

AUGUST 2022

La Mirada First Church of the Nazarene



Psalms 113:3
From the rising of the
sun unto the going
down of the same the
LORD'S name is
to be praised.

Enjoy the SUMMER! Praise the Lord!

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of events happening at the La Mirada Church and within our District.

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter - please do so by presenting to Pastor Debbie before the third week of the prior month (before printing).

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It is our hope to keep you informed of the many things happening at our facility. Each month we will do our best to update and highlight new events.

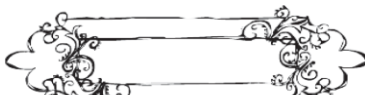


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Special events in our church's life:

- We began the month of July with a beautiful joint service with the Four-Square Church.
- This was followed by a wonderful Worship Night under the stars with lots of beautiful music.
- Several congregants experienced and recovered from Covid. Thank you, Jesus, for healing. Still praying for others.

**Love God,
Love others,
Empowered
by the Holy
Spirit.**



AUGUST Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS:

Diane Albert – 3rd
Glendy Rodriguez* - 4th
Dora Valladores* - 6th
Nathan Samusick – 6th
Pastor Harold Quarles – 8th
Daniel Lopez* - 11th
Troy Toyos – 15th
Nick Barrett – 17th

Guadalupe Serrano* - 20th

Chuck Whitesell – 22nd

Sam Choi – 24th

Gisela Ochoa* - 25th



ANNIVERSARIES:

Arnold & Geri Telford – 14th

Robert & Laura Rodriguez – 19th



If you do not see your name on this list and it should be, it is because the office does not have your information! Please keep us informed too. Fill out an information card and place in the offering or give to a pastor.

New NMI reading books will be made available to us "online" for free downloads. Visit <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-missions-books>. Past books are available upon request from Pastor Debbie. Our next District Convention and award presentations will be April 23, 2022 (Place to be announced later).



We still have not received notification of our new LINKS missionaries for this new church year. They should be assigned this month.

Our Children's Ministry will be studying Missions education once a month. This year's study will be in the Asia Pacific area.

Our District has selected two Work & Witness Projects for this summer. The first is in NEW MEXICO, USA. A trip that can be participated in with no passports needed! It is to the Hope Harbor Transitional Home and will be August 20-28, 2022. They have the goals of finishing the interior work, building picket fences, constructing a playground and establishing a yard and garden areas. They will also be providing VBS for the young residents as well as helpful classes for their moms.

The team will be staying in the New Mexico District Campground (elevation 6300') and the projected cost will be \$550 PLUS transportation. We are still needing \$300 and transportation amounts at this time.

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Tithes and offerings may be given in person on Sundays OR by mailing them to the church address OR a cover fee will be applied if using the Tithe.ly app listed on our website.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

NMI Emphasis is LINKS and Work and Witness

Aug. 3 - Prayer & Praise on Facebook with Pastor Arthur

Aug. 7 – Communion Sunday. Pastor Arthur preaching

Aug. 9 – Church Leadership Board Meeting via Zoom, 8 pm

Aug. 10 – Bible Study resumes with Pastor Arthur on Facebook

Aug. 14 – Children's Church will be Missions Lesson about China

Aug. 17 – Bible Study with Pastor Arthur on Facebook

Aug. 20-28 – Work and Witness trip to New Mexico Hope Harbor for Angelica, Renee and pastor Debbie

Aug. 24 – Bible Study with Pastor Arthur on Facebook

Aug. 31 - Bible Study with Pastor Arthur on Facebook

Pastor Javier will be on vacation July 31-August 7.

Be sure to refer to the Weekly Update sent out Saturday evenings for *any additions or changes*.

Three of our teens were able to attend the District Teen Summer Camp last month thanks to the fundraising and fireworks stand last year.

The Children's Department can always use more volunteers! Have you noticed the growth in the number of kids??? It is essential to have parents sign their children out each week and make sure that their information is on file.

Children's Ministry will once again be resuming since our transition to Redeemer Church. Volunteers are still needed. Please contact Pastor Arthur with your availability and ideas. **REMEMBER children are to remain with the volunteers until signed out by their parent/guardian following the afternoon services.**



In compliance with CA Bill AB500, each child needs an info sheet filled out on file with their personal information now including all allergies and the names of persons responsible to sign them out each week.

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**During Construction we will
be meeting at the
Redeemer Church during
construction**

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**Come to Me, all you who are weary
and burdened, and I will give you
rest. Take My yoke upon you and
learn from Me, for I am gentle and
humble in heart, and you will find
rest for your souls.
Matthew 11:28-29
May GOD Bless you!**

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday

English Worship Service – 12:30 pm
Currently at Redeemer Church &
Online with Facebook

Hispanic Service – 2:15pm at the
Redeemer Church

Adult SS Class (F.B.I.) – 6 pm on Zoom

Wednesday

Bible Study & Prayer
Online on Facebook 6:30 pm

Youth at Redeemer in the Mountain
Room at 6:30 pm

Saturday

Prayer Group –
9:30 am on Free Conference Call – the
phone contact information is listed on
another page.

The Church has been using a new
"Breeze" account that is able to
send out our mailings and
messaging. It has automated our
address system making it easier to
communicate with the members of
our church. [If at any time you wish
to be removed from our list, please
email us directly.](#)

NMI READING BOOKS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CONTACT PASTOR DEBBIE OR
CHARLOTTE IF ANY OF THE BOOKS HAVE BEEN READ.
Books for the 2021/2022 year have been added to
the website.

**Three new books for 2021 have been added to
the website. Hardcopies have not been
purchased but last years copies may still be
read for credit. WE HAVE ONLY this MONTHS TO
MEET OUR READING GOALS FOR PRIORITY ONE!**

The NMI website has been updated and can
now be accessed at: www.nazarene.org/nmi
then click on "About" on the task bar to find
the links to the Missionary Reading Books.
Reading the books are **free of charge!** This
gives our church extra credit toward our Priority
One Goal in March.

Please refer to the LM1 Weekly Update for up-to-date Information

We continue to adjust to new times
and new meeting places. Please
refer to the Weekly Update for any
changes. We look forward to the
day of returning to our "new"
facilities and all that our Lord has for
us in our future.....



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The Adult Sunday School has been meeting on ZOOM on Sunday evenings. Materials are available in the church office or for pick-up. Join us to connect with classmates, catch up with one another and LEARN from God's word. A weekly link is sent out with the weekly LM. PUSH Update and remains the same week to week.

This month may seem like a busy month with Communion, Pentecost, a Rummage Sale, the usual board meetings. Father's Day, etc. But don't neglect to visit us in person on Sundays or check out the Facebook Message posts. Online.

THE SATURDAY
MORNING
PRAYER GROUP
CONTINUES TO
MEET VIA
CONFERENCE
CALLS EVERY
SATURDAY
MORNING AT
9:30 am

If anyone would like to join the prayer time with your own request or to pray for one another, simply join us at:
1-701-802-5468
Access code is:
109758#

This is a FREE service and **anyone is invited** to join us. Simply call the above number and enter our reserved access code. There is power in prayer. To God be the glory!

Note the progress on the completion of the back retaining wall and the beginnings of the maintenance building? They are preparing to install railings on the structure/wall near Sterns to prevent anyone "falling into the landscaping" that will be planted later. More digging is being done to install drainage and lots of pipes for future plumbing and electrical are popping up everywhere! God is good. Continue to pray for our construction team and the finances.





***Contributions to be communicated in this Monthly Newsletter should be presented one week before the end of the month. Information for the Weekly Update should be in no later Friday noon please. All events should be cleared by the pastor on the church calendar ahead of time. Thank you.



WE'VE MOVED!

We are proceeding with our Building Program!!! We are now meeting at the Redeemer Church in La Mirada during construction. Our first service was on October 24th. Redeemer Church is located at 15151 Cordova Road in La Mirada. It is visible from Imperial Blvd. near Home Depot. just .7 miles from our current property. (The corner of Cordova and Imperial Blvd.) Join us for in person services.



Building Program Progress ...



Check out some of the progress as of 7-26-22....

District **Work & Witness** Trip

to Capitan, New Mexico, August 20-28, 2022

Hope Harbor Transitional Home ~ Hopeharbornm.org
a 501(c)3 organization and a Nazarene Compassionate Ministries site

Its mission? To ***offer a Christ-centered program of hope, healing, and supportive guidance for women and children escaping domestic violence.*** Their 'up to two-year' residential program offers survivors of domestic violence safe housing, practical life-skills training, counseling, and opportunity for further education to promote financial stability.

Their new building is nearing completion, and there is need for:

- ~ finishing interior work,
- ~ building picket fences,
- ~ constructing a playground, and
- ~ establishing yard and garden areas.

It is possible that we will also be able to provide VBS for the young residents as well as helpful classes for their moms.

Our team will be hosted in cabins at the beautiful **New Mexico District Campground** - elevation, 6300' - complete with recreational activities, a zip-line, a swimming pool, rock wall, and basketball courts.

As time allows, you may have opportunity to **hike, fish,** and **explore** select destination sites nearby, such as

- * Lincoln, with 48 historic structures and tales of Billy the Kid,
- * White Sands National Park, with massive dunes of white gypsum sand,
- * Wilderness Walk of backcountry trails,
- * Fort Stanton - Kit Carson's outpost - and

We will enjoy together the famous *Flying J Ranch Chuckwagon Supper*.

The cost of the trip has not been confirmed, so for your planning, budget **\$500 for the week**, plus transportation to and from Albuquerque (currently Southwest RT flights are \$250+; Amtrak is \$140; or you might want to enjoy an 1800 mi. road trip!)

Direct questions to Jan Stone JanineAStone@aol.com 562.708.9688

Three of our members will be joining the District Team to help with this project: Angelica Gutierrez, Renee McKibben, Pastor Debbie Binggeli.

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM BANK OF AMERICA

Our church bank is now enforcing a security policy that all checks should be made payable to: ***La Mirada 1st Church of the Nazarene (No abbreviations)***. It has become a security issue and assures proper accounts are credited. Thank you for MANY changes.