

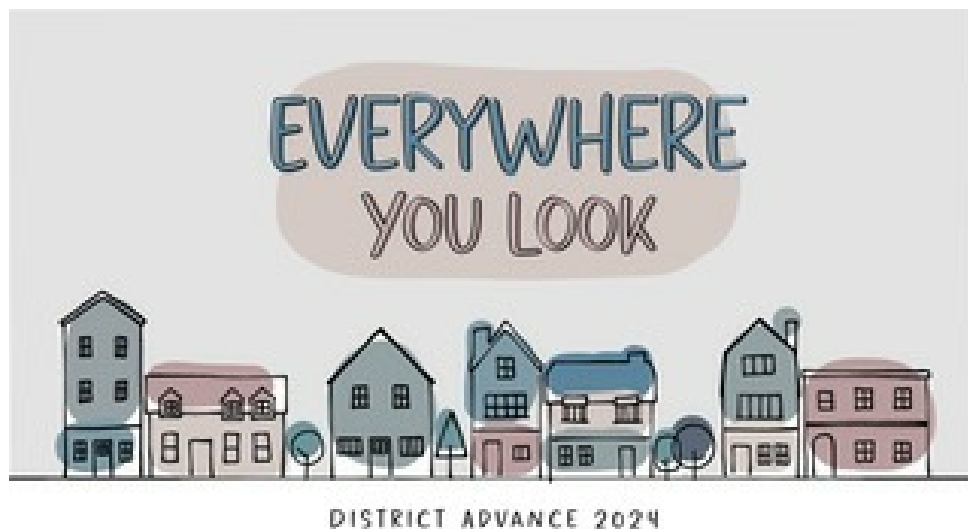
FLORIDA CONNECTION

FLORIDA DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



News, insights, and resources for Florida District Churches

April 2024



2024 Florida District Advance

April 19-20, 2024

Highland Park Church (Church for the One), Lakeland, FL

In conjunction with our Regional theme of "**Blessing Our Communities**," this year's District Advance focus will be on experiencing moments of divine disruption where we allow God to break our hearts for the needs we see in our communities. We'll look at how we can then garner our resources to meet those needs in a way that blesses our communities. 2024 District Advance will provide resourcing, equipping, and inspiration for our pastors and laypeople to take back to their local congregations. You don't want to miss it.

Go to the [2024 District Advance page](#) on the district website for additional **Advance information:**

- Links for Delegate Registration (now open) [LINK](#) - **Deadline April 9**
- On-Site Meal Ordering (any/all guests, delegates, & children must order in advance if you are planning on eating on-site, there is no ordering the day of) [LINK](#) - **Deadline April 9**
- Kids Advance Registration & Schedule [LINK](#) -- **no walk-ins, please** - **Deadline April 9**

- Hotel Lists
 - Schedules - [LINK](#)
 - Workshop options - [LINK](#)
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ARE YOU A DELEGATE to 2024 District Advance?? Be Prepared!!

1. Make sure to DOWNLOAD the Florida District app from your device's app store (look for our blue cross icon)
 2. Create your password, etc. This app will be used for VOTING at DA 2024
 3. Visit our District Advance website: <https://www.floridanaz.com/2024-florida-district-advance> to review reports and ballot information under the [Delegate Orientation](#) button
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YOUTH ADVANCE: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Your teens won't want to miss **LaMorris Crawford**, our NYI Speaker at 2024 District Advance. Many of our Team Florida teens heard LaMorris speak at **NYC2023 in Tampa**. He will be our keynote speaker and will present a workshop for youth & youth leaders that is open to everyone. Teens who attend will participate in a compassionate ministry project. **You don't have to be a delegate to attend. No charge, except for meals.**

For more information on our 2024 District Advance speakers, [CLICK HERE](#)

Advance Guest Speakers

Rev. Dale Schaeffer
Florida District Superintendent



Dr. T. Scott Daniels
General Superintendent
Church of the Nazarene



Dr. Dan Boone
University President
Trevecca Nazarene



Rev. LaMorris Crawford
Preacher, Teacher, Human Potential
Extractor. Nazarene Youth
International (NYI) Guest Speaker



Revs. AJ & Chelsie Frye
Missionaries
Nazarene Mission International
(NMI) Guest Speaker



Rev. Tim Soerens
Preacher, Author, Co-Founding
Executive Director of the Parish Collective.
Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI)
Guest Speaker



Rev. Scott Humston
President of New Dimensions
Evangelism, Family & Connections
Pastor. Nazarene Kids Advance
Guest Speaker



Crises Care Kits

Team Florida NMI (Nazarene Missions International) will be collecting **Crisis Care Kits** at 2024 District Advance. CCK's are used in areas of natural disaster and conflict, to provide basic hygiene products for those affected. For directions on how your church can assemble Crisis Care Kits, [CLICK HERE](#). Let's fill up those banana boxes!

Watch for **Tim Alford** and the Crisis Care Kit truck in the parking lot at 2024 DA.



Florida Nazarene Softball Tournament

Saturday, May 25, 2024

NEW LOCATION: Lake Fairview Park, 2200 Lee Road, Orlando, FL

Now in its third year, the Florida Nazarene Softball Tournament attracts teams from across the district. Get your team together now and start practicing. As always, fans are welcome as well. Come cheer on your team.

For information and to register, contact Lamar Courtney at 228-671-6633 or lamarcourtney@juno.com



The Becoming Conference

June 26-29, 2024

Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville, TN

The Becoming Conference is a four-day residential experience that combines vocational training with individual and corporate worship, biblical instruction, service learning, and fun -- all designed to assist students in discovering their call to vocational ministry.

YES track is designed for those students who are interested in further discovery concerning vocational, pastor ministry. See application forms on the information website.

Early bird rates expire April 1. Applications due by May 3.
For more information click [HERE](#) ... to register click [HERE](#).

FLIP THE SCRIPT:
TURNING THE WORLD

UPSIDE
↑ DOWN ↓
FOR JESUS

ACTS 17:4-7

NATIONAL BLACK
NAZARENE CONFERENCE

JULY 11-14

Atlanta, Georgia
The Westin Buckhead

National Black Nazarene Conference

July 11-14, 2024

Westin Buckhead Atlanta, Georgia.

For information and registration link, visit:

<https://www.usacanadaregion.org/multicultural-ministries/black-ministries>.

The conference is open to all interested persons. For questions you may contact Dr. Charles Tillman, Black Ministries' Facilitator at: drillman@comcast.net



2024 Ministry Team Retreat

Date: Oct. 4-6, 2024

Wyndham Garden, Fort Walton Beach

573 Santa Rosa Blvd. Fort Walton Beach, FL. 32548

Theme: "Discovering the Easy Yoke of Jesus"

Speaker: Pastor & author Rev. Michael LaVigne

To Register, [CLICK HERE](#)

NYI Youth Camp



BREAKING NEWS!

Florida NYI Youth Camp

Date: July 1-5, 2024

Theme: That They Would be One

New Location: Reallife Camp at Blue Springs, Marianna, Florida

Northwest of Tallahassee, Florida, Reallife Camp features amazing accommodations and activities, both indoors and outdoors. You *won't* want to miss this year's camp. Watch www.thefloridanyi.com for more information and registration links, coming soon. Questions? Contact Pastor Richard Stout at pastorrichard@hotmail.com

KIDS Camp



Location: Lake Placid Campground & Conference Center, Lake Placid, FL
Early Registration (\$285) Deadline March 31, 2024

Standard Registration (\$295) Deadline May 31, 2024
Late Registration (\$325) Deadline July 15, 2024

All information, forms and registration can be found
at <https://flnazkids.b1.church/kidscamp2024>



October 20-26, 2024

BIG SERVE is an opportunity for churches from across the nation to join together and serve their communities. Projects will vary from community to community and may include assisting local non-profit organizations such as shelters, food pantries, and senior adult services. Churches may also volunteer with local schools and parks to assist with projects such as weeding, painting, and maintenance, or to bless and show appreciation to first responders, teachers, and veterans.

Start planning now! How will YOUR congregation get involved and bless YOUR community during BIG SERVE week?

SAVE THE DATE

Blessing our Community Team Training Day

September 14, 2024

Calvary Church of the Nazarene, Apopka, FL

Pastors, church leaders, and laypeople from across Team Florida will gather together for a day of training and equipping, with an emphasis on Blessing our Community. Additional workshops are being planned for leaders -- such as Youth, Children, Missions, and Church Treasurers. Watch our Team Florida website for more information!

Year-to-Date Giving Report

Thank you!

Nearly 100% of our Team Florida churches participated in Fair Share this year-- which goes toward the District, Nazarene Benefits, and Trevecca funds. This month, your giving enabled our District NYI to participate in TNT at TNU, a gathering that introduces students to teens from around the Southeast educational field, as well as to the Trevecca campus. Thank you! Your giving DOES make a difference.

Visit our website for more information: www.floridanaz.com

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