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From the desk of Rev. Chris DeMott, Pastor
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One of the greatest difficulties I have in ministry is staying focused on today and allowing tomorrow to worry about itself. It's all too easy to justify worry or to conceal its true identity by calling it "strategic planning" or "envisioning the future". Don't get me wrong, these are necessary but we must never allow them to cause us to doubt our God. After all, he has a long history of providing exactly what his children need each and every day.

The Israelites spent decades in the desert knowing they would awake each morning to find manna on the ground. God never failed to provide for their needs and he will never fail to provide for ours either. He will do the supplying and we must learn to trust in his provision.

I want to conclude with Kevin Stirratt's words: "Living on manna is a wonderful, yet frightening, journey on which we learn to trust God for our daily provision. It isn't a journey we complete. It is a daily journey of praying again and again, "Give us today our daily bread."

May our God supply you with all the manna you need...for today,

Rev. Chris DeMott

Nazarene Michigan Districts Working Together
To Equip, Inform & Inspire
TEAM DAY 2010

Saturday - February 20, 2010
8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Perry High and Middle Schools

Early Registration: postmarked by January 25
Adults and teens: \$25
Final Registration Deadline: postmarked by February 1
Adults and teens: \$35
Late Registrations Not Accepted

The SDM Board is planning to offer a scholarship to every district church to pay the registration fee for their Sunday School Superintendent or their representative.

For more information, forms, and to register online, visit www.minaz.org.

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HOLINESS SUMMIT
March 14-15, 2010
Saginaw Valley Church of the Nazarene
989-754-2000

The Summit will include Eastern Michigan District, Michigan District, and Northern Michigan District. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday. There will be three services on Monday: two in the A.M. and one service in the P.M. closing the summit. The keynote speakers will be Dan Bohi, Mark Quanstrom, Brett Rickey, Susie Shellenberger, and the worship leader will be John Mathias. The Summit is free (a free will offering will be taken) Reservations not required. Brochures were passed out to the pastors at the Christmas gathering. If you need more copies of the brochure, please contact the district office.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT SABBATICAL

The District Advisory Board will be extending a sabbatical leave to the District Superintendent from December 25, 2009 until February 5, 2010. Member Elders on the District Advisory Board will cover for the District Superintendent by Zones. Following is your contact person during the District Superintendent sabbatical leave:

Dr. Richard Rice - Central Zone

Cadillac Cherry Grove
Cadillac Church of Discovery
Cadillac First
Frankfort Family of Faith

Dr. Richard Rice - Lake Michigan Zone

Big Rapids
Fremont
Reed City

Rev. Christopher DeMott, Grand Traverse Zone

Buckley
Glen Lake
Kalkaska
Mancelona
Traverse City

Rev. David Brantley - Soo Zone

Pickford
Sault Ste. Marie Mackety Memorial

Rev. Jerry Batterbee - South Zone

Beaverton
Clare
Gladwin
Harrison Temple
Weidman

Rev. Jerry Batterbee - Lake Huron Zone

East Tawas
Oscoda
Trinity

Rev. Christopher DeMott - Mackinaw Straits Zone

Alanson
Boyne City
Charlevoix
Cheboygan
Petoskey
Gaylord

Rev. David Brantley - Lake Superior Zone

Escanaba Lighthouse
Grace Community
Houghton/Hancock
Iron River

Please contact these men if you have any questions or concerns during this time. In case of emergency you can reach the District Superintendent.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S SCHEDULE

December 25 - February 5
February 3-10
February 16
February 17

Sabbatical Leave
DSLDP/DS Conferences, St. Augustine, Florida
Kalkaska
Fremont