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If I believe the promise, then I must activate the yeast.

I suppose almost everyone reading this article can quote Jeremiah 29:11 by the address, just like John 3:16. We love the promise contained in the verse, *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.*

As we begin a new year in your church, on our district, and in our denomination, I want us to be prepared to declare that God has promised that he has good plans of prosperity, hope, and a future for us. His promise is as sure as the promise of resurrection, the promise of salvation for those who trust in Jesus, and the promise of everlasting life. However, like those promises, there is a trigger that we must activate if the promise of God is going to be applied to our lives, our church, and our denomination. Read what Jeremiah calls us to if we believe the promise of 29:11: *"Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile."*

Prayer activates the promise of God like water and sugar activate yeast in bread dough. Without prayer, the promise lies dormant, accomplishing nothing, like yeast sitting in its packet in the freezer. But, when you add the prayer of faith to the promise of God, his blessings expand until they explode right before our eyes.

For most of us, these past three or four years have felt like a period of exile, when God has lifted the blessing from our lives and churches and sent us into a hostile place without his blessing. But his promise is that he has plans of good, hopeful, restoration for those who will activate that promise with faith and prayer.

Understanding that God's promises to our denomination must be activated, by our prayers, the Board of General Superintendents is inviting the global Church of the Nazarene to join together for 30 days of prayer in anticipation of General Assembly, beginning 10 May.

"As we move toward the 30th General Assembly, we are anticipating a mighty movement of the Holy Spirit in our midst," said General Superintendent Carla Sunberg. "The Board of General Superintendents invites you to join Nazarenes from around the world in 30 days of prayer as we eagerly seek God's blessing on our time together."

The 30 days of prayer initiative will feature a daily video inviting Nazarenes to join in prayer for a specific focus each day. These prayer focuses include the individual conventions, service projects, General Assembly business and speakers, as well as the retiring and newly elected general superintendents.

The videos will be posted on the Church of the Nazarene's Facebook and Instagram channels, featuring individuals from around the globe as they lead the church in prayer in various languages.

Do you believe in a God who keeps his promises? If so, will you active his promises by joining 2.8 million Nazarenes in prayer? Why don't you remind yourself by setting an alarm on your watch or phone at 6:09 am and pm each day beginning on May 10? In so doing, you can keep activating the yeast in the dough of God's promise until our Church overflows with his fulfilled blessings.

In His Service,

Dr. Larry

The daily focuses are as follows:

- May 10: Planning/arrangements team
- May 11: A time of celebrating that Jesus is Lord
- May 12: The city of Indianapolis
- May 13: Protection over the event
- May 14: A spirit of unity and oneness among our global church
- May 15: GA Kids
- May 16: Global Nazarene Education Consortium (GNEC) Conference
- May 17: NDI Convention
- May 18: NMI Convention
- May 19: NYI Convention
- May 20: Love Your Neighbor
- May 21: Official business sessions
- May 22: All speakers and presenters
- May 23: Everyone who will be working behind the scenes (GMC staff, production team, etc.)
- May 24: Livestreaming technology for those attending virtually
- May 25: A movement of the Holy Spirit
- May 26: Worship services
- May 27: Pastors and leaders attending
- May 28: World Quiz
- May 29: Volunteers
- May 30: Delegate commissioning service
- May 31: Retiring General Superintendents
- June 1: Newly elected General Superintendents
- June 2: Missionaries coming to GA
- June 3: Alumni events
- June 4: Board of General Superintendents Quadrennial Address
- June 5: Indianapolis Convention Center staff
- June 6: New and strengthened friendships/connections
- June 7: Safe travels for all delegates and attendees
- June 8: All will leave feeling inspired and enriched

Activities of our Churches



Rio Vista CON



Los Lunas CON Easter Sunday



Lovington CON

Come join us! We are getting ready to celebrate the Risen Christ!
Breakfast at 9am, Worship service at 10am!



Portales CON



Roswell 1st CON

<https://ros1naz.ticketleap.com/admin/events/ifroz1naz>



Angus CON

Easter weekend activities!! We had Jesus Jubilee on Saturday and Tell Me the Story on Sunday!!



Ruth Barbone in her Navajo dress.



The Bethany 1st CON wood team delivered wood to Baca County Chapter House.



Pastor Chris Davis and her work on the reservation lands!
Mt Taylor/ Gallup 1st

New Mexico District Conventions and Assembly Schedule:

Friday July 21—1:00pm—5:00pm NMI Convention (Angus)

Friday July 21—7:00pm Ordination Service (Armstrong Tabernacle) Reception to follow at Angus

Sat. July 22—8:00am—Noon District Assembly (Armstrong Tabernacle)

Sat. July 22—2:00pm Prayer Pond Ceremony

Sat: July 22—7:00pm Mission Rally (Armstrong Tabernacle) NMI Reception following in Morris Center

Monday July 24—1:00pm—5:00pm NDI Convention (Angus)

FAMILY CAMP— Featuring Dr. Norman Moore -Dr -Carla Sunberg and Adams Voice. (Continues through Friday July 28 noon (See the attached flyer)



NM District Young Adult Conference
June 2—4th
At Bonita Park!

Onward, the NM district young adult conference is scheduled for June 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. at Bonita Park This year's theme is Expanding God's Kingdom: One Heart at a Time. Join us for fun and fellowship as we learn about sharing the word of God! Cost \$120 per person, includes room and board. Contact Nathaniel Pfeifer to register

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719-251-8673

Up Coming Important Dates for the New Mexico District

May

ANNUAL PASTOR'S REPORTS DUE May 19

June

ONWARD Young Adults Conference June 2-4th

30th General Assembly in Indianapolis June 9 - 16

July

NYC in Tampa July 5-9

Childrens Camp July 12-14 Wed through Fri

Senior High and Jr High Camp July 17-21 Mon through Fri (See flyer)

NM Conventions and Assembly July 21-22 Bonita Park

Family Camp July 22 -28 Bonita Park

Kids Camp 2023

Campfire Stories



July 12-14

Kids \$150

Counselors \$130

Registration opens soon on nmnaz.com

[Kids Camp 2023](#)

This years camp will be Wednesday to Friday
Start firing up the Excitement with your Kids!!



WORLD QUIZ
JUNE 10, 2023



Good morning!
I need you to register and tell me who is going to WQ by Friday!! Registration closes soon. If you miss the deadline, your child will not participate in WQ. I also need an accurate count of who is going to WQ. Please send me a message or comment all the kids that are going from your church. I also need to order the Fanny packs and pins. If you want to be a score keeper, please let me know!

Arthur Pacheco

come join team bonita

2023 SUMMER STAFF WANTED!

\$1,000
BONUS for
10 weeks
worked!

Bonita Park camp is hiring!

Spend the summer serving others through guest activities like rock wall, high ropes and zip line along with housekeeping, grounds work, working in the kitchen, and dishes. Don't miss out on an opportunity to grow spiritually and develop lifelong friendships, memories and skills.

1/2 summer, all summer, and internships are available

Age ranges: 14-114

14&15 must live with family

16+ may live in staff housing

For questions, email or call Phil Jones:
phil@bonitapark.com or 575-336-4404

scan here for
our application



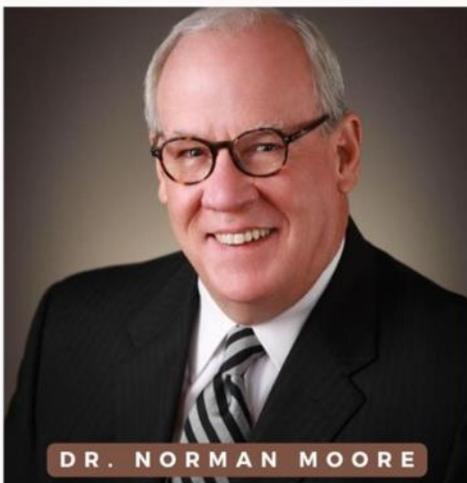
apply online at www.bonitapark.com/get-involved

New Mexico District Family Camp 2023

SOMETHING OLD • SOMETHING NEW

July 22-28, 2023

SATURDAY-FRIDAY



CONTACT US TODAY
TO MAKE A RESERVATION:
575-336-4404
INFO@BONITAPARK.COM



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
9-14 JUNE 2023

THE 30TH
GENERAL
ASSEMBLY
& CONVENTIONS

9-16 JUNE 2023

INDIANAPOLIS
INDIANA, USA

nazarene.org/generalassembly

BRING WITH

GOAL: 2,000 SCHOOL PACKS

NMI DELEGATES

plastic pencil boxes
crayons (about 24 per pack)

NYI DELEGATES

glue sticks
#2 pencils

NDI DELEGATES

rubber erasers
blunt-tipped scissors

GA KIDS & QUIZZERS

wide-rule spiral notebooks
2-pocket folders with metal prongs

LYN PARTICIPANTS, CONVENTION DELEGATES, OTHERS

bookbags (large enough to hold a folder)

nazarene.org/generalassembly

[Love Your Neighbor | General Assembly 2023 \(nazarene.org\)](http://nazarene.org)

General Assembly participants are encouraged to bring the following



[Visit these links for all of your General Assembly questions and Daily schedules:](#)

[Homepage | General Assembly 2023 \(nazarene.org\)](#)

[NDI | General Assembly 2023 \(nazarene.org\)](#)

[NMI | General Assembly 2023 \(nazarene.org\)](#)

[NYI | General Assembly 2023 \(nazarene.org\)](#)

GA Kids Registration

In order for a child to participate in GA Kids events, they must be registered by **8 May 2023**. There is a \$20 fee per child, paid when you register.

GA Kids Participants must be registered as part of an adult's registration.

** If all adults associated with the GA Kids participant are registered delegates or from a region outside the USA/Canada,*

instead please contact gakids@nazarene.org to register your child.

[NYC 23 – Nazarene Youth Conference](#)

Here is the home page for NYC. Find all sorts of information along with short videos for your church and teens as they all get ready to send their youth and Go!



MAN CAMP 2023

Man Camp 2023 was a great time of relaxation, fun, fellowship, and learning to know God better. The Lord was moved in a mighty way through Dr. Tim Gaines as we learned about the spiritual virtues of wrestling, laughter, grief, and doubt. Thank you to all the men who took the time to join us for this transformational retreat. Thank to Rev. Chris Tiner, Ryan Nelson, and Nate Bienhoff for leading us in worship. Make plans now to attend next years Man Camp.



TEEN CAMP 2023

teen camp 2023

imago dei

*july 17-21
pym*

\$230 @ BP

megan pittman

NM DISTRICT TOUR OF ISRAEL TRIP 2024

New Mexico District
Church of the Nazarene

Sept 7th-17th 2024

TOUR OF ISRAEL

A WORSHIP PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND



Where the Bible comes alive...

Join us as we travel the Holy land and spend time learning about historic Biblical sites from Reuven Zusman; a very experienced, educated, and certified tour guide in Israel. We will also be led in worship by Dr. Larry Lacher whose study, passion, and leadership of worship will come alive in new ways for you at these incredible sites.

\$5,500
PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ Airfare
- ✓ Hotels (Double Room)
(Dan Panorama, Leonardo Plaza)
- ✓ Ground Transportation
- ✓ Tour Guide
- ✓ All Admission Fees
- ✓ Breakfast and Dinner
at Hotel
- ✓ Farewell dinner
- ✓ Tips

SITES INCLUDE*

- ✓ Jaffa
- ✓ Caesarea-by-the-Sea
- ✓ Mount Carmel
- ✓ Jezreel Valley & Megiddo
- ✓ The Sea of Galilee
- ✓ Capernaum
- ✓ Tabgha (Loaves and Fishes).
- ✓ The Mount of Beatitudes
- ✓ Beit Shean
- ✓ Baptisms in the Jordan
- ✓ Cana of Galilee
- ✓ Nazareth
- ✓ The Dead Sea
- ✓ En Gedi
- ✓ Caesarea Philippi
- ✓ Golan Heights
- ✓ Jericho
- ✓ Mt of Olives
- ✓ Upper Room
- ✓ Israel Museum
- ✓ Dead Sea Scrolls
- ✓ City of David
- ✓ Garden of Gethsemane
- ✓ Kidron Valley
- ✓ House of Caiaphas
- ✓ Pool of Bethesda
- ✓ Pilate's Judgment Hall
- ✓ Via Delarosa
- ✓ Church of the Holy Sepulcher
- ✓ Masada
- ✓ A Day of Leisure in Jerusalem
- ✓ Plus More

ONLY 30 SLOTS AVAILABLE
\$100 DEPOSIT DUE BY SEPT 30TH, 2023

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*visits may be changed if circumstances require