



NW District May News en español



MESSAGE FROM THE DS

Did you experience the power at District Assembly this year? It wasn't in the worship, or the speakers, or even the reports. The power at Assembly was the Holy Spirit at work in our relationships with each other. The bonds between us as church leaders strengthen our work and our souls. God made us for relationships. The Bible and our theology point us to the power of relationships.

The world is trying to get us alone, isolated, and lonely. This is true for all humans, and church leaders are not immune to this dark reality. When we are alone we are easily defeated. God leads us into vital relationships in order to help us thrive. I could see the blessing of relationships all over our gathering this year. Thank you God, for empowering our connection with each other.

A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken. -Ecclesiastes 4:12 NLT

Check out some of the pictures from District Assembly 2024 [HERE](#).

Grace & Peace,

David Mowry, District Superintendent



BLESSING OUR COMMUNITY

Encouraging, Equipping, Engaging and Empowering churches to Impact their Communities in a Holy and Positive Way

The Blessing Our Community website [here](#) is the place to find all available resources, links and everything pertaining to Blessing Our Community. You will find:

- Helpful Videos
- Journals
- Sermon Helps
- Prayer Walk Tips
- Children and Family Resources
- Logo Packs
- Powerpoint Templates

Read more [here](#).

TEEN SUMMER CAMP

July 22-26, 2024

Location: Riverview Bible Camp

Speaker: Rev. Billy Buisman

Worship Team: NNU Collective



All incoming 7th through graduating 12th graders are invited to summer camp.
 Early Bird Registration: \$260 BY MAY 31
 Standard Registration: \$270 AFTER MAY 31
 REGISTRATION CLOSE JULY 14
 Questions: If you have questions that are not answered here, please check with your local youth worker for more information.
 Register [here](#).
[Packing List](#): review thoroughly before Camp



KIDS' ADVENTURE CAMP

July 29-Aug. 2, 2024

Location: Riverview Bible Camp

All entering 3rd grade through entering 5th grade will be in Kids Camp. All entering 6th grade through entering 7th grade will be in Tween Camp. Check out the fun [here](#).

Kids register [here](#)

Adult helper application is [here](#)



CHAPLAINCY MINISTRIES

This month's Chaplain Focus is Jim Beattie. (Me) I serve as a volunteer fire, EMS and law enforcement chaplain for Glead Fire & Rescue / Yakima County Fire District #6, neighboring Naches Fire & Rescue and on call across Yakima County.

This month I'll answer these questions about my role as a chaplain:

- How did you become involved in chaplaincy?
- What are some of the best things about being a chaplain?
- What are some of the hardest things about being a chaplain?
- How can we pray for you as a chaplain?

Thank you for continuing to pray for and support our NW District Chaplains.

Read more about Pastor Jim [here](#).

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NW District NYI

nazarene youth international

THE GREAT
 NORTHWEST FIELD
 YOUTH CONFERENCE



campus of Northwest Nazarene University all to ourselves!

Register [here](#).

MAY 24-27 @ NNU

SPEAKER: Carly Bartlett

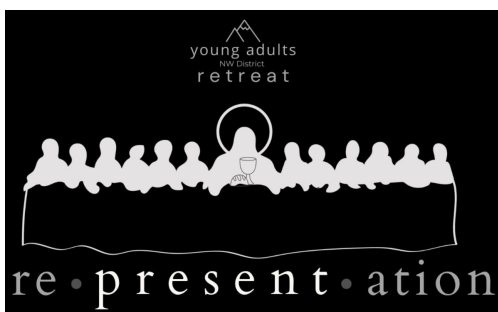
Hosted on the campus of Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, ID, the GREAT will be a gathering of students from across the Northwest Field engaging in worship, fellowship and discipleship as we all join together as one Church to pursue Jesus together! This youth conference for our entire Northwest Field will be a mini-NYC, but with our own Great Northwest feel. Inspiring speakers, deep worship experiences and awesome fun are the cornerstones of the weekend. We also will have the



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Greetings from your District NYI Young Adults Team (April Manning, Sarah Broux and Paige Derosssett)! We recently met to plan the year ahead, and we have some great things in the works to connect our young adults together for community, worship, fellowship and discipleship. We always want to know how we can best serve our local churches, so please take our brief survey to help us do that. [CLICK FOR SURVEY](#) One thing we want to focus on this year is helping resource our local churches... Read more [here](#).

If you have any questions or want to connect with us more, feel free to reach out at nwdistrictya@gmail.com.



YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

May 17-19, 2024 @ Tall Timber Ranch

Cost: \$115

We're excited to gather with young adults from across the district for our third annual young adult retreat. Our theme this year is **re[pre]sent[ation]** based on Acts 2: 44-47. Rev. Tim Hahn (Associate Professor of Theology at NNU) and Israel Villalobos (West Valley Church) will be speaking and leading us in worship. Registration open through May 13 at nwnyi.com/youngadults.



YOUNG ADULT/ YOUNG CLERGY MEET-UP

Rev. Lesley Hansher and Rev. April Manning did a combined Young Adult/Young Clergy coffee meet-up during District Assembly at Traveler Espresso in Kennewick. It was a great time of connecting with our young adults and young clergy and making connections between the two groups with lots of overlap.



NTS PRAXIS: BRIDGING THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY

[NTS Praxis](#), as the lifelong learning arm of [Nazarene Theological Seminary](#), exists to equip faithful ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through continued

formation, encouragement, and education in the Wesleyan theological tradition.

Church & Finance Webinar: Thursday evenings, May 2-30

- May 2nd: Financial Integrity & Accountability in the Church
- May 9th: Gifts & Income
- May 16th: Expenses & Accounts Payable
- May 23rd: Budgeting & Reporting
- May 30th: Risk Management

\$25 registration grants access to all sessions. Find more information and registration [here](#).

2024 Hugh C. Benner Preachers' Conference: September 24-25

The First Preachers; Preaching the Power of the Resurrection

This dynamic preachers' conference is centered around the transformative power of Jesus Christ's resurrection, focusing on the significance of Christ's resurrection and its implications for preaching within the framework of God's plan to renew and restore creation. This event can be attended in person or virtually. More information and resources are available [here](#).



NORTHWEST DISTRICT WOMEN'S RETREAT

May 17-19, 2024

Join your sisters from the Northwest District at Ross Point Camp in Post Falls, Idaho, for a time of rest, renewal, making new friends, strengthening relationships, and growing spiritually. Retreat poster is available [here](#). Retreat information is available [here](#). Retreat flyers are available [here](#). Registration opens March 15 [here](#).



NORTHWEST DISTRICT ADULT SPRING RETREAT

May 24-27, 2024

Speaker: Rev. Jim Clifton

All adults are welcome to this weekend of fellowship, inspiration and fun at Ross Point Camp in Post Falls, Idaho.

A retreat poster is available [here](#).

A registration form is available [here](#).

Online registration is available [here](#).



EXPONENTIAL CONFERENCE

October 22-24, 2024

Castro Valley, California

This [conference](#) aims to equip and inspire church leaders to multiply healthy faith communities. Thanks to a generous donor to the Pastor Support Fund, NW District pastors can receive a \$500 scholarship to help with expenses to this conference. Please email [the district office](#) if you wish to receive the scholarship.

\$50 off registration is being offered by the Nazarene Association of Church Planters (NACP). NACP is also hosting a dinner at the Exponential Conference.

Registration and more information can be found [here](#).



NAZARENE MOTORCYCLE FELLOWSHIP

Equipping Nazarene Motorcycle Ministries

Find resources [here](#) to start a Motorcycle Ministry, organize for success, and run events to connect people to Christ through a shared love of life on two (and sometimes three) wheels.

NDI LEADERSHIP



CONFERENCE

November 5-7, 2024, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI) is hosting the bi-annual Leadership Conference on discipleship (LC2024) in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The theme this year is "Journey to the Core" and we will be emphasizing our 5 Core Principles: Fervent Prayer, Compassionate Outreach, Comprehensive Biblical Learning, Intentional

Mentoring and Equipping and Authentic Relationships. This will be a tremendous opportunity to focus on the discipleship mission of the church, be encouraged and inspired, receive training and resources, and make connections. See the promotional video [here](#). Find more information and registration [here](#).



PASTOR SUPPORT PROJECT 2024

Financial support is available for district ministers, including paying for counseling for ministers or an immediate family member and funds for debt reduction or retirement savings.

Visit nwdistrict.org/Resources/Pastor-Support for more information.



GOING, GOING, ALMOST GONE!

The COMPASS Initiative grants are quickly being distributed! There are fewer than 70 grants to give away! If you've not applied yet for the COMPASS Journey or the COMPASS Quest programs, now is the time! EVERY USA & Canada District Licensed or Ordained Pastor serving in a local congregation can apply. The online application process takes less than 20 minutes to complete and then you can be one step closer to receiving the grant! Don't Delay-Apply Today!

[COMPASS Journey](#) = up to \$10,000

[COMPASS Quest](#) = up to \$2,000

Total = up to \$12,000 to be used to pay off debt and/or invest in retirement savings!

For more information go to: [The COMPASS Initiative](#)



NW DISTRICT PRAYER TEAM

Prayer team members receive weekly emails listing prayer requests for the district. Only people who sign up are added to this email list.

If you are interested in joining the NW District Prayer Team, please email office@nwdistrict.org.



MINISTERIAL COACHING INITIATIVE

A Partnership with Point Loma

Nazarene University

In 2020, the PLNU Center for Pastoral Leadership received a grant for \$1,000,000 from the Lilly Foundation to be used specifically to support the following groups of pastors:

1. Pastors who pastor small churches
2. Pastors who plant churches
3. Pastors who pastor congregations serving communities of color

These pastors are invited to participate in a coaching partnership with PLNU in the following specific ways:

1. Eight months of monthly one-on-one professional coaching (60 minutes for each session)
2. Eight months (twice each month) of professional group coaching along with 5-10 other pastors in a similar role as you (90 minutes for each session)
3. One 3-day training event at PLNU focused on the ministry challenges relevant to the cohort groups as identified by the coaches. These will be conducted by content experts in the areas identified.

The cost of the coaching partnership is \$500.00 for Ordained and District-Licensed Ministers. The Northwest District will pay \$450.00 of that fee.

More information about the coaching initiative is [here](#).

If you would like to be considered for coaching, please email the District Office at office@nwdistrict.org.

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