



# Southwestern Ohio District News

July 18, 2025

## DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

**THANK YOU**, Springdale for being great hosts for the NMI, NDI Convention and District Assembly!!!

**CAMP MEETING:** [CAMP MEETING SCHEDULE](#)

Please join us at Camp Meeting this evening at 7:30 PM and Saturday evening at 7:30 PM and Sunday evening at 5:00 PM.



Our annual District Assembly concluded Monday evening with a wonderful Ordination Service held at our Springdale Church. The presence of the Lord was so evident in the music, the prayers, the anointed preaching of our General Superintendent, Dr. Filimao Chambo, and the ordination itself.

Pictured are the following: (left to right)

Rev. Jennifer and Matthew Chaltry-Melvin, Brody, Gabriel and Rev. Molly Brunk, Dr. Bob Mahaffey, Rev. Billy and Katrina Bruns, Dr. Filimão Chambo, Robb and Rev. Kalyn Vogelmann, Rev. Grace Miller, Madison and Rev. Tyler Hodge, Rev. Mark and Teresa Cravens, Dr. David Crofford

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO WERE ELECTED!**

**District Advisory Board:** Pastors: Kyle Lanham, Adam Profit; Laypersons: Mr. Gary Johnson, Ms. Jill Peddenpohl

**District Camp Board:** Pastors: Matthew Gordon, Gary Morgan; Laypersons: Mr. Kerry Lawson, Mr. Luke Modesto

**District Church Properties Board:** Pastors: David Crofford, Bryan Heil, Tom Zile

Laypersons: Mr. Chuck Hail, Mr. Paul Lail

**District NDI President:** Pastor Kalyn Vogelmann

**District Nazarene Discipleship International:** Pastor: Matthew Gordon; Laypersons: Mr. Eric Johnson, Mrs. Valerie Profit

**SYMPATHY EXTENDED** to the family of **Pastor Steve Wheeler** who passed on Thursday morning. Our prayers are with Becky and the family. Memorial arrangements are yet to be announced. The Wheelers live in Bethel.

**Pastor Kenneth Copenhaver** also passed on Thursday morning and we are not aware of dates and times of his services. Pastor Ken attended the Wilmington church and had celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## **PRAYER PROMPTS:**

--Jan Highley, wife of Pastor Bob Highley had her first treatment on Wednesday. Please pray for our dear friends as they traverse this difficult time.

--Please continue to pray for the final days of Camp Meeting at Higher Ground. Crowds have been great and the Holy Spirit is moving on those who attend. The closing service begins at 5:00PM on Sunday afternoon. Naz Jazz will share great music beginning at 4:15 PM.

## **FAITH DAYS:**

MVNU is delighted to extend an invitation to **Faith Days event at the Columbus Clippers game on Thursday, August 8th**. This will be a wonderful opportunity for connection and fellowship as we enjoy a day of baseball together. For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

## **\*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\* CHURCH & FINANCE:**

Keith Cox, the General Treasurer, will be discussing key areas of church administration and finance. Classes will meet online on Tuesday nights from 7:00 PM-8:00 PM (Central) from **October 7th-November 4th**. To register [CLICK HERE](#) to join Praxis for this 5-week course.

### **Course outline:**

- October 7th: Financial Integrity & Accountability in the Church
- October 14th: Gifts & Income
- October 21st: Expenses & Accounts Payable
- October 28th: Budgeting & Reporting
- November 4th: Risk Management

## **\*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\* WEBINAR WITH ED STETZER FOR BI-VOCATIONAL PASTORS:**

Bi-vocational pastors are uniquely positioned to reach their communities, and we want to celebrate and support you! Join us for a special *one-hour webinar with Ed Stetzer* on **October 9th from 5:30–6:30 PM CST** as he shares insights, encouragement, and practical tools for thriving in dual roles. Whether you're balancing ministry with a full-time job or exploring bi-vocational ministry, this conversation is for you. Ed Stetzer is an influential and articulate voice in the evangelical church today. His input and insight will be well worth your time spent! **Mark your calendars now—registration details coming soon!**

## **DISTRICT CALENDAR – July-September:**

07/18/25 – NYI Day, 11:45 AM, Higher Ground Conference & Retreat Center

07/27 – 08/07/25 – W&W Alaska's Nazarene District Camp Maranatha, Big Lake, AK

### **September**

09/01 – Labor Day, District Office Closed

09/08 – 10/13/25 – NMDC Spiritual Formation, 6:00 PM, (Monday's) District Office

09/09/25 – District Advisory Board, 7:00 PM, District Office

09/06/25 – SWO NYI Quiz Meet, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM, TBA

09/11 – 10/16/25 – NMDC Exploring Christian Holiness, 6:00 PM, (Thursday's) District Office

09/12/25 – SWO Youth Leader Night Out, 6:30 PM, TBA

09/18/25 – NDI Council Meeting, 6:30 PM, District Office

09/19 – 09/20/25 – Crisis Care Kits pickup

09/20/25 – SonFest, MVNU

09/22/25 – NYI Council Meeting, 6:30 PM, District Office

09/27/25 – NMI Presidents Meeting



## **NDI QUICK LINKS:**

NDI Facebook [CLICK HERE](#)

NDI Website [CLICK HERE](#)

### **MUNCH 'N' MUSIC:**

**When:** October 4, 2025

**Where:** West Carrollton Nazarene, 550 South Elm Street, West Carrollton, OH 45449

**Arrival:** 12:00 PM

**Cost:** \$12.00 at the event (includes lunch)

**Concert:** 1:15 PM (Love Offering)

**RSVP by 9/30/24 TEXT OR EMAIL:** Pastor Mike 615-504-8002 or Becky 615-289-5551

**By email:** [mikehancock@xenianaz.org](mailto:mikehancock@xenianaz.org) or [becky.hancock52@gmail.com](mailto:becky.hancock52@gmail.com)

**For More Information:** Click on link [MUNCH 'N' MUSIC](#)



### **NMI QUICK LINKS:**

New Crisis Care Kits: [CLICK HERE](#)

12-Page Crisis Care Kits/School Pal-Paks Guide [CLICK HERE](#)

### **2025-26 SWO JUNIOR PROJECT:**

This year's Junior project for 2025-26 will be Playgrounds for Churches. The goal is to build two complete playgrounds in Venezuela.

**Goal:** \$5,000

**Submit Offerings to:** Vickie Rocheleau, 316 Macready Avenue, Monroe, OH 45050

**Children's NMI Coordinator:** Elizabeth Bennington [ebennington2004@gmail.com](mailto:ebennington2004@gmail.com)

### **LINKS:**

We have the following missionaries for Links on the district. Please contact them directly by email. They will let you know if they can receive anything at their location and how. Please send any funds through our district NMI treasurer, Vickie Rocheleau, as we must follow Nazarene global instructions.

**Mitchel and Marnie Modine** ([mmodine@apnts.edu.ph](mailto:mmodine@apnts.edu.ph))

**Matt and Fay Wagner** ([mattandfaywagner@gmail.com](mailto:mattandfaywagner@gmail.com))

**Michael and Cailyn** ([mikeandcailynw@protonmail.com](mailto:mikeandcailynw@protonmail.com))



### **NYI QUICK LINKS:**

Calendar: [CLICK HERE](#)

Communication: [CLICK HERE](#)

Facebook Page: [CLICK HERE](#)

Instagram: [CLICK HERE](#)

Link Tree: [CLICK HERE](#)



Website: [CLICK HERE](#)

## **NYI DAY AT HIGHER GROUND:**



**Friday, July 18th, 2025**

Join us for an unforgettable day at the campground!

**Lunch kicks off at 11:45 AM**, followed by a full day of fun and connection.

**Tournaments** – Grab your friends, form a team, and jump into the competition!

**Swimming** – Cool off and relax at the pool.

**Italian Ice** – A refreshing treat awaits!

**Worship** – Come together with other youth from across the district to close out the day in praise.

Bring your beach towels, sun screen, deoderant, and your friends!



**Everything is FREE!**



We'll wrap up by **8:30 PM**.

**Questions?** Reach out to **Teresa Bowden** at [teresa@wcn.church](mailto:teresa@wcn.church)

## **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!

## **\*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\* SONFEST 2025:**

**When:** Saturday, September 20, 2025

**Location:** R.R. Hodges Chapel/Auditorium @ MVNU, 800 Martinsburg Road, Mt Vernon, OH 43050

**Time:** Doors open at 1:00 PM

**Artist:** ELEVATION RHYTHM, John Mark McMillan, Citizens, and more!

**Cost:** General Admission \$40, VIP/Early Entry \$75, Groups of 10+ \$25, Children 4-10 \$25

**Tickets:** [CLICK HERE](#)

**For More Information:** Call 866-462-MVNU or go to <https://mvnu.edu/sonfest/>

## **SWO NYC 2026:**



NYC 2026 Registration is Officially LIVE!

We're thrilled to announce that **registration for NYC 2026 is now open!**



**Register here:** [NYC 2026 Registration](#)



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## **Event Details**

**Dates:** June 28 – July 6, 2026

**Location:** Salt Lake City, Utah

**Cost:**

\$2,300 — if registered by October 15, 2025 (*Early Bird*)

\$2,375 — if registered by \*January 15, 2026

**What's Included:** Flights, food, lodging, registration — all-inclusive!

**(Spending money and souvenirs not included)**



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## **Questions?**

Contact: Ross Frank – SWO NYC Coordinator: [ross@wcnaz.church](mailto:ross@wcnaz.church)

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# **CHURCH COMMUNICATION**

## **THE WAGNER'S SPEAKING:**

The Wagner's will be in SWO from mid-September through mid-December. They would love to share about their missions in Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras. If you are interested in having them present for a service, zone rally, or small group, you can contact them by email at [mattandfaywagner@gmail.com](mailto:mattandfaywagner@gmail.com).

Have great weekend!

SWO District Office

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