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District Superintendent

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You can make a difference in the life of your Pastor!!

God's word calls us to support the clergy. In 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 we are told: *"And now, friends, we ask you to honor those leaders who work so hard for you, who have been given the responsibility of urging and guiding you along in your obedience. Overwhelm them with appreciation and love"* (The Message).

October is Clergy Appreciation Month and it gives you the opportunity to take action and honor your pastor. A pastor that is appreciated by the majority in his congregation is a pastor that can press forward confidently knowing that his people are with him. A pastor who knows he is loved is constantly encouraged and filled with excitement, optimism, and courage.

And don't forget to show your pastor's wife a special measure of appreciation as well! Gifts, cards, flowers, poems, baby sitting, a surprise corsage on Sunday morning, help running errands, or a cup of cappuccino with friends are all great ways to tell your pastor's wife how much you love her.

Illinois District Pastor & Spouse Retreat October 16-18, 2011



Guest
Rev. Mark Murphy



Pere Marquette Lodge
& Conference Center
Grafton, IL



NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

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"That the world may know"



FALL DEPUTATION ZONE RALLIES

Fall Deputation Zone Rallies are being scheduled between October 18th and November 4, 2011 with Steve Heap. Brenda has duties in Brazil and will not be with Steve on this tour. More information with scheduled dates will be forthcoming. Scheduling is being done by Deputation Coordinator Sandy Stickler (217-508-7265 e-mail: hummingbird661@gmail.com)

Steve and Brenda Heap are global missionaries with the Church of the Nazarene in Brazil.

Steve was born in Skipton, England to missionary parents who served for 36 years as missionaries in Colombia, Peru, Guatemala and Panama. Steve grew up in Colombia and Peru and then attended college at Bethany Nazarene College in Oklahoma from where he received the B.A. and M.A. degrees in religion and missions (now Southern Nazarene University).

Brenda Lynne was born in Emporia, Kansas and grew up in Lawrence and Shawnee, KS. She studied at Bethany Nazarene College and graduated with a B.S. degree in Elementary Education from Oklahoma Central State University.

Steve and Brenda were married in 1968 and pastored two churches in Oklahoma before being assigned to Brazil in 1973. They have been privileged to have served in Brazil during a period when the evangelical church has grown rapidly. As an example taken from the Nazarene denomination when the Heaps arrived in 1974 there were 1,200 members. There are presently over 100,000.

During these 35 years the Heaps have served in several capacities: as seminary professors; pioneers of churches in Northeast Brazil; and for 23 years as field director. Recently they had the privilege of seeing three Brazilian Nazarenes take over the responsibilities of Strategy Coordinators for the regions of Brazil. Steve and Brenda's present roles involve coordinating Work and Witness Teams, teaching and clergy development.

A little about their family today: Stephen and Michelle and daughters Grace (7) and Mary (5) live in Pella, Iowa. Brian and Agatha and son Lucas (5) and daughter Victoria (3) live in Brazil. Tom and Jennifer live in San Diego, CA with daughter Chloe 8 months. Their family is proud to have been your representatives of God's grace in diverse cultures. To summarize their growing conviction in one sentence it would be, **"God's transforming grace knows no barriers!"**

Moments with our Missionaries:

We wish Happy Birthday to our own Joyce Jakobitz. Her birthday is October 5th! She is retired from the Eurasia Region. Thank you, Joyce, for your service to our Lord.

Fall Deputation Zone Rally Schedule with Steve Heap:

October 23 a.m. -	Belleville Emmanuel
October 23 6:00 p.m. -	Metro East Zone at Belleville First
October 24 7:00 p.m. -	Mt. Vernon Zone at Centralia
October 25 7:00 p.m. -	Murphysboro Zone at Harrisburg
October 26 7:00 p.m. -	Olney Zone location at Mt. Carmel
October 27 7:00 p.m. -	Olivet Zone at Chrisman
October 28 7:00 p.m. -	Mattoon Zone at Marshall
October 29 7:00 p.m. -	Champaign Zone location - open
October 30 a.m. -	Casey
October 30 5:00 p.m. -	Decatur Zone at Shelbyville
October 31	Open
November 1- 6 p.m. -	Mississippi Valley location - open
November 2- 6 p.m. -	Springfield Zone location - open

October is Mission Priority One Month

Why Mission Priority One?

God's desire to draw all people to Himself is our mission. When we lovingly, intentionally live out that mission, we are obedient to Christ.

Sometimes we need ideas on how to live a mission-centered life. We need clear, realistic direction to help carry out God's mission. That's the reason for Mission Priority One (MPO).

While there are countless ways to share Christ's message of hope, MPO has goals that help churches accomplish two things:

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RADIATE 2011

October 21-22

Check facebook and this link:

<http://www.wix.com/snarks04/radiatenyi#>

Dates to put on your calendar!!

Spiritual Life Retreat	January 13-15, 2012
District Celebrate Life	March 23-24, 2012 (Roxana)
Regional Celebrate Life	May 17-19, 2012 (ONU)
Camp	June 18-22, 2012 (Camp Table Rock)



**DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL &
DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL**

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SUNDAY SCHOOL
Make the Connection

“Going the Distance” Marriage Conference

Learn the Secrets to a Lasting Love

Friday, October 21-Saturday October 22, 2011

Decatur First Church of the Nazarene

Sponsored by the Illinois District SDMI

\$40 per couple \$25 for single

Conference check-in is Friday from 6:00-6:55 p.m.

Conference begins sharply at 7 p.m. on Friday, with a Desert bar wrapping up the night

Conference begins Saturday at 9 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m.

Lunch is served and is included in the conference cost.

If you need a hotel, we offer the following suggestions:

Baymont Inn \$54.99 (217) 875-5800, 5100 Hickory Point Road 62526 (near Cracker Barrel, cont. bkfst.)
Comfort Inn & \$79.00 (217) 875-1166, 134 Barnett Road, Forsyth, IL 62535 (near Shell Station, cont. bkfst)
Country Inn & Suites, \$85.50 (@17) 872-2402, 5150 Hickory Point Frontage Road, 62526 (hot bkfst)

Please Write Check To: Illinois District SDMI

Send Registration And Money To:

Decatur First Church of the Nazarene
1177 West Hickory Point Road
Decatur, IL 62526

Children's Camp

July 23-27, 2012

Lake Williamson Carlinville, Illinois

Teach Conference

March 31, 2012

Kankakee First



Olivet Nazarene University Pastor Appreciation Days October 24-25, 2011

Set these days aside to gather on the campus of Olivet Nazarene University for a time of Inspiration, Resourcing, and Fellowship to renew your spirit and mind.

Inspiration – Olivet's best musical talent will be available to enrich our times of worship and celebration. The Monday evening service will focus on *Refreshing the Anointing*, a service designed to refresh your soul in a special way. The concluding service will send you on your way re-energized.

Resourcing – Our workshop sessions will focus on critical issues, including *Adam & Eve: Scripture and Genetics*, *Does Love Win? – Rob Bell and Wesleyan Eschatology*, and *Holy Love and Homosexuality* – with the goal of engaging these topics in a “centering” conversation. Other workshops will offer practical resources for ministry and study.

Fellowship – Generous times are set aside for fellowship because visiting over a break or a meal is a critical part of this event.

(Optional) Seminar Addition

(following the conclusion of our Pastor Appreciation Days Event)

A New Resource - Digging Deeper Seminar
Tuesday, October 25, 2011 - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

In this seminar Dr. Carl Leth will explore *The Problem of Sin and Salvation*. Many current conversations – emerging church, Concerned Nazarenes, creation/evolution – intersect at our understanding of the problem of sin and our understanding of the nature of salvation. Often in these conversations we are confronted with faulty or inadequate ideas (from a Wesleyan holiness perspective) about sin and salvation. What are the issues, what is at stake, what are our options? Pastor Appreciation Days attendants may register in advance for this seminar when they register for PAD.

Registration information

Participants who register in advance for the PAD event will be provided a complimentary dinner on Monday evening. There is no registration fee for Pastor Appreciation Days or the (optional) seminar.

Registration link: <http://www.olivet.edu/events/eventDetails.aspx?Channel=/Channels/Site%20Wide&WorkflowItemID=ab5994fa-bb9c-42af-aa4a-8574dbaf7a3a&choose=1>

Details will be posted at www.epworthpulpit.com

Housing information

A block of rooms has been set up at the Holiday Inn Express – 815-932-4411

Please reference Code: PAD when making your reservation.

Fee: \$74.00/night

*This entire event is provided by Olivet Nazarene University
and the
School of Theology and Christian Ministry
to the serving ministers on the Olivet region
in appreciation for their work.*

BUDGET REPORT AUGUST 31, 2011

Church Name	District	Olivet	NMI	SDMI	NYI	WEF	P & B
Anna First	\$2,607.35	\$1,375.76	\$232.27	\$117.84	\$151.73	\$2,175.00	\$1,100.60
Arcola First	\$923.02	\$406.50	\$82.22	\$41.71	\$53.71	\$836.88	\$315.97
Arcola Spanish	\$244.60	\$93.50	\$21.78	\$11.05	\$14.23	\$589.50	\$178.00
Auburn	\$880.52	\$300.00	\$78.44	\$39.80	\$51.24	\$650.00	\$250.00
Barry	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Beardstown	\$1,651.48	\$724.48	\$147.13	\$74.67	\$96.10	\$1,872.25	\$671.64
Beardstown Liberty Hispanic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Belleville Emmanuel	\$343.92	\$192.23	\$30.64	\$15.55	\$20.02	\$407.94	\$154.58
Belleville First	\$3,540.37	\$1,284.95	\$315.36	\$160.00	\$206.01	\$1,000.00	\$1,509.44
Belleville Korean	\$1,304.02	\$0.00	\$116.17	\$58.94	\$75.87	\$300.00	\$250.00
Benton	\$580.56	\$306.08	\$51.71	\$26.24	\$33.78	\$898.92	\$249.72
Bethel	\$1,252.03	\$669.00	\$111.53	\$56.58	\$72.86	\$1,593.00	\$535.00
Bluff View Christian Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Carbondale New Beginnings	\$497.83	\$0.00	\$44.35	\$22.50	\$28.97	\$577.89	\$210.14
Carlinville First	\$817.76	\$272.19	\$72.83	\$36.96	\$47.59	\$345.00	\$217.74
Carmi	\$84.70	\$192.00	\$7.54	\$3.83	\$4.93	\$1,805.00	\$380.00
Casey	\$3,964.64	\$2,107.08	\$353.15	\$179.17	\$230.71	\$7,518.00	\$1,778.04
Centralia	\$921.29	\$486.00	\$82.07	\$41.64	\$53.61	\$1,349.00	\$496.00
Champaign First	\$2,340.21	\$990.06	\$208.46	\$105.76	\$136.19	\$2,178.12	\$792.05
Champaign New Day	\$41.92	\$0.00	\$3.74	\$1.90	\$2.44	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chrisman	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Clinton First	\$2,851.24	\$1,150.00	\$253.98	\$128.86	\$165.92	\$3,540.00	\$1,260.00
Collinsville Good Samaritan	\$684.49	\$361.16	\$60.97	\$30.94	\$39.83	\$915.31	\$288.93
Decatur First	\$10,830.03	\$8,659.45	\$964.71	\$489.45	\$630.22	\$18,147.48	\$3,727.56
Decatur Oak Grove	\$694.16	\$294.00	\$61.84	\$31.37	\$40.40	\$815.00	\$298.00
Decatur Parkway	\$2,750.02	\$1,323.32	\$244.96	\$124.26	\$160.02	\$3,055.33	\$1,116.60
Decatur Trinity	\$614.85	\$556.66	\$54.77	\$27.79	\$35.78	\$1,224.64	\$445.33
Decatur West Side	\$1,856.93	\$973.22	\$165.42	\$83.93	\$108.07	\$2,712.97	\$997.35
Du Quoin	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
East St. Louis Rush Memorial	\$147.61	\$38.00	\$13.16	\$6.68	\$8.60	\$173.00	\$68.00
Edgemont Grace	\$730.30	\$0.00	\$65.06	\$33.00	\$42.50	\$129.73	\$49.77
Fairfield Fountain of Life	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$715.00	\$460.00
Fairview Heights Parkview	\$1,534.99	\$228.54	\$136.73	\$69.38	\$89.32	\$1,428.00	\$684.25
Flora	\$2,095.72	\$1,164.99	\$186.68	\$94.72	\$121.95	\$3,838.75	\$931.99
Georgetown	\$335.44	\$100.00	\$29.88	\$15.16	\$19.52	\$0.00	\$312.04
Glenview	\$1,667.55	\$828.22	\$148.54	\$75.36	\$97.03	\$2,116.00	\$662.58
Godfrey	\$757.90	\$160.41	\$67.52	\$34.26	\$44.10	\$307.37	\$323.76
Granite City CTM	\$45.46	\$25.00	\$4.05	\$2.05	\$2.64	\$52.14	\$20.00
Griggsville	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Harrisburg Oasis Community	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Highland	\$31.35	\$0.00	\$2.79	\$1.42	\$1.83	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jerseyville	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Laclede	\$282.01	\$144.35	\$25.12	\$12.75	\$16.41	\$398.48	\$146.64
Lincoln	\$1,160.98	\$475.00	\$103.41	\$52.47	\$67.56	\$1,355.00	\$505.00
Mahomet	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mansfield Community	\$1,335.89	\$702.00	\$119.00	\$60.37	\$77.74	\$1,515.00	\$562.00
Marion First	\$214.67	\$175.00	\$19.13	\$9.71	\$12.49	\$485.00	\$175.00
Marshall	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mattoon East Side	\$1,995.85	\$800.13	\$177.79	\$90.20	\$116.14	\$2,228.96	\$819.91
Mattoon Real Life Community	\$1,169.59	\$489.57	\$104.18	\$52.86	\$68.06	\$1,345.65	\$494.93
Monticello	\$731.56	\$332.00	\$65.16	\$33.06	\$42.58	\$814.00	\$286.00
Mount Carmel	\$470.83	\$0.00	\$41.94	\$21.28	\$27.39	\$299.65	\$253.00
Mount Erie	\$755.92	\$311.24	\$67.33	\$34.16	\$43.99	\$842.16	\$309.68
Mount Sterling	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mount Vernon	\$20.13	\$0.00	\$1.79	\$0.91	\$1.17	\$0.00	\$0.00
Murphysboro	\$1,689.10	\$0.00	\$150.48	\$76.36	\$98.30	\$0.00	\$685.40
Nebo	\$880.42	\$226.06	\$78.43	\$39.79	\$51.23	\$837.40	\$311.54
Oakwood	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00
Ogden	\$1,718.29	\$515.19	\$153.06	\$77.64	\$99.99	\$2,199.99	\$767.31
Olivet	\$1,470.06	\$379.00	\$130.95	\$66.44	\$85.55	\$0.00	\$379.00
Olney	\$1,464.92	\$551.34	\$130.49	\$66.20	\$85.23	\$1,235.37	\$618.35
Pana First	\$1,179.80	\$614.95	\$105.09	\$53.32	\$68.65	\$1,386.69	\$504.26
Paris First	\$973.76	\$398.60	\$86.75	\$44.01	\$56.66	\$2,299.06	\$496.53
Pittsfield	\$5,783.82	\$2,655.29	\$515.21	\$261.41	\$336.56	\$7,150.35	\$2,609.10
Quincy Emmanuel	\$966.43	\$0.00	\$86.09	\$43.68	\$56.24	\$1,448.98	\$413.06
Rantoul	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$222.23
Roxana	\$5,358.07	\$3,261.81	\$477.29	\$242.17	\$311.80	\$6,858.76	\$2,510.57
Royalton First	\$1,657.91	\$0.00	\$147.68	\$74.93	\$96.48	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salem Grace	\$7,706.71	\$3,861.36	\$686.48	\$348.30	\$448.47	\$9,589.52	\$3,499.97
Shelbyville	\$1,269.96	\$1,097.00	\$113.12	\$57.40	\$73.90	\$4,065.30	\$1,491.80
Sherman	\$1,972.51	\$780.28	\$175.71	\$89.15	\$114.78	\$2,614.30	\$857.20
Sparta	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Springfield First	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Springfield Trinity	\$996.41	\$594.09	\$88.76	\$45.03	\$57.98	\$2,307.00	\$975.27
Taylorville First	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tuscola	\$908.70	\$0.00	\$80.95	\$41.07	\$52.88	\$1,590.00	\$0.00
Urbana Lighthouse	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$159.17	\$61.06
Vandalia	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Virden	\$350.26	\$44.43	\$31.20	\$15.83	\$20.38	\$372.75	\$44.43
West Union	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$94,108.82	\$43,671.49	\$8,383.04	\$4,253.27	\$5,476.33	\$116,695.76	\$40,734.32

CHURCH NEWS

Thank You

The family of Mrs. Odell Shackelford acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

We would like to thank you for your prayers, cards and flowers.
-- The Shackelford Family

The picture to the right is that of Rev. Jim Blue, Olivet pastor, holding a beautiful 20 X 30 inch bronze plaque commemorating the rededication of their newly remodeled sanctuary in May.

The plaque was donated to the church by the owners of the Funeral Home Bronze Plan that makes bronze markers for graves and other important moments. The plaque was donated in honor of Rev. Blue's fifteen years of service to their funeral home. The estimated cost of the plaque is approximately \$2,500.



October is Mission Priority One Month (Continued from page 2)

1. Increase church members' passion for God's mission.
2. Assist churches in taking the message of Christ to the world.

What is Mission Priority One?

NMI has four objectives in which every local church can participate:

Praying—Interceding for leaders and churches and for the Holy Spirit to draw all people to Christ.

Discipling—Involving and mentoring future missions leaders, especially youth and children, to make Christlike disciples for God's mission in the nations.

Giving—Devoting ourselves and our resources, especially the World Evangelism Fund, to extend Christ's kingdom.

Educating—Informing people of the World's needs and enabling our church to meet those needs in Christ.

We offer mission activities based on these objectives to ensure a church's involvement in God's global mission.

By making mission a priority, a congregation demonstrates God's passion for all people. Churches involved in mission attract people who want to be part of something bigger than themselves.

What are the MPO Requirements?

Local Mission Priority One requirements are:

1. 90% of churches prayed for missions.
2. 90% of churches used missions resources and participated in all five global awareness categories.
3. 90% of churches involved children and youth in missions.
4. 90% of World Evangelism Fund for the district paid.

Through MPO, a congregation extends Christ's message around the world. Pastors are educated, and mission workers are supported. New believers come to Christ through prayer. Children, youth and adults hear obey God's call to cross-cultural ministry.

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The Master's Hands Are Reaching Out To Olney

A new compassionate ministry center has been launched in Olney, IL. With the approval of the Olney church board, and under the direction of Rev. Willard Anderson, "The Master's Hands," began serving the needy from their S. Whittle Ave. location in August. The ministry includes a free-coffee shop and a food pantry. They help the community by providing whatever they receive from a network of food-providing organizations in the area.



"Whatever God gives us we give away," said Anderson. "The whole deal is to reach out to people," he said, "and show them the love of Jesus."

"There are a lot of needy people in town that can use help, especially seniors," Willard said. "We have been open one month and we have had 543 people in the coffee shop, and given food to 134 households."

After serving as pastor of the Mt. Carmel church for five years and operating a charitable food program there, Willard felt led to move back to Richland County, where he was born and raised, in order to help start a new ministry there. "I didn't decide. God decided for me," he said. Anderson is not alone in the effort, which has two dozen volunteers, including his wife Sally, and Assistant Director Karen Cessna.

God providentially provided the facility without rent, and the District Mission Strategy Team approved a \$5,000 NewStart grant to help with refurbishing the aged building. Tables and chairs formerly used by the Effingham and Vandalia congregations were also donated. The ministry still needs some things to become fully operational, including a semi-trailer or portable storage building. They are also working on a walk-in refrigerator unit to hold produce. Some more repair work still needs to be done as well. This would be an excellent work and witness project for members of our District family.

Food is distributed by "The Master's Hands" weekly, or by appointment. The coffee shop, which Anderson said is a place for people to enjoy free coffee or tea and snacks, is open from 9-11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday. He said volunteers are also there to counsel people if needed. "A lot of times, people just need to talk," Anderson said.

Please pray for Willard and this new compassionate ministry. Donations may be sent to "The Master's Hands" at 704 S. Whittle Ave., Olney, IL 62450. Rev. Anderson can be reached by phone at 618-838-8677, or by email: w_anderson@myfrontiermail.com.

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