake

October 22-24 - Homecoming @ ONU

Dec. 11 - Pastor's Family Christmas Gathering - West Bay Beach Resort, Traverse City

Note: COVID restrictions may change some of these events.

2023

June 9-16 - General Assembly - Indianapolis, Indiana

July 5-9 - Nazarene Youth Conference (NYC) - Tampa Bay, Florida