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## The Gathering 2025

SC District Assembly & Conventions

**Columbia First | July 13-14**

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# INFORMATION

## REGISTRATION

Registration is in the Main Building Lobby on Sunday from 4:00-6:00pm and Monday from 8-8:30am. Send 1 delegate from the church to the registration desk to register the church delegation. Alternates must be confirmed by the church's Lead Pastor.

## CHILDCARE

Childcare is available in the lower level of the Main Building in the Nursery (0-2 years old), Preschool (3-6 years old) and Elementary (7 years old - 6th grade) Rooms.

## OFFERING

There will be an offering on Sunday evening to cover costs of the Assembly. If you would like to Give Online, you may do so at [www.southcarolinanazarene.com](http://www.southcarolinanazarene.com). Click "Give/Pay Online" and use the District Assembly Offering designation.

## LIVESTREAMING

Livestreaming for all services available at [www.columbianaz.com](http://www.columbianaz.com).

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## LEADERSHIP TEAM

Nate Barefield  
Andrew Campbell  
Sam Flores  
Tony Lupton  
Shannon Mangicaro  
Eric Nahass  
Libby Newman  
Greg Pressley  
Jeremy Reese  
Jessica Rojas  
Chris Ward

## WORSHIP TEAM

### PRAISE TEAM

Andrew Campbell  
Brittany Campbell  
Juan Carlos Muñoz  
Laura Muñoz

### WORSHIP BAND

James Burks - Acoustic  
Guitar/Vocals  
Westin Edwards - Drums  
Haydn Miller - Keyboard  
Todd Sims - Piano  
Rod Walley - Bass Guitar

### SPECIAL GUESTS

SC IMPACT Team  
Zion's Dance Ministry

## Welcome To THE GATHERING 2025

A joyous welcome to The Gathering 2025, our annual district assembly and department conventions where Nazarenes and friends from all over South Carolina come together to celebrate the goodness of God and all that He has accomplished through His Church. This year's theme is "Keep Searching."

Luke 19:10 reminds us: "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." This scripture challenges us to emulate Christ's mission, urging us to pursue the lost and guide them toward the light of salvation.

We will hear inspiring reports from pastors on how our churches have impacted lives and communities over the past year. Together, we will receive updates from department presidents and hear the District Superintendent's report, celebrating our victories as we set forth into a new year of possibilities and triumphs. We are especially excited to have Dr. T. Scott Daniels presiding over the assembly business as our General Superintendent and delivering the message during the ordination service. God is using Dr. Daniels as one of our global leaders. Join me in prayer and anticipate hearing God's voice through His servant. May the Holy Spirit fall upon us at this event.

Your sacrifices—traveling to be here, incurring expenses, and setting aside work and family time—are deeply appreciated, and I trust that the Lord will honor and bless you abundantly for your commitment.

The district staff and leadership team have worked diligently to prepare for this meaningful gathering. This is our opportunity to serve you, as we all serve God by serving others.

Let us rejoice in His goodness, reflect on His blessings, and set forth into a new year of victories for His Kingdom.

Pastor Sam Flores  
South Carolina District Superintendent

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## SCHEDULE

SUNDAY   JULY 13	4:00pm	Doors Open
	4:00-6:00pm	Registration
	4:45pm	Prelude with SC IMPACT Team
	5:30pm	Opening Service / District Assembly
		<i>Worship</i>
		<i>Introduction of General Superintendent</i>
		<i>Organization of the Assembly</i>
		<i>Approval of Ballot</i>
		<i>District Superintendent's Report</i>
		<i>District Elections</i>
		<i>Pastors' Reports</i>

MONDAY   JULY 14	8:00am	Doors Open
	8:00-8:30am	Registration
	8:30am	Departmental Conventions
		<i>Worship</i>
		<i>Approval of Ballots</i>
		<i>Departmental Elections</i>
		<i>Report from NYI President</i>
		<i>Report from NDI President</i>
		<i>Report from NMI President</i>
		<i>Pastors' Reports</i>
	12:15pm	Lunch   Gymnasium
	12:30pm	Lunch for Ordinands   Gymnasium Upper Level
	1:15pm	Ministers' Choir Rehearsal   Worship Center
	2:00pm	District Assembly Business
		<i>Memorial Roll</i>
		<i>Introduction of New Pastors</i>
		<i>Special Greetings</i>
		<i>General Superintendent's Report</i>
		<i>Assembly Reports</i>
		<i>Pastors' Reports</i>
	7:00pm	Ordination Service

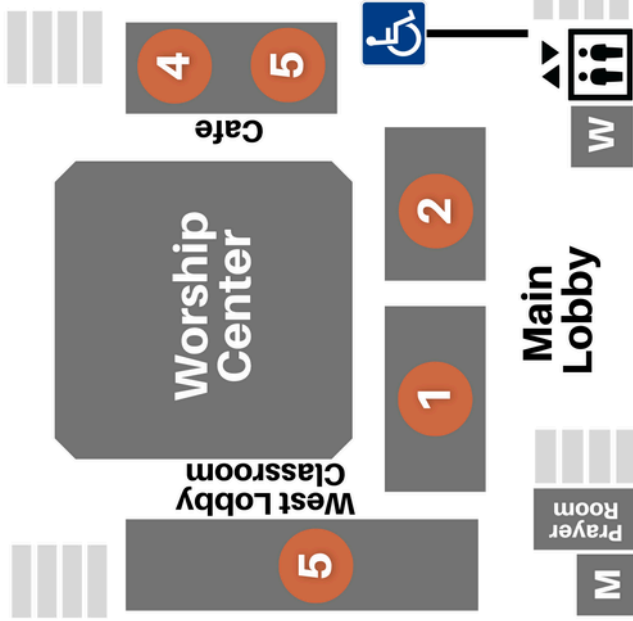


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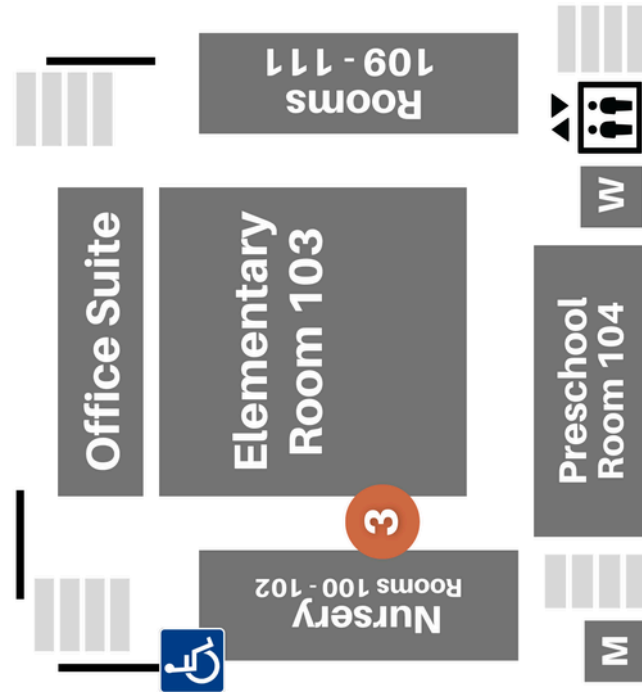
GYM: Upper Level



EVENT KEY

- 1 Registration & Voting Assistance
- 2 Translation Equipment & Meal Tickets
- 3 Childcare Dropoff
- 4 Coffee & Snacks
- 5 Exhibitor Tables
- 6 Monday Lunch
- 7 Ordinand Lunch

MAIN BUILDING: Lower Level



GYM: Lower Level



MAP KEY

- Stairs
- Elevator
- Men's Restroom
- Women's Restroom
- Entrances

Dr. T. Scott Daniels was elected general superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene at the 30th General Assembly held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, in June 2023. At the time of his election, he was serving as senior pastor at Nampa College Church of the Nazarene in Nampa, Idaho.

Born in Detroit, Michigan, USA, Scott was ordained in 1992 by Dr. Raymond Hurn. After being an associate pastor in Washington, California, and Oklahoma, he served as senior pastor for three Churches of the Nazarene: Richardson (Richardson, Texas), Pasadena First (Pasadena, California), and Nampa College. Scott also served on theology faculties at Southern Nazarene and Northwest Nazarene Universities and served as the Dean of the School of Theology and Seminary at Azusa Pacific University.

Dr. Daniels received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Northwest Nazarene University in 1988 and a Master of Divinity degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in 1992. He earned a PhD in Theology and Ethics from Fuller Theological Seminary in 2000.

Scott's ministry has bridged the gap between the church and the academy, often teaching and pastoring simultaneously. In addition to his faculty positions at SNU, NNU, and APU, Scott has taught for Nazarene Theological Seminary, Trevecca Nazarene University, Africa Nazarene University, and Fuller Theological Seminary. This background proved useful during his lengthy service on the Nazarene Publishing Board and as a long-term member and chair of the Covenant of Christian Conduct Committee. He served as the chair of the Christian Action Committee at four General Assemblies.

Dr. Daniels has published numerous articles and book chapters, and delivered several academic papers and presentations. He has authored six books including *Embracing Exile: Living Faithfully as God's Unique People in the World*; *The First 100 Days: A Pastor's Guide*; and *Seven Deadly Spirits: The Message of Revelation's Letters for Today's Church*. His preaching is widely respected throughout the church, making him a sought-after speaker and frequent homiletics teacher and advisor. He has created and maintained a successful podcast - *New Creation Conversations* - building bridges between the local church and the Christian academy.

Dr. Daniels and his wife, Debbie, live in Nampa, Idaho. They have four adult children (Caleb, Noah, Jonah, and Sophia) and three daughters-in-law.

El Dr. T. Scott Daniels fue elegido superintendente general de la Iglesia del Nazareno en la 30.<sup>a</sup> Asamblea General celebrada en Indianápolis, Indiana, EE. UU., en junio de 2023. En el momento de su elección, servía como pastor titular en Nampa College Church of the Nazarene en Nampa, Idaho.

Nacido en Detroit, Michigan, EE. UU., Scott fue ordenado en 1992 por el Dr. Raymond Hurn. Después de ser pastor asociado en Washington, California y Oklahoma, fue pastor titular de tres Iglesias del Nazareno: Richardson (Richardson, Texas), Pasadena First (Pasadena, California) y Nampa College. Scott también formó parte del cuerpo docente de teología de Southern Nazarene University (SNU) y Northwest Nazarene University (NNU) y fue decano de la facultad de Teología y Ministerio de Azusa Pacific University (APU).

El Dr. Daniels obtuvo una licenciatura en Teología en Northwest Nazarene University en 1988 y obtuvo una maestría en Divinidad en Fuller Theological Seminary en 1992. El sacó un doctorado en Teología y Ética en Fuller Theological Seminary en 2000.

El ministerio de Scott ha tendido un puente entre la iglesia y la docencia, a menudo enseñando y pastoreando simultáneamente. Además de sus puestos docentes en SNU, NNU y APU, Scott ha enseñado en el Nazarene Theological Seminary, Trevecca Nazarene University, Africa Nazarene University y Fuller Theological Seminary. Este trasfondo académico probó ser útil durante su largo servicio en la junta directiva de Publicaciones Nazarenas y por varios años, como miembro y presidente del Comité del Pacto de Conducta Cristiana. Él sirvió como el presidente del Comité de Acción Cristiana en cuatro Asambleas Generales.

El Dr. Daniels ha publicado numerosos artículos y capítulos de libros, y ha publicado varios discursos y ponencias académicas. Es autor de seis libros, entre ellos *Embracing Exile: Living Faithfully as God's Unique People in the World* (Abrazando el exilio: vivir fielmente como el único pueblo de Dios en el mundo); *The First 100 Days: A Pastor's Guide* (Los 100 primeros días: guía del pastor); y *Seven Deadly Spirits: The Message of Revelation's Letters for Today's Church* (Siete espíritus mortales: El mensaje de las cartas del Apocalipsis para la Iglesia actual). Sus prédicas son muy respetadas en toda la Iglesia, lo que le convierte en un conferencista muy solicitado y un profesor y asesor frecuente de homilética. Ha creado y mantiene un exitoso podcast - *New Creation Conversations* (Conversaciones sobre la nueva creación) - que extiende puentes entre la iglesia local y la educación cristiana.

El Dr. Daniels y su esposa, Debbie, viven en Nampa, Idaho. Tienen cuatro hijos adultos (Caleb, Noah, Jonah y Sophia) y tres nueras.



Dr. T. Scott  
Daniels

Jurisdictional General  
Superintendent  
Superintendente General  
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Rev. Samuel Flores was elected District Superintendent of the South Carolina District in July 2018. Prior to that he served as Assistant District Superintendent for the South Texas District, District Missionary (where he was responsible for the coordination of New Church Development and the Multicultural Ministries), and pastoral assignments in Austin Grace, Austin First, San Antonio Central, Houston Southwest and New Vision Community. Sam was influential in the development of 70 new churches in South Texas.

Sam has also served as a Board of Trustees member of Southern Nazarene University and currently at Trevecca Nazarene University.

Sam also currently serves the denominational church as a New Church Task Force member, Director of Assessments for New Church Pastors, and has been a workshop presenter at the PALCON, Mid quadrennial conferences, as well as General Assembly.

Sam and Candy have four daughters, a son in law, two granddaughters and two grandsons. They enjoy spending time with family and love to travel and go sightseeing.



Rev. Samuel Flores

District Superintendent  
Superintendente Distrital

Rev. Samuel Flores fue elegido Superintendente del Distrito de Carolina del Sur en julio del 2018. Antes de eso se desempeñó como asistente del Superintendente en el distrito Sur de Texas, Misionero de distrito (donde fue responsable de la coordinación del desarrollo de nuevas iglesias y los ministerios multiculturales), cumpliendo asignaciones pastorales en Austin Grace, Austin First, San Antonio Central, Houston Southwest and New Vision Community. Sam fue influyente en el desarrollo de 70 nuevas iglesias en el sur de Texas.

Sam también ha servido como miembro de la Junta General de la Universidad Nazarena del Sur y actualmente en la Universidad Nazarena de Trevecca.

Sam también sirve actualmente a la denominación como miembro del grupo de trabajo de formación de nuevas iglesias; Director de evaluaciones para los nuevos pastores de la iglesia, y ha sido un presentador de taller en las conferencias PALCON, Mid cuatrienales, así como la Asamblea General.

Sam y Candy tienen cuatro hijas, un yerno y cuatro nietos (dos niños y dos niñas). Disfrutan pasar tiempo con la familia y aman viajar y hacer turismo.

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SC NDI Events

SC NMI

SC NYI

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# 2025-2026 DISTRICT CALENDAR

## ABBREVIATION KEY

DAB - District Advisory Board

GCCC - Gunter Camp & Conference Center

NDI - Nazarene Discipleship International

NMI - Nazarene Missions International

NYI - Nazarene Youth International

TNT - Top Nazarene Talent

TNU - Trevecca Nazarene University

W&W - Work & Witness

## JULY 2025

- 13-14 The Gathering 2025 | Columbia First
- 22 DAB Organizational Meeting | 6:00pm | Online
- 27 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office
- 7/31-8/2 SE Field Church Planter Assessment | GCCC

## AUGUST 2025

- 9 Camp Covenant Partners' Town Hall Meeting | GCCC
- 16 NMI Council Meeting | 10:00am | District Office
- 16 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 22-24 Fuel Youth Worker Retreat (NYI)
- 31 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## SEPTEMBER 2025

- 11 NYI Council Meeting | 7:00pm | District Office
- 12-13 Retiro de Parejas | GCCC
- 13 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 23 DAB Meeting | 6:00pm | District Office
- 27 Equip (NDI) | Columbia First
- 28 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## OCTOBER 2025

- 3-5 PK Retreat (NYI) | Laguna Beach, FL
- 10 Camp Board Meeting | 10:00am | GCCC
- 10-11 Camp Workdays | GCCC
- 11 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 17-18 Pastor Prayer & Training Retreat | GCCC
- 19-26 Deputation Tour - Matt & Faye Wagner (NMI)
- 25 Children's Missions Fair (NMI) | GCCC
- 26 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## NOVEMBER 2025

- 1 Children's Quiz (NDI)
- 1 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 6-8 TNU Board of Trustees
- 7-8 TNU Homecoming
- 14-16 Ladies' Getaway (NDI)
- 18 DAB Meeting | 6:00pm | Online
- 21-23 Breakaway (NYI) | GCCC
- 30 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## DECEMBER 2025

- 5 District Christmas Banquet | 6:30pm | GCCC
- 28 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## JANUARY 2026

- 8 NYI Council Meeting | 7:00pm | District Office
- 10 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 15-18 Pastor & Spouse Retreat | Asheville, NC
- 23-24 District TNT (NYI) | Midland Valley Community
- 27 DAB Meeting | 6:00pm | Online
- 28 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## FEBRUARY 2026

- 7 Children's Quiz (NDI)
- 7 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 20-22 SC Marriage Conference (NDI)
- 21 NMI Council Meeting | 10:00am | Online
- 22 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office
- 28 Camp Board Meeting | 10:00am | GCCC

## MARCH 2026

- 7 Children's Quiz (NDI)
- 7 Teen Quiz (NYI)
- 13-14 Board of Ministry Assessment | GCCC
- 17-19 Global Exponential Conference | Orlando, FL
- 19-21 TNU Board of Trustees
- 21 Children's Talent (NDI)
- 21 Prime Time Event (NDI)
- 24 DAB Meeting | 6:00pm | District Office
- 29 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## APRIL 2026

- 9-11 TNT@TNU (NYI)
- 16 NYI Council Meeting | 7:00pm | District Office
- 18 NMI Council Meeting | 10:00am | District Office
- 21 District Nominating Committee Meeting | 6:00pm | Online
- 26 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## MAY 2026

- 2 TNU Commencement
- 19 DAB Meeting | 6:00pm | Online
- 22-23 Camp Workdays | GCCC
- 29-31 The Bridge Retreat (NYI) | GCCC
- 31 End of Church Year | Report Monthly Statistics



## JUNE 2026

- 5/31- 6/7 Deputation Tour - Russell & Carla Frazier (NMI)
- 8-12 Teen Camp (NYI) | GCCC
- 9 Executive Finance Committee | 9:30am | District Office
- 11-13 PALCON | TNU
- 15-20 Family Camp | GCCC
- 21-24 Preteen Camp (NDI) | GCCC
- 23 Finance Committee Meeting | 6:00pm | District Office
- 24-27 Children's Camp (NDI) | GCCC
- 28 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office

## JULY 2026

- 6-12 IMPACT Tour (NYI)
- 12-13 The Gathering 2026: SC District Assembly & Conventions
- 21 DAB Organizational Meeting | 6:00pm | Online
- 26 Report Monthly Statistics to District Office



# SC DISTRICT CAMPS 2026

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**GUNTER CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER**

**THE BRIDGE RETREAT - May 29-31**

**TEEN CAMP - June 8-12**

**FAMILY CAMP - June 15-20**

**PRETEEN CAMP - June 21-24**

**CHILDREN'S CAMP - June 24-27**

## *Retiro de Parejas*

HISPANIC COUPLES' RETREAT

**12-13 Septiembre 2025**

Inscripción Temprana: \$130/Pareja (hasta 18 agosto)  
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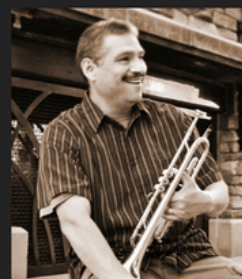
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## SC DISTRICT CHRISTMAS BANQUET

*A Christmas Celebration for SC Nazarene Clergy and Spouses*

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH  
6:30PM  
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**SPECIAL GUEST  
REV. RUDY CERVANTES**

## SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT PASTOR & SPOUSE RETREAT



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**JANUARY 15-18, 2026**

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# 2024-2025 DISTRICT STAFF & BOARDS

## DISTRICT STAFF & LEADERSHIP

District Superintendent	Samuel Flores
Assistant District Superintendent	Jeremy Reese
District Secretary	Gregory Pressley
District Finance Officer	Jessica Rojas
NDI President	Tony Lupton
NMI President	Elizabeth Newman
NYI President	Nate Barefield
Children's Ministries Director	Laureen Rupert
Gunter Camp & Conference Center Manager	Candy Flores

## DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

<b>MINISTERS</b>	<b>LAYPERSONS</b>
Roland Evans (2027)	Tina Morse (2026)
David Gallimore (2026)	Wendel Nixon (2025)
William Harvey (2026)	Laura Virden (2026)
Tom McCrea (2025)	Elaine Wengerd (2027)
Isa Wojtkowski (2027)	Justin Willis (2027)

## COURT OF APPEALS

<b>EX OFFICIO</b>	<b>MINISTERS</b>	<b>LAYPERSONS</b>
District Superintendent	Richard Coleman (2025)	Jay Earles (2025)
	James Thrower Jr. (2025)	Peggy Smith (2025)

## EXECUTIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE

<b>EX OFFICIO</b>	<b>MEMBERS</b>	
District Superintendent	Mark Alison (Chair)	LaNora Jensen
District Finance Officer	Pamela Geddings	Kaleb Nimz
District Secretary		

BOARD OF MINISTRY

EX OFFICIO

District Superintendent  
District Secretary

MEMBERS

Roland Evans (2025)	Glen Link (2025)	Libby Newman (2025)
Bill Harmon (2027)	Tony Lupton (2027)	Jeremy Reese (2027)
Ben LaPlace (2027)	Michael McAdory (2026)	Scott Wade (2025)
Loretta LaTourette (2027)	Eric Nahass (2025)	Brent Walker (2027)

CAMP DEVELOPMENT & OPERATIONS BOARD

EX OFFICIO

District Superintendent  
Gunter Camp Manager

MINISTERS

Henry Adams	Brian Howard
Brandon Barkley	Jayden Savage
Andrew Barnette	

LAYPERSONS

Donnie Arant	Greg Lyman
Bill Brummer	Michelle Sharpe
Phillip Dominguez	Peggy Smith

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EX OFFICIO

District Superintendent

MINISTER

David Snodgrass (2026)

LAYPERSON

Peggy Smith (2025)

MISSION AREA LEADERS

Lowcountry - Bill Wojtkowski	Piedmont - John Sadler
Lower Midlands - Linda Robinson	Santee - Sammy Geddings
Midlands - Brent Walker	Upstate - David Snodgrass
Pee Dee - Tom McCrea	

## DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

The District Advisory Board of the South Carolina District Church of the Nazarene met in regular meetings throughout the 2024-2025 fiscal year. We prayerfully reviewed and received minutes of previous meetings; reports from Rev. Samuel Flores, District Superintendent; reports from Rev. Jeremy Reese, Assistant District Superintendent; monthly financial summaries and treasurer's reports for the SC District and the Gunter Camp & Conference Center from Jessica Rojas, District Finance Officer; and regular reports from Candy Flores, the Gunter Camp & Conference Center Manager.

This is to serve as a summary report. The complete minutes and documentation are recorded in the District Office (150 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC). The following items were approved:

- 1) Transfer of Ministerial Credentials
- 2) Annual Appointment of Pastors
- 3) Annual Appointments of Local Church Boards
- 4) Approval of Sabbatical for District Superintendent
- 5) Acceptance of Camp Development & Operations Board Recommendations
- 6) Recommendation of License Renewal for Licensed Ministers Serving as Pastors
- 7) Acceptance of Resignation of Credentials: Gabrielle Bagby, Tim Godby, Leroy Rabon, Sarah Sircy and Patrick Taylor
- 8) Approval of Church Name Changes: Charleston Calvary (The Nexus Pointe) and Greenville First (HopePointe)
- 9) Appointment of Rev. Jeremy Reese as Assistant District Superintendent
- 10) Appointment of the District Nominating Committee
- 11) Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Board of Ministry
- 12) Approval of Local Licensed Ministers Serving as Pastors: Thomas Carter Sr. and Brandon Eagleton
- 13) Approval of Treasurers at Beaufort, Bennettsville First, Cottageville, New Ellenton New Life, Pageland Rose Memorial, Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero and Wallace
- 14) Approval for District Advisory Board to Serve as the South Carolina District's General Assembly Resolutions Committee
- 15) Approval of Request to Purchase Property: Ashwood
- 16) Approval of Request to Sell Property: West Columbia Central
- 17) Approval of a District Loan: Winnsboro
- 18) Approval of Capital Stewardship Campaign Exceptions: New Start Community, Summerville, and Sumter First
- 19) Approval of Rare Circumstance Exception: Rock Hill Trinity
- 20) Approval of The Impact Network's Facility Lease Agreement
- 21) Approval to Make Hartsville Calvary Inactive
- 22) Approval of Organization of the District Advisory Board
- 23) Approval of Organization of the District Executive Finance Committee
- 24) Approval of Organization of the District Finance Committee
- 25) Approval of 2025/2026 District Budget, Gunter Camp & Conference Center Budget, and Departmental (NDI, NMI, NYI) Budgets

*Respectfully submitted,*

TOM MCCREA, Secretary

SAMUEL FLORES, Chairperson



## **District Board of Ministry Report 2025**

### **a. Credentials**

#### ***Partial Report No. 1***

We, your Board of Ministry, recommend the following transfers be received:

*Elder:*

Christopher Adams - Florida  
Phillip Dorries - Chicago Central  
Yelssy M. Manza - North Carolina  
John J. Posegay - Eastern Michigan  
Alan B. Riley - Oregon Pacific  
Travis Sears - Kansas City  
Stephen Smitley - Northwestern Ohio  
Donald O. Stewart, Jr. - North Carolina

*Licensed Minister:*

Benjamin Mark Kaney - MidSouth  
Iva Riley - Oregon Pacific  
Erica J. Wigart-Wright - Georgia

We recommend the following transfers be granted:

*Elder:*

*Licensed Minister:*

#### ***Partial Report No. 2***

We, your Board of Ministry, having found the following ministers to be in harmony with the teachings and practices of the Church of the Nazarene, recommend that they be elected to elder's orders and ordained:

Iva Marie Riley  
Eric Wigart-Wright  
Michael B. Barkley

We, your Board of Ministry, having found the following ministers to be in harmony with the teachings and practices of the Church of the Nazarene, recommend that they be recognized as an elder in the Church of the Nazarene.

Orville Everal Williams (Wesleyan Holiness Church)

#### ***Partial Report No. 3***

We, your Board of Ministry, recommend the following:

*For Minister's License:*

*(elder track except where noted)*

Rachel Beita

Stephen Fairfax (deacon)  
Guisselle Gonzalez  
Jillian Hutchins  
Sarah Moss  
Jeremy Varn

*For Renewal of Minister's License:  
(elder track except where noted)*

Francelly Arias Parra  
Michael B. Barkley  
Camren Batista  
Anthony Bryant  
Samuel Burchfield  
Timothy Chipley  
LaMorris Crawford  
Curt Evans  
Gina Franco Castiblanco  
Benjamin Goss  
Benjamin Kaney  
Stephen Kiser  
Nicole Langston  
David LaTourette  
Shannon Mangicaro  
Daniel Millington  
Jose Mendoza  
Marcio Melo de Lima  
Pedro Joel Ospina  
Iva M. Riley  
Jessica Rojas  
Marlene Saenz  
Monica Sanchez Castro  
Jayden Savage  
Todd Sims  
James Stewart  
Jesús Vásquez Hernández  
Christopher Ward  
Jeremy Webb  
Daniel Wood

*For Local License*

Thomas Carter, Sr.  
Brandon Eagleton  
Billy Geddings

*For Renewal of Tenured Evangelist:*

William A. Ulmet

*For Renewal of Registered Song Evangelist Certificate:*  
Stefanie Coburn Fuller  
Kelly Harvell  
Jeannie Sharpe  
Vance Sharpe

*Removed from the Roll of Elders*  
 Gabrielle Bagby - Resigned par. 530, 531.2  
 P. Timothy Godby, II - Resigned, par 531.2  
 Sarah Renee Sircy - Resigned, par 531.2  
 Patrick J. Taylor - Resigned, par. 530; par 531.2  
 Rusty Rabon (District License) - Resigned, par 531.2

*Promoted to the Church Triumphant:*  
None

### b. Ministerial Studies

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*We recommend the following be retained in level one:*

Billy Geddings  
Brandon Eagleton

*We recommend the following be placed in level two:*

Rachel Beita  
Brittany Evans  
Stephen Fairfax  
Guisselle Gonzalez  
Jillian Hutchins  
Steve Kiser  
Summer Mangicaro  
Daniel Levi Millington  
Sarah Moss  
Jeremy Varn

*We recommend the following be retained in level two:*

Francelly Arias Parra  
Carmen Batista  
Samuel Burchfield  
LaMorris Crawford  
Aswil Dominguez  
Pedro Joel Ospina  
James Ken Stewart  
Brian Thompson  
Jeremy Webb

*We recommend the following be placed in level three:*

Clay Chipley  
David LaTourette  
Monica Sanchez Castro  
Jayden Savage

*We recommend the following be retained in level three:*

Curt Evans  
Jose Mendoza  
Jessica Rojas  
Daniel Wood

*We recommend the following be placed in level four:*

Benjamin Kaney  
Shannon Mangicaro  
Marlene Saenz  
Todd Sims  
Jesús Vásquez Hernández

*We recommend the following be retained in level four:*

Gina Franco Castiblanco  
Marcio Melo Lima

*We recommend the following for graduation from the course of study:*

Michael B. Barkley  
Iva Marie Riley  
Christopher Ward  
Orville Everaldo Williams

### **INSTRUCTION TO STUDENTS**

For comprehensive information to guide you through the Course of Study, please refer to the Guide for Ministerial Preparation & Ordination.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

The District Studies Board serves only the persons who are properly enrolled. Consult *Manual* Paragraphs 521-521.7 – “Education of Clergy.”

### **COURSES**

There are four general courses administered by the District Studies Board: Ministerial leading to Elder; Christian Education, Compassionate Ministries and Music Ministries leading to Deacon. These may not be ordained without having completed their respective course of study.

Annual renewal of the Commission as a Minister of Music is subject either to having completed the course in the Deacon Track or showing evidence of pursuing it.

### **MODES OF STUDY**

The recommended mode of preparation for full-time Christian service is by attending a Nazarene liberal arts college or Nazarene Bible College and, if possible, the Nazarene Theological Seminary. Other modes are the Ministerial Preparation Program at Nazarene Bible College and Northwest Nazarene University. The Modular Course of Study is under the immediate supervision of the SC District Studies Board. ENTE Online is an available online Spanish Language program.

General curriculum areas for ministerial preparation are in *Manual* Section 521.3. Modular courses are in the Guide to Ministerial Development & Ordination.

### **STUDY REGULATIONS**

1. Each student is instructed to download the Guide to Ministerial Development & Ordination in order to become familiar with the details of the entire program.
2. All course work and transcripts must be submitted and credited by June 30 in order to apply to current assembly year. Work filed thereafter will be applied to the following year. Course work must be submitted annually prior to the Board of Ministry interview.
3. Approval for consideration for a course may be requested at any time prior to taking the course by contacting the Studies Director.
4. Lifelong Learning classes are permitted aids to study, but not a means of courses.
5. Candidates should be prepared to appear for an interview as called by the Board of Ministry Assessment.

### **COLLEGE / SEMINARY STUDENTS**

College and Seminary students are responsible to submit evidence of academic standing in harmony with Manual section 521. At graduation, the final transcript will be evaluated by the District Studies Board, and no requirements stated in the *Manual* will be waived.

### **WHERE TO GO**

1. For information or guidance, the student should first consult his/her pastor or mentor. Further assistance may be obtained by contacting the District Secretary and/or the District Studies Board Secretary.
2. All relevant application forms (for District Assembly recommendation and renewal) are available through the Ministerial Credentials page of the SC District Website.
3. Please send transcripts and grades for evaluation to [studies@southcarolinanazarene.com](mailto:studies@southcarolinanazarene.com). Official transcripts may be sent by mail to "Studies, c/o SC District Office, 150 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
JEREMY REESE, District Studies Board Secretary



# **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

- 1) 2025/2026 Nominating Committee Members as appointed by the South Carolina District Advisory Board and District Superintendent, Rev. Samuel Flores (Chairperson):

a. **MINISTERS**

- i. Andrew Barnette (HopePointe)
- ii. Joshua Keith (Columbia Abundant Life)
- iii. Tony Lupton (New Start Community)
- iv. Tom McCrea (Hartsville - The Gathering Place)
- v. Elizabeth Newman (Batesburg)
- vi. John Sadler (Rock Hill First)
- vii. David Snodgrass (HopePointe)

b. **LAYPERSONS**

- i. Hubert Jayakumar (Chester First)
- ii. LaNora Jensen (Pelion)
- iii. Duncan Michel (The Village – Greer)
- iv. Rachael Watts (West Columbia First)
- v. Emily Webb (Spartanburg First)

2) **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

- a. That any person elected limit service to one major board/leadership role (DAB or department leadership) to allow more people the opportunity to serve.
- b. That any person completing a three-year term (one cycle) on the DAB will rotate off that board for one year.
- c. That the District Secretary serve as an ex officio member of the Board of Ministry.
- d. That there be an awareness and inclusive spirit in recognizing differing geographical areas, as well as cultural & language groups represented throughout the district, all while desiring to seek the best candidates.
- e. That all elections not otherwise stipulated be by plurality.

**RECOMMENDATION: Approval by consensus**

3) **DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD / Three (3) Year Term**

- a. Expired Term
  - i. Ministers
    - 1. Tom McCrea (Hartsville - The Gathering Place)
  - ii. Laypersons
    - 1. Wendel Nixon (Columbia First)
- b. Remaining Members
  - i. Ministers

1. Roland Evans – 2027 (Cottageville)
  2. David Gallimore – 2026 (Midland Valley Community)
  3. William Harvey – 2026 (Myrtle Beach - The Connection)
  4. Isa Wojtkowski – 2027 (Charleston Iglesia)
  - ii. Laypersons
    1. Tina Morse – 2026 (West Columbia Central)
    2. Laura Virden – 2026 (Columbia First)
    3. Elaine Wengerd – 2027 (Aiken Ebenezer)
    4. Justin Willis – 2027 (Anchor)
  - c. Minister - Elect One (1) / Nominate Three (3)
    1. Andrew Barnette (HopePointe)
    2. Haydn Miller (Anchor)
    3. David Snodgrass (HopePointe)
  - d. Layperson - Elect One (1) / Nominate Three (3)
    1. Terry Johnson (Chester First)
    2. Chris Ryon (HopePointe)
    3. Dorothy Waldron (Sumter First)
- 4) CAMP DEVELOPMENT/OPERATIONS BOARD / Two (2) Year Term
- a. Ex Officio
    - i. District Superintendent – Samuel Flores
    - ii. Camp Manager – Candy Flores
  - b. Expired Term
  - c. Remaining Members
    - i. Ministers
      1. Henry Adams (Great Falls)
      2. Brandon Barkley (Ashwood)
      3. Andrew Barnette (HopePointe)
      4. Brian Howard (Midland Valley Community)
      5. Jayden Savage (Pelion)
    - ii. Laypersons
      1. Donnie Arant (Rock Hill Trinity)
      2. Bill Brummer (Midland Valley Community)
      3. Philip Dominguez (Summerville)
      4. Greg Lyman (Columbia First)
      5. Michelle Sharpe (Sumter Calvary)
      6. Peggy Smith (Batesburg)

**RECOMMENDATION: No election needed**

- 5) CHURCH PROPERTIES BOARD
- a. The District Advisory Board to serve *ex officio*.

**RECOMMENDATION: Approval by consensus**

- 6) COURT OF APPEALS / Two (2) Year Term

- a. Expired Term
  - i. Ministers
    - 1. Richard Coleman (Lexington Shepherd)
    - 2. James Thrower (Columbia First)
  - ii. Laypersons
    - 1. Jay Earles (Midland Valley Community)
    - 2. Peggy Smith (Batesburg)
- b. Minister - Elect Two (2) / Nominate Six (6)
  - 1. Jerry Branham (Columbia First)
  - 2. Wayne Cheselka (Midland Valley Community)
  - 3. Lucky Detty (Reconciliation Ministries)
  - 4. Jeffrey Hawkins (HopePointe)
  - 5. Tom McCrea (Hartsville - The Gathering Place)
  - 6. Linda Robinson (Orangeburg First)
- c. Layperson - Elect Two (2) / Nominate Six (6)
  - 1. Sarah Brown (Rock Hill Emmanuel)
  - 2. Deborah Hickman (Spartanburg First)
  - 3. LaNora Jensen (Pelion)
  - 4. Wendel Nixon (Columbia First)
  - 5. Iwana Ridgil (Columbia Grace)
  - 6. Peggy Self (West Columbia First)

## 7) BOARD OF MINISTRY / Three (3) Year Term

- a. Ex Officio
  - i. District Superintendent – Samuel Flores
  - ii. District Secretary – Gregory Pressley
- b. Expired Term
  - i. Roland Evans (Cottageville)
  - ii. Loretta LaTourette (Beaufort)
  - iii. Glen Link (Greenwood Community)
  - iv. Eric Nahass (Columbia First)
  - v. Libby Newman (Batesburg)
  - vi. Scott Wade (Charleston Sea Island)
- c. Remaining Members
  - i. Bill Harmon – 2027 (West Columbia First)
  - ii. Ben LaPlace – 2027 (The Village - Greer)
  - iii. Tony Lupton – 2027 (New Start Community)
  - iv. Michael McAdory – 2026 (Midland Valley Community)
  - v. Jeremy Reese – 2027 (Aiken Ebenezer)
  - vi. Brent Walker – 2027 (West Columbia Central)
- d. Elect Six (6) / Nominate Eighteen (18)
  - 1. Andrew Barnette (HopePointe)
  - 2. Melissa Burks (Summerville)
  - 3. Andrew Campbell (HopePointe)
  - 4. Roland Evans (Cottageville)
  - 5. David Gallimore (Midland Valley Community)



6. Jeffrey Hawkins (HopePointe)
7. Tim Haynes (Spartanburg First)
8. Tom McCrea (Hartsville - The Gathering Place)
9. James Merritt (Lancaster SonLight Community)
10. Haydn Miller (Anchor)
11. Libby Newman (Batesburg)
12. Linda Robinson (Orangeburg First)
13. Ruben Rosario (Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero)
14. Gary Rupert (Charleston First)
15. David Snodgrass (HopePointe)
16. Scott Wade (Charleston Sea Island International Community)
17. Rodney Walley (The Nexus Pointe)
18. Isa Wojtkowski (Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno)

8) DISTRICT ASSEMBLY FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. District Advisory Board & Department Leaders to serve *ex officio*.

**RECOMMENDATION: Approval by consensus**

9) TRUSTEES TO TREVECCA NAZARENE UNIVERSITY / Three (3) Year Term

- a. Ex Officio
  - i. District Superintendent – Samuel Flores
- b. Expired Term
  - i. Peggy Smith – Layperson (Batesburg)
- c. Remaining Trustees
  - i. David Snodgrass - 2026 (Minister)
- d. Layperson - Elect One (1) / Nominate Three (3)
  1. Ashley Barnette (HopePointe)
  2. Terry Johnson (Chester First)
  3. Brad Wallace (HopePointe)

10) MISSION AREA LEADERS

- a. Leaders
  - i. Low Country (Bill Wojtkowski)
  - ii. Lower Midlands (Linda Robinson)
  - iii. Midlands (Brent Walker)
  - iv. Pee Dee (Tom McCrea)
  - v. Piedmont (John Sadler)
  - vi. Santee (Sammy Geddings)
  - vii. Upstate (David Snodgrass)

**RECOMMENDATION: Approval by consensus**

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Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Jeremy Reese  
Assistant District Superintendent  
Recording Secretary

# 2025 Election Ballot

All Voting Done Electronically

## District Advisory Board

### MINISTER (3-year term)

*Elect 1*

Andrew Barnette

Haydn Miller

David Snodgrass

### LAYPERSON (3-year term)

*Elect 1*

Terry Johnson

Chris Ryon

Dorothy Waldron

## Court of Appeals

### MINISTER (2-year term)

*Elect 2*

Jerry Branham

Wayne Cheselka

Lucky Detty

Jeffrey Hawkins

Tom McCrea

Linda Robinson

### LAYPERSON (2-year term)

*Elect 2*

Sarah Brown

Deborah Hickman

LaNora Jensen

Wendel Nixon

Iwana Ridgill

Peggy Self

## Board of Ministry - *Elect 6* (3-year term)

Andrew Barnette

Melissa Burks

Andrew Campbell

Roland Evans

David Gallimore

Jeffrey Hawkins

Tim Haynes

Tom McCrea

James Merritt

Haydn Miller

Libby Newman

Linda Robinson

Ruben Rosario

Gary Rupert

David Snodgrass

Scott Wade

Rodney Walley

Isa Wojtkowski

## Trustee to Trevecca Nazarene University - *Elect 1*

### LAYPERSON (2-year term)

Ashley Barnette

Terry Johnson

Brad Wallace



## FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, the District Finance Committee: Rev. Samuel Flores (ex officio), Mark Alison (chair-person), LaNora Jensen (Finance Committee secretary), Jessica Rojas (District treasurer/finance officer), Nate Barefield (NYI president), Tony Lupton (NDI president), Elizabeth Newman (NMI president), Rev. Jeremy Reese (recording secretary), Gregory A. Pressley (District secretary); ministers – Roland Evans, David Gallimore, Will Harvey, Tom McCrea, and Isa Wojtkowski; laypersons – Tina Morse, Wendel Nixon, Laura Virden, Elaine Wengerd, and Justin Willis, submit the following report for your consideration:

The Church of the Nazarene is comprised of local congregations throughout the world. By the uniting of our efforts and resources we are able to accomplish that which our local churches cannot do by themselves. Necessary to these cooperative ministries is financial support from the local churches. Furthermore, we are dependent upon the integrity of pastors and local church financial officers in developing and maintaining a means to this ministry that is equitable and healthy.

We recommend the following:

1. That for the **2025-26** fiscal year local churches participate in the District Missional Fund (DMF). The DMF shall be conducted in this manner: each local church shall contribute 6.75% of its **weekly** tithes and offerings (including its Sunday School offering) for the support of the following South Carolina District Ministries: District Operations, New Church Fund, Camp, District Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI), District Nazarene Youth International (NYI), District Nazarene Missions International (NMI). Send to South Carolina District Church of the Nazarene, 150 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169 or by electronic payment ([www.fundingthemission.org](http://www.fundingthemission.org)). Exempt from inclusion in the DMF offerings is money given by the local church to the World Evangelism Fund and approved mission specials.

The DMF allotments are to be sent each-week **at least monthly** to the South Carolina District Office by U.S. mail or through online giving. The district treasurer will disburse the funds proportionately in the following manner, up to \$530,000 **\$583,000**:

District Missional Growth – **4.00%**  
Camp – **9.00%**  
NDI – **4.00%**  
NMI – **4.00%**  
NYI – **4.00%**

After \$530,000 **\$583,000** of the district budget (DMF) has been received and there is an excess over expenditures, the balance of monies will be appropriated according to

the executive finance committee recommendations with approval of the District Advisory Board.

2. That the World Evangelism Fund shall be 5.5% of all monies raised, minus all money given by the local church to the World Evangelism Fund and approved mission specials. Send to General Treasurer, P.O. Box 843116, Kansas City, MO 64184 or by electronic payment ([www.fundingthemission.org](http://www.fundingthemission.org)).
3. That South Carolina's Nazarene Benefits USA (formerly Pensions & Benefits) shall be 2% of all monies raised minus all money given by the local church to the World Evangelism Fund and approved mission specials; and that Trevecca's allotment shall be 2.5% of all monies raised minus all money given by the local church to the World Evangelism Fund and approved mission specials. Please understand that it is the local church's responsibility to send the Nazarene Benefits USA allotment to the General Treasurer and Trevecca's allotment to TNU.
4. The District Budget shall be as follows:  
  
Proposed District Budget Expenditures **2025-26**  
See Addendum 1.  
  
Proposed **2025-26** District Missional Growth Investments - ~~\$22,000~~ **\$23,320**.  
  
Proposed Camp Operating Budget **2025-26**  
See Addendum 2.
5. That the District NYI, District NDI, District NMI councils provide monthly treasurer reports to the district superintendent.
6. That the District NDI, NMI, NYI, **Missional Growth**, and Camp councils/boards present a proposed annual budget to the District Finance Committee.
7. That the district treasurer and all department treasurers be bonded at district expense.
8. That all district salaries and benefits and general assembly delegate allocations be preferred claims; and that all other district expenses not specified, including office equipment, be paid as ordered by the Advisory Board; that travel expenses for the district board and committee meetings be set at one half of the current IRS standards.
9. That the district superintendent be given 5 weeks' vacation with pay.
10. That the local church be responsible for the pastor's and any associate pastors' health insurance premiums.
11. That all district treasurers' books be audited by a qualified accountant.



12. For South Carolina Nazarene churches that have paid their Education Budget in full, TNU will match 2-to-1 any amount the local church sends in for their students up to \$500. (TNU will add \$1000 to make it a \$1500 Church Match Scholarship.)

For South Carolina Nazarene churches that have not paid their Education Budget, TNU will match 1-to-1 any amount the local church sends in for their students up to \$500. (TNU will add \$500 to make it a \$1000 Church Match Scholarship.)

### **Guidelines for Local Church Boards**

1. That church boards assume responsibility to see that 6.75% of the local church's offering is sent to the district treasurer each week **at least monthly**.
2. That our churches and departments have their treasurer's books audited or reviewed at the end of the statistical church year preferably by a qualified accountant, or by a competent committee, and that a letter is sent to the district office verifying this audit or review by October 1. Requests for permission to sell property, buy property, construct facilities, or borrow money may not be considered until the letter is received. This audit or review is to be verified on the annual pastor's report. (*Manual* paragraph 139.23)
3. That all church records are filed at the end of each statistical church year under the supervision of the church board, and that confidentiality be properly maintained.
4. That our churches pay full-time evangelists approximately twice their pastor's salary. Travel expenses and Social Security taxes should be in addition to the compensation provided.
5. That our people be encouraged to exercise the stewardship of possessions and estates on behalf of the church. We further recommend that the pastors use every means to conduct an active bequest program through the local congregation. Visit [www.NazareneFoundation.org](http://www.NazareneFoundation.org) or call 866-273-2549 for more information.
6. That each church observe Nazarene Bible College Day and Nazarene Theological Seminary Day during the dates designated by the respective institutions, by distributing publicity materials and receiving an offering.

### **Pastoral Care**

Care for our pastors is a biblical concept and practice that needs to be carefully considered by our church boards. Realizing that staffing and financing resources of the churches can vary, we urge the appropriate committees to study and recommend action



annually in each of the areas below. Churches receiving district support must comply with existing district policy regarding local church finance.

A. Salaries

1. Each church, where appropriate and possible, should endeavor to employ its pastor on a full-time basis.
2. The pastor's and paid associate pastors' salaries are to be carefully reviewed annually as a minimum. It should be recognized that a salary increase is not an actual increase unless it is above the current cost-of-living index. When a pastor leads a church in growth that is reflected in increased finances, let this be a factor in determining the amount of increase in his/her salary and benefits.
3. A study should be made of the pastor's and associates' compensation to determine means of limiting tax liability. Professional assistance is available through the office of Nazarene Benefits USA (NBUSA). We recommend local churches seek assistance relating to the tax laws and their impact on tax liability of pastors and associates.
4. The pastor's and associates' salaries are to be considered a preferred claim.
5. That the pastor and associates be given at least one week's salary as a Christmas gift.

B. Housing

1. In housing matters, churches should carefully consider the options of the pastor purchasing his own home versus retaining a church-owned parsonage to best meet the pastor's need.
2. When a pastor or associate purchases his own home, a housing allowance should be established commensurate with current housing and utility costs, in line with current IRS standards and consistent with NBUSA guidance.
3. If a parsonage is owned by the local church, the appropriate committee or board should be aware of and responsible for needed repairs and maintenance.

C. Insurance

1. Church boards should work with pastors to obtain optimum insurance coverage.
2. Consideration should be given to provide the supplemental term life insurance and the long-term disability insurance for the pastor and associates that is offered by the general church.

D. Local Church Expense

1. The church should provide a pastor's auto expense reimbursement, continually considering the increase in church-related auto costs. Consideration should be given to operating costs, maintenance, depreciation, insurance, and registration. Some churches may choose to provide a car for their pastor.
2. Each church should make provisions for a comfortable and well-equipped office for its pastors. This provision should include supplies, postage, telephone, and secretarial help when needed.
3. Recognizing that entertainment is a local church expense, consideration should be given to establishing an expense account to reimburse pastors for expenses

incurred in professional responsibilities.

4. Each church should assist their pastor(s) with Work & Witness trip expenses, whenever possible. These ministry experiences should not be considered as vacation.

#### E. Retirement Benefits

1. The church should reimburse the pastor(s) the full amount of Social Security tax based on the total of his/her salary and housing allowance or parsonage rental value (where possible, including utilities).
2. NBUSA now offers a Ministers Match pension program. NBUSA will match contributions by eligible ministers and/or their church (local effort) to their Nazarene 403(b) account when the church also pays at least 50% of their NBUSA Fund allocation. The greatest benefit to the local minister occurs when the church pays 100%. For more information visit the NBUSA website. (<https://www.nbusa.org/>)
3. There is no longer an automatic contribution to the minister's retirement account, unless the minister and the church participate in this new pension program.
4. Once the church has fulfilled their NBUSA Fund allocation (2%) and if financially possible, the local church should also give consideration to establishing a matching TSA (tax sheltered annuity) plan for the pastor(s) through the TSA programs offered by the general church or other such institutions.
5. The local church should remit their NBUSA payment in order for the pastor(s) to receive retirement benefits. Here are the percentages for the Ministers Match Program:

Local Effort	NBUSA Effort	
NBUSA Fund Paid %	Match %	Maximum Match \$
100%	50%	\$2,500
90%	45%	\$2,250
80%	40%	\$2,000
70%	35%	\$1,750
60%	30%	\$1,500
50%	25%	\$1,250

### Well-Being

#### A. Physical

1. The pastor and full-time staff should be given an annual paid vacation. As a guideline, we suggest the following schedule for total years of service, not just the tenure of service at the current assignment:

0-4 years	2 weeks (including 2 Sundays)
5-9 years	3 weeks (including 3 Sundays)
10-19 years	4 weeks (including 4 Sundays)
20 or more years	5 weeks (including 5 Sundays)



2. The pastor is urged to give careful consideration to following the biblical call to weekly Sabbath in taking one day off per week. He or she should also lead the congregation in understanding the words of Jesus that the Sabbath has been made for our well-being. God does in Sabbath what can only be done in Sabbath. Working on one's Sabbath should be rare. (Mark 2:27)

B. Spiritual

1. Realizing that pastors face stress, pressure, and exhaustion, consideration should be given to granting extended time away (week or month) for rest, renewal, prayer, and spiritual growth.
2. We affirm the biblical call (Leviticus 25) to follow the rhythms established by God for His people. During each fifth consecutive year, we recommend a paid sabbatical leave for rest, renewal, prayer and spiritual deepening, with district approval.
  - a. We recommend not less than 4 weeks of sabbatical time.
  - b. Recognizing the unique challenges of our bi-vocational pastors, the pastor / board are encouraged to invite the staff of nearby congregations and retired elders to help with the preaching duties. We encourage those ministers to consider their assistance as a gift to the local church in helping our bi-vocational pastors.
  - c. When a pastor has been in the ministry for 12 years, has not ever taken a sabbatical, and has been in his or her current assignment for at least four years, we recommend the congregation consider granting the pastor a sabbatical, in consultation with the district superintendent.
  - d. Church board/congregations should not consider the sabbatical as vacation nor should the compensation of the pastor be reduced.
  - e. In financially healthy settings, the church board/congregation should consider helping the full-time/senior pastor with the costs associated with the sabbatical. See *Manual* paragraph 139.10.
3. We urge that members of the local church uphold their pastor(s) daily in prayer.

C. Emotional

Understanding the emotional burden that pastors carry in caring for others and the high rate of burnout experienced by clergy, we recommend that the pastor give careful consideration to his or her own emotional health. We recommend that the local church encourage and provide the opportunity for each pastor to engage in counseling that would be consistent with Christian values, including, but not limited to, the Pastoral Care Center at Trevecca Nazarene University, with which the district has a contracted relationship.

D. Educational

1. That each church encourage all of its pastoral staff to enrich their ministry at the local church by providing funds and time for Lifelong Learning as outlined in the most recent Church of the Nazarene *Manual* paragraphs. This may include ministerial conventions, seminars, directed studies, and special college and seminary courses. This provision may also include the purchase



- of professional development materials (books and periodical allowances) and the payment of professional dues.
2. That each church, especially those without the funds to help with Lifelong Learning requirements, encourage their pastor to participate in the South Carolina School of Pastoral Leadership.

E. Inspirational

That each local church assist their pastor and associates in attending District Assembly, Family Camp Meeting, conventions, and the annual retreat for pastors and their spouses and that these meetings not be considered vacations.

**Family**

Special Recognition

1. Each church is encouraged to recognize all members of the parsonage families at appropriate times of the year: Pastor Appreciation Month, birthdays, anniversaries, Christmas, etc. Special attempts should be made to show appreciation and express love to the pastors and families at all times.
2. That our churches remember the retired ministers, missionaries, and evangelists within their membership with special acts of love and kindness.

*Respectfully submitted,*

LaNORA JENSEN, Secretary

MARK ALISON, Chairperson

## ADDENDUM 1

EXPENSE ACCOUNT	District Budget 2025-2026
<b>Salaries, Housing &amp; Benefits</b>	
Salaries	\$143,450.00
Housing & Benefits	\$131,500.00
Honorariums	\$6,600.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$281,550.00</b>
<b>Services</b>	
Employer FICA/Medicare	\$3,500.00
Auditing Services	\$500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$4,000.00</b>
<b>Expense Reimbursement</b>	
DS Bus. & Prof. Expenses	\$15,000.00
Assistant DS Expenses	\$2,500.00
DS Conference & Travel	\$21,000.00
District Secretary Exp. Reimb.	\$1,500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$40,000.00</b>
<b>District Building</b>	
Insurance & Workers Comp	\$35,000.00
Electric & Gas	\$4,000.00
Water & Sewer	\$300.00
District Cabins Expenses	\$5,000.00
Lawn Care Service	\$2,500.00
Pest Control Service	\$450.00
Security Service	\$1,500.00
Janitorial Supplies	\$250.00
Custodial Wages	\$1,500.00
Maintenance & Repairs	\$1,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$51,500.00</b>
<b>District Auto</b>	
Auto Purchase	\$8,000.00
Auto Services	\$3,000.00
Insurance	\$1,500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$12,500.00</b>

**District Operating**

DS Cell Phone	\$2,400.00
Assistant DS Cell Phone	\$1,080.00
Office Phones & Internet	\$3,200.00
New Equipment	\$2,500.00
Miscellaneous Office	\$500.00
Office Supplies & Postage	\$2,200.00
Online Subscriptions/Software	\$3,500.00
Bank Fees	\$2,500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$17,880.00</b>

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**Meetings & Conferences**

<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$16,500.00</b>
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**Assembly Expenses**

District Assembly	\$7,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>

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**Contingent**

Funeral Flowers/Plants	\$100.00
Christmas Gifts (Non-Staff)	\$150.00
College Yearbook Ads	\$225.00
Reserves/Unanticipated Expenses	\$6,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$6,475.00</b>

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<b>BUDGETED TOTAL</b>	<b>\$437,405.00</b>
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**Departmental Disbursements**

<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$145,750.00</b>
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<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$583,155.00</b>
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## ADDENDUM 2

### Camp Operating Budget 2025-2026

#### EXPENSE ACCOUNT

##### Programming

Family Camp Operations		\$5,000.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>

##### Operations

Food Service		\$45,000.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$45,000.00</b>

##### Salaries

Kitchen Staff, Housekeeping, Grounds & Maintenance		\$129,993.00
Managers		\$107,216.00
SS & Medicare Matching		\$12,000.00
Bonuses & Christmas Gifts		\$3,707.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$252,916.00</b>

##### Meeting Expenses

Camp Board Meetings		\$400.00
NCA Conference		\$2,358.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$2,758.00</b>

##### Garbage

Garbage Service		\$3,000.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>

##### Indebtedness

Loan Payment to District		\$42,748.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$42,748.00</b>

##### Insurance

Vehicles		\$750.00
Property & Liability		\$10,000.00
Campers Ins.		\$2,500.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$13,250.00</b>

##### Taxes

Taxes		\$2,500.00
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>

##### Supplies

Office Supplies & Software		\$2,000.00
Janitorial		\$3,500.00

Guest Rooms	\$4,000.00
Gasoline/Diesel	\$3,600.00
General	\$500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$13,600.00</b>

#### **Marketing**

Web Site	\$500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

#### **Misc. Expenses**

Staff/Volunteer Appreciation	\$800.00
NCA Dues	\$200.00
Vehicle Tags & Registration	\$100.00
Bank & Online Fees	\$100.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>

#### **Utilities**

Electricity	\$50,000.00
Propane	\$5,000.00
Telephone	\$2,000.00
Internet	\$2,000.00
DHEC (Water Fee)	\$550.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$59,550.00</b>

#### **Buildings & Grounds**

Maintenance	\$40,000.00
Pool Operation & Repairs	\$5,000.00
Paint	\$6,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$51,000.00</b>

#### **Equipment**

Purchase	\$10,000.00
Repairs	\$3,000.00
HVAC Repairs/Replacement	\$15,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$28,000.00</b>

#### **Pest Control**

Service	\$2,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>

#### **Facilities Development**

Creek Dredging	\$10,000.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>

<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$533,022.00</b>
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**DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT  
DISTRICT OPERATING FUND  
YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 2025**

**CASH RECEIPTS:**

Operating Funds (Allocations & Other)	\$659,177.68
District Hosted Events	\$23,190.19

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

**\$682,367.87**

**CASH DISBURSEMENTS:**

***Salaries, Housing, & Benefits***

Salaries, Housing, & Benefits	\$270,672.44
Payroll Tax Expenses	\$5,431.03
Honorariums	\$6,000.00

**\$282,103.47**

***Expense Reimbursement***

DS Bus. & Prof. Expenses	\$14,203.39
Assistant DS Expenses	\$8,720.84
DS Conference & Travel	\$25,067.73
Sabbatical Expenses	\$5,347.80
District Secretary Exp. Reimb.	\$1,239.69

**\$54,579.45**

***District Building***

Utilities, Grounds, Security, etc.	\$10,608.27
Maintenance, Repairs, & Janitorial	\$7,822.14

**\$18,430.41**

***District Operating***

Auditing Services	\$446.69
District Auto Expenses	\$11,330.50
Phones & Internet	\$7,834.88
Office Supplies & Equipment	\$6,866.07
Online Subscriptions & Software	\$3,732.97
Insurance & Workers Comp	\$33,581.13
Scholarships	\$1,000.00
Legal & Professional Expenses	\$2,891.92
Bank Charges & Fees	\$2,353.86

**\$70,038.02**

***District Meetings & Conferences***

District Assembly & Meetings	\$26,058.00
District Organized Events	\$26,818.82

**\$52,876.82**



**Contingent**

Funeral Flowers/Plants	\$96.30	
Christmas Gifts (Non-Staff)	\$150.00	
Reserves/Unanticipated Expenses	\$13,110.55	
		\$13,356.85

**District Missional Growth**

DMG Disbursements	\$21,126.16	
New Church Fund Expenses	\$2,000.00	
Leadership Development	\$4,557.98	
Pastoral Health & MCW	\$1,780.00	
		\$29,464.14

**Departmental & Camp Disbursements** \$115,500.00**Previous Year Disbursements** \$6,614.63**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS****\$642,963.79**Excess of Receipts over Disbursements \$39,404.08Operating Cash Balance June 1, 2024 \$148,643.73Operating Cash Balance May 31, 2025 \$188,047.81Funds Held \$150,135.61**Total Cash Balance May 31, 2025** **\$338,183.42**Nazarene Foundation \$ 421,197.30Return on Investment \$ 46,588.65**Balance May 31, 2025** **\$ 467,785.95**Wesleyan Investment Foundation \$ 348,628.52Return on Investment \$ 8,787.34**Balance May 31, 2025** **\$ 357,415.86**

**DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT  
GUNTER CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER  
OPERATIONS ACCOUNT  
YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 2025**

**CASH RECEIPTS:**

District Missional Fund	\$43,639.82
Covenant Agreement	\$19,643.61
Family Camp Income	\$29,895.12
Development Projects	\$10,100.00
Operations/Misc./Other	\$449,224.22

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

**\$552,502.77**

**CASH DISBURSEMENTS:**

***Camp Activities***

Family Camp Operations	\$8,944.72	
Food Service	\$36,716.76	
		\$45,661.48

***Salaries***

Kitchen Staff, Janitorial, Grounds & Maint.	\$101,883.19	
Manager, Asst. Mgr, & Others	\$101,821.56	
SS & Medicare Matching	\$10,053.83	
		\$213,758.58

***Camp Operations***

Meeting Expenses	\$732.64	
Garbage Service	\$2,845.41	
Taxes	\$2,427.79	
Loans	\$42,748.00	
Insurance	\$3,263.30	
Supplies	\$17,637.77	
Misc./Other Expenses	\$14,634.46	
Utilities	\$66,262.10	
Building & Grounds	\$61,269.79	
Equipment	\$26,709.88	
Pest Control	\$1,710.00	
		\$240,241.14

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

**\$499,661.20**

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$52,841.57

Cash Balance June 1, 2024

\$68,902.33

Cash Balance May 31, 2025

\$121,743.90

Christopher Ryon  
June 29, 2025  
[Chrisryon18@gmail.com](mailto:Chrisryon18@gmail.com)  
864-630-7450

To Whom It May Concern,

I have completed my audit of the South Carolina District Church of the Nazarene's cash receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2025. The accounts included in the audit are the District Operating Fund, Camp Fund, NYI Fund, NDI Fund, and NMI Fund. I have reviewed randomly selected items as laid out in the Agreed Upon Procedures for the district, and inspected the backup files and bank statements accordingly.

It is my professional opinion that the accounts listed are in good order and of sufficient integrity. Although I originally had two fail items, we were able to reconcile those. I have no consideration to fail this audit in the slightest, but some accounts do need a little bit of attention. This is the seventh subsequent year that I have completed the audit, and it was the best one yet. Jessica has obviously made an impact in her role with record keeping and financial coaching at the district. All major issues or concerns that I had were addressed and cleared up by Jessica Rojas and members within the district. There were zero fail items and the largest funds had the best reports. All concerning items remaining were minor and most were recurring in nature. As a result, the district passed the audit. I will follow up this report with recommendations to the district for next year's audit, in an attempt to increase efficiency and compliancy. Those will not affect the pass/fail tests in the audit, only improve record keeping and overall controls. Much of what has been noted was already discussed in person with Jessica Rojas, the Financial Officer of the district.

Sincerely,  
Chris Ryon  
Accounting Professional





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TREASURER REPORT

YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 2025

Beginning Balance – June 1, 2024 \$57,482.21

**Cash Receipts:**

District Missional Funds	\$22,000.00
Quizzing	\$1,979.00
Camp	\$35,200.00
Investment	\$26,297.80
Marriage & Family	\$1806.90
Prime Time Ministries	\$128.00
Talent	\$1,125.00

**Total Receipts** \$88,536.70

**Cash Disbursements:**

*Administrations:*

Auditors (Travel Expense)	\$58.50
Software Expense	\$192.00
Office Supplies	\$73.00
Hospitality Expense	\$80.00
Christmas Gifts	\$700.00

*Adult Ministries*

Prime Time Ministries	\$917.17
Bridge Retreat	\$1,000.00
Marriage & Family	\$4,462.02
Equip	\$130.39

*Children's Ministries*

Quizzing	\$2,537.92
Camp	\$43,457.73
Talent	\$571.57

*Conventions*

Chairman's Honorarium	\$500.00
Treasurer's Honorarium	\$250.00
RightNow Media	\$898.80
NazSafe	\$650.00

*Investments*

Wesleyan Investment Foundation	\$51,300.00
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**Total Disbursements** \$107,779.10

**Balance – May 31, 2025** \$38,239.81

**SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL (NDI)**  
**2025/2026 PROPOSED BUDGET**

<b>Account Name</b>	<b>25/26 Budget</b>
<b>District</b>	<b>28,000.00</b>
<b>05 Administration</b>	<b>5,875.00</b>
05.01 Chairman's Meeting	1000.00
05.02 Auditor's Fee	75.00
05.03 General Convention Reserve	3100.00
05.04 Board Travel & Expense	
05.05 Software Expense	
05.06 Bank Charges	
05.07 Office Supplies	100.00
05.08 Hospitality Expense	100.00
05.09 Christmas Gifts	1000.00
05.10 Benevolence	
05.11 Leadership Training	500.00
<b>10 Adult Ministries</b>	<b>7,225.00</b>
10.01 Prime Time Ministries	725.00
10.02 Singles Ministry/Bridge Retreat	1000.00
10.03 Marriage & Family	3500.00
10.05 Men's Ministries	
10.06 Leadership Training/Equip	2000.00
<b>15 Children's Ministries</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>
15.02 Quizzing	1000.00
15.03 Camp Expense	12000.00
15.04 Talent	
15.05 Caravan	
<b>20 NDI Convention</b>	<b>750.00</b>
20.01 Convention Expense	
20.02 Chairman's Honorarium	500.00
20.03 Treasurer's Honorarium	250.00
20.04 Second Mile Award	
<b>21 RightNow Media</b>	<b>750.00</b>
21.01 RightNow Media	750.00
<b>22 NazSafe</b>	<b>400.00</b>
22.01 NazSafe	400.00
<b>23 Wesley Investment Foundation</b>	
23.01 Wesley Investment Foundation	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28,000.00</b>



# DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES ACHIEVEMENT

## EXCEPTIONAL CHURCH AWARDS

*(50%+ Growth in Discipleship Attendance)*

Bennettsville First  
Columbia Grace  
Lancaster SonLight Community  
New Ellenton New Life  
Rock Hill Emmanuel  
Rock Hill Grace  
The Nexus Pointe  
West Columbia First

## SUPERIOR CHURCH AWARDS

*(10%-49.99% Growth in Discipleship  
Attendance)*

Aiken Ebenezer  
Batesburg  
Beaufort  
Camden First  
Disciples Church  
Laurens Cornerstone  
Lexington Shepherd  
Living Water Fellowship  
Lowcountry Community  
Lugoff Faith  
New Start Community  
Pageland Rose Memorial  
Pelion  
Reconciliation Ministries  
Summerville  
The Village - Greer

## HONOR CHURCH AWARDS

*(1%-9.99% Growth in Discipleship  
Attendance)*

Cayce  
Great Falls  
HopePointe  
Lluvia de Vida  
Myrtle Beach - The Connection  
Orangeburg Memorial  
Winnsboro

**SC DISTRICT NDI NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 3, 2025**

Pastor Tony Lupton	Robert Caulder	Kristi Harmon	Kaylea Sims
Pastor Melissa Burks	Laureen Rupert	Pastor Hadyn Miller	Lynn Thomas

Open in Prayer: Pastor Tony Lupton

This meeting is to nominate names for the following positions that is up for reelection.

Ministerial Representative (1 person for a 3-year term)

Lay Representative (1 person for a 3-year term)

Each member of the NDI Council will send names to Pastor Tony for both Ministerial and Lay Representatives. That list will be compiled and sent for District and Local Pastor approval. Once approved, the list will be voted on by NDI Council to get the top 3 from each category and they will be on the ballot at the NDI Convention.

Below is the list of the top 3 in each category:

**Ministerial Representative (1 person for a 3-year term)**

1. Pastor Anthony Bryant (Columbia First)
2. Pastor Curt Evans (Camden First)
3. Pastor Kevin Sprague (Bennettsville First)

**Lay Person (1 person for a 3-year term)**

1. Ashley Barnette (HopePointe)
2. Lisa Kelly (Summerville)
3. Victoria Walker (West Columbia Central)

Closed in Prayer: Pastor Tony Lupton

Respectively Submitted,

Lynn Thomas

# 2025 NDI Election Ballot

*All Voting Done Electronically*

## District NDI Council

### **MINISTER (3-year term)**

*Elect 1*

Anthony Bryant

Curt Evans

Kevin Sprague

### **LAYPERSON (3-year term)**

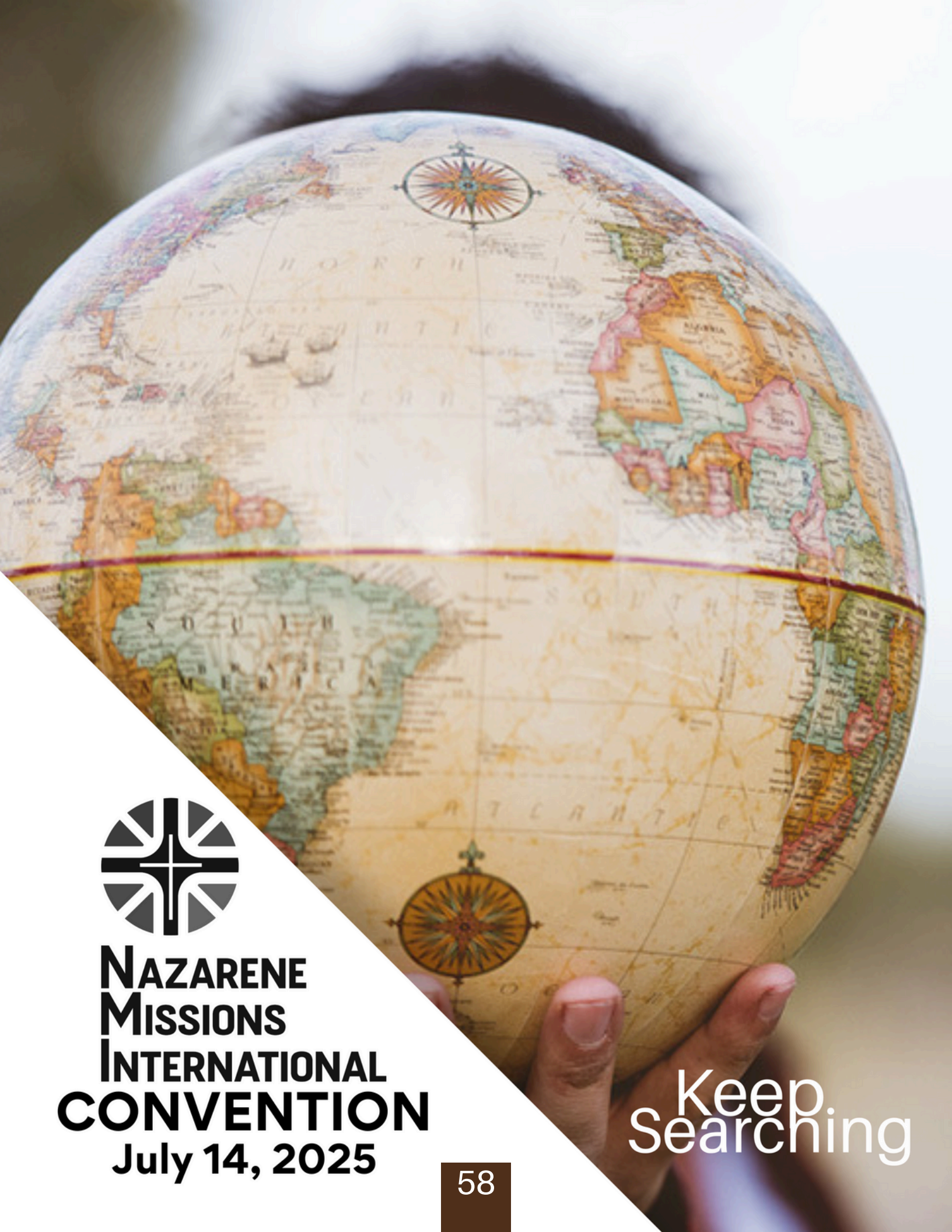
*Elect 1*

Ashley Barnette

Lisa Kelly

Victoria Walker





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**SC DISTRICT NMI TREASURER'S REPORT  
STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIPTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING May 31, 2025**

**CASH RECEIPTS:**

Operating Funds (Budgets & Others)	\$ 22,009.40	
Work & Witness Project/Ticket	\$ 39,168.00	
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS:</b>		<b>\$ 61,177.40</b>

**CASH DISBURSEMENTS:**

Children	\$ 694.12	
Christmas Gifts	\$ 400.00	
Compassionate Ministries	\$ 1,500.00	
District Council Mtg.	\$ 493.00	
DP Appreciation	\$ 500.00	
DP Meetings	\$ 1,960.49	
District Convention	\$ -	
LINKS	\$ 300.00	
Missionary Christmas Fund	\$ 740.00	
Missionary Deputation Expense	\$ 1,167.65	
Other/Contingency	\$ 140.00	
Work & Witness Project	\$ 20,404.22	
Work & Witness Ticket	\$ 34,821.17	
District Expense	\$ 239.81	
Office Expenses	\$ 331.99	
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		<b>\$ 63,692.45</b>
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		\$2,515.05
Cash Balance June 1, 2024		\$ 93,257.40
Cash Balance May 31, 2025		<u><u>\$ 90,742.35</u></u>

NMI Checking Account	\$ 90,742.35
General Convention CD	\$ 9,396.70
<b>Grand Total</b>	<u><u>\$ 100,139.05</u></u>

**NMI Proposed Budget****25-26**

<b>Item</b>	<b>25-26</b>
Audit	100
Children	1200
Christmas Gifts	400
Compassionate Ministries	1500
Council Meetings	750
District Convention	500
District Expenses	200
DP Appreciation Offering	500
DP Conference	2500
General Convention	6000
Links	300
Missionary Christmas Fund	740
Missionary Deputation Expenses	2000
Work and Witness	10000
Love Your Neighbor	1000
Office Expenses	500
Contingency	300
<b>Total</b>	<b>28490</b>



## Committee on Standards and Goals 2025-2026

We, your Committee on Standards and Goals, urge that each local NMI plan to meet all requirements for Mission Priority One, World Evangelism Church of Excellence, and the Exemplary Award.

I. We recommend that each local NMI council meet promptly following the district convention and make plans to receive all awards: Mission Priority One, World Evangelism Church of Excellence, and Exemplary NMI by participating in **all** of the following:

1. **MISSION PRIORITY ONE** The NMI President shall attest that the NMI at the designated church has participated in each of the emphases of NMI:

- (1) **PRAY** – Pray for missions and missionaries.
- (2) **Engage Children and Youth** – Help children and youth learn about missions and support those who feel called to missions service.
- (3) **World Evangelism Fund (WEF)** – The church will give 5.5% of current income for WEF.
- (4) **Alabaster** – Participate in Alabaster offering.
- (5) **Care and Concern**– Participate in Links, connecting and supporting a Nazarene missionary through communication and prayer.

2. **WORLD EVANGELISM CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE** This designation requires that your church give at least 5.7% (or overpay by \$1,500, whichever is less) to World Evangelism Fund to invest in new world areas and new works in the U.S.A. and Canada. This is **SOLELY** based on the giving amount.

3. **EXEMPLARY AWARD** This commendation requires that your church meet all the goals of Mission Priority One, Award of Excellence, AND meets all of the goals listed below:

- (1) **Pay District NMI Budget in full** by participating fully with the District Missional Fund. This enables all District Budgets to be paid in full.
- (2) **Participate in World Mission Broadcast** by receiving an offering. There is no assigned goal set.

- (3) **Participate in the District Work & Witness Program offering** by mailing a separate offering to the District NMI Treasurer. There is no assigned goal set.
- (4) **Participate in the Missionary Health Care Plan** – by presenting the following (a minimum of one is required to receive the award but more than one is suggested):
- Memorial Roll Certificate for an adult or child
  - Distinguished Service Award
  - "Gifts from the Heart"
  - Receive an Offering for the Medical Plan.
- (5) **Give a Deputation offering for a visiting Nazarene Missionary.** Offerings may be given at your church, at the Children's Mission Fair, and/or in another Church of the Nazarene deputation service. You may give your money electronically to the missionary's GTS deputation account. Make sure you mark it for that particular missionary.

It is recommended that each pastor and NMI president plan for and publicize the missionary deputation service scheduled by the District Deputation Coordinator. A healthy involvement in the total mission program, by both the local church and the district, is partially dependent on a yearly visit from a missionary. The missionary is the liaison with the world mission areas where the Church of the Nazarene is at work. At the deputation service, a deputation check written out to the General Treasurer Church of the Nazarene, should be given to the missionary. Suggested deputation check amounts:

Sunday A.M. Service - \$400 to \$500 minimum

Sunday P.M. Service - \$250 to \$350 minimum

Weekday Service - \$225 to \$325 minimum

After the missionary speaks, a love offering should be received, in addition to the deputation check.

- (6) **Participate in the Compassionate Ministries Offering** as well as be involved in a project or child sponsorship. There is no goal set.

- II. An Exemplary Certificate will be given at the District NMI Convention to the churches that meet all the above goals qualifying them for the **Exemplary Award**.
- III. We recommend that the local NMI council members, when possible, be considered as nominees for election as delegates to the district NMI convention.
- IV. We recommend that local NMI presidents send their annual reports to the district NMI secretary to be received no later than the established deadline.
- V. We recommend that each local NMI council be provided with a *Nazarene Missions International Handbook*, or copies of the member's particular responsibilities.
- VI. We recommend that each local NMI council encourage and assist their pastor(s) with Work & Witness expenses.
- VII. We recommend that each local NMI council encourage and assist lay person(s) including youth, with Work & Witness expenses.
- VIII. We recommend that each church endeavor to meet all the requirements for the South Carolina District **Exemplary Award**.

**Committee:**

Libby Newman, Chair  
Ronda Speed, Sec.  
Roxianne Snodgrass  
Terri Ramsey  
Isa Wojtkowski  
Travis Yarborough  
Wayne Cheselka

Haydn Miller  
Richard Coleman  
James Merritt  
Emily Webb  
Angie Sandifer  
Scott Wade  
Jeremy Webb

Jessica Rojas  
Sarah Richardson  
Dorothy Waldron  
Elwood Stith  
Brandon Barkley  
Audrey Carter





**CHILDREN'S MISSIONS FAIR**

**OCTOBER 25, 2025**

**9:30-1:30**

**GUNTER CAMP AND RETREAT**

**MATT AND FAYE WAGNER**

**NAZARENE MISSIONS TEAM**

**COORDINATORS IN**

**GUATEMALA**



**CRAFTS ° GAMES ° SNACKS**

**AGES K5-6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**COST IS \$10 FOR ALL ATTENDEES**

**REGISTER BY OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup> ON DISTRICT  
WEBSITE (UNDER EVENTS)**

**[HTTPS://WWW.SOUTHCAROLINANAZARENE.COM/](https://www.southcarolinanazarene.com/)**

***\*\*PLEASE NOTE THAT REGISTRATIONS ARE NOT  
REFUNDABLE—BUT THEY CAN BE TRANSFERRED TO  
SOMEONE ELSE. YOU MUST PAY FOR EVERY PERSON YOU  
REGISTER. SUPPLIES AND MEALS ARE PURCHASED  
BASED ON THE NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS.***



## LINKS MISSIONARIES 2025

### Ezekial and Susy Ramirez



Susy and Ezequiel were born into Christian homes and from a very young age they were involved in the service of God and people with their families.

At the age of 14 God called Ezekiel to missions, while Susy was called to the missions at the age of 18. They met while studying at the Nazarene Theological Seminary of the Southern Cone in 2003. They got married on January 17th, and have been married for 20 years with two beautiful children: Francisco and Antonella. As a family, they love to serve the Lord together.

They were appointed pastors at the age of 21 in 2005 and served for almost 7 years in church planting in what is now the Buenos Aires West district alongside great servants from whom they learned a lot.

In 2012 they moved to serve in Paraguay, where they served as pastors, as well as in the country's

Theological Education, Evangelism and Jesus Film, Church planting, and as Superintendent of the Paraguay Central District for two years.

In 2016 to 2021 they served as pastors of the Church of the Nazarene in Victoria Buenos Aires, also as professors of Theology, and in 2020 Ezequiel was appointed Director of the Nazarene Seminary of Buenos Aires and coordinator of Education in the Central Argentine District.

Both were ordained to the ministry in 2012. Together they were able to complete their studies in Licentiate in Theology and Ezequiel graduated with a Master's Degree in Ministry with an emphasis in Leadership at the Nazarene Theological Seminary of the Southern Cone in 2022.

They are currently serving as Global Missionaries of the Church in the Africa Region, in the western country of the Republic of Guinea Bissau since October 2021. Working in the theological formation of pastors and leaders, church planting, carrying out projects encompassed by the ministry of Compassion such as Community Health, Primary Education, Social Development, and at the same time continuing with the development of the ministries of the Church of the Nazarene in the country.



To communicate with this couple, you can use this email: [eramirez@africanazarene.org](mailto:eramirez@africanazarene.org)

To send gifts to them, you will need to have your bank send the money from your account to the Ramirez's account. An instruction sheet can be picked up at the NMI table.

Birthdays-- Susy: February 3<sup>rd</sup>; Ezekial: February 10<sup>th</sup>; Francisco: June 26; and Antonella: July 23.

# WORLD EVANGELISM CHURCH

The following churches received this designation by giving at least 5.5 percent of their total church income to World Evangelism.

Aiken Ebenezer	Maranata
Ashwood	Midland Valley Community
Bamberg	Myrtle Beach - The Connection
Batesburg	New Ellenton New Life
Bennettsville First	New Start Community
Camden First	Orangeburg First
Cayce	Pelion
Charleston First	Reconciliation Ministries
Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno	Rock Hill First
Charleston Sea Island International	Rock Hill Grace
Chester	Rock Hill Trinity
Clover	Seneca
Columbia Abundant Life	Simpsonville Life Spring Com.
Columbia First	Spartanburg First
Columbia Grace	Summerville
Cottageville	Sumter Calvary
CrossRoads	Sumter First
Fort Mill	Sumter Wise Drive
Genesis	The Nexus Pointe
Greenwood Community	The Village - Greer
HopePointe	Wallace
Lancaster SonLight Community	West Columbia Central
Laurens Cornerstone	West Columbia First
Lexington Shepherd	Winnsboro
Lowcountry Community	York Celebration Place



# MISSIONS PRIORITY ONE

The following churches have met or exceeded the goal of giving 5.5% or more to the World Evangelism Fund, while also attending to the five goals of Nazarene Missions International.

Aiken Ebenezer  
Batesburg  
Beaufort  
Bennettsville First  
Camden First  
Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno  
Chester  
Columbia First  
Cottageville  
Greenwood Community  
HopePointe  
Lancaster SonLight Community  
Lexington Shepherd  
Lugoff Faith  
Midland Valley Community  
New Start Community  
Orangeburg First  
Pelion  
Rock Hill Trinity  
Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero  
Spartanburg First  
Sumter First  
Wallace  
West Columbia Central

# WORLD EVANGELISM CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE

The following churches received this designation by giving at least 5.7 percent of their total church income to World Evangelism.

Aiken Ebenezer  
Ashwood  
Batesburg  
Camden First  
Cayce  
Charleston First  
Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno  
Charleston Sea Island International  
Chester  
Columbia First  
Columbia Grace  
Cottageville  
CrossRoads  
HopePointe  
Lancaster SonLight Community  
Laurens Cornerstone  
Lexington Shepherd  
Maranata  
Midland Valley Community  
Myrtle Beach - The Connection  
New Ellenton New Life  
New Start Community  
Orangeburg First  
Pelion  
Seneca  
Simpsonville Life Spring Community  
Spartanburg First  
Sumter Calvary  
Sumter Wise Drive  
The Village - Greer  
West Columbia Central

# EXEMPLARY AWARD

The following churches received this designation, unique to the South Carolina District, for their participation in NMI offerings beyond World Evangelism, as described in the NMI Standards and Goals for 2024-25.

Aiken Ebenezer

Batesburg

Charleston Iglesia

Chester

Columbia First

Cottageville

HopePointe

Lancaster SonLight Community

Lexington Shepherd

Orangeburg First

Pelion

Spartanburg First

West Columbia Central





# *In Loving Memory*

**In honor of those who have joined the Church Triumphant during the assembly year, based on Pastors' Reports and Memorial Roll.**

**AIKEN EBENEZER** - Carl Anthony Commons\*

**BEAUFORT** - Cynthia Crouse\*

**BENNETTSVILLE FIRST** - Robert "Bob" Graham\* | John Thompson\*

**CAMDEN FIRST** - William F. Agans\* | Rebecca Lynn Mills Bausum\* | Viola Boone\* | Kathryn Sue Keller\*

**CAYCE** - Kathy Eads

**CHESTER** - Deborah J. Caldwell\* | Charles Collins | Christine Howell\* | Nancy Keenon

**CLOVER** - Eunice Gordon | Wanda Helmes

**COLUMBIA FIRST** - Lloyd Bouknight\* | Rose Clements\* | Kay Genig\* | Mary Lee Goodwin\* | Gladys Grimaud\* | Mary Hart\* | Anita Ann Heizer\* | Jack Hughart\* | Betty Jean Kerley Kistler\* | Jim Lamb\* | Sigrid Lepik\* | Jennie Meetze\* | David Morgan\* | Charles Sisk\*

**COLUMBIA GRACE** - Delores Hunter

**FORT MILL** - Mike Blackwelder | Betty Lou Sisk

**GENESIS** - Pete Mattison

**GREENWOOD COMMUNITY** - Margaret Burkhalter

**HOPEPOINTE** - Rev. Milton Harrington\* | Norma Harrington\* | Barbara Tate\* | Zelma Waggoner\*

**LANCASTER SONLIGHT COMMUNITY** - Wayne Ellis\* | Dwayne Sims\*

**LAURENS CORNERSTONE** - Julie Belue Wagner | Rev. Johnny Price

**LEXINGTON SHEPHERD** - John David Griggs\* | Hugh Leroy Hax\*

**LIVING WATER FELLOWSHIP** - Jimmy Haynes\*

**MIDLAND VALLEY COMMUNITY** - Wayne Banks\* | Della Bass\* | Lydia Bates\* | Peggy Coleman\* | William Daniel\* | JoAnn Huffman\* | Ruby Platt\* | Madeline Tanner\* | Sharon Usry\* | James "Jim" Wade\* | Gerald Waters\* | Cindy Wise\*

**NEW START COMMUNITY** - Ernest Allen Avins Jr.\* | Foye Jean Mosley-Shelton\*

**NEXUS POINTE** - Daphne Brooks\* | Louis Humphries\*

**ORANGEBURG MEMORIAL** - Doc Adams\* | Peggy Williams\*

**PAGELAND ROSE MEMORIAL** - Jerry Wayne Plyler | Bonnie Steen | Betty Wilbanks

**PELION** - Cecil Laverne Bell\* | Cindy Lou Bendzus\* | John Randall Burkett\* | William Charles Clayton\* | Anthony Michael Cole\* | Elizabeth P. Marcello\* | Jack Dale Still\* | W.T. Whaley\*

**ROCK HILL EMMANUEL** - Karen Anderson\*

**ROCK HILL FIRST** - Nadine Jones\* | Bob Jones Sr.\* | Jeannette Manning\* | David McBeth\* | Joyce McBeth\* | Peggy Montgomery\* | Angela Walker\*

**ROCK HILL TRINITY** - Wesley Dean Boan | Edna Brazzell

**SPARTANBURG FIRST** - Paul Beckwith\*

**SUMTER CALVARY** - Betty Florence Allsbrooks\* | Joseph "Junior" Gainey\*

**SUMTER FIRST** - Donna Atkinson\* | James "Sambo" Frye\* | Tessie Geddings\* | Linda Hodges\* | Edna Earl Stevens\*

**SUMTER WISE DRIVE** - Loretta Clark\*

**WEST COLUMBIA CENTRAL** - Bruce Breedlove\* | Diane Kirkland\*

**WEST COLUMBIA FIRST** - Hope Hall\* | Paul Hall\* | Bobby Mahaffey\* | Cheyenne Padgett\* | Heather Padgett\* | Ernest Wise\*

**WINNSBORO** - Mary Lee Branham | Joan Hollis | Judy Justice

**YORK CELEBRATION PLACE** - Wylie Montgomery\*

## **REPORT FROM THE 2025/26 DISTRICT NMI NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

1. 2025/26 Nominating Committee Members as appointed by the South Carolina NMI Council:
  - a. Ministers
    - i. Libby Newman, presiding as NMI President
    - ii. Travis Yarborough
    - iii. Jessica Rojas
    - iv. Jeremy Webb
    - v. Scott Wade
  - b. Lay Members
    - i. Ronda Speed, Secretary
    - ii. Dorothy Waldron, Treasurer
    - iii. Roxy Snodgrass
    - iv. Emily Webb
2. General Guidelines:
  - a. A panel of 5-6 nominees shall be created for vote by the district NMI convention. These nominees are candidates for a two-year term on the SC NMI council.
  - b. That there be an awareness and inclusive spirit in recognizing differing geographical areas, as well as cultural & language groups represented throughout the district, all while desiring to seek the best candidates.
  - c. That all elections not otherwise stipulated be by plurality.
  - d. RECOMMENDATION
    - i. Approval by consent

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Libby Newman  
NMI President*

*Ronda Speed  
NMI Secretary*



# 2025 NMI Election Ballot

*All Voting Done Electronically*

## **District NMI Council Representative - *Elect 2* (2-year term)**

Terri Dakin

Gina Franco

Donna Green

Loretta LaTourette

Graciela Medina

Victoria Walker

SAMPLE





**CONVENTION**  
July 14, 2025

Keep  
Searching



# South Carolina NYI Department

Financial Report for Period: 5/1/2025-5/31/2025 YTD: 6/1/2024-5/31/2025

## Bank Accounts

Bank Account	Bal. Forward	Checks	Deposits	Interest	Other	Balance
<b>Current Period</b>						
Checking Acct.	38,651.15	-22,336.82	26,630.86	0.00	-1,863.40	41,081.79
Savings Acct.	20,283.86	0.00	1,843.40	1.73	0.00	22,128.99
<b>&gt;&gt; Current Period Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>58,935.01</b>	<b>-22,336.82</b>	<b>28,474.26</b>	<b>1.73</b>	<b>-1,863.40</b>	<b>63,210.78</b>
<b>Year-to-Date</b>						
Checking Acct.	29,355.78	-160,550.29	177,497.82	0.00	-5,221.52	41,081.79
Savings Acct.	20,265.41	0.00	1,843.40	20.18	0.00	22,128.99
<b>&gt;&gt; Year-to-Date Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>49,621.19</b>	<b>-160,550.29</b>	<b>179,341.22</b>	<b>20.18</b>	<b>-5,221.52</b>	<b>63,210.78</b>

## Contributions

Fund	Current Period	Current Avg/Wk	Year-To-Date	YTD Avg/Wk
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## Internal Accounts

Account	Bal Forward	Income	Paid Out	Transfer	Balance
<b>Current Period</b>					
<b>General Operating</b>					
General Operating	986.80	5,220.84	-5,718.40	-489.24	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; General Operating Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>986.80</b>	<b>5,220.84</b>	<b>-5,718.40</b>	<b>-489.24</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Savings</b>					
Savings	20,283.86	1,845.13	0.00	0.00	22,128.99
<b>&gt;&gt; Savings Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>20,283.86</b>	<b>1,845.13</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,128.99</b>
<b>Camp</b>					
Camp	494.02	1,824.52	0.00	489.24	2,807.78
<b>&gt;&gt; Camp Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>494.02</b>	<b>1,824.52</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>489.24</b>	<b>2,807.78</b>
<b>Meetings</b>					
District Convention	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
District Missions Retreat/Trip	5,483.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,483.40
General Convention	0.00	2,450.00	0.00	0.00	2,450.00
Nazarene Youth Conference	9,732.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,732.71
YES Conference	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Meetings Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>15,216.11</b>	<b>2,450.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>17,666.11</b>
<b>Special Events</b>					
Breakaway	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Impact	7,270.98	690.00	0.00	0.00	7,960.98
District Quizzing	1,701.50	0.00	-345.76	0.00	1,355.74
Young Adults	320.62	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	2,120.62
TNT	11,811.12	17,895.50	-21,386.06	0.00	8,320.56
<b>&gt;&gt; Special Events Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>21,104.22</b>	<b>20,385.50</b>	<b>-21,731.82</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>19,757.90</b>
<b>Spring Youth Workers Training</b>					
Spring Youth Workers Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Spring Youth Workers Training Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Scholarships</b>					
Brian Walker Scholarship	850.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	850.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Scholarships Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>
<b>&gt;&gt; Current Period Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>58,935.01</b>	<b>31,725.99</b>	<b>-27,450.22</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>63,210.78</b>
<b>Year-To-Date</b>					
<b>General Operating</b>					
General Operating	0.00	22,000.00	-21,510.76	-489.24	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; General Operating Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,000.00</b>	<b>-21,510.76</b>	<b>-489.24</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Savings</b>					
Savings	20,265.41	1,863.58	0.00	0.00	22,128.99
<b>&gt;&gt; Savings Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>20,265.41</b>	<b>1,863.58</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,128.99</b>
<b>Camp</b>					
Camp	2,195.24	60,436.27	-60,312.97	489.24	2,807.78
<b>&gt;&gt; Camp Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>2,195.24</b>	<b>60,436.27</b>	<b>-60,312.97</b>	<b>489.24</b>	<b>2,807.78</b>
<b>Meetings</b>					
District Convention	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
District Missions Retreat/Trip	5,483.40	1,190.00	-1,190.00	0.00	5,483.40
General Convention	0.00	2,450.00	0.00	0.00	2,450.00
Nazarene Youth Conference	12,734.62	0.00	-3,001.91	0.00	9,732.71



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## Internal Accounts (cont.)

Account	Bal Forward	Income	Paid Out	Transfer	Balance
YES Conference	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Meetings Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>18,218.02</b>	<b>3,640.00</b>	<b>-4,191.91</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>17,666.11</b>
<b>Special Events</b>					
Breakaway	0.00	19,354.16	-19,354.16	0.00	0.00
Impact	4,642.76	16,767.99	-13,449.77	0.00	7,960.98
District Quizzing	1,443.50	600.00	-387.76	-300.00	1,355.74
Young Adults	320.62	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	2,120.62
TNT	1,685.64	57,016.00	-50,681.08	300.00	8,320.56
<b>&gt;&gt; Special Events Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>8,092.52</b>	<b>95,538.15</b>	<b>-83,872.77</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>19,757.90</b>
<b>Spring Youth Workers Training</b>					
Spring Youth Workers Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Spring Youth Workers Training Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Scholarships</b>					
Brian Walker Scholarship	850.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	850.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Scholarships Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>
<b>&gt;&gt; Year-To-Date Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>49,621.19</b>	<b>183,478.00</b>	<b>-169,888.41</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>63,210.78</b>

## Allocations

Allocation Name	Goal %	Exemptions	Income	Total Due	Total Paid	Paid %	Net Due
<b>Year-to-Date</b>			<b>0.00</b>				
World Evangelism Fund	5.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mission Specials					0.00		
Nazarene Benefits Fund	2.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Educational Institution Fund	2.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
District Fund	5.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>&gt;&gt; Totals &gt;&gt;</b>				<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>0.00</b>

## Expense Accounts

Expense Name	Budget	Curr. Period	Year-to-Date	Balance	% Paid
<b>SC District NYI</b>					
General Operating		23,575.22	150,471.05	-150,471.05	
<b>Savings Account</b>					
Savings Account		0.00	0.00	0.00	
<b>&gt;&gt; Savings Account Totals &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>Camp</b>					
Camp	3,400.00	0.00	3,400.00	0.00	100.00%
<b>&gt;&gt; Camp Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>3,400.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,400.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>Council</b>					
Brian Walker Scholarship		0.00	0.00	0.00	
Council Expense	800.00	0.00	719.46	80.54	89.93%
Gifts	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	100.00%
President's Account	450.00	250.00	450.00	0.00	100.00%
President's Love Offering		0.00	0.00	0.00	
<b>&gt;&gt; Council Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>1,419.46</b>	<b>80.54</b>	<b>94.63%</b>
<b>Meetings</b>					
District Convention	800.00	0.00	800.00	0.00	100.00%
District Missions Retreat/Trip	345.00	0.00	332.33	12.67	96.33%
General Convention	2,450.00	2,450.00	2,450.00	0.00	100.00%
Nazarene Youth Conference	1,100.00	0.00	1,100.00	0.00	100.00%
SE Field Meetings	1,300.00	0.00	1,300.00	0.00	100.00%
YES Conference	500.00	0.00	226.57	273.43	45.31%
<b>&gt;&gt; Meetings Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>6,495.00</b>	<b>2,450.00</b>	<b>6,208.90</b>	<b>286.10</b>	<b>95.60%</b>
<b>Office</b>					
Audit	80.00	80.00	80.00	0.00	100.00%
Misc. Bank Charges	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	100.00%
Office Expense	550.00	36.00	550.00	0.00	100.00%
Postage	25.00	9.00	9.00	16.00	36.00%
Regional Allocation	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
<b>&gt;&gt; Office Totals &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>1,705.00</b>	<b>125.00</b>	<b>689.00</b>	<b>1,016.00</b>	<b>40.41%</b>
<b>Special Events</b>					
Breakaway	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	100.00%
Impact	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	100.00%

## 2025-2026 Budget

	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
<b>SC District NYI</b>		
General Operating	0	0
<b>Camp</b>		
Camp	3400	3400
<b>Council</b>		
Brian Walker Scholarship		
Council Expense	800	800
Gifts	250	250
President's Account	450	450
President's Love Offering	0	0
<b>&lt;&lt;Council Totals&gt;&gt;</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1500</b>
<b>Meetings</b>		
District Convention	800	800
District Mission Retreat/Trip	345	345
General Convention	2450	2450
NYC	1100	1100
SE Field Meetings	1300	1300
YES Conference	500	500
<b>&lt;&lt;Meeting Totals&gt;&gt;</b>	<b>6495</b>	<b>6495</b>
<b>Office</b>		
Audit	80	80
Mics. Bank Charges	50	50
Office Expense	550	550
Postage	25	25
Regional Allocation	1000	1000
<b>&lt;&lt;Office Totals&gt;&gt;</b>	<b>1705</b>	<b>1705</b>
<b>Special Events</b>		
Breakaway	500	500
Impact	500	500
District Quizzing	1800	1800
Young Adults	800	800
TNT	3800	3800
PK Retreat	300	300
<b>&lt;&lt;Special Events Totals&gt;&gt;</b>	<b>7700</b>	<b>7700</b>
NYC Leadership Development	200	200
<b>&lt;&lt;SC District NYI Totals&gt;&gt;</b>	<b>21,000</b>	<b>21,000</b>

# NYI LATE NIGHT AT FRANKIE'S

JULY 13, 2025  
FRANKIE'S FUN PARK  
140 PARKRIDGE DR.  
COLUMBIA, SC 29212  
9:30 AFTER SERVICE

NYI INVITES ALL DELEGATES AND NYI  
MEMBERS TO FRANKIE'S AFTER THE SUNDAY  
SERVICE FOR FREE PIZZA AND DRINKS!

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY FOR ANY  
ACTIVITIES

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE LINK BELOW!

<http://bit.ly/4khwGB6>



Lifetime  
Memories and  
Friendships



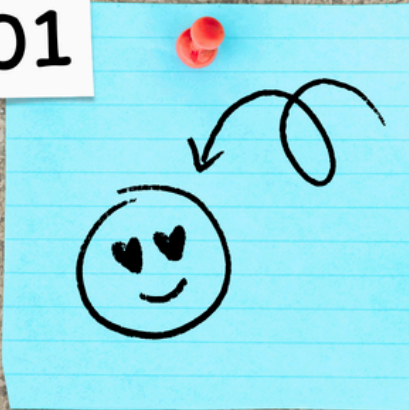
SC '25-'26 Youth



# QUIZZING

1Cor. and 2 Cor.

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WHO?

Pastors Youth Pastors  
Youth Leaders NDI Leaders  
Parents

WHAT?

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## **REPORT FROM THE 2025/2026 SOUTH CAROLINA NYI NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

1. 2025/2026 South Carolina NYI Nominating Committee Members as appointed by the South Carolina NYI Council:
  - a. District NYI Adults:
    - i. Melissa Burks (Summerville)
    - ii. Benji Goss (Fort Mill)
    - iii. Bethany Willis (Anchor Church)
    - iv. Erica Wigart (Midland Valley Community)
  - b. District NYI Students:
    - i. Briley Howard (Midland Valley Community)
    - ii. Addison Snodgrass (HopePointe)
  - c. District NYI President:
    - i. Nate Barefield (Columbia First)
2. South Carolina NYI COUNCIL
  - a. Expired Term
    - i. Student Representatives
      1. Anne Watts (Camden First)
      2. Mia McAdory (Midland Valley Community)
      3. Briley Howard (Midland Valley Community)
      4. Dylan LaPlace (The Village- Greer)
  - b. Remaining Members
    - i. District NYI President
      1. Nate Barefield (Columbia First)
    - ii. District NYI Vice President
      1. Andy Barnette (HopePointe)
    - iii. District NYI Secretary
      1. Bethany Willis (Anchor Church)
    - iv. District NYI Treasurer
      1. Brandie Smith (Camden First)
    - v. Adult Representatives
      1. Jen Grimaud (Columbia First)
      2. Walker Seymour (Midland Valley Community)
      3. Briley Howard (Midland Valley Community)
      4. JT Smith (Simpsonville Life Spring)



c. Student Representatives TWO-YEAR TERM - Elect four (4)/ Nominate eight (8)

1. Mia McAdory (Midland Valley Community)
2. Meredith Perry (Midland Valley Community)
3. Allison Wengerd (Aiken Ebenezer)
4. Caleb Rojas Bohn (Aiken Ebenezer)
5. Addison Snodgrass (HopePointe)
6. Brennan Burks (Summerville)
7. Brady Grimaud (Columbia First)
8. Catherine Coleman (Lexington Shepherd)

ii. Alternates:

1. Collin Monahon (Midland Valley Community)
2. Nate Ahtonen (New Start Community)
3. Kaiyah Fite (Fort Mill)

d. All elections not otherwise stipulated are by plurality.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

Bethany Willis, SCNYI District Secretary

Nate Barefield, SCNYI District President

# 2025 NYI Election Ballot

*All Voting Done Electronically*

## **NYI Council - Student Representative - *Elect 4* (2-year term)**

Brennan Burks

Catherine Coleman

Brady Grimaud

Mia McAdory

Meredith Perry

Caleb Rojas Bohn

Addison Snodgrass

Allison Wengerd

SAMPLE

# NOMINEE BIOS



## **Andy Barnette**

Andy Barnette has served in full-time ministry for 21 years as a youth and senior pastor in SC, FL, TN, and MO. He is currently the Family Ministry Pastor and Sports Director at HopePointe Church (Greenville First), where he's served for 3 years. He is the current SC District NYI Vice President and District NYC Coordinator. Andy holds a degree in religion from Trevecca Nazarene University. He's been married to his wife, Ashley, for 15 years, and they have a daughter, Addyson.



## **Ashley Barnette**

Ashley Barnette is a Special Education Specialist at Greenville County Schools. A Trevecca alumna with a Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan. Career roles include teacher, social worker, therapist & adjunct professor at Trevecca. Her favorite role is being Andy's wife and Addyson's mom. She attends HopePointe Church and is passionate about Christ-centered communities where people feel seen, valued & loved.



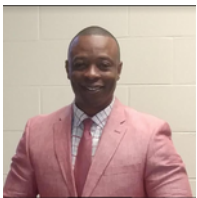
## **Jerry Branham**

Rev. Jerry Branham grew up in Winnsboro, S.C. He was saved at the age of fifteen at the Winnsboro Church of the Nazarene, where he served for over 35 years. God called Jerry into ministry, and he was ordained in 2005. Pastor Jerry had the privilege of pastoring Lancaster SonLight and Pelion Church of the Nazarene. He retired in 2021 and currently serves as a member of Columbia First Church.



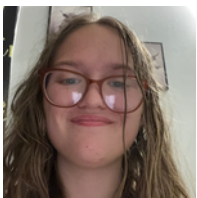
## **Sarah Brown**

Sarah brings a background in public service and church leadership, currently working in local government while also serving as Worship Ministry Director and Youth Pastor. With a heart for people and a steady approach to decision-making, she values fairness, integrity, and discernment in both ministry and civic life.



## **Anthony Bryant**

Anthony Bryant serves as Outreach & Discipleship Pastor at Columbia First, where he equips ministry leaders in faith and outreach. A member since 2008, he has served as NDI President, NYI President, youth director, Sunday school teacher, and board member. He holds a BA in Christian Ministry (NNU), an MBA in Leadership (CIU) and a leadership certificate from Harvard.



## **Brennan Burks**

Brennan Burks was born in Morganton, North Carolina, in the year 2007. Her parents are James and Melissa Burks, and was born into the church. She first attended Crosslink Church which became her home away from home, she went there with her parents, and her three siblings, Kendall, Aubrie, and Judah Burks. At 13 years old, she started to help around in children's ministry, helping the teachers in Sunday school, etc. At 15, she moved to SC and started to teach the kids in her Summerville church.



## **Melissa Burks**

Rev. Melissa Burks received her call to preach at the age of 17 but God's leading was evident to her from a young age. She has an AA in Ministry from John Wesley University and received her ordination with the Evangelical Methodist Church in 2012. Melissa has been married to James since 1999 and they have 4 children: Kendall (23), Aubrie (20), Brennan (17), and Judah (13). Melissa served as full time Children's Pastor at Crosslink Church in NC for 18 years and is currently serving alongside her husband as pastor's wife for the amazing congregation of SUMNAZ.





## **Andrew Campbell**

Rev. Andrew Campbell serves as the Worship & Communications Pastor at HopePointe Church of the Nazarene (GVL). A lifelong Nazarene, born into a pastor's home, he has served in full-time ministry since 2012 and was ordained an elder in 2019. A Trevecca Nazarene University graduate, Andrew is passionate about transcendent worship, church communication, and proclaiming the Church of the Nazarene's message of holiness. He and his wife Brittany, also a Trevecca alum, have two sons, Canon and Caden.



## **Wayne Cheselka**

Pastor Wayne Cheselka - Outreach Pastor for Midland Valley Community Church in South Carolina. Wayne also serves as the District Disaster Response Coordinator and on the Nazarene Motorcycle Fellowship Executive Council. Wayne answered the call to ministry in 2007, is a graduate of Northwest Nazarene University and was Ordained in 2016.



## **Catherine Coleman**

Catherine Coleman is a member of Lexington Shepherd Church of the Nazarene. There her mother is the children's pastor & her grandfather is the senior pastor. Working with the kids at her church is something Catherine really enjoys. One of her favorite things is helping with the children's camps each summer. By doing this, it allows her to see how God is working continuously in the lives of all of the kids she helps. This fall, she will be heading into 9th grade at Gilbert High School.



## **Terri Dakin**

Terri was ordained in 2011 on the Midsouth district where she served alongside of her husband Richard at Paris First Church of the Nazarene. She served as NMI president, youth pastor, and compassionate outreach pastor. She was a member of the Midsouth District NMI council as Mission Area Coordinator, delegate to General Assembly and participated in mission trips to Appalachia, Hurricane relief, Mexico and Romania. Terri currently serves as Compassionate Outreach Pastor at Aiken Ebenezer.



## **Lucky Detty**

Lucky is a first-generation graduate of Northwest Nazarene University with a bachelor's in pastoral ministry and holds a master's in ministry studies from Columbia International University. An ordained elder in the Church of the Nazarene, he founded Reconciliation Ministries to disciple men overcoming addiction. In 2022, he helped launch RM Church of the Nazarene, serving students, families, and the Beatty Downs community.



## **Curt Evans**

Pastor Curt is on mission for Christ. He has been in various areas of ministry from Worship, Youth, and Executive roles. He currently leads Camden Nazarene in loving God and loving their neighbors. He looks forward to serving the South Carolina District in any way he can.



## **Roland Evans**

Rev. Roland Evans has been the pastor at Cottageville CotN since June 2012. He has served on the Camp Board, Board of Ministry and currently on the District Advisory Board. On May 31, 2006 God sanctified him at church prayer meeting. He accepted the call to preach in 2007 after camp meeting and has been a bi-vocational pastor since 2010. His passion is discipling new believers & supporting missions. Roland has been married to Pam for 43 years. They have 3 children & 6 grandchildren.



### **Gina Franco**

Gina Franco holds a Bachelor's degree in Ministerial Studies and faithfully serves as her church's admin. She is actively involved in TDR Kids, where her deep commitment to children's discipleship is clearly demonstrated. Currently, she is pursuing a Master's degree in Pastoral Counseling at Erskine College, with the intention of establishing a counseling ministry that will both support the church community and reach those in need of Jesus.



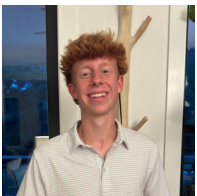
### **David Gallimore**

Pastor David has served as a pastor and evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene for over 40 years. He is currently the Lead Pastor of Midland Valley Community and serves on the District Advisory Board for the South Carolina District.



### **Donna Green**

Donna serves as the Associate Pastor at New Start Community Church. She leads a weekly Ladies Bible Study, preaches and teaches on many occasions and she leads New Start's mission outreach to Guatemala. Over the years, she has served many roles in the Church of the Nazarene: Sunday School teacher to children, teens and adults. She has served as SDMI President, and served on various Church Boards. She is a widow. She loves serving and working for the Lord and spending time with family.



### **Brady Grimaud**

Brady is a rising high school senior. He has attended Columbia First for all 17 years of his life. Ever since coming into the youth group, Brady has been heavily involved in SCNYI. He has been a member of the district Impact team for 3 years and has attended yearly events like camp, breakaway, and TNT@TNU. Brady was able to attend General Assembly in 2023 as well as NYC '23 in Tampa. He loves SCNYI and would love to serve on the district board for this coming year.



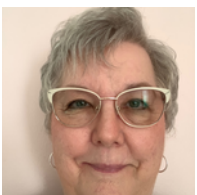
### **Jeffrey Hawkins**

Currently the Nazarene Military Chaplaincy Endorser for the Church of the Nazarene, and formerly a Nazarene Military Chaplain for our U.S. Army for over three decades, Chaplain Hawkins has been an Elder in the Church of the Nazarene for 32 years, serving at local, district, and denominational levels. His greatest joy is seeing the Lost experience salvation, and the Found experience sanctification!



### **Tim Haynes**

He currently serves as the Lead Pastor at Spartanburg First. He has served in various capacities in the districts he has served, including youth ministries, children's ministries, missions, district leadership boards, and councils.



### **Deborah Hickman**

Debbie has served as church board secretary, Sunday School teacher, prayer ministry leader and homeless families with children program coordinator for her local church for several years. She is currently serving in all those capacities but church board secretary. However, she does serve on the board at this time. She loves her Lord of 52 years and her church family.



### **LaNora Jensen**

LaNora accepted Jesus in her heart at the age of 10 during Nazarene Girls Camp. She is a member of Pelion where she has taught Sunday School and is the Local NMI President. She retired from the Social Security Administration as a Claims Representative. She then worked and served at the District Nazarene Office for 20 years as District Treasurer. She also served for over 15 years as District NMI President. She has been on numerous W&W trips. She also serves on the camp board.



### **Terry Johnson**

Terry was saved at 17 and his heart's desire is to serve God continuously till the day He calls him home. He has had the privilege of going on 15 W&W trips. Terry presently serves on the church board and is the church treasurer. He has been serving in this position for 24 years. Terry is a TNU graduate, the class of 1979. He praises his Lord and Savior everyday for saving him and keeping him all these years.



### **Lisa Kelly**

Lisa has known Christ her whole life and has had a personal relationship with Him since her mid 20's. She strives everyday to draw closer to Him. Lisa has been an active member of the Nazarene church for over 35 years; teaching Sunday School to children, teens, young adults and adults. She is also active with children's and teen quizzing. Currently, Lisa serves as SumNaz board secretary. She will serve where the Lord needs her. Lisa and her husband have been married since April 1985 and have 3 adult children and 1 teenage grandson.



### **Loretta LaTourette**

Loretta serves and Co-Pastors the Beaufort Church of the Nazarene and community, alongside her husband, David. Loretta has served the Lord and the Church of the Nazarene for over 25 years. She previously served the Bridgeton Church of the Nazarene as a Community Pastor and Director of Bridge the Gap Compassionate Ministries in New Jersey. Loretta and Dave are blessed with two children and three grandgirls.



### **Mia McAdory**

Mia has served on the NYI council for the last two years. Also, she served as a delegate to NYI Convention at the 2023 General assembly. She's been part of the Midland Valley worship band for 6 years. She manages the instagram for her Fuse youth group. She has been part of the North Augusta cheer team for 4 years (3 Varsity, 1 JV). Mia made All-State Choir 3 years in a row. She attends and enjoys almost all SCNYI district events and enjoys giving her input through first-hand experience.



### **Tom McCrea**

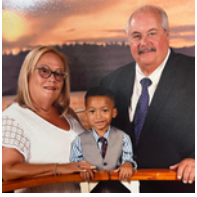
Rev. Tom McCrea serves as the Senior Pastor of The Gathering Place in Hartsville. With 28 years of ministry experience, he has faithfully served in various leadership roles, including as a member of the SC District Advisory Board and the SC NDI Board. Tom is passionate about advancing God's Kingdom by cultivating healthy churches and empowering others to deepen their connection with God, with one another, and with their communities.



### **Graciela Medina**

Rev. Graciela Medina pastors with her husband, Alexander Largo, and their 2-year-old daughter, Anaya Largo, in the Hispanic community at New Start . Ecuadorian, a Christian since the age of 7, she has been involved in ministries such as worship, children's ministry, and adult ministry. She studied at the South American Nazarene Theological Seminary in Quito, Ecuador, where she became a teacher after graduating. She has lived for 7 years in the SC context, pastoring with her family.





### **James Merritt**

James has served as pastor of SonLight Community in Lancaster since 2015. James currently serves on the NDI council leading Prime Time ministries, also the NMI Council as Compassionate Ministries chair. Since graduating NBC in 1999, James has served as pastor at New Ellenton New Life, Columbia Grace, Batesburg, and Georgetown.



### **Haydn Miller**

Rev. Haydn Miller is one of the lead and founding pastors of Anchor Church in Mount Pleasant. Haydn has a Master of Divinity from Nazarene Theological Seminary. She is a certified SYMBIS facilitator and is passionate about marriage and pastoral counseling. Haydn has served on NMI, NDI, coordinated marriage and family events, led seminars at Equip, preached/ led worship for various district events, and she looks forward to continue serving the South Carolina District.



### **Libby Newman**

Rev. Libby Newman has served as pastor of Batesburg Church since 2014. Libby also worked as an English teacher, an instructional coach, and an adjunct professor. Libby had served as a youth pastor in several Baptist churches. More recently, Libby has served on the District Advisory Board, camp board, finance committee, NDI board and NMI board. Libby is currently the president of SC NMI. Libby has a passion for young people, for missions, and for sharing the Word of God.



### **Wendel Nixon**

He is a lifelong Nazarene and member of Columbia First CotN. He is a retired Orthodontist and Real Estate development company owner. His service to the Church has included the capacities of Teacher, Church Board Member, Church and District Finance Committee member, current District Advisory Board and TNU Board of Trustees.



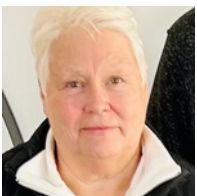
### **Meredith Perry**

Meredith is lifelong follower of Christ. She was saved at the age of six and rededicated her life to Christ at the age of twelve. She has attended Nazarene Churches since 2014 and began attending Midland Valley in 2016. She became a member of Midland Valley Community Church February of 2025. Meredith is a member of the Senior High Youth Worship Band, SC Impact worship Choir, and an active member of the youth group. Meredith is a dual sport athlete for Aiken High School and maintains a 5.0 GPA.



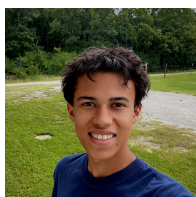
### **Iwana Ridgill**

Iwana has served on the local church board and several district boards, including the District Advisory Board. Currently, she teaches an adult Sunday School class. She's an adjunct faculty member in the Corporate and Continuing Education Division at Midlands Technical College and also provides employee development programs and leadership training with her "Programs with an oRIDGILLnal touch" as a self-employed facilitator and speaker.



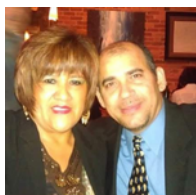
### **Linda Robinson**

Pastor Linda Robinson is a retired educator called out of retirement and into full time ministry. She has pastored at the Orangeburg First Church for the past 5 and a half years. She and her husband, Terry, have partnered in work and witness and reaching out to the community's sheltered and unsheltered members. Currently they attend Sumter Calvary, supporting the church's mission in whatever way they can. They both count it a privilege to serve in avenues God opens.



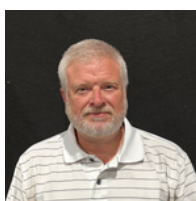
## **Caleb Rojas Bohn**

Caleb was born in Texas, but soon moved to Argentina due to his parents' call to missions. He and his family served at a local church for 12 years, and were then called to South Carolina, where they have been for the last 3 years. Caleb is on the Aiken Ebenezer worship team and Bible Quizzing team, and is active in serving at the church. Additionally, he works at the Gunter Campground in Batesburg, where he helps maintain the grounds.



## **Ruben Rosario**

Ruben Rosario, originally from Manatí, Puerto Rico, is the lead pastor of Casa del Alfarero in Spartanburg, SC. A lifelong worship leader and skilled body mechanic, he has served in Hispanic ministry across the Upstate since the 1990s. Ordained in 2021, he and his wife, Pastor Carmen Zavala, have led music ministries, founded churches, and built Bible study groups to serve and disciple underserved Hispanic communities.



## **Gary Rupert**

Pastor Gary began his ministry at New Ellington New Life where he served for two years. Followed by pastoring Charleston First Church of the Nazarene for the past 26 years. He has served on various boards on the district. He is married to Laureen Rupert and they have four children and one grandchild.



## **Chris Ryon**

Chris is the NYI president at HopePointe Church of the Nazarene. He serves in several other capacities including sports ministry, CARE team, and life group leadership. He came to the Nazarene Church in 2017 as a new member through his now wife after their engagement. Chris and his wife, Ashley, have 3 sweet little girls under the age of 6. Chris is a financial Controller at The Budd Group for their landscape division.



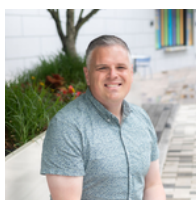
## **Peggy Self**

Peggy is married to Gary and they have a son, daughter in law and two grandchildren. She is a Clerk of Court in Columbia and has worked at the South Carolina Attorney General's Office for 20 years.



## **Addison Snodgrass**

Addison Snodgrass attends HopePointe in Greenville, where she is an active member of her youth group. There she helps with kids ministry, coffee, and sings in the choir. On a district level she attends everything from Bible quizzing to teen camp. She is also a Teen Leader at kids camp.



## **David Snodgrass**

David Snodgrass is the lead pastor at HopePointe Church (formerly Greenville First) in Greenville, SC. He is married to Casey, and together they have two teenaged children, Addison and Avery. David currently serves as a trustee at Trevecca Nazarene University. He previously served as the South Carolina District NYI President from 2014 to 2020 and was a member of the District Advisory Board from 2021 to 2024.



## **Kevin Sprague**

Pastor Kevin Sprague is a bi-vocational pastor. He is currently the senior pastor at Bennettsville First and he works part-time at the local hardware store. Pastor Kevin believes in discipleship. He provides discipleship, not only to the people in his church, but also to those who come to the hardware store.



### **Scott Wade**

1 wife. 3 daughters. 12 grandchildren. Living in Johns Island, SC. Registered evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene. President of Momentum Ministries. Author of 9 books. Served as pastor 32 years in NC, IL, OH, SC.



### **Dorothy Waldron**

Married to Joe Waldron 37 years; mother of three daughters, grandmother of six grandchildren; currently serving on praise team and co-teaching adult SS class, and as District NMI Treasurer; previously served as SC Ladies' Getaway Director, District Advisory Board member, local church board member, and local church Women's ministry director. Have attended Sumter First since January 1999.



### **Victoria Walker**

Wife of Pastor Brent Walker. Currently a Health Insurance Agent for Medicare and Individual insurance. College Degree in Space planning and design. Studied 11 years BSF (Bible Study Fellowship) Studied 4 years VCL (Victorius Christian Living) and TID (Training in Discipleship) Currently an adult Sunday School Teacher. Church Remodeling Decore committee. Church dinners planning committee.



### **Brad Wallace**

Brad is currently the Director of People and Culture for JPS Composite Materials, a Steel Partners Company. He holds his BS from Trevecca Nazarene University, his MS from Western Carolina University, and holds his SHRM-SCP accreditation. Brad has served in music and volunteer roles in the church for 20+ years and is currently a Board Member at HopePointe Church in Greenville, SC. Brad is married to Nichole ('01) and they have two girls, Grace and Addison.



### **Rod Walley**

Rod Walley is an ordained elder in the Church of the Nazarene with 24+ years in ministry. He serves as Lead Pastor of Nexus Pointe Church and co-leads Covenant Grit Ministries with his wife Jess. Together, they are certified marriage coaches and SYMBIS facilitators, equipping couples and leaders across the country. Rod is passionate about church revitalization, spiritual formation, and helping people live connected to what matters most.



### **Allison Wengerd**

Allison has been serving in the local church since she has been 11years old. She started and lead the kids ministry at 12 years old because she was passionate to teach the kids about Jesus. She still volunteers in the nursery, in hospitality, and on the worship team. She is the person in church that knows how to fill almost every volunteer position. Her hobbies include theater, choir, and volleyball, and she is always surrounded by friends.



### **Isaelda Wojtkowski**

Isa pastors Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno, a church she & her husband Bill planted in 2014. Her experience includes serving on the District Advisory Board, NMI Board & as a translator for Spanish-speakers seeking ministerial credentials. For the last 3 years she has been a mentor to new pastors through TNU's Laborers in the Vineyard. She has a Science & Techniques of Communications degree from the University of Veracruz. She is a native of Orizaba, Veracruz, Mexico & a former political anchor.



# IMPACT REPORT

## CONVERSIONS

Disciples Church	134
Cherrydale Hispanic	58
Rock Hill Emmanuel	46
Reconciliation Ministries	40
Midland Valley Community	37
Sumter Wise Drive	25
Aiken Ebenezer	17
New Start Community   Pageland Rose Mem.	15
Sumter First   Maranata   Super Life	12
Charleston Iglesia	9

## BAPTISMS

Midland Valley Community	103
Disciples Church	55
Rock Hill Emmanuel	32
Cherrydale Hispanic	16
Bennettsville First	13
West Columbia First	12
Sumter First	11
Reconciliation Ministries   Sumter Wise Drive	10
Orangeburg Memorial	
Aiken Ebenezer   Spartanburg First   Clover	6

## NEW NAZARENES

Disciples Church	67
Midland Valley Community	60
Cherrydale Hispanic	51
Reconciliation Ministries	25
Sumter Wise Drive	22
Rock Hill Emmanuel   The Impact Network	15
Aiken Ebenezer   Summerville	11
Charleston Iglesia   Maranata	10
Lluvia de Vida	9
Ashwood   Bennettsville First   Refuge	8
Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero   Sumter First	

# NEW NAZARENES

Aiken Ebenezer	11	Maranata	10
Ashwood	8	Midland Valley Community	60
Bennettsville First	8	Myrtle Beach - The Connection	1
Bishopville	1	New Start Community	2
Camden First	4	Pageland Rose Memorial	1
Charleston First	1	Reconciliation Ministries	25
Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno	10	Refuge	8
Cherrydale Hispanic	51	Rock Hill Emmanuel	15
Chester	6	Rock Hill First	5
Columbia First	10	Rock Hill Grace	5
Columbia Grace	3	Rock Hill Trinity	1
Cottageville	3	Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero	8
Disciples Church	67	Summerville	11
Fort Mill	1	Sumter Calvary	1
Genesis	5	Sumter First	8
Great Falls	3	Sumter Wise Drive	22
Hartsville - The Gathering Place	5	Super Life	7
HopePointe	4	The Impact Network	15
Lancaster SonLight Community	1	The Nexus Pointe	2
Laurens Cornerstone	3	Wallace	4
Lexington Shepherd	5	West Columbia Central	3
Living Water Fellowship	1	Winnsboro	2
Lluvia de Vida	9	York Celebration Place	2
Lowcountry Community	3		

# ATTENDANCE & MEMBERSHIP

## MEMBERSHIP

Midland Valley Community	1152
Sumter First	483
Disciples Church	398
Fort Mill	364
Sumter Calvary	350
Columbia First	345
Sumter Wise Drive	336
HopePointe	315
West Columbia Central	304
West Columbia First	300

## WORSHIP (TOTAL)

Midland Valley Community	1103
Disciples Church	328
Columbia First	236
Rock Hill First	210
Sumter First	206
Refuge	175
Cherrydale Hispanic	154
New Start Community	151
HopePointe	150
West Columbia First	139

## WORSHIP (IN-PERSON)

Midland Valley Community	901
Disciples Church	308
Columbia First	184
Sumter First	176
HopePointe	145
West Columbia First	139
Greenwood Community	132
New Start Community	128
Rock Hill Emmanuel   Sumter	120
Wise Drive   Refuge	

## WORSHIP GROWTH (IN-PERSON)

Refuge	200%
Wallace	147%
Greenwood Cristo Reina	47%
Living Water Fellowship	31%
Aiken Ebenezer	30%
Lugoff Faith   Orangeburg First	29%
Bennettsville First	27%
Lowcountry Community	25%
Maranata	20%
Spartanburg First	19%

## TOP 10 UNDER 100 (IN-PERSON)

Chester	98
Winnsboro	93
The Nexus Pointe	89
Rock Hill First	84
Fort Mill	75
Lexington Shepherd	73
Pageland Rose Memorial	72
Orangeburg Memorial	71
Hartsville - The Gathering Place	70
Rock Hill Grace	67

## DISCIPLESHIP

Midland Valley Community	667
Disciples Church	435
Columbia First	249
HopePointe	193
New Start Community	143
West Columbia First	138
The Nexus Pointe	132
Rock Hill Emmanuel	125
Cherrydale Hispanic	120
Sumter First	99



# DISTRICT ALLOCATION CHURCHES

These churches have paid their assigned District Missional Fund Allocation in full.

Aiken Ebenezer

Ashwood

Bamberg

Batesburg

Bennettsville First

Bishopville

Camden First

Cayce

Charleston First

Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno

Charleston Sea Island International

Chester

Clover

Columbia First

Cottageville

CrossRoads

Fort Mill

Genesis

Greenwood Community

Hartsville - The Gathering Place

HopePointe

Lancaster SonLight Community

Lexington Shepherd

Lowcountry Community

Maranata

Midland Valley Community

Myrtle Beach-The Connection

New Ellenton New Life

New Start Community

Orangeburg First

Orangeburg Memorial

Pelion

Reconciliation Ministries

Rock Hill Grace

Rock Hill Trinity

Simpsonville Life Spring Community

Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero

Spartanburg First

Summerville

Sumter Calvary

Sumter First

Sumter Wise Drive

The Nexus Pointe

The Village - Greer

Wallace

West Columbia Central

West Columbia First

Winnsboro

York Celebration Place

# BUDGET HONOR ROLL

These churches have paid ALL their assigned allocations in full.

Aiken Ebenezer	Myrtle Beach - The Connection
Ashwood	New Ellenton New Life
Bamberg	New Start Community
Camden First	Orangeburg First
Cayce	Pelion
Charleston First	Reconciliation Ministries
Charleston Iglesia	Rock Hill Grace
Charleston Sea Island International	Rock Hill Trinity
Chester	Seneca
Clover	Simpsonville Life Spring Community
Columbia Abundant Life Fellowship	Spartanburg First
Columbia First	Summerville
Cottageville	Sumter Calvary
CrossRoads	Sumter First
Disciples Church	Sumter Wise Drive
Fort Mill	The Nexus Pointe
Genesis	The Village - Greer
HopePointe	Wallace
Lancaster SonLight Community	West Columbia Central
Lexington Shepherd	West Columbia First
Lowcountry Community	Winnsboro
Maranata	York Celebration Place
Midland Valley Community	

# GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT GROWTH AWARD

**“I planted ... God made it grow” (1 Cor. 3.6)**

The purpose of the General Superintendents’ Growth Award (GSGA) is to give prominence to those practices that are central to the local and worldwide advancement of the church; specifically, new Nazarenes, significant involvement in sponsoring a new church, and 100% participation in fund allocations.

- Churches that win people to Christ are healthy.
- Starting new churches is the most effective means of evangelism known to the church.
- Fund allocations are essential to the cooperative ministries of the Church of the Nazarene.

This award is given in recognition of outstanding accomplishment in essential practices of the expansion of the kingdom of God through the Church of the Nazarene. The presentation of this recognition is intended to say “Thank You” to the receiving pastor and church, and to elevate in the consciousness of our people the compelling importance of winning people to Christ, starting new churches, and supporting the organizational structures that make possible evangelism around the world.

**Aiken Ebenezer  
Summerville**



# 2024-2025 SC DISTRICT STATISTICS

Weekly In-Person Worship Attendance	5,047
Weekly Online Worship Attendance	1,057
Total Weekly Worship Attendance	6,104
Weekly Discipleship Ministries Attendance	4,654
Membership	9,738
Conversions	606
Baptisms	383
New Nazarenes	441
Total Church Income	\$10,572,708
Global Missions Giving	\$702,152

## ALLOCATION GIVING

World Evangelism Fund (WEF)	\$522,489	106%
District Missional Fund (DMF)	\$628,215	103.2%
Trevecca Nazarene University (TNU)	\$225,417	94.5%
Nazarene Benefits USA (NBUSA)	\$180,327	100.9%

## HONORS & AWARDS

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Church Name	Pastor	Membership (2024)	Membership (2025)	Conversions (2024)	Conversions (2025)	Baptisms (2024)	Baptisms (2025)	In-Person Worship (2024)	In-Person Worship (2025)	Online Worship (2024)	Online Worship (2025)	Total Worship (2024)	Total Worship (2025)	Discipleship (2024)	Discipleship (2025)	Total Income	All Allocations Met
Aiken Ebenezer	Jeremy Reese	52	62	7	17	3	6	44	57	0	4	44	61	44	58	161,758	Yes
Anchor (CTM)	Caleb Miller / Haydn Miller	11	9	0	0	0	1	15	15	2	2	17	17	19	18	41,460	No
Ashwood	Brandon Barkley	54	36	0	2	7	1	50	52	5	15	55	67	65	48	46,088	Yes
Bamberg	Alan Riley	28	30	2	0	0	0	21	20	0	2	21	22	17	14	67,502	Yes
Batesburg	Libby Newman	67	66	12	3	11	1	39	40	0	31	39	71	19	28	48,410	No
Beaufort	David LaTourette / Loretta LaTourette	29	28	1	2	0	3	20	20	34	17	54	37	21	25	49,633	No
Bennettsville First	Kevin Sprague	114	120	7	6	0	13	41	52	0	0	41	52	24	43	90,793	No
Bishopville	Sam Burchfield	15	16	1	1	0	0	14	14	40	40	54	54	19	19	25,000	No
Camden First	Curt Evans	123	124	2	1	5	2	58	58	10	15	68	73	67	88	157,650	Yes
Cayce	David Spires	37	34	1	1	0	0	22	22	8	3	30	25	23	24	64,918	Yes
Charleston Brazilian (CTM)	Antonio Matias	90	90	10	10	3	3	70	70	0	0	70	70	87	87	96,000	No
Charleston First	Gary Rupert	157	158	0	0	0	0	35	35	5	5	40	40	51	47	86,517	Yes
Charleston Iglesia del Nazareno	Bill Wojtkowski / Isa Wojtkowski	36	46	6	9	0	3	29	31	0	0	29	31	46	42	34,328	Yes
Charleston Sea Island International Community	To Be Supplied	86	86	0	0	0	0	25	28	0	5	25	33	20	12	45,642	Yes
Cherrydale Hispanic	Jonathan Saenz	190	163	32	58	12	16	164	116	20	38	184	154	139	120	195,007	No
Chester	Jonathon Parrish	197	199	4	6	4	5	106	98	4	3	110	101	96	83	298,426	Yes
Clover	Brett Boykin	32	29	2	1	0	6	40	33	10	14	50	47	69	50	53,092	Yes
Columbia Abundant Life Fellowship	Joshua Keith	70	70	1	6	1	0	40	42	10	8	50	50	55	51	65,351	Yes
Columbia First	Eric Nahass	344	345	3	5	7	3	184	184	35	52	219	236	264	249	772,055	Yes
Columbia Grace	Audrey Carter	59	59	6	0	0	0	20	11	3	11	23	22	9	17	51,173	No

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Cottageville	Roland Evans	25	24	1	1	0	3	23	20	8	13	31	33	34	21	85,434	Yes
CrossRoads	Leslie LaPrise	12	12	2	2	2	0	14	14	0	0	14	14	33	16	19,937	Yes
Disciples Church	Javes Muñoz	347	398	77	134	21	55	266	308	22	20	288	328	370	435	351,729	Yes
EMET (CTM)	Juan Carlos Muñoz	N/A	2	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	15	N/A	0	N/A	15	N/A	0	0	No
Fort Mill	Joshua Fite	363	364	5	3	0	1	77	75	2	0	79	75	64	57	353,946	Yes
Genesis	Mark Vaughn	52	54	1	2	1	0	38	37	100	22	138	59	46	37	72,526	Yes
Great Falls	Henry Adams	75	78	0	3	0	5	20	22	0	0	20	22	17	18	18,817	No
Greenwood Community	Michael Castello	128	114	14	4	12	3	122	132	5	0	127	132	137	85	256,174	No
Greenwood Cristo Reina (CTM)	To Be Supplied	17	17	0	1	0	0	15	22	0	0	15	22	0	0	2,000	No
Hartsville - The Gathering Place	Tom McCrea	163	168	2	5	1	2	91	70	24	27	115	97	65	57	177,629	No
Hartsville Calvary	Inactive	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HopePointe (formerly Greenville First)	David Snodgrass	307	315	4	3	4	3	140	145	0	5	140	150	179	193	671,566	Yes
Lancaster SonLight Community	James Merritt	70	71	1	1	0	0	29	26	0	0	29	26	12	30	51,303	Yes
Laurens Cornerstone	Buck Lathan	22	24	4	2	1	3	10	11	0	0	10	11	16	21	29,463	No
Lexington Shepherd	Richard Coleman	52	57	2	2	4	3	68	73	0	0	68	73	30	35	412,535	Yes
Living Water Fellowship (CTM)	Tom Shaw	7	9	0	0	0	0	16	21	0	0	16	21	16	21	52,365	No
Lluvia de Vida (CTM)	Pedro Ospina	14	17	0	5	1	5	20	15	20	10	40	25	13	14	19,350	No
Lowcountry Community	Jason Leviner	42	44	2	3	2	0	12	15	0	0	12	15	12	15	17,981	Yes
Lugoff Faith	John McGee	82	83	0	0	0	0	17	22	25	24	42	46	19	25	53,714	No
Maranata	Leonardo Cortes	15	23	4	12	0	4	25	30	0	0	25	30	0	30	24,268	Yes



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Midland Valley Community	David Gallimore	1,107	1,152	60	37	50	103	936	901	257	202	1,193	1,103	720	667	1,083,412	Yes
Myrtle Beach - The Connection	To Be Supplied	143	149	1	3	1	0	45	53	14	18	59	71	64	65	88,000	Yes
New Ellenton New Life	Ken Stewart	60	60	2	2	1	0	12	12	0	8	12	20	18	33	33,087	Yes
New Start Community	Tony Lupton	182	185	20	15	17	2	116	128	30	23	146	151	116	143	308,289	Yes
New Start Comunidad (PAC)	Alexander Largo	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Orangeburg First	Linda Robinson	70	70	2	5	1	0	17	22	3	0	20	22	14	12	56,825	Yes
Orangeburg Memorial	Hoke Robinson	163	161	3	2	0	10	65	71	10	10	75	81	46	47	88,700	No
Pageland Rose Memorial	Scott Gibson	162	160	17	15	6	5	80	72	17	17	97	89	80	92	91,100	No
Pellon	Joseph Savage	179	173	5	6	0	1	32	35	9	8	41	43	16	19	77,366	Yes
Radiant Life (CTM)	Bill Higgins	0	0	0	2	0	1	17	20	0	0	17	20	2	1	52,886	No
Reconciliation Ministries (CTM)	Lucky Detty	44	54	17	40	8	10	65	51	0	0	65	51	40	51	44,161	Yes
Refuge	Brandon Eagleton	239	247	9	8	17	2	40	120	140	55	180	175	91	81	33,981	No
Rock Hill Emmanuel	Jonathan Pannell	199	214	59	46	42	32	220	120	160	10	380	130	65	125	115,347	No
Rock Hill First	John Sadler	206	209	6	6	3	3	78	84	39	126	117	210	95	33	175,964	No
Rock Hill Grace	Gary Warchol (Interim)	151	128	3	5	2	1	85	67	0	2	85	69	19	38	202,380	Yes
Rock Hill Trinity	Jerry Gilmore	185	142	7	8	4	0	67	51	5	6	72	57	41	37	195,356	Yes
Seneca	Tom Baltzegar	40	40	1	2	0	0	7	7	0	0	7	7	7	7	18,078	Yes
Simpsonville Life Spring Community	Terry Friesen	9	9	2	0	0	0	24	26	0	0	24	26	39	36	156,193	Yes
Spartanburg Casa del Alfarero	Ruben Rosario / Carmen Zavala	52	49	6	0	0	3	30	22	20	20	50	42	39	32	15,083	No
Spartanburg First	Tim Haynes	204	204	5	5	2	6	37	44	2	4	39	48	48	48	148,534	Yes

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Summerville	James Burks	173	187	1	4	0	4	104	107	11	20	115	127	36	44	213,456	Yes
Summerville Portuguese (PAC)	James Burks	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sumter Calvary	Arthur Sharpe	349	350	15	7	2	1	60	58	25	35	85	93	54	36	172,801	Yes
Sumter First	Gregory Pressley	475	483	22	12	9	11	174	176	20	30	194	206	111	99	449,062	Yes
Sumter Wise Drive	Sammy Geddings	315	336	30	25	21	10	135	120	10	12	145	132	165	57	171,450	Yes
Super Life (CTM)	Ted Hambrick	5	12	15	12	2	0	49	48	0	0	49	48	73	68	32,537	No
The Impact Network (CTM)	Michael McCants	94	112	5	5	0	0	85	59	15	16	100	75	95	93	64,000	No
Columbia Impact (PAC)	Michael McCants	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hartsville Impact (PAC)	Michael McCants	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
The Nexus Pointe (formerly Charleston Calvary)	Rod Walley	114	112	4	5	2	1	78	89	8	12	86	101	85	132	294,994	Yes
The Village - Greer (CTM)	Benjamin LaPlace	13	13	1	1	0	3	28	32	0	0	28	32	46	54	78,960	Yes
Wallace	Bobby Norris	77	81	3	4	0	4	15	17	18	20	33	37	15	15	28,632	Yes
West Columbia Central	Brent Walker	305	304	8	8	2	2	97	100	15	10	112	110	103	43	298,644	Yes
West Columbia First	Bill Harmon	303	300	8	5	7	12	123	139	0	0	123	139	87	138	300,823	Yes
Winnsboro	Christopher Adams	236	234	2	0	2	3	84	93	3	3	87	96	53	58	201,129	Yes
York Celebration Place	Raymond Jones	134	134	1	0	2	3	39	32	5	4	44	36	17	17	182,438	Yes