



Southwestern Ohio District News

June 26, 2026

DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

KIDS' CAMPS CONCLUDE TODAY:

Rookie Camp finished on Tuesday and Pre-Teen Camp will be completed on Saturday. Thank you for all the leaders, workers and kids who made this a great week of camp! We know that the rewards of these camps are eternal and trust that our children are changed to be more like Jesus!

NAZARENE YOUTH CONGRESS:

On Sunday at 1:00 PM, one hundred twenty-five of our youth and workers will depart the West Chester parking lot for the airport and Salt Lake City, Utah. This event is life changing! Please pray for our kids and adults as they share with teens from all over the United States and Canada. Many will be impacted by Jesus, experience growth, and calling to a life of ministry! Youth camp was just a week ago and now a second major event will influence our teens. Please pray daily for this significant time!

THANK YOU!!!

Many of our pastors have completed their 250-word paragraph for the church handbook, only three have not finished this requirement. This is a mandated task of every lead pastor. Please pray that the remaining pastors will finish this requirement.

THANK YOU!!!

Last month our treasurer reported that we were behind in the giving of budgets for the 2025-26 church year. I am THRILLED to report that current income is over our projected budget projections, and we celebrate a great year of giving by our churches. THANK YOU!!! Southwestern Ohio is one of the very best districts in USA/Canada!

SPRINGDALE CHURCH ANNOUNCES THEIR NEW PASTOR:

After over a year of seeking and searching the Springdale Church has called Pastor Brian Powell to lead this great church. Pastor Brian felt the call to return to local church leadership and comes to us from being the District Superintendent of the Kentucky District. We will welcome Pastor Brian and Heather in late August or September. Congratulations for Pastor Daryl and Tracy Blank for giving thirteen years of WONDERFUL leadership to Springdale!!!

PRAYER PROMPTS:

--Two Churches continue to pray for their next pastor. Eaton and Victory are without pastors. Please pray for our Lord to encourage their leadership and provide the person that is best for their church.

--Please continue to pray for Pastor Mark and Cindi Stevens (Target Dayton) to experience complete healing.

--Please pray for Pastor Chris Bean (Springdale & Nazarene College Ministries Director) in his health challenge.

*****IMPORTANT NOTE FROM YOUR DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD*****

In just a few weeks the district family will be gathering at West Chester for our annual meetings...NMI (July 11), NDI (July 11), Ordination Service (July 12), and District Assembly (July 13). This year will be slightly different than normal for us in that we will be saying goodbye to our current district superintendent and friend, Bob Mahaffey, and will prayerfully be electing our future leader. As we have been planning for Bob's final district assembly with us, we want to celebrate him well. We will primarily accomplish this in two ways. Throughout the day on Monday, we will have brief presentations. At the end of the day there will be a reception held in his honor, much like we do at the conclusion of the Ordination Service each year. There will be finger foods, cake, and drinks available.

We hope many of you can join us for this day. We believe the reception will begin around 4:00 PM. If you wish, cards can be brought to the reception or mailed to **West Chester Church of the Nazarene**, 7951 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, OH 45069. Please write BOB on the back of the envelope.

Terry R. Blosser (513-260-2510)

SWO District Advisory Board Secretary

WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS!

Thank you to the many pastors and churches who have reported (many **IN FULL**) for our church year! Only 5 churches have yet to complete their online Annual Pastor's Report, and just a few more have some District forms yet to complete. You can do it, SW Ohio! --Dave Crofford, District Secretary

2026/27 DISTRICT ALLOCATION COUPONS:

District allocation coupons are now available at www.swonaz.org website under the "**Quick Resources**" section or click on link to download. [ALLOCATION COUPONS](#)

*****UPCOMING DATES*****

- **NMI CONVENTION:**

When: Saturday, July 11, 2026 @ 9:00 AM

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

- **NDI DISCIPLES GATHERING:**

When: Saturday, July 11, 2026 @ 1:00 PM

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

- **SWO ORDINATION SERVICE:**

Ordination Service – Sunday, July 12, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

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

- **SWO DISTRICT ASSEMBLY:**

When: Monday, July 13, 2026 @ 9:00 AM

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

- **CAMP MEETING:**

When: Starting Wednesday, July 15, 2026 @ 7:30 PM, Dr. David Busic will be speaking.

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

- **GENERAL ASSEMBLY & CONVENTIONS:**

When: June 25 - July 2, 2027

Where: Kansas City, Missouri

DISTRICT CALENDAR – June/July:

06/28 – 7/06/26 – NYC 2025, Salt Lake City, UT

July

07/03/26 – Independence Day Observed, District Office Closed

07/04/26 – Independence Day

07/11/26 – NMI Convention, 9:00 AM, West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

07/11/26 – NDI Disciples Gathering, 1:00 PM, WCN, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069 [FLYER](#) [SCHEDULE](#)

07/12/26 – District Ordination Service, 6:00 PM, West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

07/13/26 – District Assembly, 9:00 AM, West Chester Nazarene, 7951 Tylersville Road, West Chester, OH 45069

07/15 – 07/19/26 Camp Meeting, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center

07/16/26 – PrimeTime Day, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center

07/16/26 – Retired Pastor & Spouse Dinner, 5:15 PM, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center [PRIMETIME DAY](#)

07/17/26 – SWO NYI Worship Night, 7:00 PM, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center



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NDI QUICK LINKS:

NDI Facebook [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Hub Newsletter Signup [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Upcoming Events: [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Website [CLICK HERE](#)

SWO NDI/NMI CONVENTIONS:

We invite all attendees of the NMI and/or NDI conventions to join us from 12:00 to 1:00 for a CITY BBQ catered lunch. The lunch is available to you for \$10.00 **if purchased by June 30th** \$12 if purchased on July 1st or after. Please pay SWO NMI, who is generously subsidizing the cost of this lunch in the gym between the NMI (morning) and NDI (afternoon) conventions — The Disciples Gathering. Snacks will also be served between workshops at the NDI convention.

LUNCH PAYMENT DETAILS:

Payable to: SWO NMI

Mailed to: Stephanie Wagers, 8254 Lyness Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45239

Memo: NDI Lunch

Please see the NDI Convention schedule by clicking on links [FLYER](#) or [SCHEDULE](#) and bring all your Disciples or anyone who wants to be!

Email Pastor Kalyn at kalynv73@gmail.com if you plan to attend NDI convention and eat lunch—NDI lunch RSVP.

We can't wait to gather with you!!

SWO NDI DISCIPLES GATHERING:

When: Saturday, July 11, 2026

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

Time: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM (*Registration begins at 12:00 PM*)

Lunch: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM (City Barbeque)

Cost: \$10 **in advance by June 30th** /\$12 if purchased on starting July 1st or after

RSVP: Email Pastor Kalyn who is attending and if you are having lunch

Event Verse: Therefore, go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19-20). The Great Commission

Speakers: Dr. Sam Barber, Dr. Mike Benson, Dr. Scott Rainey, Rev. John Comstock, Pastor Emily Skillen, Pastor Darlene Franks, Pastor Teresa Bowden.

Childcare: Available (child discipleship services and teaching about discipleship for children)

Questions: Contact Pastor Kalyn Vogelmann kalynv73@gmail.com or Eric Johnson, eric.tothej@gmail.com



MISSION GET TOGETHER:

You're Invited to a Missions Drop-In!

Come meet our missionaries to Poland, **Kurt & Holly Johnson**, and hear about the exciting ways God is at work through their ministry. Stop by anytime, enjoy some refreshments, and spend a few minutes—or a few hours—with us! This is a great preview of our mission's convention on Saturday, July 11.

SWO NMI Missions Drop-In

Thursday, July 9

4:00–7:00 PM

Snacks & drinks provided

Hosted at the home of Kurt & Melissa Johnson, 5768 Fairridge Lane, Hamilton, OH 45011

Questions? Call or text: **(513) 313-5051**

We'd love to see you there!

NMI CONVENTION:

When: Saturday, July 11, 2026

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

Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM (*Registration begins at 8:30 AM*)

Lunch: 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM (City Barbeque) **Click on:** [Lunch Ticket Order Form](#)

Cost: \$10 in advance / \$12 after deadline

RSVP: stephaniewagers24@yahoo.com

Special Speakers: Kurt & Holly Johnson, missionaries to Poland

Childcare: Available


MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

Please be in prayer about how you or your church might be involved:


Appalachia Reach Out – Scioto County, OH

 August 1–7, 2026

Rest Stop Ministries – Lebanon, TN

 October 4–10, 2026

Jamaica Recovery & Evangelism

 Jan 26 – Feb 6, 2027



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 NYI WORSHIP NIGHT:

When: July 17, 2026

Where: Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center

Details: We will be gathering as a district at Camp meeting to celebrate what God has done this summer through events like NYC and Camp, as well as what is happening in the local church. This takes the place of our NYI Day at Higher Ground, but this is a way to still be connected and a part. Service starts at 7:00 PM in the Graves Center. Worship will be led by our district youth. We will have a special treat afterwards. Make plans to come!

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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