



Southwestern Ohio District News

April 24, 2026

DISTRICT COMMUNICATION



CONGRATULATIONS DAYTON FIRST CHURCH AND PASTOR DANIEL TRIMBACH!

Pastor Daniel and Mary, with daughter Rosie, were installed on Sunday as the new pastor and family of Dayton First Church. The Trimbach's have been Pastor of Worship and Young Adults at Springfield High Street Church. We are excited to welcome Pastor Daniel and family to SWO!!! Pastor John Stone has led Dayton First with excellence and growth. The Stone's are returning to Countryside in Lebanon to be Head of School and Pastor of Worship.

ANNUAL PASTORS' REPORTS ARE DUE JUNE 5TH!

Each year we struggle to get these reports. MANUAL 504.1 states that all pastors are expected to report on behalf of their church. This is part of the commitment to be a pastor in the Church of the Nazarene. If a pastor does not submit their report on time, we will communicate with the local church board to address the problem. PLEASE...get your reports in on time!

CREDENTIALS RETREAT IS TAKING PLACE TODAY AND TOMORROW AT HIGHER GROUND.

Please pray for those pursuing ordination and the pastors who are meeting with them. This is a very important time! The future of the church is directly affected by the quality of our pastors.

PRAYER PROMPTS:

- Please pray for Pastor Bob Highley who needed to be hospitalized. He is not able to have visitors but prayers are vital!
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Mark Stevens (Target Dayton) as he battles cancer. We are trusting for his healing!
- Pray for Charlene (spouse of Pastor Paul Crisp at Blanchester) who has been admitted to Bethesda North Hospital for testing.

NO NEWSLETTER NEXT WEEK:

Due to a well-deserved vacation for Office Administrator Rhonda Brown, we will not have weekly newsletter on Friday.

RETIRED PASTOR'S & SPOUSE LUNCH:

When: May 6, 2026

Where: West Chester Church of the Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

Time: 11:45 AM

Cost: \$5.00 per person towards your lunch

RSVP: **The District Office 513-777-5600 by May 1, 2026**

For More Information: Click on link [LUNCHEON](#)

*****IMPORTANT DATES*****

- **SWO NYI CONVENTION/SWO NIGHT OUT**

When: May 3, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

Where: West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

- **NMI CONVENTION:**

When: Saturday, July 11, 2026

Where: 9:00 AM, West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

- **NDI DISCIPLES GATHERING:**

When: Saturday, July 11, 2026

Where: 1:30 PM, West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

- **SWO ORDINATION SERVICE 2026:**

Ordination Service – Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 PM (West Chester Ohio, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069)

- **SWO DISTRICT ASSEMBLY 2026:**

District Assembly – Monday, July 13th at 9:00 AM (West Chester Ohio, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069)

- **CAMP MEETING 7/15 – 7/19/26:**

What: District Camp Meeting starting Wednesday, July 15 at 7:30 PM, Dr. David Busic will be speaking.

Where: Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center, 3820 Logan Creek Lane, West Harrison, IN 47060

When: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 – service begins at 7:30 PM (dinner available from 5:15 PM - 6:30 PM)

- **GENERAL ASSEMBLY & CONVENTIONS:**

When: June, 25 - July 2, 2027

Where: Kansas City, Missouri

DISTRICT CALENDAR – April/May:

04/24 - 04/25/26 – Credentials Retreat, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center

04/24/26 – **REPORT DUE:** Annual Reporting Forms (Non-Sr. Pastors)

04/24/26 – **REPORT DUE:** All Other Minister's Reports (For those not filing a Sr. Pastor's Report)

04/28/26 – District PrimeTime Council Meeting, 10:30 AM, District Office

May

05/03/26 – SWO Night Out, 6:00 PM, West Chester

05/06/26 – Retired Pastor's & Spouse Lunch, 11:45 AM, Hawks Hall, West Chester Nazarene [LUNCHEON](#)

05/08 & 05/09/26 – MVNU Graduation, Mount Vernon Nazarene University

05/10/26 – Happy Mother's Day!

05/11 – 05/13/26 – PrimeTime Retreat, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center [PRIMETIME RETREAT](#)

05/14 – 05/16/26 – East Central Field Quiz, Mount Vernon First

05/25/26 – Memorial Day, District Office Closed

05/31/26 – End of the Church Year



NDI QUICK LINKS:

NDI Facebook [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Hub Newsletter Signup [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Upcoming Events: [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Website [CLICK HERE](#)

SWO DISTRICT PRIMETIME RETREAT:

When: May 11-13, 2026, begins Monday with dinner at 5:00 PM

Where: Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center, 3820 Logan Creek Lane, West Harrison, IN 47060

Cost: \$225 per couple (double occupancy)

\$115 per person (double occupancy)

\$150 per person (single occupancy)

\$100 for Retired or Active Ministry Couples

One meal & service \$15 / Two meals & service \$25

RSVP: 812-637-3777

Music: Pastor John Stone

Speakers: Dr. J.K. Warrick, Revs. Paige Graves, Gary Morgan, Jared Horne, and Dr. Mark Lail

Questions?? Contact Rev. Gary Morgan at pastorg.journeynaz@gmail.com, Click on link [PRIMETIME RETREAT](#)

SWO KIDS CAMPS:

Rookie Camp - Completing grades 1st-3rd (2025-26 School Year)

When: June 21-23, 2026

Where: Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center, 3820 Logan Creek Lane, West Harrison, IN 47060

Cost: \$150 **by May 30** | \$170 **May 31-June 7**

Check In: 3:00-4:00 PM Sunday

Pickup: 3:00 PM Tuesday

Preteen Camp - Completing grades 4th-6th (2025/26 School Year)

When: June 24-27, 2026

Where: Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center, 3820 Logan Creek Lane, West Harrison, IN 47060

Cost: \$215 **by May 30** | \$225 **May 31-June 7**

Check In: 3:00-4:00 PM Wednesday

Pickup: 3:00 PM Saturday

Registration: Visit www.swokidscamp.com | **REGISTRATION CLOSES June 7th!**

Questions: Contact Bekah Clark at bclark@shelterchurch.tv

For More Information: Click on link: [KIDS CAMP](#)



UPCOMING WORK & WITNESS TRIPS:

--Appalachia Reach Out (ARO) Scioto County Ohio; August 1-7, 2026. Home/community restoration work. **Cost:** \$500

--Rest Stop Ministries, women's anti human trafficking center near Lebanon Tennessee; Oct. 4-10, 2026 primarily painting the inside of the residential home. Staying at an area Airbnb. **Cost:** \$650

--Jamaica hurricane restoration and evangelistic opportunities. January 26, 2027-February 6. **Cost:** \$2,550

For more information: Email Louie Reindel at reindellouis@gmail.com



NYI QUICK LINKS:

Calendar: [CLICK HERE](#)

Communication: [CLICK HERE](#)

Facebook Page: [CLICK HERE](#)

Instagram: [CLICK HERE](#)

Nazarene Youth Conference 2026 Facebook: [CLICK HERE](#)

Website: [CLICK HERE](#)

SWO NIGHT OUT/NYI CONVENTION:

What: Join us for a night of worship, hearing from the Word, and voting for next year's council and NYI Convention delegates. We'll also have food, games, and lots of fun throughout the night!

★ Dress up like a character from *High School Musical*! ★

You won't want to miss it!

When: May 3, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

Where: West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

For More Information: Contact Pastor Teresa Bowden at teresa@wcn.church

NEXT TEEN QUIZ MEET – 5/14-16, 2026:

Field Quiz, Mount Vernon First Nazarene, 807 Coshocton Avenue, Mt. Vernon, OH 43050

For More Information: Contact Greg Kindle at gkindle90@gmail.com.

MVNU FIELD BLAST:

When: June 3rd-6th at MVNU

Who: Those who qualified for BLAST while participating at Elevate?

Didn't come to ELEVATE, but want to still participate? There's a place for you! Come and defend our Championship FLAG!

Make plans to register for BLAST!

Cost: \$160 for students and \$120 for adults. **Please make checks payable to SWO NYI.** Unfortunately, no online payment option is available due to the nature of the FIELD BLAST Registration process.

For more information: Visit <http://www.mvnu.edu/BLAST> for medical release forms and BLAST Handbook access to rules.

Registration: (Opening soon!)

Questions? Email the Field BLAST Coordinator, Johnny Mohnasky, at john.mohnasky@mvnu.edu.

"OFFLINE" – SWO CAMP 2026:

When: June 15th-19th

Where: Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center

What: Make plans to join us for **SWO Camp**! This is an incredible week to leave the distractions of everyday life behind and connect with God in a powerful way.

Cost: Students – \$240 | Counselors – \$150 | **The price increases to \$265 on May 19th** and **registration closes June 8th**

We're excited to have Eastpointe leading worship again this year, and Antonio Marshall will be our camp speaker! More details to come soon!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! To register, please visit: www.swonyi.org

ALPHA YOUTH:

Finding creative ways to disciple students, develop their leadership skills, and equip them to confidently share their faith can be challenging. Our friends at Alpha Youth help youth leaders and students to grow in each of these areas. Through thoughtfully designed resources and experiences, Alpha Youth create welcoming spaces where young people can engage in real, open, and meaningful conversations about life, faith, and purpose. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more!

YiP (Youth In Prayer):

SWO YiP is a prayer initiative led by **SWO STUDENTS** to be praying for everything and anything! Be a part of a prayer movement by students your age to pray for the church, school, friends, family, ANYTHING! **Over 200 prayer warriors** have already signed up from our district! Visit our Instagram page <https://www.instagram.com/swonyiofficial/?igshid=MxRIODBiNWFIZA%3D%3D> and follow! You can sign up by filling out this [quick information form](#) and receive a sweet wristband!

Have a great weekend!

SWO District Office

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