SEPTEMBER 2022

La Mirada First Church of the Nazarene



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). 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.



Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Phillipians 4:4

SEPTEMBER Birthdays and Anniversaries



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.

BIRTHDAYS:

Josie Villalobos – 2nd

Rosy Licon* - 10th

Laura Rodriguez - 14th

Moises Armas Cruz* - 15th

Noah Samusick – 16th

Pastor Deb Binggeli – 17th

Silvia Mendivil* - 18th

Albert Garcia* - 19th

Toni Skinner - 23rd



ANNIVERSARIES:

Chuck & Lisa Montoya – 2nd

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).



Emphasis:

ALABASTER MONTH

September is the month for collection Alabaster offering boxes. You may bring your Alabaster box filled with coin (or bills or check) and leave it with the offering on any Sunday during this month. The total will be announced the beginning of next month of what we are sending to help build churches ground the world.

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

Our District has selected two Work & Witness Projects for this summer. The first is in NEW MEXICO, USA. This trip was participated by Renee McKibben and Pastor Debbie. Angelica was going to go but remained behind due to Covid. Be looking in next month's newsletter for some pictures of what was accomplished on this great trip. (So little time to include them with this month, especially since I am late in getting it out already!)

The next District trip is to Ecuador!

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

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

NMI Emphasis is ALABASTER _ Don't forget you Alabaster Offering/Boxes

- Sept. 4 Communion Sunday
- Sept. 5 Labor Day Holiday
- Sept. 7 Prayer & Praise on Facebook
- Sept. 9-11 District Ladies Retreat at Whittier. Reservations required.
- Sept. 11 National Grandparent's Day
- Sept. 13 Church Leadership Board Meeting 8 pm
- Sept. 14 Bible Study resumes with Pastor Arthur on Facebook; District Pastor's Meeting At Anaheim 10 am.
- Sept. 21 International Day of Peace; Facebook Bible Study
- Sept. 22 First day of Fall
- Sept. 28 Bible Study with Pastor Arthur on Facebook

November 14-16 is the Pastor & Spouse Retreat at the Double Tree Suites - Doheny Beach/Dana Point Registration is Due September 30.

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

Our teen department is growing. Thank you, Javvy for all your hard work and attention. It shows.

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

<u>Wednesday</u>

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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This month may seem like a busy month with the winding down of summer and the beginning of fall and back to school, but don't neglect to spend time with the LORD and rejoice in the blessings that He has provided.

Foundation is being processed and ready to pour. It wont be long before we see some "sticks" going up! It has been a long process but God is in it. Remember to pray for our construction team AND for the finances!!!



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!



***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 9-1-22....

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.

Just a preview of some of the work at Hope Harbor....











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.