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**THE LOVE OF CHRIST**

"If God is for us, who is against us?"

"He who did not spare his own son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him?"

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?"

"Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?"

"No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us."

"For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 8:31-32, 35, 37-39

May you be blessed by these words today!

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Cadillac Cherry Grove

I was at Cadillac Cherry Grove this past Sunday August 23, 2009. Dr. Jim Mellish spoke in the service from Matthew 6:11, "Give us this day our daily bread." Dr. Mellish talked about living daily, not worrying about tomorrow. Rev. Hoose had been in the hospital early in the week, but he was able to be in the service Sunday morning and preached Sunday night.

Prayer Request

Diana Batterbee's father passed away in Indiana. The funeral service was last week. Please keep Jerry, Diana and her family in your prayers.

Cheboygan

This past Saturday, the Cheboygan Church of the Nazarene handed out backpacks for school kids. Also, they gave free haircuts. Over 250 backpacks were given out and over 70 haircuts were given. Rev. Jon Schott is the pastor.

Pastors

Please call in your stats this Sunday August 30, or no later than Tuesday September 1st.

Also, please announce the District Men's Retreat and the District Women's Retreat. All the information is in this newsletter.

### 2010 District Assembly Location

The 2010 District Assembly location for the Northern Michigan District will be held in Alanson. The motel cost will be \$53.00 per room. 40 Rooms have been reserved for the assembly. More information will be sent nearer the assembly time.

### **HOLINESS TODAY**

#### New Holiness Today Pastors Program

We received the following information from the *Holiness Today* Editor in Chief regarding changes to the *Holiness Today* subscription drive for 2010. They need your help! Here's how the program works:

1. You may promote *Holiness Today* through your bulletin. Simply order as many *Holiness Today* order forms as you need and insert them into your bulletins or worship folders. These will be sent to you free of charge. Please see the *Holiness Today* Pastors Program order form for the details.
2. You may order as many *Holiness Today* posters as you like to create some awareness within your congregation. We will send them at no charge. Please see the Pastors Program order form for details.
3. We can also send you a free *Holiness Today* DVD that can be played after church encouraging people to subscribe. The DVD has two videos of contemporary music and images that are targeting younger readers. Present the videos wherever your congregation gathers.

Church group subscriptions are available. Your price is \$10.00 per family which is a savings of \$2.00 (20 percent) per subscription.

#### **Contact Customer Service**

If you are not sure if your church has a consolidated group subscription, please e-mail *Holiness Today* managing editor, Carmen Ringhiser, at [holinesstoday@nazarene.org](mailto:holinesstoday@nazarene.org) or call the customer service department at 1-800-877-0700 (M to F, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. C.S.T.). Also, for any questions you may have about the program, or to order promotional materials, cards, posters, videos, and forms, please contact the customer service department.

Renewal notices will be sent directly to the subscribers' homes and they will mail their checks and renewal notices directly to the publishing house in Kansas City. The local Church of the Nazarene that is listed on the renewal form will still receive credit for the subscription.

#### **2009 Church Renewal Campaigns**

Some churches are still working on their 2009 renewal subscription drive. Please finish up on your renewal campaign and mail your checks and renewal orders to:

*Holiness Today*  
P.O. Box 419527  
Kansas City, MO 64141-6527  
800-877-0700

### **"FOR BETTER, FOR WORSE, FOR KEEPS"**

On Saturday, September 12, Dr. Moeller will hold a marriage seminar at our Beaverton Church of the Nazarene. Seating at the Beaverton seminar is limited to the first 60 couples. Please make your reservations by calling the church office at 989-435-7708 by Sunday, September 6. There is a recommended offering of \$10.00 per couple, which includes breakfast and lunch.

## **DISTRICT MEN'S RETREAT**

September 18-19, 2009  
Loon Lake Retreat Center  
Hale, Michigan

Rev. Dale Freed, Evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene, will be the guest speaker.

### Weekend Schedule:

<b>Friday Night:</b> Check-in anytime after	3:00 p.m.	<b>Saturday:</b> Breakfast	8:30 a.m.
Evening Meal	7:00 p.m.	General Session	9:30 a.m.
General Session	8:00 p.m.	Lunch	12:00 Noon
		Free Time	12:30-3:30 p.m.
		General Session	3:30 p.m.
		Heading Home around	4:30 pm.

Please fill out a registration form for each person attending and mail to East Tawas Church of the Nazarene, 811 E. Bay, East Tawas, MI 48730. Please send registrations by September 11. The cost is \$55.00 per person.

The location of the Loon Lake Retreat Center is 2 miles north of Hale on M-65. Enter the property on the west side of M-65 and proceed until the road ends. The Retreat Center telephone number is 877-264-1004 (for an emergency only).

## **DISTRICT WOMEN'S RETREAT**

October 9-10, 2009  
Ramada Inn of Grayling

"Never The Same" - Featuring, Susie Shellenberger

Retreat Fees: \$70.00 Postmarked by September 8th  
\$75.00 After September 8th

Registration Deadline: September 22nd. Registration forms will be available at District Family Camp in August. Also, the churches will receive packets with information about the retreat. If you have questions, contact Jennie Bowman at 231-832-2662, or e-mail [jenniebowman@juno.com](mailto:jenniebowman@juno.com).

### Mini Sessions for the Retreat are:

"Working Through the Circumstances" - with Ruth Gregory  
"Forgiven and Set Free" - with LuAnn Graf  
"Be Encouraged! God Still Reigns" - with Francie Barker

## **PASTORS' WORKSHOP**

Michigan District

Dr. Dan and Vicki Copp will have a pastors' workshop on the Michigan District at the Indian Lake Camp on September 14-16, 2009. Michigan District has invited the Eastern Michigan District and the Northern Michigan District to be a part of this training.

Registration is during the afternoon on Monday. The meeting will be Monday evening through noon Wednesday. Food and lodging will be on the campgrounds. More information as to cost, etc. coming soon. I just wanted you to have the date. Our men's retreat for our district will be that weekend, September 18 and 19, 2009. I think we can do both.

## **PASTOR APPRECIATION**

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. More information and ideas for this special time to recognize pastors will be forwarded in the near future.

## 2009 ZONE TOUR

The dates of the September and October Zone Tour are as follows.

September 28 - Central Zone at Cadillac First, 10:00 a.m.  
September 28 - Lake Michigan Zone at Big Rapids, 2:00 p.m.  
September 29 - South Zone at Clare, 10:00 a.m.  
September 29 - Lake Huron Zone at East Tawas, 3:00 p.m.  
September 30 - Grand Traverse Zone at Traverse City First, 10:00 a.m.  
October 1 - Mackinaw Zone at Charlevoix, 10:00 a.m.  
October 2 - Sault Zone at Pickford, 10:00 a.m.  
October 3 - Lake Superior Zone at Iron River, 10:00 a.m. (Central Time)

## DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S SCHEDULE

August 30	Iron River
September 6-11	D.S. Conference - Ontario, Canada
September 13	Clare
September 20	Gaylord
September 27	Alanson
September 23-25	NBC Trustees Meeting
September 27	Alanson
September 28-October 3	D.S. Fall Zone Tour
September 28	Central Zone, Cadillac First - 10:00 a.m.
September 28	Lake Michigan Zone, Big Rapids - 2:00 p.m.
September 29	South Zone, Clare - 10:00 a.m.
September 29	East Tawas Zone, East Tawas - 3:00 p.m.
September 30	Grand Traverse Zone, Traverse City First, 10:00 a.m.
October 1	Mackinaw Zone, Charlevoix - 10:00 a.m.
October 2	Sault Zone, Pickford - 10:00 a.m.
October 3	Lake Superior Zone, Iron River - 10:00 a.m.
October 4	Pickford
October 4 p.m.-7	ONU Trustees Meeting

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