



James Spruce,
 District Superintendent

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104th Birthday of Susie Sayge

Mrs. Sayge is a member of the Mt. Carmel Church. She turned 104 on June 19 of this year.



A group of the Mt. Carmel congregation and most of the staff and clients at the center, led by Pastor Willard Anderson, gathered at the Owensville, IN Convalescent Center. They sang hymns, had cake, and punch to celebrate her birthday. She most likely is the oldest Nazarene on the District. She is one of 2 remaining living charter members of the Mt. Carmel church, chartered in 1934. Her eyes welled with tears when Larry Benham played the guitar and sang a special song written for her. We're looking forward to celebrating her 105th next year.

She is very alert, stills knows most people and gets around very well with her walker.

Pictured with Mrs. Sayge is her granddaughter, Marla Mounts.

- Willard Anderson, Pastor

THANK YOU! I want to thank the District for the beautiful plaque and the check at assembly time. It's great to serve with such a wonderful group of people.

I am available for pulpit supply and have some open dates for fall revivals. My e-mail is lds1112003@yahoo.com & Phone: 217-251-7087. -- Lloyd Simpson

Murphysboro – Distinguished Service Award

was presented to Wayne and Wylanna Attig in a surprise program Sunday, May 20th. They were honored for faithful service to the Murphysboro Church. They have served faithfully over the years. No one can do a special reading like Wylanna. She and Wayne are a blessing to the whole church, and we appreciate them. Everyone enjoyed the potluck afterwards. --Joyce Stearns, Secretary of the Board



Pictured Left to right Joyce Stearns- Secretary of the Board, Wylanna Attig, Pastor Bill Webb, and Wayne Attig.

Roxana sponsors event with the Shawn Hornbeck Foundation.

They came to the Nazarene Community Center on Saturday May 19 to give our Kidz Kards. These ID cards were provided free of charge to the community. Nearly 200 Kidz Kards were given that day. This event was the first one that Craig and Pam Akers had attended since the return of Shawn.





NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

Bill Brandon, District President
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"That the world may know"



September is Alabaster Month

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"The Alabaster program is a ministry of love based on the story of Jesus' anointing in Bethany. (Matthew 26:7-13) The Alabaster Offering is

unlike all other offerings. It is like "perfume money" not spent on ourselves but given to Jesus. These love gifts (Alabaster money) are transformed into buildings and property sites as holiness evangelism center around the world. Alabaster works hand-in-hand with Work & Witness in providing many of the land sites for Work & Witness projects."

Send your Alabaster Offerings to the General Treasurer in Kansas City.

District Work & Witness Team to the Sun Valley Indian School - Dave Bailey and Mary Lou

Reader are working to get our District Work & Witness Team to the Sun Valley Indian School in Arizona. Dates and costs are not set yet. If you would like to be a part of this team (or teams), please contact Dave or Mary Lou. Dave's telephone is: 217-423-0976 e-mail davidwbailey@insigh.com and Mary Lou is 217-269-248 e-mail reader2@tigerpaw.com. The students from the school that performed at the NMI Convention were a blessing to all that heard them. One of the students accepted the Lord as her Savior during the services after hearing the Schmelzenbach's speak.

What is that in your hand?

Volunteer Ministries

Your skills are important to global ministry.

The Fall Zone Rally - dates are October 3 to

October 14, 2007. Our Missionary will be Samuel Ovando.

Samuel and Evelyn Ovando have been global missionaries for the Church of the Nazarene since 1976. They presently serve in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.



The Ovandos first missionary assignment was to Colombia, South America. In 1983 the Ovandos were reassigned to the Mexico/Central America Region to open a Field Office in Mexico.

The Ovandos transferred to the Dominican Republic in July 2000. Samuel currently serves as Theological Education Coordinator for the Dominican Republic and as teacher for the Spanish Field. Evelyn serves as Coordinator of Lay Ministries (NYI, NMI, SSM).

The Ovandos have three grown children: Samuel Jr., Cynthia, and Charles. The Ovandos spend their home assignment in Kingsburg, California.

Due to family commitments, Evelyn will not be with Samuel. Samuel and Evelyn are familiar to many of us that have been on District Work & Witness Teams to Mexico as they worked with Jim & Mary Johnson when Jim & Mary were coordinating W&W Trips.

August 13th was Cindy Schmelzenbach's birthday.

As there was no August Booster, we are wishing her a belated birthday. She, her husband Harmon, and their children were an inspiration to us during the recent NMI Convention. It was very informative listening to them.



Thank you to everyone, who helped make the NMI Convention a success. There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes and the help was greatly appreciated.

--- Bill Brandon

NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL

Todd Holman, District President

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THANK YOU

To everyone who made our summer activities a huge success! We had many adults and Teens who volunteered their time and energy. We had many teens who volunteered at JH, SH, Family Camp, Girls and Boys Camps. We had many that were praying for all of our activities. We had many that were able to give financially. Thank you for everything that YOU have done.

DISTRICT QUIZZING

Sept. 15	TBA
Oct. 13	Decatur Westside
Nov. 10	TBA
Dec. 14	North1@ Mansfield North2@ Sherman South@ TBA
Jan. 19	Decatur First
Feb. 16	Pana
Mar. 21-22	Springfield 1st

ILLINOIS NYI COUNCIL 2007/8

Dr. Jim Spruce, District Superintendent
 Todd Holman, President/ MidWinter Retreat
 Jay Bush, Vice-President/Evangelism
 Chris Shotts, Treasurer
 Denis Payne, Secretary
 Jordan Lovell, JH Rep
 Chad Sowards, JH Rep
 Bradley Deal, SH Rep
 Jared Higginbotham, SH Rep
 Clara Stone, College Rep
 Andy Young, College Rep
 Wayne Clevenger, Sr. Pastor Rep
 Kevin Donoho, Sr. Pastor Rep
 Danielle Fields, Quizzing
 Jim Michael, College and Career/Family Camp/Zone Coordinator
 Jamie Toolen, Spiritual Life Retreat
 Jim Kyle, Early Youth Director
 Nick Briggs, Senior Youth Director
 Tim Cox, Mississippi Valley Zone Rep
 Jordan Downey, Springfield Zone Rep
 Tim Lourash, Decatur Zone Rep
 Jayce Counsell, Metro East Zone Rep
 William Guffey, IL River Zone Rep
 Jared Bouton, Olivet Zone Rep
 Stephen Clark, Murphysboro Zone Rep
 Matthew Higginbotham, Mattoon Zone Rep
 Ellen McComb, Champaign Zone Rep
 Stacey Skelton, Olney Zone Rep
 Craig Manes, ONU Rep

SLR 2007

spiritual life retreat

Another weekend of blissful retreat is upon us!

This year Erik Willits will be bringing the message of 'spiritual rhythm'. We'll focus on spiritual disciplines; prayer, bible study, quiet/silence, journaling, service, etc...

Be sure to pack your game face as you are sure to get in the spirit of some serious CABIN COMPETITION!! And it just wouldn't be SLR without amazing food and snack shack selection. So bring your appetites and a friend!

Stay silent
 Stay hungry
 Stay hopeful
 Stay pure
 close to the Father
 and then...

go deep
 nazarene acres
 October 26 - 28

Cost: \$50 per person
(all inclusive (besides snack shack))

CALENDAR

September 27-29	Red Carpet Days @ONU
October 6	District NYI Meeting
October 26-28	Spiritual Life Retreat
January 5, 2008	District NYI Meeting
February 1-3, 2008	MidWinter Retreat
March 14-15, 2008	District Celebrate Life
April 19, 2008	District NYI Meeting
May 8-10, 2008	Celebrate Life @ONU
June 9-13, 2008	JH Camp
June 23-27, 2008	SH Camp
July 11-15, 2008	Family Camp
July 19, 2008	District NYI Convention

All dates subject to change!

RED CARPET DAYS @ ONU
 SEPT. 27-29



**DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL &
DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL**

JIM BLUE, District Chairman
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SUNDAY SCHOOL
Make the Connection

Elected to SDMI Board
(for 3 year term)
Rev. Ed Sprinkle, Mount Vernon
Gary Townsend, Shelbyville

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROWTH AWARDS 2007

HONOR SCHOOLS: 5-24% increase

Auburn, Bethel Community, Carlinville, Carmi, Collinsville
Good Samaritan, Granite City Crossroads Community,
LaClede, Lincoln First, Marion First, Mount Carmel,
Pana, Ridge Farm and Salem Grace

SUPERIOR SCHOOLS: 25-49% increase

Champaign New Day Community
and Omaha

2007 SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE YEAR:

Salem Grace + 119 % Responsibility List + 26 % Attendance
Omaha + 107 % Responsibility List + 41 % Attendance

**2007 ASSEMBLY YEAR
TOP TEN IN GAINS**

<u>NUMERICAL INCREASE</u>	
Urbana South Side	37
Casey	30
Salem Grace	26
Carmi	16
Glenview	15
Olivet	11
Bethel Community	10
Arcola First	9
Champaign New Day Com.	9
Omaha	7

<u>PERCENTAGE INCREASE</u>	
Carmi	62
LaClede	50
Omaha	41
Champaign New Day Com.	32
Bethel Community	29
Mount Carmel	27
Glenview	26
Olivet	26
Casey	24
Marion First	23

Thank You
For your support at our SDMI Convention held July 14th and for the generous love offering that was given to us at the conclusion of my 19th report to the Illinois District. ~ Jim Blue

Lay Retreat Weekend – Sept. 7-9, 2007
“Laughter Lightens the Heart”
Featuring the Jack Proctor Family
For information: 217-774-2326
Directors: Bob & Linda Taylor

For all adults

Women’s Retreat – October 5-6, 2007
“Taste and See that the Lord is Good”
Speaker & Dramatist: Myrna Strasser
For information: 217-662-6924
Director: Chris Blue

CHOCOLATE
crafts, candy & bake sale

Thank you to the many volunteers who worked Girls’ and Boys’ Camps this year. Dyno-mite Ministries did a wonderful job ministering to our children and staff. 247 children attended our camps this year.

A NEW NAME WITH THE SAME MESSAGE...
SUNDAY SCHOOL & DISCIPLESHIP
MINISTERIES INTERNATIONAL

**ILLINOIS DISTRICT
SUNDAY SCHOOL DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL
REPORT - ASSEMBLY YEAR 06-07**

CHURCH	Enroll	SS	MW	NN		CHURCH	Enroll	SS	MW	NN	
CHAMPAIGN TEAM: Carlos Lonberger, Chairman						Mount Vernon Team: Tim Mondy, Chairman					
Champaign First	196	96	113	2		Benton	82	42	59		
Champaign New Day	135	37	67			Centralia	141	64	67	3	
Mahomet	119	41	72	3		Du Quoin	34	18	23		
Mansfield Community	111	21	34			Mount Vernon	140	29	39	2	
Monticello	60	30	35	1		Salem Grace	364	122	252	40	
Ogden	111	48	64	5		Sparta	36	15	14	1	
Rantoul	91	51	87			Tilden	13	11	24		
Urbana South Side	90	37	15			MURPHYSBORO TEAM: Bobby Parker, Chairman					
DECATUR TEAM: Greg Wooten, Chairman						Anna First	177	88	112	9	
Clinton	253	93	115	1		Carbondale New Beginnings	99	46	56	21	
Decatur First	646	347	567	51		Harrisburg	64	21	23	3	
Decatur Oak Grove	193	24	42	2		Marion	42	32	31		
Decatur Parkway	233	98	110	9		Metropolis	76	32	20		
Decatur Trinity	113	50	62			Murphysboro	100	43	64	2	
Decatur West Side	208	98	104	4		Omaha	60	24	25	8	
Lincoln	102	32	48	12		Royalton	168	68	59		
Shelbyville	288	91	143	6		OLIVET TEAM: Cade Clarke, Chairman					
ILLINOIS RIVER TEAM: Leslie Moore, Chairman						Chrisman	351	55	81		
Barry	27	16	19			Georgetown	96	37	42		
Beardstown	258	84	100	6		Home Gardens	30	24	30		
Beardstown Liberty	29	14	44			Oakwood	55	25	12		
Bethel Community	96	44	61	2		Olivet	124	53	73	9	
Griggsville	41	32	32			Paris	86	47	55		
Mount Sterling	61	20	45			Ridge Farm	60	30	40	3	
Nebo	90	22	35	2		Tuscola	51	30	50	7	
Pittsfield	381	174	260			OLNEY TEAM: Bob Taylor, Chairman					
Quincy Emmanuel	119	58	66			Carmi	42	42	46	10	
MATTOON TEAM: Penny Brown, Chairman						Fairfield	45	23	23		
Arcola First	70	57	65	4		Flora	220	153	176	6	
Arcola Spanish	59	33	40			Laclede	56	9	15		
Casey	774	160	263	6		Lawrenceville Faith	32	20	25		
Effingham	45	14	22			Mount Carmel	38	19	33	2	
Marshall	182	56	55	3		Mount Erie	60	22	34	8	
Mattoon East Side	190	97	99	1		Olney	106	71	100	4	
Mattoon Real Life Community	89	40	65	6		SPRINGFIELD TEAM: Glen Hunter, Chairman					
West Union	65	28	39	4		Auburn	184	41	62	10	
METRO EAST TEAM: Russell Brewer, Chairman						Carlinville	43	22	26		
Belleville Emmanuel	84	35	42			Pana	342	176	281	29	
Belleville First	267	146	206	6		Sherman	147	80	97	6	
Belleville Korean	48	25	47			Springfield First	273	181	266	25	
Bluffview Christian Center	78	37	55	2		Springfield Trinity	118	43	79	15	
Collinsville Good Samaritan	233	87	197			Taylorville	141	48	56	3	
East St. Louis Rush Memorial	6	5	5	1		Virden	62	30	51		
Edgemont Grace	51	27	32								
Fairview Heights Parkview	70	56	56	1							
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY TEAM: Richard Unger, Chairman											
Glenview	174	58	71	3		GRAND TOTALS					
Godfrey	160	54	83	3		11600	4951	6690	380	0	
Granite City Crossroads	120	53	65	6		RESP	SS	AM	NN	NR	
Jerseyville	118	43	49	2							
Roxana	331	161	158	4							

BUDGET REPORT – March 30, 2007

Church Name	Unified	% Paid	Olivet	% Paid	NMI	% Paid	SSDMI	% Paid	NYI	% Paid	WEF	% Paid	P & B	% Paid
Anna First	\$10,417.00	53.76%	\$6,046.00	0.00%	\$466.00	0.00%	\$467.00	0.00%	\$486.00	0.00%	\$12,956.00	0.00%	\$3,455.00	0.00%
Arcola First	\$4,100.00	0.00%	\$2,380.00	27.69%	\$184.00	0.00%	\$184.00	0.00%	\$191.00	0.00%	\$5,099.00	0.00%	\$1,360.00	0.00%
Arcola Spanish	\$574.00	17.42%	\$333.00	15.02%	\$26.00	0.00%	\$26.00	0.00%	\$27.00	0.00%	\$714.00	0.00%	\$191.00	0.00%
Auburn	\$5,565.00	0.00%	\$3,230.00	0.00%	\$249.00	0.00%	\$250.00	0.00%	\$260.00	0.00%	\$6,922.00	0.00%	\$1,846.00	0.00%
Barry	\$766.00	0.00%	\$445.00	0.00%	\$34.00	0.00%	\$34.00	0.00%	\$36.00	0.00%	\$953.00	0.00%	\$254.00	0.00%
Beardstown	\$7,679.00	0.00%	\$4,457.00	0.00%	\$343.00	0.00%	\$345.00	0.00%	\$359.00	0.00%	\$9,550.00	0.00%	\$2,546.00	0.00%
Beardstown Liberty Hispanic	\$2,231.00	0.00%	\$1,295.00	0.00%	\$100.00	0.00%	\$100.00	0.00%	\$104.00	0.00%	\$2,774.00	0.00%	\$740.00	0.00%
Belleville Emmanuel	\$4,275.00	0.00%	\$2,481.00	0.00%	\$191.00	0.00%	\$192.00	0.00%	\$199.00	0.00%	\$5,316.00	0.00%	\$1,418.00	0.00%
Belleville First	\$17,376.00	0.00%	\$10,086.00	0.00%	\$777.00	0.00%	\$779.00	100.00%	\$811.00	0.00%	\$21,612.00	0.00%	\$5,763.00	0.00%
Belleville Korean	\$9,822.00	6.16%	\$5,701.00	0.00%	\$439.00	0.00%	\$440.00	0.00%	\$458.00	0.00%	\$12,217.00	0.00%	\$3,258.00	0.00%
Benton First	\$5,276.00	0.00%	\$3,063.00	0.00%	\$236.00	0.00%	\$237.00	0.00%	\$246.00	0.00%	\$6,563.00	0.00%	\$1,750.00	0.00%
Bethel	\$3,202.00	0.00%	\$1,859.00	0.00%	\$143.00	0.00%	\$144.00	0.00%	\$149.00	0.00%	\$3,983.00	0.00%	\$1,062.00	0.00%
Carbondale New Beg. Com. Ch.	\$1,830.00	0.00%	\$1,062.00	0.00%	\$82.00	0.00%	\$82.00	0.00%	\$85.00	0.00%	\$2,277.00	0.00%	\$607.00	0.00%
Carlinville First	\$2,032.00	19.69%	\$1,179.00	0.00%	\$90.00	0.00%	\$91.00	0.00%	\$95.00	0.00%	\$2,527.00	0.00%	\$674.00	0.00%
Carmi	\$1,301.00	5.30%	\$755.00	0.00%	\$58.00	0.00%	\$58.00	100.00%	\$61.00	0.00%	\$1,618.00	0.00%	\$431.00	0.00%
Casey	\$28,498.00	10.53%	\$16,541.00	12.09%	\$1,274.00	0.00%	\$1,278.00	0.00%	\$1,330.00	0.00%	\$35,445.00	0.00%	\$9,452.00	0.00%
Centralia	\$5,229.00	0.00%	\$3,035.00	0.00%	\$234.00	0.00%	\$235.00	0.00%	\$244.00	0.00%	\$6,504.00	0.00%	\$1,735.00	0.00%
Champaign First	\$10,873.00	89.28%	\$6,311.00	71.51%	\$486.00	0.00%	\$488.00	0.00%	\$508.00	0.00%	\$13,524.00	0.00%	\$3,607.00	0.00%
Champaign New Day	\$4,444.00	0.00%	\$2,580.00	0.00%	\$198.00	0.00%	\$199.00	0.00%	\$207.00	0.00%	\$5,528.00	0.00%	\$1,474.00	0.00%
Chrisman	\$6,456.00	0.00%	\$3,747.00	0.00%	\$288.00	0.00%	\$290.00	0.00%	\$302.00	0.00%	\$8,030.00	0.00%	\$2,142.00	0.00%
Clinton First	\$11,440.00	31.47%	\$6,640.00	36.14%	\$511.00	0.00%	\$513.00	0.00%	\$535.00	0.00%	\$14,229.00	0.00%	\$3,795.00	0.00%
Collinsville Good Samaritan	\$18,293.00	0.00%	\$10,619.00	0.00%	\$817.00	0.00%	\$820.00	0.00%	\$854.00	0.00%	\$22,754.00	0.00%	\$6,068.00	0.00%
Decatur First	\$32,434.00	9.09%	\$18,826.00	17.78%	\$1,450.00	41.40%	\$1,455.00	0.00%	\$1,514.00	0.00%	\$40,341.00	0.00%	\$10,758.00	0.00%
Decatur Oak Grove	\$2,694.00	0.00%	\$1,564.00	0.00%	\$120.00	0.00%	\$121.00	0.00%	\$126.00	0.00%	\$3,351.00	0.00%	\$893.00	0.00%
Decatur Parkway	\$13,901.00	0.00%	\$8,068.00	0.00%	\$621.00	0.00%	\$624.00	0.00%	\$649.00	0.00%	\$17,289.00	0.00%	\$4,611.00	0.00%
Decatur Trinity	\$8,001.00	0.00%	\$4,644.00	0.00%	\$357.00	0.00%	\$359.00	0.00%	\$374.00	0.00%	\$9,952.00	0.00%	\$2,653.00	0.00%
Decatur West Side	\$13,455.00	10.00%	\$7,809.00	1.66%	\$602.00	0.00%	\$604.00	33.11%	\$628.00	0.00%	\$16,735.00	0.00%	\$4,463.00	0.00%
Du Quoin	\$1,533.00	13.05%	\$890.00	14.04%	\$69.00	0.00%	\$69.00	0.00%	\$72.00	0.00%	\$1,907.00	0.00%	\$508.00	0.00%
Dupo Bluff View Christian Center	\$4,680.00	0.00%	\$2,717.00	0.00%	\$210.00	0.00%	\$210.00	0.00%	\$218.00	0.00%	\$5,822.00	0.00%	\$1,552.00	0.00%
East St. Louis Rush Mem.	\$289.00	0.00%	\$168.00	0.00%	\$13.00	0.00%	\$13.00	0.00%	\$14.00	0.00%	\$360.00	0.00%	\$96.00	0.00%
Edgemont Grace	\$1,688.00	0.00%	\$980.00	0.00%	\$76.00	0.00%	\$76.00	0.00%	\$78.00	0.00%	\$2,099.00	0.00%	\$560.00	0.00%
Laclede	\$360.00	0.00%	\$209.00	0.00%	\$16.00	0.00%	\$16.00	0.00%	\$17.00	0.00%	\$448.00	0.00%	\$119.00	0.00%
Effingham	\$2,221.00	0.00%	\$1,289.00	0.00%	\$99.00	0.00%	\$99.00	0.00%	\$104.00	0.00%	\$2,762.00	0.00%	\$736.00	0.00%
Fairfield	\$1,701.00	0.00%	\$988.00	0.00%	\$76.00	0.00%	\$76.00	0.00%	\$79.00	0.00%	\$2,117.00	0.00%	\$565.00	0.00%
Fairview Heights Parkview	\$6,938.00	0.00%	\$4,027.00	0.00%	\$310.00	0.00%	\$311.00	0.00%	\$324.00	0.00%	\$8,629.00	0.00%	\$2,301.00	0.00%
Flora	\$11,396.00	0.00%	\$6,614.00	0.00%	\$509.00	0.00%	\$511.00	0.00%	\$532.00	12.95%	\$14,174.00	0.00%	\$3,780.00	0.00%
Georgetown	\$4,063.00	0.00%	\$2,358.00	0.00%	\$182.00	0.00%	\$182.00	0.00%	\$190.00	0.00%	\$5,053.00	0.00%	\$1,347.00	0.00%
Glenview	\$9,020.00	14.63%	\$5,236.00	17.57%	\$403.00	0.00%	\$404.00	0.00%	\$421.00	0.00%	\$11,219.00	0.00%	\$2,992.00	0.00%
Godfrey	\$6,520.00	17.87%	\$3,784.00	8.83%	\$291.00	0.00%	\$292.00	0.00%	\$304.00	0.00%	\$8,109.00	0.00%	\$2,162.00	0.00%
Good Samaritan Ministry	\$121.00	0.00%	\$70.00	0.00%	\$5.00	0.00%	\$5.00	0.00%	\$6.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%
Granite City Crossroads Com.	\$7,479.00	0.00%	\$4,341.00	0.00%	\$334.00	0.00%	\$336.00	0.00%	\$349.00	0.00%	\$9,302.00	0.00%	\$2,480.00	0.00%
Griggsville	\$2,010.00	0.00%	\$1,167.00	0.00%	\$90.00	0.00%	\$90.00	0.00%	\$94.00	0.00%	\$2,500.00	0.00%	\$667.00	0.00%
Harrisburg First	\$2,330.00	0.00%	\$1,352.00	0.00%	\$104.00	0.00%	\$104.00	0.00%	\$109.00	0.00%	\$2,898.00	0.00%	\$773.00	0.00%
Highland	\$121.00	0.00%	\$70.00	0.00%	\$5.00	0.00%	\$5.00	0.00%	\$6.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%
Home Gardens	\$649.00	0.00%	\$377.00	0.00%	\$29.00	0.00%	\$29.00	0.00%	\$30.00	0.00%	\$807.00	0.00%	\$215.00	0.00%
Jerseyville	\$2,819.00	0.00%	\$1,637.00	0.00%	\$126.00	0.00%	\$126.00	0.00%	\$132.00	0.00%	\$3,507.00	0.00%	\$935.00	0.00%
Lawrenceville Faith	\$1,184.00	0.00%	\$688.00	0.00%	\$53.00	0.00%	\$53.00	0.00%	\$56.00	0.00%	\$1,473.00	0.00%	\$393.00	0.00%
Lincoln First	\$3,209.00	12.46%	\$1,863.00	10.74%	\$143.00	0.00%	\$144.00	102.78%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$3,992.00	0.00%	\$1,064.00	0.00%
Mahomet	\$4,962.00	0.00%	\$2,880.00	0.00%	\$222.00	0.00%	\$223.00	0.00%	\$231.00	0.00%	\$6,171.00	0.00%	\$1,646.00	0.00%
Mansfield	\$4,268.00	20.00%	\$2,477.00	20.00%	\$191.00	0.00%	\$191.00	0.00%	\$199.00	20.00%	\$5,308.00	0.00%	\$1,416.00	0.00%
Marion	\$4,078.00	0.00%	\$2,367.00	0.00%	\$182.00	0.00%	\$183.00	0.00%	\$190.00	0.00%	\$5,072.00	0.00%	\$1,352.00	0.00%
Marion Oasis Community	\$121.00	0.00%	\$70.00	0.00%	\$5.00	0.00%	\$5.00	0.00%	\$6.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%
Marshall	\$5,061.00	0.00%	\$2,937.00	34.05%	\$226.00	0.00%	\$227.00	0.00%	\$236.00	0.00%	\$6,294.00	0.00%	\$1,678.00	0.00%
Mattoon East Side	\$7,898.00	12.66%	\$4,584.00	0.00%	\$353.00	0.00%	\$354.00	0.00%	\$368.00	0.00%	\$9,824.00	0.00%	\$2,620.00	0.00%
Mattoon Real Life Community	\$8,583.00	0.00%	\$4,982.00	0.00%	\$383.00	0.00%	\$385.00	0.00%	\$401.00	0.00%	\$10,675.00	0.00%	\$2,847.00	0.00%
Metropolis	\$1,883.00	0.00%	\$1,093.00	0.00%	\$84.00	0.00%	\$84.00	0.00%	\$88.00	0.00%	\$2,343.00	0.00%	\$625.00	0.00%
Monticello	\$5,688.00	0.00%	\$3,302.00	0.00%	\$255.00	0.00%	\$256.00	0.00%	\$266.00	0.00%	\$7,076.00	0.00%	\$1,887.00	0.00%
Mt. Carmel	\$2,026.00	0.00%	\$1,176.00	0.00%	\$91.00	0.00%	\$91.00	0.00%	\$95.00	0.00%	\$2,520.00	0.00%	\$672.00	0.00%
Mt. Erie	\$2,950.00	21.19%	\$1,713.00	36.49%	\$132.00	0.00%	\$133.00	0.00%	\$137.00	0.00%	\$3,669.00	0.00%	\$978.00	0.00%
Mt. Sterling	\$2,475.00	0.00%	\$1,437.00	0.00%	\$111.00	0.00%	\$111.00	0.00%	\$116.00	0.00%	\$3,078.00	0.00%	\$821.00	0.00%
Mt. Vernon Faith	\$3,657.00	22.32%	\$2,123.00	25.01%	\$163.00	0.00%	\$164.00	21.44%	\$171.00	27.81%	\$4,549.00	0.00%	\$1,213.00	0.00%
Murphysboro	\$6,313.00	0.00%	\$3,665.00	0.00%	\$282.00	0.00%	\$283.00	0.00%	\$295.00	0.00%	\$7,852.00	0.00%	\$2,094.00	0.00%
Nebo	\$3,334.00	15.00%	\$1,936.00	25.83%	\$149.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$156.00	0.00%	\$4,147.00	0.00%	\$1,106.00	0.00%
Oakwood	\$896.00	0.00%	\$520.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%	\$42.00	0.00%	\$1,115.00	0.00%	\$297.00	0.00%
Ogden	\$7,246.00	0.00%	\$4,206.00	0.00%	\$324.00	0.00%	\$325.00	0.00%	\$339.00	0.00%	\$9,013.00	0.00%	\$2,403.00	0.00%
Olivet	\$3,659.00	20.61%	\$2,124.00	20.48%	\$164.00	0.00%	\$164.00	100.00%	\$171.00	0.00%	\$4,551.00	0.00%	\$1,214.00	0.00%
Olney	\$8,273.00	0.00%	\$4,802.00	0.00%	\$369.00	0.00%	\$371.00	0.00%	\$386.00	0.00%	\$10,291.00	0.00%	\$2,744.00	0.00%
Omaha	\$1,016.00	0.00%	\$591.00	0.00%	\$46.00	100.00%	\$46.00	100.00%	\$48.00	100.00%	\$1,264.00	0.00%	\$337.00	0.00%
Pana First	\$9,230.00	0.00%	\$5,357.00	0.00%	\$413.00	0.00%	\$414.00	0.00%	\$431.00	0.00%	\$11,480.00	0.00%	\$3,061.00	0.00%
Paris First	\$3,044.00	0.00%	\$1,767.00	0.00%	\$136.00	0.00%	\$137.00	0.00%	\$142.00	0.00%	\$3,786.00	0.00%	\$1,010.00	0.00%
Pittsfield	\$25,908.00	40.53%	\$15,038.00	59.85%	\$1,158.00	100.00%	\$1,162.00	100.00%	\$1,209.00	100.00%	\$32,223.00	0.00%	\$8,593.00	0.00%
Quincy Emmanuel	\$5,193.00	0.00%	\$3,014.00	0.00%	\$232.00	0.00%	\$233.00	0.00%	\$242.00	0.00%	\$6,458.00	0.00%	\$1,722.00	0.00%
Rantoul	\$7,032.00	25.95%	\$4,082.00	30.90%	\$314.00	0.00%	\$315.00	0.00%	\$329.00	0.00%	\$8,746.00	0.00%	\$2,332.00	0.00%
Ridge Farm	\$2,719.00	0.00%	\$1,578.00	0.00%	\$122.00	0.00%	\$122.00	0.00%	\$127.00	0.00%	\$3,382.00	0.00%	\$902.00	0.00%
Roxana	\$20,222.00	22.47%	\$11,737.00	15.94%	\$904.00	0.00%	\$907.00	0.00%	\$944.00	100.00%	\$25,152.00	0.00%	\$6,707.00	0.00%
Royalton First	\$5,458.00	0.00%	\$3,168.00	0.00%	\$244.00	0.00%	\$245.00	0.00%	\$255.00	0.00%	\$6,789.00	0.00%	\$1,810.00	0.00%



The new Compassionate Ministries Program at Rantoul

Church of the Nazarene has adopted Glenwood Park as its summer project. Shown are, from left, Chelsea Combest, Ron Loy, Sarah Abner, Joi Day, Betty Combest, Kayla Foster and Kelsie Foster. The new group, known as the Precious Angels, will care for the park by picking-up trash, watching for maintenance needs and suggesting park improvements.



Poster Contest

During the month of July, the children from the Godfrey Church of the Nazarene participated in a poster contest sponsored by the local Missionary Society.

There were several winners and every participant received a prize. The photo below was taken on Sunday, July, 28th as they received their ribbons and awards. --Jan Shotts



Members of the Pittsfield Church of the Nazarene

Jack Kirk, Don Kirk, Cleve Curry, and John And Becky Freesmeyer, recently joined several others from Michigan and Ohio and also members of Decatur, Kankakee, Chrisman, and Taylorville, Illinois churches to help construct a medical clinic near the North Ruimveldt church in Georgetown, Guyana. The members of the work and witness team would like to thank all who gave to this project, especially the Illinois District for their generous monetary help in the project. Also, thanks to those at the Pittsfield church for their sacrificial giving in support of this vital ministry in Guyana, South America.

– Becky Freesmeyer, Pittsfield NMI President

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From Friendly to Connecting

Overcoming 9 barriers to adopting visitors.

"...And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." Acts 2:47

A congregation may unwittingly place barriers before newcomers, preventing them from connecting into the life of the church.

- 1. Large family networks.** In our church, three family circles with a chain of relationships connect more than 175 people. These networks have their own social gatherings in which outsiders aren't included. Relatives often are so busy taking care of family needs, little time remains to consider the needs of outsiders.
- 2. Existing friendships.** I visited one church and heard the pastor talk about how friendly it was. The church was friendly: I watched people in animated conversations with their friends. But the whole time, I sat alone. No one talked with me.
- 3. Facilities.** The design of church buildings can be an obstacle when there are no signs to direct people to entrances, the nursery, or rest rooms.
- 4. A church's history.** Some congregations seem more interested in the past than in the future. Sermon illustrations and announcements often refer to past events, cherished traditions, and former members.
- 5. Special events.** People attracted to a church by special events will likely stick only if the kind of ministry that first attracted them is sustained—a difficult undertaking.
- 6. Philosophy of ministry.** If the pastor or congregation believes church life is generated from the platform on Sunday morning, allegiance may be only to the pastor. If, however, a church's ministry emphasizes interaction among members and shared ministry, integration means providing facilities and programs for people to build friendships and to serve.
- 7. Reputation.** Strife among members is picked up quickly by newcomers.
- 8. Confusing service styles.** Visitors often feel uneasy when they first attend church. Much of what we do in our services, though familiar to members, is intimidating to visitors.
- 9. Poor attitudes.** Perhaps the greatest obstacle to newcomer integration is the attitude of insiders.

—CALVIN RATZ

To Discuss

1. Which of the above barriers does our church place in front of newcomers? How could it (they) be removed?
2. What is the general attitude among the "insiders" of our church toward newcomers?
3. What would be the first step in creating a system that connects people into the core of the church?

Missional Strategy Team Calendar

- Sept. 18 Pastors on Purpose @ Mt.Vernon, 10-2
- Sept. 22, MST Meeting @ Effingham, 9:30 AM
- Oct. 20, MST Meeting @ Effingham, 9:30 AM
- Feb. 23, Team Day @ Decatur First
- March 4, Pastors on Purpose @ Effingham, 10-2
- March 22, MST Meeting @ Effingham, 9:30 AM
- May 17, MST Meeting @ Nazarene Acres, 12 PM

Pastors on Purpose

Speaker: Rev. Mark Hager

Tuesday, September 18th

10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

(Lunch Provided)

Mt.Vernon Faith Church of the Nazarene

"...learn how to add one family a month to your church."