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## Welcome from DS Askren.

Welcome to the District Assembly of the Colorado District Church of the Nazarene!

This has been another year of great challenge for the church from within and without. It has been a joy to see His church

rise to the challenge in many situations. As I have spent time this year with the pastors and people of our District, I have been impressed by the heart of the people who care about their communities and the people who we call brothers and sisters in each of our churches. Joining with the USA/Canada Region, many of our churches have set out to bless their communities. We want the State of Colorado to know Jesus, the One who makes the difference in each of our lives and can in theirs, too. I am praying that God will move on the Church of the Nazarene in ways that would be transformative in every area of ministry, administration, and worship. This 116<sup>th</sup> District Assembly is a part of the answer to that prayer, as are you. May you leave renewed.

This is our 116th District Assembly for the State of Colorado. As we gather during these hours, I am praying that each of us will be invited again by the Holy Spirit to a new understanding of surrender and that each of us would be transformed in greater ways. I believe the transforming power of the Spirit of God can not only change us but change our communities and even our world. I believe this assembly will be an opportunity for each of us to experience the transforming Spirit in unique, personal, and substantive ways.

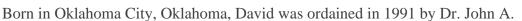
I offer my thanks to our host church, One Hope Church of the Nazarene, to Interim Pastor Jason and Rebecca Brest, and to the staff and people for their gracious welcome and their preparation. We are excited for their ministry in this new community. I also want to thank Dr. David Busic for his leadership and care for all of us during these days. Finally, thanks to each of you for coming, for your service to the Kingdom of God, for your willingness to be used of Him, and for your care of Judy and me.

May the blessing of God rest upon this 116<sup>th</sup> District Assembly of the Colorado District Church of the Nazarene. **"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters,** in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

Virgil R. Askren District Superintendent

#### Presiding General Superintendent Dr. David Busic

Dr. David A. Busic was elected general superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene at the 28th General Assembly held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, in June 2013. At the time of his election, he had been president of Nazarene Theological Seminary since 2011.



Knight. After being an associate pastor in Oklahoma and Kansas, he served as senior pastor for three Churches of the Nazarene: Vineyard Community Church (Livermore, California), Central Church (Lenexa, Kansas), and First Church (Bethany, Oklahoma). During his tenure at Bethany First, Dr. Busic helped initiate and establish the Swaziland Partnership in 2007 to help reduce the HIV/AIDS rate and assist vulnerable children in Eswatini (formerly Swaziland), Africa.

Dr. Busic received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern Nazarene University in 1988 and a Master of Divinity degree from Nazarene Theological Seminary in 1993. Southern Nazarene University conferred a Doctor of Divinity degree upon him in 2010. He earned a Doctor of Ministry in theology and culture at Fuller Theological Seminary.

He has a distinguished tradition of service to the denomination. He has been a member of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene, during which time he was also elected president of the USA National Board. From 2005 to 2013 he was a member of the Board of General Superintendents' Thought Partners, a think tank for critical issues facing the church.

Busic was co-editor for Preacher's Magazine from 2000 to 2007. He has also published numerous articles, book chapters, and authored five books, *Perfectly Imperfect: Character Sketches from the Old Testament; Perfectly Imperfect, Character Sketches from the New Testament; The City: Urban Churches in the Wesleyan Tradition; Way, Truth, Life: Discipleship as a Journey of Grace; and his most recent volume, The Praying Pastor: Learning to Lead from your Knees. His preaching is widely respected throughout the church, making him a sought-after speaker and leadership advisor.* 

Dr. Busic and his wife, Christi, live in Edmond, Oklahoma. They have three grown children and seven grandchildren.

#### District Superintendent Dr. Virgil Askren

Dr. Virgil Askren and his wife Judy joined the Colorado District in July 2021. Previously, he served as District Superintendent of the South Arkansas District 2018-2021, senior pastor of Bend Church of the Nazarene in Bend, Oregon for 14+ years. He has a Doctor of Ministry from Western Seminary. Virgil enjoys CrossFit, hiking, and spending time with his Cairn Terrier, Tavish. The Askrens have two grown daughters and two wonderful sons-in-law.





### 2024-2025 COLORADO DISTRICT CALENDAR

#### JULY 2024

July 22 - 26District Kids Camp (2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) July 24 - 26 District Kids Camp (Kindergarten – 1<sup>st</sup> grade)

#### **AUGUST 2024**

Aug. 15District Finance Comm. Mtg.
Aug. 14-17Prime Time Retreat at Golden Bell
Aug. 22DAB meeting 10:00 am
Aug. 30 – Sept. 2 Family Camp

#### **SEPTEMBER 2024**

Sept. 13 – 15 Colo. District Women's Retreat at Golden Bell Sept. 28 District-Wide Training Day Sept. 23-24 Golden Bell Board Mtg.

#### **OCTOBER 2024**

Oct. 10 District Finance Comm Mtg. 10:00 am Oct. 17 DAB meeting 10:00 am Oct. 4 – 6 Ministers & Mates Retreat (Copper Mountain) Oct. 29 Ordination Subcommittee of BOM

#### **NOVEMBER 2024**

Nov. 28 Thanksgiving

#### DECEMBER 2024

Dec. 7 DAB meeting Dec. 25 Christmas Day

#### **JANUARY 2025**

Jan. 17 – 19 Ministry Candidate Weekend

#### **FEBRUARY 2025**

Feb. 18 Denver Mission Area Pastor's Meeting
Feb. 20 District Finance Comm. Mtg. 10:00 am
Feb. 25 Colorado Springs Mission Area Pastor's Meeting
Feb. 27 DABmeeting 10:00 am
Feb. 28 Credential Applications are due to Dist. Office

#### **MARCH 2025**

March 10-12 Board of Ministry Meetings March 18 Northern/Northeast Plains Mission Area Pastor's Meeting March 25 Arkansas Valley Mission Area Pastor's Meeting

#### **APRIL 2025**

April 1 Western Slope Mission Area Pastor's Meeting April 4-6 Women in Ministry Retreat April 5 District Nominating Committee April 8 Golden Bell Board Meeting April 24 District Finance Comm. Mtg. 10:00 am

#### MAY 2025

May 1 DAB meeting 10:00 am May 26 Memorial Day

#### **JUNE 2025**

June 26-27 Colorado District Assembly

#### Colorado District Year in Review May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024

#### THE NUMBERS

(preliminary as of this printing date)

Organized Churches		
New Starts (PAC's CTM's)	4	
Preaching Points	1	
New Nazarenes (POF)		
Baptisms		
Conversions		
Church Membership	7,745	
Average Weekly NDI Attendance	4,614	
Average Weekly Worship Attendance	e7,771	
Money Raised	\$12,599,575	
Given for World Evangelism	\$677,691 (5.38% of gross income)	)
Given for District Operations	\$349,608 (2.77% of gross income)	)
Given for Pension Fund	\$236,163 (1.87% of gross income)	)
Given for NNU	\$228,144 (1.81% of gross income)	)

## THE EVENTS

**4 New Starts (CTM's PAC's)** Aurora Calvary Denver Lost and Found Pueblo West Living Water Fellowship

Colorado Springs True Life Community Church Downtown

#### **1** Preaching Point

Colorado Springs – Living Branches

#### **3** Intercity/Compassionate Ministries

Food for Hope, Jesus of Nazareth, Movement 5280

**1 Camp** Golden Bell Camp and Conference Center

## **District Assembly and Conventions Schedule**

## June 20-22, 2024

One Hope Church, 5301 S. Federal Cir., Littleton, CO 80123

#### Thursday, June 20

- 8:30 NMI Convention
- 1:30 Registration begins
- 2:00 Kids Day Camp begins.
- 2:30 Business Session: Devotional by GS, Dr. Busic. Voting and reports.
- 5:00 **Dinner:** Delegates on your own. Kid's Day Camp closes. Pick up kids.
- 6:30 Kids Day Camp opens.
- 7:00 Opening Service: DS, Dr. Askren preaching.
- 8:30 End of Kids Day Camp. Pick up kids.
- **NNU Reception**

#### Friday, June 21

- 8:00 **Registration** begins (if needed).
- 8:30 Kids Day Camp begins.
- 9:00 Devotional: GS, Dr. Busic.

#### **Continued Business: Report of the District Superintendent**

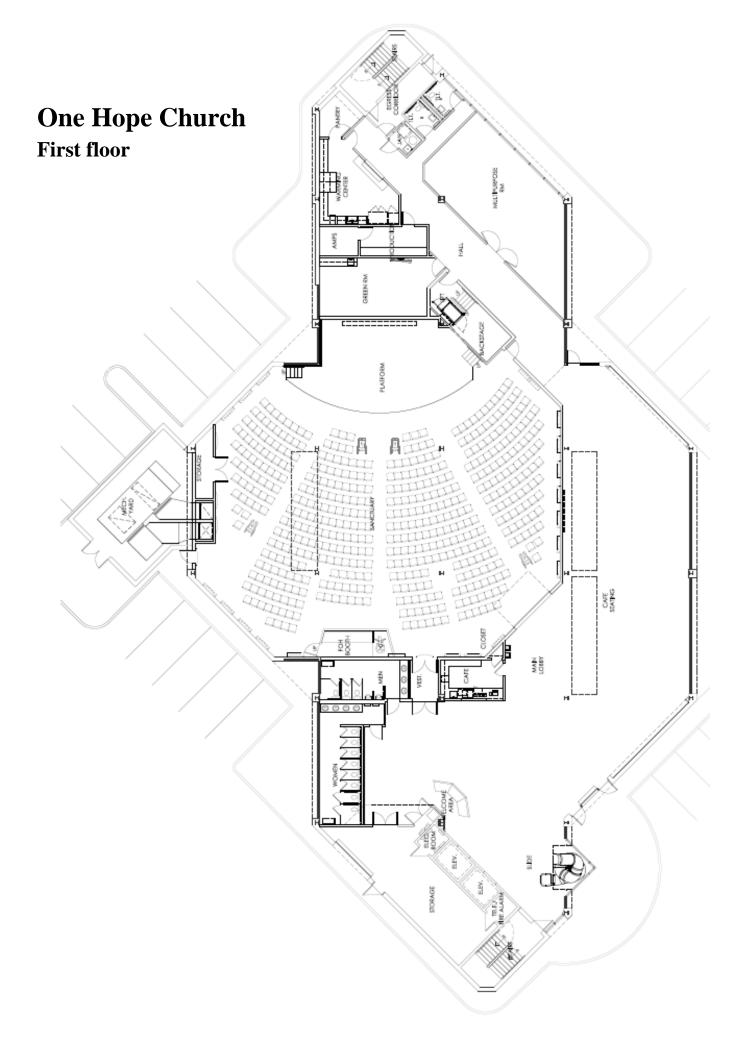
- 10:30 Plenary Session (Dr. Brent Peterson)
- 12:00 Lunch: delegates on your own. Kids Day Camp closes. Pick up kids!
- 2:00 Kids Day Camp opens.
- 2:30 Plenary Session (Rev. Ryan Giffin with Nazarene History/Archives)
- 4:00 DAB Meeting with newly elected members
- 5:00 Dinner: delegates on your own. End of Kids Day Camp. Pick up kids.
- 7:00 Ordination Service. GS, Dr. Busic presiding. Minister's Choir.

Ordinand reception following the service.

#### Saturday, June 22

#### 9:00 – District NYI Convention

Note: One Hope café will be open at different times throughout the assembly



# Reports from District Boards, Committees,

and Auxiliaries

#### 2024 BOARD OF MINISTRY REPORT

#### **RECEIVED AND RECEIPTED ON TRANSFER**

**Elders:** James Abenroth, Pittsburg; Andrew Murakami, Sacramento; Lisa Roberson, Oregon Pacific; David Woods, Virginia

#### **GRANTED TRANSFER AND RECEIPTED**

**Elders:** Darren Reed, Sacramento; Scott Simons, Intermountain; Kristen Sterner, North Arkansas; Brian Wiesinger, Southwest Oklahoma

Deacons: Patricia Barker, Indianapolis; Shaun McClellan, Arizona

Licensed Ministers: John Fernandes, Missouri

#### ELECTED TO ELDERS ORDERS

Eric Arpelar, Koini Falealili, Tina McKey, Marilyn Morris, Ana Ramirez, Chris Rose, Katie Tyler

#### **REMOVED FROM THE ROSTER OF MINISTERS**

Voluntarily Filed: Elder – Kevin Bond, Andrew Lucas

**Filed for not reporting:** Elder – Edward Michael Sandridge

#### **DECEASED MINISTERS**

**Elder:** Richard Diffenderfer, Daniel McKinley

#### **GRANTED RETIRED RELATIONHSIP**

Ronald Bynum, James Schisler, Jerry Storz

#### **GRANTED DISTRICT MINISTER'S LICENSES**

Medina Arpelar, Alex Edwards, Pamela Jantz, Ian Stubbs, Daniel Voss

#### **GRANTED RENEWAL OF DISTRICT MINISTER'S LICENSES**

Eric Arpelar, Ben Beckner, Sherri Benintendi, Eladio Chavez, Chris Crook, Pamela Dudley, Tara Edwards, Isaac Falealili, Koini Falealili, JanElle Hoffman, Richard Curtis Lapp Jr., Jamie Martelle, Tina McKey, Marilyn Morris, Jerry Nelson, David Odell, James Profitt, Ana Ramirez, Ben Rockwell, Chris Rose, Daniel Seifert, Marsha Smith, Clint Tafoya, James Young

#### MINISTER'S LICENSE NOT RENEWED

Mark Kulaga, Cameron Ray, John Shattuck

#### **GRANTED SPECIAL SERVICE STATUS**

**Elders:** Jadalla Ghrayyeb, Tina Hayhurst, Cynthia Johnson, Janine King, Mark Peters, Alan Scott, John Watkin

#### **RENEWED REGISTERED SONG EVANGELIST**

Licensed Minister: Jerry Nelson

#### LOCAL LICENSED MINISTERS REAPPOINTED TO SERVE AS SENIOR PASTORS

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Respectfully submitted, Dr. Kevin Compton Secretary of the Board of Ministry District Secretary

#### 2024 Finance Committee Report and Recommendations to the Assembly

We believe in responsible Christian stewardship through the payment of evangelism funds. Every dollar invested in ministry funds by the local church declares loyalty and love to the mission and message of God's kingdom here on earth. Every church should plan carefully to meet this scriptural responsibility to God and His church in reaching lost, unevangelized men and women through the district and denominational funds. The love of Christ, moving and motivating us within and without, leaves no room for unwarranted failure in this area of stewardship.

#### Part I. Funding the Mission

District Ministries Fund (which includes Church Development / New Start, Ethnic, NDI, NMI and NYI), World Evangelism Fund, Nazarene Benefits Fund and Education Fund

We recommend:

- 1. That the District Ministries Fund be set at 3% of the Adjusted Income of the Annual Pastor's Report.
- 2. That the World Evangelism Fund for the Colorado District be set at 5.5% of the Adjusted Income of the Annual Pastor's Report.
- 3. That the Nazarene Benefits Fund be set at 2% of the Adjusted Income of the Annual Pastor's Report.
- 4. That the Educational Fund for Northwest Nazarene University be set at 2.5 % of the Adjusted Income of the Annual Pastor's Report.
- 5. That our people be encouraged in the stewardship of possessions as related to wills, annuities, and legacy gifts on behalf of the church.
- 6. That the above ministry funds be paid monthly based on the income for the previous month with the first payment due in June each year.
- 7. That each local church have paid, or send, or bring the estimated first monthly payment of the District Ministries Fund to the District Annual Conference.
- 8. That each church make full use of the Funding the Mission and Colorado District websites to expedite participation and track progress

#### Part II. To the Churches

The Finance Committee has endeavored to apportion the ministry funds in the most fair and equitable manner possible in the light of the evangelism fund base adopted by the General Board. We recommend:

- 1. That the allocation of missional funds be the percentages for the World Evangelism Fund, Educational Fund, and Nazarene Benefits Fund set by the General Board.
- 2. That the District assume responsibility for the encouragement of full payments of all missional funds by the local churches.
- 3. We strongly encourage all churches to participate in missional giving.
- 4. That the District Finance Committee provide a proposed budget to the District Advisory Board and District Assembly.

#### Part III. Insurance

We recommend:

- 1. That life insurance be provided by the district for all Senior Pastors of local churches meeting eligibility requirements, District Superintendent, Assistant District Superintendent, and Executive Director of Golden Bell.
- 2. That the local church consider offering disability insurance for their pastor in addition to that provided through payment of the Nazarene Benefits allocation.
- 3. Out of a deep concern for our clergy, a recommendation that churches carefully review the impact of current healthcare legislation and its effects on current policy, procedures and practices at the local church level surrounding coverages and assistance for pastoral staff and insurance premiums and deductibles. Additional resources are available from the General Church and resources such as Christianity Today's Church & Clergy Tax Guide, ECFA (Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability) and others.

#### Part IV. Operating Policies

We recommend that each local church include in its policies the following:

- 1. The local church treasurer will provide an annual financial report to the board and congregation to include all incoming and outgoing funds.
- 2. The church board reviews its handling of funds ensuring that one person does not handle both incoming and outgoing monies.
- 3. The church board determines/reviews annually access to confidential information on individual contributions and on church financial reporting.
- 4. The church board reviews accessibility to church computers, especially those connected to the internet.
- 5. The church board secures and safely, electronically stores for an indefinite time all insurance policies, all legal documents that are not stored elsewhere, and all background material.
- 6. We recommend that all churches maintain property, liability, and sexual misconduct coverage.
- 7. The church board submits at the first board meeting in the fiscal year approval of housing allowances for all paid staff, part-time or full-time, and included in that action paid ministry shall be allowed to reduce reportable income by all unreimbursed business expenses under current IRS accountable reimbursement guidelines. (\*This should be reviewed/acted upon when any staff changes occur during the fiscal year.)

#### Part V. District Staff

We recommend:

- 1. That payment in full for health insurance be made for the District Superintendent, Assistant District Superintendent, and Golden Bell Executive Director and their immediate families in accordance with available funding through an approved operating budget.
- 2. That the District Superintendent and Assistant District Superintendent be reimbursed for their reasonable professional business expenses through an approved accountable

reimbursement plan and in accordance with available funding through an approved operating budget.

- 3. That the District Superintendent and Assistant District Superintendent be reimbursed travel for the district at the current IRS approved mileage rate or other IRS allowable agreed upon financial arrangements and in accordance with available funding through an approved operating budget.
- 4. That the district consider paying a portion of medical reimbursements for the District Superintendent and Assistant District Superintendent immediate families in accordance with applicable laws and pending available funding through an approved operating budget.
- 5. That volunteers serving on district boards and committees be reimbursed travel for the district at a rate of \$.35 per mile in accordance with available funding through an approved operating budget. In some cases, this may cause a taxable event. Volunteers are encouraged to refer to the IRS website or consult a tax professional.

#### Part VI. Evangelists' Support

We recommend that local churches pay evangelists a prudent and generous provision for services rendered.

#### Part VII. Ministerial Support and Benevolence

That the financial support of pastors be given careful study and periodic review by the church board, giving consideration following the Department of Labor's index, being reviewed twice a year. An automatic cost-of-living adjustment should be considered in the fall of each year. In the spring, there should be a review based on merit and church progress.

- 1. That the pastoral remuneration comprises:
  - a. Fair and generous salary including the full amount of Social Security (based on pastor's salary, plus housing allowance and/or parsonage rental values),
  - b. Parsonage and/or housing allowance,
  - c. Utilities and parsonage expense,
  - d. Family health and life insurance premiums, insurance co-payments and/or deductibles (see III.2 and III.3 above),
  - e. Church related vehicle usage reimbursement or allowance,
  - f. Annuity allowance and/or other supplemental retirement programs,
  - g. Continuing Ministerial Education allowance, and,
  - h. Miscellaneous professional reimbursements for such things as books, entertainment, conventions, and conferences.
- 2. That pastors and all full-time ministerial staff members be given a minimum of two weeks paid vacation annually. We further recommend that all the above who have accumulated from five through 10 years of salaried ministry be granted three weeks paid vacation and that those who have served 11 years, or more be granted four weeks paid vacation. Accumulated years of salaried ministry shall include service in the Church of the Nazarene prior to that accumulated at the present assignment of the minister. This vacation time should be exclusive

of time spent at district and general church meetings. The pastor is advised to use discretion and wisdom in the planning of vacation to best work with the church's needs and calendar.

**3**. That out of a deep concern for our pastors to avoid burnout and stress and to keep a clear continuing vision for their church and ministry:

That churches and the district consider giving a sabbatical or continuing professional development leave for their pastoral staff, in accordance with available funding through an approved operating budget, as early as during their seventh year of ministry. Special care should be deliberated to include accumulated years of salaried ministry comprising service years in the Church of the Nazarene prior to the accrued years in their current local church assignment. This leave should take into consideration, as finances allow, as being with pay and benefits, and could be from 4 - 12 weeks in length and would be in addition to regular vacation time with their family. This time would be used for rest, renewal, and study. This will aid pastors in finding new creative ways to help the church accomplish its ministry vision. A rested and refreshed pastor will help build even stronger relationships with their church. We strongly recommend that each church consider implementing a policy.

- 4. That the district superintendent provides a communication channel to the local church board concerning ways that they can properly care for their pastor and family, considering present high costs of living.
- 5. That the local church pay expenses of the pastor's spouse when their professional responsibilities require out of town trips.
- 6. That this entire report, with Part VII highlighted, be distributed annually to the local Church Board Secretary by the end of January.

#### Part VIII Support of District Sponsored Ministries

That local churches be encouraged to support through financial offerings and gifts, prayer and encouragement to Colorado Nazarene Compassion Ministries (Food for Hope, Jesus of Nazareth, Movement 5280, Nazarene Disaster Relief, etc.), New Start / Church Development Ministries, and the Golden Bell Camp and Conference Center.

Respectfully submitted, District Finance Committee

#### Colorado District Church of the Nazarene Balance Sheet

As of April 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

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#### Colorado District Church of the Nazarene Profit and Loss

May 2023 - April 2024 (Unaudited)

	Total
Income	
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 51,463
Income from Churches	\$ 350,832
Rental & Investment Income	\$ 578,041
Total Income	\$ 980,336
Gross Profit	\$ 980,336
Expenses	
Staffing, Taxes and Benefits	\$ 360,189
Travel & Professional Expense	\$ 47,924
District Operation Expense	\$ 74,124
District Activities	\$ 70,037
District Auxillaries	\$ 61,063
Church Development	\$ 127,924
Total Expenses	\$ 741,262
Net Operating Income	\$ 239,074
Other Income	
Gain/Loss on Sale/Transfer of Property	\$ 161,596
Change in Market Value	\$ 53,693
Total Other Income	\$ 215,289
Other Expenses	
Depreciation Expense	\$ 32,012
Total Other Expenses	\$ 32,012
Net Other Income	\$ 183,277
Net Income	\$ 422,351

## Proposed District Budget 2024-2025

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	REVENUE	•				•	4 500
1	District Assembly	\$	5,500	\$	4,500	\$	1,500
2	Misc. Fees, Retreats, Events		18,500	\$	40,500	\$	23,000
3	From Churches		360,000	\$	361,800	\$	350,000
4	Investments, Rents, Interest	-	422,650	\$	409,200	\$	546,000
5	TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 8	806,650	\$	816,000	\$	920,500
	EXPENSES						
6	Total Insurance, Staffing, Taxes and Benefits	\$ :	368,818	\$	317,000	\$	380,700
7	Total Professional and Denominational	\$	58,000	\$	41,700	\$	58,000
8	Total District Office and Legal Operations	\$	117,000	\$	89,300	\$	141,000
	District Committee and Assembly Operations:						
9	Boards & Committees	\$	10,000	\$	8,900	\$	10,000
10	Pastoral & Ministry Development	\$	30,000	\$	18,400	\$	50,000
11	Communication	\$	2,000	\$	1,100	\$	2,000
12	District Convention	\$	12,000	\$	11,200	\$	15,000
13	General Assembly	\$	10,000	\$	4,400	\$	15,000
14	Total District Committee and Assembly Operations	\$	64,000	\$	44,000	\$	92,000
	District Auxiliaries:						
15	NMI (5.0%)	\$	18,000	\$	18,200	\$	17,500
16	NYI (4.75%)	\$	17,100	\$	17,300	\$	16,625
17	NDI (3%)	\$	10,800	\$	10,600	\$	10,500
18	Retreat's (Women, Men, PrimeTime)			\$	16,900	\$	-
19	Total District Auxiliaries	\$	45,900	\$	63,000	\$	44,625
20	Total Church Development	\$	152,932	\$	50,600	\$	204,175
	OPERATING NET GAIN / LOSS	\$	0	\$	210,400	\$	-

OPERATING NET GAIN / LOSS\$ 0 \$ 210,400 \$The District Advisory Board strives to cover operational expensesthrough investments and other revenue streams while investingmissional giving toward missional efforts.

## **2024 Nominating Committee Report**

#### April 6, 2024

\* Indicates and incumbent for all positions. Church membership listed in parentheses.

Attending: Kevin Compton (district secretary and chair pro-tem), Dee Gookin, Jim Lynch, Mark Runner, Renee Schmidt, Jim Murray, Sandy Ricicki, Bette Asuega

The committee met in person and made the nominations listed below. They also authorized District Superintendent, Virgil Askren, to fill ballot openings as needed should an insufficient number of nominees be willing to run. The meeting was held in executive session.

#### Board of Ministry (Term: 2024-2028)

Standing members: DS Virgil Askren (chairman), ADS Kevin Compton (district secretary) Current members serving through 2025: Darren Reed

<u>Current members serving through 2026:</u> Ed Belzer, Joel Garcia, Mike Higley, Shari Palmer, Ken Rose, Brian Smith, Joe Warrington

**Current members serving through 2027:** 

Don Blanchard, Chuck Hayes, Jim Lynch, Sherry Mitchem, Jim Murray, Karen Phillips, Cherie Reiter, Chris Yocom

#### Elect 2:

\*Mark Callister (La Junta) \*Zeida Lynch (CS Eastborough) \*John Prichard (CS Trinity) Mark Runner (Thornton Hope Hacienda)

#### Board of Trustees of Northwest Nazarene University (Term 2024-2027)

Current Trustees:		
Ministerial Members	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Lay Members</u>
Jeff Alexander	2026	To be replaced by DAB
None	2025	At large member

#### **Ministerial Nominees (Elect one)**

Dale Butler (Woodland Park) Kevin Compton (CS Eastborough) \* Jim Lynch (CS Eastborough) Dan Voss (CS First)

#### Lay Nominees (Elect one)

Gail Burchett (Pueblo First) Frank Henderson (Durango) Jan McIntire (Longmont) \* Bob Walker (Loveland)

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#### District Advisory Board (Term 2024-2027)

Current board members: DS Virgil Askren, standing chairman

<u>Ministerial Members</u>	Term Expires	Lay Members
Mike Higley	2026	Bob Walker
Buddy Cook	2025	John Bruneau
	2025	<b>Bob Hamilton</b>

#### Ministerial Nominees (Elect two)

Charles Hayes (Greeley First) Dave Martelle (Yuma) \*Jim Murray (Pueblo First) Chris Yocom (Monte Vista)

#### Lay Nominees (Elect one)

Frank Henderson (Durango) Wayla Murrow (Westminster Crossing) Mieke Powers (CS Eastborough) \*Nina Rattle (Fort Collins Emmaus Road)

#### Highest ministerial vote recipient will serve three years, next highest recipient will serve one year to fulfill term of vacant position

#### Golden Bell Board (Term 2024-2027)

Dr. Kevin Compton, Assistant District Superintendent – Standing Chairman Ex Officio members: DS, Virgil Askren; Golden Bell Executive Director, Rev. Joel Garcia

#### Current board members:

<u>Ministerial Members</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	Lay Members
Ken Rose	2026	Nina Rattle
Ron Bynum	2025	Stacey Fajardo

#### **Ministerial Nominees (Elect one)**

Mark Callister (La Junta) Shari Palmer (Golden) Dan Voss (CS First)

#### Lay Nominees (Elect one)

Cliff Miller (Woodland Park) Terri Tibbs (Pueblo First) \*Dean Walker (Loveland)

#### **District Court of Appeals (Term: 2024-2028)**

Designated members: DS Virgil Askren, ADS Kevin Compton

#### **Ministerial Nominees (Elect two)**

Lynette Cherry (Pueblo First) Charles Hayes (Greeley First) Mike Higley (CS First) Jim Lynch (CS Eastborough)

Recorded and submitted by Kevin Compton, District Secretary

#### Lay Nominees (Elect two)

\*Bob Hamilton (CS Trinity) \*Frank Henderson (Durango) \*Terry Nelson (CS Trinity) Mieke Powers (CS Eastborough)

## 2024 Ballot

\* Indicates an incumbent for all positions. Church membership listed in parentheses.

#### Board of Ministry (Term: 2024-2028) Elect 2:

- □ \*Mark Callister (La Junta)
- □ \*Zeida Lynch (CS Eastborough)
- □ \*John Prichard (CS Trinity)
- □ Mark Runner (Thornton Hope Hacienda)

#### Board of Trustees of Northwest Nazarene University (Term: 2024-2027) Lay Nominees (Elect one)

#### Ministerial Nominees (Elect one)

- Kevin Compton (CS Eastborough)
- □ \*Jim Lynch (CS Eastborough)
- □ Dan Voss (CS First)

#### **District Advisory Board (Term: 2024-2027)**

#### Ministerial Nominees (Elect two)

- □ Chuck Hayes (Greeley First)
- □ Dave Martelle (Yuma)
- □ \*Jim Murray (Pueblo First)
- □ Chris Yocom (Monte Vista Valley)

#### Lay Nominees (Elect one)

□ Frank Henderson (Durango)

□ Frank Henderson (Durango)

□ Jan McIntire (Longmont)

□ \*Bob Walker (Loveland)

- □ Wayla Murrow (Westminster Crossing)
- □ Nina Rattle (Fort Collins Emmaus Road)

Highest ministerial vote recipient will serve three years, next highest recipient will serve one year to fulfill term of vacant position

#### Golden Bell Board (Term: 2024-2027)

#### Ministerial Nominees (Elect one)

- □ Mark Callister (La Junta)
- □ Dan Voss (CS First)

- Lay Nominees (Elect one)
  - □ Cliff Miller (Woodland Park)
  - □ \*Dean Walker (Loveland)

#### **District Court of Appeals (Term: 2024-2028)**

#### Ministerial Nominees (Elect two)

- □ Lynette Cherry (Pueblo First)
- □ Chuck Hayes (Greeley First)
- □ Mike Higley (CO Springs First)
- □ Jim Lynch (CS Eastborough)

#### Lay Nominees (Elect two)

- □ \*Bob Hamilton (CS Trinity)
- □ \*Frank Henderson (Durango)
- □ \*Terry Nelson (CS Trinity)

#### 2024 Nominee Bios

**Mark Callister** serves as the Senior Pastor of our La Junta church. He has served as Senior Pastor for over 30 years in Wisconsin, Missouri and Colorado. Mark was also Facility Director at Golden Bell for three years.

**Lynette Cherry** is blessed to serve as the associate pastor at Pueblo First Church of the Nazarene. She has worked in various facets of ministry since 2004, including, but not limited to, music, youth, preaching, teaching, administration, event coordination, product design, technology, etc. She was ordained in 2015 and loves being a part of the Colorado Church of the Nazarene and is excited to serve however God leads.

**Kevin Compton** currently serves as the Assistant District Superintendent. He is a graduate of Nazarene Bible College, MidAmerica Nazarene University, and Regent University. He has served on multiple district committees and boards as well as a trustee for Northwest Nazarene University. He also serves on the Regional Course of Study Advisory Committee.

**Bob Hamilton** is a former IT manager at Hewlett-Packard, now retired. Bob's wife is Marilyn, and they have a son and daughter who are married; each with one child. Service in the Nazarene Church over the many years includes local board member, small group leader, Men's Retreat coordinator, Lay Witness Missions, NNU Trustee, plus multiple District boards & committees.

**Chuck Hayes** has served congregations in Kansas, Wisconsin, and Colorado. He is a graduate of MidAmerica Nazarene University and Nazarene Theological Seminary. He is currently the senior pastor of Greeley First Church of the Nazarene.

**Frank Henderson** is a retired Mechanical Engineer and Manager from Raytheon. Frank's wife is Tina, and they have two adult daughters and 2 grandchildren. Frank loves the Lord and has served the Nazarene Church for over 45 years as NYI Leader, Men's Ministry Leader, Small Group Leader, Work and Witness project participant, Praise Team, Local Board Member, and is currently Treasurer for Faith Community Nazarene in Durango and serving on the District Court of Appeals.

**Mike Higley** has been pastoring for over 37 years and has been part of ministerial boards for 21 years. He has a passion for developing new leaders, as well as mentoring pastors to pastor churches. Investing in others has been a joy in his lifetime in ministry and life itself.

**Jim Lynch** is married to Zeida, and they have two daughters, Hannah and Sarah. He serves as the lead pastor at Colorado Springs Eastborough. Previously served in Los Angeles, Costa Rica, Peru, Argentina, Paraguay, and Fort Morgan. Studied at Point Loma, Biola, and NTS.

**Zeida Lynch** is married to Jim, and they have two daughters, Hannah and Sarah. She is an ordained Elder in the Church of the Nazarene and currently serves at Eastborough as the Associate Pastor.

**Dave Martelle** has had a lifelong passion for making discarded houses, cars, and motorcycles incredibly useful. Christ has now called him to help in His transformation of discarded people. Dave's first call was to build and direct a 25-bed Gospel rescue mission in York NE, while completing the course of study at the Nazarene Bible College. He was then ordained & called as the senior pastor of New Life COTN in York NE. He is currently the senior pastor of Yuma 1<sup>st</sup> COTN with his wife Sweetie (aka Jamie). They have two adult daughters, Lainey and Leslie.

**Jan McIntire** was a middle school teacher until health issues prohibited full-time work, so she has been a substitute teacher (mostly high school) for the past ten years, until the spring of 2022. In September, she began to work at The Academy Boulder, a group of senior living centers, in the position of Assistant Controller. Her husband, Tim, and she graduated from NNC and are the parents of three adult children and grandparents of one.

**Cliff Miller** is a recent Board member of Woodland Park Nazarene church. Retired CEO/Director for 31 yrs. of three Christian Camps/Conference Centers. Prior Dean of Students at two Christian Universities. Restaurant owner/manager. Served with Christian Camping International (CCCA) for over 30 years.

**Jim Murray** is married to Deanna and has four boys. He moved to Colorado Springs in 1998 to attend Nazarene Bible College, from there he became the senior pastor at Security Church of the Nazarene, moved back to Boston to pastor in Framingham MA, and then back to Colorado in 2010 to be the sr. pastor at the Pueblo First Church of the Nazarene where he currently serves.

**Wayla Murrow** is a graduate of Southern Nazarene University and works as a trainer and supervisor for the State of Colorado in the Early Intervention Colorado Program. She is a former NMI district president and currently serves at the Westminster Crossing Church on the mission council, church board, and in worship ministries. Wayla is married to Sid and has two adult children.

**John Prichard** and wife Brenda (sons Joshua and Benjamin) came to Colorado after serving 12 years as the Lead Pastor of the Butler Church on the Joplin district. John has served Churches of the Nazarene in West Virginia, Missouri, California, and Oklahoma and has just finished his fifth year of service as the Lead Pastor of the Trinity Church of the Nazarene in the Springs.

**Terry Nelson** and family have been members of Trinity Church of the Nazarene for 24 years where he has faithfully served on the church board the entire time. He also serves as a musician on the praise team and an adult Sunday School co-teacher. Terry previously served on the Colorado District Court of Appeals, District Finance Committee, and on the Golden Bell Camp board. He and his wife Judy have been married for 38 years and have 3 adult children.

**Nina Rattle** Wife, mother, grandmother; active in membership and in service to the Colorado District for 41 years. Currently serving on DAB, Golden Bell Board and Emmaus Road worship band.

**Mark Runner** Mark Runner has been married just short of 44 years to his wife Debbi. They have two adult daughters that are married to wonderful Christian men and four grandchildren. Mark responded to his call in 2004 and has progressed through all the district requirements for Ordination in 2012. He is currently fulfilling his call to ministry at Hope Hacienda where he has been the Senior Pastor for the last 13 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years.

**Dan Voss** was raised in the Church of the Nazarene. His father pastored in Indiana on the Northeast Indiana and Indianapolis Districts for over 50 years. Dan and his wife, Becky, have attended Springs First Church of the Nazarene in Colorado Springs since 1986. Dan is a 24-year Air Force veteran. After retiring from the Air Force in 2005, he served at Focus on the Family in Colorado Springs as a Family Advancement Representative. Dan earned a bachelor's degree in Defense Systems Management from Colorado Technical University and a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Colorado Christian University. They have one son, Adam, who has been married to Jasmine since 2007. They have one son, Silvan (2016) and currently reside in Santa Barbara, CA.

**Bob Walker** has been a member at Loveland Church of the Nazarene since 1975. Married to Barbara for 57 years and has three daughters, three sons-in-law, and nine grandchildren. Serving on NNU board of trustees for 20 years and also serving on the board of trustees at LeTourneau University (alma mater). Employed at Walker Manufacturing for 49 years.

**Dean Walker** is a longtime member of Loveland Church of the Nazarene, serving in numerous areas of ministry over the past 45 years. He currently serves on the church board, is involved in music ministry, and serves on the Golden Bell Board. Dean is married to Suzanne, and they have four sons and eight grandchildren. Dean is a graduate of Northwest Nazarene University. He is an owner of Walker Manufacturing Company in Fort Collins, CO.

**Chris Yocom** serves as Senior Pastor in Monte Vista and graduated from Nazarene Bible College in 2002 and 2004 with a Biblical Studies and then a Christian Counseling degree. He has served as Senior Pastor for approximately twelve years and is married to his wife Heather. They have two children.

#### **Resolutions for Ratification from the 2023 General Assembly**

Below are details on the General Assembly resolutions to be considered at the District Assembly

#### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BY THE THIRTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY Adopted at Indianapolis, Indiana, USA June 2023

The Colorado District shall consider concurrence or non-concurrence (by *two-thirds* vote of district assembly delegates) with action of the Thirtieth General Assembly held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, 12-15 June 2023, amending the constitution of the Church of the Nazarene.

#### NOTE: Changes are highlighted. New text is underlined; brackets [] indicate text to be deleted.

RESOLVED that *Manual* paragraph 15, Article of Faith XV, be amended as follows:

#### **XV. Second Coming of Christ**

**15.** We believe that <u>at the end of the age</u> the Lord Jesus Christ will <u>be revealed as Lord of all. He</u> will come again in glory and power to establish fully the kingdom of God that He proclaimed and initiated in His life and ministry. As the Triune God first created heaven and earth, God will renew them in the new creation where He will dwell eternally with His redeemed people. [; that w]We who are alive at His coming shall not precede them that are asleep in Christ Jesus; but [that], if we are abiding in Him, we shall be caught up with the risen saints to meet the Lord in the air, so that we shall ever be with the Lord. In that day, God, who in the cross triumphed over all evil powers, will complete His loving purposes for creation. There will be no more suffering, injustice, or death, and God will wipe away every tear.

#### **REASONS:**

We believe that at the end of the age the Lord Jesus Christ will be revealed as Lord of all.

God is revealed in the person of Jesus Christ who is lord of all creation. We believe this has been and is forever true, but not fully acknowledged in the present age. In the day of His appearing, this will be fully known to all creation.

- Philippians 2:5-11
- I Corinthians 13:12-13
  - Matthew 24
- I Thessalonians 4:16-17

He will come again in glory and power to establish fully the kingdom of God that he proclaimed and initiated in his life and ministry.

The already/not-yet Kingdom has come in Christ Jesus and will be fully realized in the final day.

Luke 4:18-21
I Corinthians 15:24-25, 28
Matthew 6:9-13
Deuteronomy 10:17

As the Triune God first created heaven and earth, God will renew them in the new creation where He will dwell eternally with His redeemed people.

As God created the universe, the whole Creation will be renewed, restored, re-created in the final day in accord with the will and purposes of God.

Revelation 21:1-8
Romans 8:18-22
Isaiah 65:17-25
Isaiah 66:22-23

Acts 3:21
II Peter 3:7-13

II Corinthians 5:17

In that day, God, who in the cross triumphed over all evil powers, will complete His loving purposes for creation.

Christ Jesus, the Christus Victor, defeated all the powers of sin and death for all time. The loving purposes of God will be consummated in His return.

Isaiah 11:1-9
Matthew 28:18
Philippians 1:6
Revelation 12:10-12

There will be no more suffering, injustice, or death, and God will wipe away every tear. • Revelation 21:1-8

#### Below is how the amended article will read if ratified:

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#### 2024 District Advisory Board Report

The Advisory Board met six times this year. In those meetings business was conducted including review of monthly financial reports, transfer and receipt of credentials, oversight of the audit, receiving reports on the status of churches, and oversight of the operations of Golden Bell.

#### SPECIFIC ACTIONS TAKEN:

**Credentials** - Recommended granting and renewal of district minister's license for the following senior pastors: Ben Beckner, Eladio Chavez, JanElle Hoffman, Gildardo Prieto (local license) and Jim Young. Approved requests for special service for Jadalla Ghrayyeb, Tina Hayhurst, Cindy Johnson, Janine King, Mark Peters, Alan Scott, and John Watkin. Approved the request for Song Evangelist Registered status for Jerry Nelson.

**Properties and Loans** – Approved the request of Brighton Chapel Hill to sell vacant land adjacent to their church for the purpose of debt reduction. Chapell Hill was also approved to enter a period of interest-only payments on their mortgage loan. The Las Animas Church was approved to purchase a vacant lot adjacent to the church. The Lakewood Church was approved to sell one parsonage property. Approved the Woodland Park Church to refinance their existing mortgage with no indebtedness increase. The Cortez church was approved to incur up to \$50,000 indebtedness to renovate their current facility. Castle Rock, the Connection Church was approved to borrow up to \$130,000 for building renovations.

**Church Changes** – Denver First Church changed their name to Denver One Hope Church. Cedaredge Fellowship on the Rock changed their name to Cedaredge. The Colorado Springs Central Church and Colorado Springs Abundant Hope Church were disorganized. The Columbine Hills church was declared to be in crisis. Colorado Springs Indian Heights Church was declared inactive. Colorado Springs True Life Community church was approved to start a downtown campus.

**The Board approved** and made the recommendation of the proposed 2024-2025 district budget to the district assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kevin Compton, District Secretary



Greetings from Golden Bell. It is an honor for this to be my fourth report to the assembly. I am thankful to be a part of the ministry of Golden Bell as we seek to create a Mountain Top Experience. This year had its trials and celebrations. We see God's hand at work in our guests and staff alike. We know God is faithful and will see us through the mountain tops as well as through the valley. Great is His faithfulness!

As staff shortages continued, last year's camps and group reservations suffered after having only 6 summer staff and being understaffed with seasonal staff. This forced Golden Bell to have to turn away business because of insufficient staffing. Which affected the camp finances in multiple ways. On the other Hand, this year we have the highest summer staff hiring since preCovid, with 18 summer staff and 80% of our seasonal staff in place, we are excited about what this year will hold.

Many projects are always happening at the camp. Last year I shared that we had begun to install over a mile of fiber optic cable throughout the camp. I am happy to announce the fiber is operational, and this project provides internet access to all the meeting spaces on the camp. This project would not have been possible without strong volunteer involvement.

Along with this expansion, Golden Bell has built five additional outside activities for groups to use. Such as human foosball, two nine squares, and two more GaGa pits. Again, these projects could not have happened without the great staff and volunteers instrumental in building them.

Golden Bell desires to be a place void of everyday distractions where people can come and have a Mountain Top Experience. We celebrate the lives that have been impacted and transformed this year though the ministry of Golden Bell. Through District camps and Golden Bell sponsored camps over a hundred teens and children committed their lives to Christ. This past year, we have served over sixteen thousand campers' days and almost three hundred groups. We are humbled to be a part of the ministry of Golden Bell Camp and thank God for allowing us to serve here.

Thank you for your faithfulness as a District, we cannot make it without your support. We covet your prayers for wisdom and direction as we face new times in our culture. We are grateful for the volunteers this past year, the skills that were shared saved in labor an estimated eighty thousand dollars. Lastly, we are grateful for those who partnered with us in financial gifts. Because of their generosity, we can provide scholarships to children for camps and help fund new projects to move them forward. We are blessed to have the support and love of the Colorado District.

Respectfully summited,

Rev. Joel Garcia

#### GOLDEN BELL CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

	AS OF 4/30/2024
Money On Hand:	
Cash in Checking - Unrestricted CAMP	\$21,873
Cash in Checking - Unrestricted STORE	\$18,404
Cash in Savings - Wesleyan Investment	\$111,713
Res - Electrical for RV Park	\$14,548
Res-FUFF Grant	\$0
Res-Capital Improvements	\$12,500
Total Cash Balance:	\$179,038

#### Programs 2023-2024 (Income and Expenses): STORE

STORE				
YTD Store Expenses	31,851			
YTD Store Income	28,725			
Store Profit/Loss	(3,126)			
-				
GENERAL OPERATIONS INCOME				
Camps Income	286,795			
Retreats/Conferences Income	802,626			
Family Reunion Income	8,033			
RV Park Income	60,614			
Programming Income	55,955			
Rental Properties Income	6,154			
Other Income	48,816			
Income (w/out Store)	1,268,994			
GENERAL OPERATIONS EXPENSES				
Personnel	298,710			
Finance	48,432			
Office & Administration	323,674			
Facility	250,320			
Utilities	160,929			
Program & Guest Services	141,214			
Food Service	270,501			
Expenses (w/out Store)	1,493,779			
-				
Total Profit/Loss General Operations	(224,785)			
-				
ADDITIONAL INCOME/EXPENSES				
Grant Income	75,461			
Donations Income	26,902			
Misc Other Income	29,223			
Income (non budgeted)	<u>131,585</u>			
Depreciation expense 0				
Other misc/non operational Expenses	142,671			
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\* tentative report - prior to year end adjustments (i.e. depreciation, payroll liabilities, etc.)



Dear Dr. Busic, Dr. Askren, Local NMI Presidents, Delegates and Friends of NMI: This is my first report as District President of the Colorado Nazarene Missions International (NMI), being appointed in March 2024. I would like to highlight a few of the things that the Colorado NMI has done over the past year.

Compassionate Ministries:

- The Colorado district has two (2) Compassionate Ministries Sites, Movement 5280, and Jesus of Nazareth (JON). The Colorado Nazarene Mission Team volunteered at Movement 5280 on October 12-15, painting, sorting clothing, organizing hygiene items and art supplies, and replacing ceiling tiles.
- The Colorado District churches are involved with compassionate ministries in a variety of ways. Our Global
  projects included Crisis Care Kits, Pal Paks, child sponsorship and offerings for disaster relief. Several churches
  participated in Operation Christmas Child, donating Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes.
- Our Colorado District project is the Navajo Nation Christmas Project. For the first time since COVID, we were able to have a church service with our Navajo brothers and sisters. Numerous churches supported this project by giving an offering for flour and beans, having a non-perishable food collection and/or purchasing Christmas gifts for a Navajo church. There are 19 churches that we distribute beans, flour and gifts to on the Navajo reservation, that they are able to take back to their home church for their church needs and also to be used as an outreach on the reservation. A team traveled to Gallup, NM on Dec. 1-2 and unloaded the trailer and fellowshipped with our Navajo brothers and sisters.
- Local projects are as varied as our churches but included community outreach and food banks. An example is "Food for Hope" a ministry out of ThornCreek church, which provided food needs for children in the Adams County Schools.

Care and Connection (previously LINKS):

• Our Care and Connection Missionary for Colorado is the Chaguala Family.

Nazarene Mission Team (previously Work and Witness):

- In April of 2023 our NMT team of 8 (from five (5) different Nazarene churches) took a trip to Belgrade, Serbia to refurbish a newly opened Mission Outreach Center, Outreach to Refugee Camp. The District NMI earmarked \$5,000 for this project and it went towards building materials as well as helping them launch the opening.
- In October of 2023, the Colorado District Nazarene Mission Team of 30 people from 8 different churches (Abundant Hope, Ft. Morgan, Longmont, One Hope, Pueblo First, Thornton Hope Hacienda, Trinity and Woodland Park), helped with the Movement 5280, an officially recognized Nazarene Compassionate Ministry Center for the Church of the Nazarene. Over a 3-day period we helped paint and set up the Art Room, Clothing and Hygiene Supply Room and the Counseling/Therapy Room. We reset ceiling tile, hauled loads to the recycle center and Goodwill. We had a Bicycle Mechanic tune-up 10 bicycles. Sorted clothes and hygiene supplies, tore out old carpet, replaced electrical outlets and built shelf organizers.

Deputations:

The district helped four (4) missionaries book deputation services in Colorado.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Ricicki

Sandy Ricicki Colorado District NMI President

## 2024 District NYI Report

#### Colorado District,

To begin, I would like to thank God for his leadership, guidance, and strength for the church year of 2023-2024. The NYI Leadership team experienced turnover and changes, but God remained steadfast in his faithfulness. Furthermore, Lucydd alea like to thank the District Office



faithfulness. Furthermore, I would also like to thank the District Office, the Executive Council, and the youth pastors and leaders of Colorado. Through their commitment to the youth of our state, God moved in powerful ways.

Perhaps the highlight of the year was the NYC trip to Tamba Bay, Florida. In July, one hundred forty-eight youth leaders and students from Colorado participated in this wonderful event. God moved in powerful ways through worship, the speakers, and the various activities planned. The leaders of NYC announced that the next NYC will happen in the Summer of 2026 in Salt Lake City, Utah. The excitement and planning for this event have already begun. A NYC Leader will be appointed at the NYI Convention at District Assembly 2024. The summer closed with the Water World NYI Event. This was an extremely successful event. As mentioned previously, the year began with turnover in the position of District President. In August, the council met to determine what the next step would be, and it was decided that Dr. Virgil Askren would assume the position of President and that I would handle most of the work of the President. Ken Davis was appointed as the Treasurer, and Jimmie Profitt was elected to be the Secretary. Brianna Newell was also chosen to be the NYI Young Adult Coordinator. This executive team has been incredibly helpful in facilitating the events and activity of the Colorado NYI.

To continue, the Call Conference was hosted by the NYI Field Council. I traveled to this event to meet with the Field Council and help run the Call Conference. The meetings of the NYI Field Council were led by Chris Wigam. It was a joy meeting the Field Council and discussing the future of the Field. The Call Conference was an excellent event in which youth leaders and students pursued God's calling on their lives. This event will be pushed more intentionally on the NYI Colorado Council in order that more students from Colorado may attend. This focus aligns with the vision Dr. Askren has for the youth of Colorado. Immediately after the Call Conference, Colorado hosted the annual Powersurge led by Pastor Eric Arpelar. Three hundred three attendees participated in this event. Countless pastors and leaders from around the state led workshops. Worship and messages from the speaker were impactful. The focus chosen by the speaker Div and Pastor Eric focused on Jesus' words in Matthew 6:6. Furthermore, a group of young adults met with Brianna Newell. The feedback from this event was exceedingly positive! We are grateful for the leadership of Pastor Eric.

In the spring, two events were held. I traveled to NNU to participate in the Leadership Conference. This was a helpful opportunity in which I was able to learn ways to improve leadership here in our District. Next, Main Event was led by Pastor Craig Krager. This event was plagued by an unusually large spring snow. Despite the snow, one hundred eighty-seven attendees braved the elements to participate in this event. Students participated in competition through preaching, musical performance, artistic entries, and sports tournaments. Frank Cirone was the speaker. His message focused on the importance of making Jesus the foundation and center of life. What an important message for the youth of Colorado. The final event of the year will be Camp led by Ken Davis. To conclude, district quizzing was led by Eric Arpelar in 2023-2024. The quizzers participated in multiple tournaments throughout the year. Teams from Durango and Cortez continually went head-to-head in creative competitions in which their Biblical knowledge was put to the test. Pastor Eric is continually working to make Bible quizzing an important part of NYI.

The NYI Council met twice after the meeting in August. We met at Springs First in January to discuss the future of NYI in 2025. The Nomination meeting in April was held at the Crossing Church. Both meetings were successful. The nominated leaders will be voted on at the NYI Convention. My time as acting President and Vice President will come to an end in June. Because of my father's health complications, I will be handing leadership over to the more than qualified candidates for President and Vice President. It has been a joy and privilege to serve the Lord as Vice President of this wonderful district. It is my continual prayer that God will bless the leaders and youth of Colorado in supernatural ways in 2024-2025.

#### Respectfully Submitted,

Pastor Benjamin Rockwell

## 2024 NDI Report

General Superintendent Busic, District Superintendent Askren, delegates and friends:

I would like to begin by thanking Dr. Askren for his confidence in appointing me as President of Colorado NDI. My prayer is that I may be of service in effectively advancing our mission.

The mission of Nazarene Discipleship International (NDI) is to carry out the Great Commission to children, youth, and adults in preparation for a lifelong journey of being and making Christlike disciples in the nations. The purpose of NDI is to assist local churches in reaching non-believers for Jesus; establishing new believers in their faith in Christ; and walking with believers to a fully surrendered, heart-cleansed, fruit-bearing, and Spirit-filled life.

To accomplish our mission and fulfill our purpose, NDI promotes the following five core principles that are essential to the discipleship process: fervent prayer, compassionate outreach, comprehensive Biblical learning, intentional mentoring and equipping, and authentic relationships.

To effectively promote our mission, purpose and core principles, our Colorado NDI Board will meet to assess our strengths and weaknesses as an organization, then do strategic planning for training on our district.

I would like to thank Katie Tyler and her team for their work in organizing our District Children's Camp; Michelle Burkhart and others for their efforts in Children's Bible Quizzing; Nancy Rose and committee for their coordination of our PrimeTimers retreat; and Cherie Reiter and team for their planning and organization of our Women's Retreat; and Chris and Cherie Reiter, and "The Connection" team, for hosting our NDI Training and Convention last September.

Be watching for the announcement of a training event for pastors, teachers, Bible study leaders and other NDI leaders in the fall. Additionally, while here at District Assembly, be sure to get a copy of our "5 Core Principles" postcard for remembering and sharing our core principles with others.

May God bless us as we work together to make Christ-like disciples!

Respectfully submitted, Jim Lynch

# Reports from Churches

Directory information may be found at: <a href="http://www.conazarene.org/church-directory/">http://www.conazarene.org/church-directory/</a>

Budget participation information provided on the following pages was as of the printing of this notebook.



### Aurora Kingdom Rock

#### Pastor Tony Falealili

One of the outreaches that we did to bless our community is to minister to people at the park. We had live worship, and we

share the gospel to give people fresh hope, and we serve lunches. The highlight of our outreach was a father who came with his son accepted the Lord.



Worship and	Discipleship	Funds Raised	d \$25,000	
In Person Attendance	25	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	30	District	\$540	72%
Conversions	12	World Evangelism	\$1,132	87%
Baptisms	6	Pension Fund	\$463	87%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$0	0%



## Aurora Tower Community Fellowship

#### Pastor Ed Belzer

This has been a great year for our church as we continue to work with Jesus in helping to "Transform Aurora One Life at a Time"!! Visitors continue to come to our church by walking off the street as well as being invited by folks in our church. We baptized 5 this year, 2 of which were brought to Christ by laymen in our church! To bless our community, we are doing several things: we continue our major children's

outreach events with the Fall Fest and the Easter Egg Hunt. This year we had 1429 come through our Easter Egg Hunt. We also started a "Mall Ministry" where we take volunteers to help at community events in the mall. We also started "Spanish As a Second Language Class" for our people. We have 28 folks involved. We thought what would it say to our community if a

bunch of us could at least carry on a conversation when they came through our church doors???? And we are aggressively exploring the possibility of having a preschool here in our building. This is a big need in Aurora. God is good and He is leading us!!!!



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Worship and D	iscipleship	Funds Raise	d \$693,719	
In Person Attendance	222	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	25	District	\$20,839	107%
Conversions	16	World Evangelism	\$38,985	109%
Baptisms	5	Pension Fund	\$15,629	107%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$15,629	107%



### **Brighton Chapel Hill**

### Pastor Nathan Blanchard

Chapel Hill Church is blessing our community of Brighton by trying to meet new people and forming lasting relationships. As we get to know families, and love them where they are, we have built trust and shown them that we love them. We have a relationship with an apartment complex where we are doing this

one person at a time. I look forward to

continuing this ministry, and finding new ways to reach the many families that need Jesus in their homes. Upward basketball and volleyball have continued to grow and be our biggest ministries at our church. It's amazing to see how 9 weeks can be so impactful on the players, and sometimes the parents as well. These two parts of our community outreach can be improved upon very much, and I can't wait to see how God uses us to do this.



Worship and D	Discipleship	Funds Raised	\$161,963	
In Person Attendance	71	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	43	District	\$500	10%
Conversions	49	World Evangelism	<b>\$</b> 0	0%
Baptisms	7	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	35	Education	\$500	14%



### **Brush First**

### Pastor Rick Davis

We have a group of kids who meet in our building each week on Tuesday afternoons to play games and have fun. We call this Totally Awesome Tuesdays, but these kids also get to see and hear about the love of Jesus. Through this ministry, our congregation and me especially, have been blessed to watch these children grow spiritually throughout the years. I have had the pleasure of baptizing many of them, and while most of them don't attend Sunday morning services, they don't miss

TAT. That is their church service. Thank you, Donna and Tammy, for overseeing this wonderful ministry. We have been blessing our community for many years, but we are going to try something a bit different beginning this year. We have drawn the blueprints and hired the contractor to build an outdoor event center, and construction will begin shortly. This will be a space for outdoor concerts, and BBQ's, and maybe even a time for families and friends to share movies and popcorn. It has been wonderful to reflect on the many events that Brush Nazarene Church is involved with and think about the blessings that are to come this year.

Worship and	Discipleship	Funds Raised	\$119,961	
In Person Attendance	44	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	37	District	\$3,599	100%
Conversions	3	World Evangelism	\$5,816	94%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$2,798	110%
Sanctifications	2	Education	\$2,701	106%



### **Buena Vista High Country**

#### Pastor Ken Rose

The High Country Church consists of a semi-homeless man, a middle-aged man just out of rehab, many middle class people, some wealthy people and some non-Christians. All call High Country home. There is a great sense of unity, caring and love between those diverse groups. Highlights from last year. A ministry started called "A Cup of Cold Water". We raised \$10,876 to put a well in for a small church plant in Dorowa, Zimbabwe, Africa. We have been blessed with new people who have helped with the work of the church. A record year of giving to the church allowed us to give out \$24,000 to others. Thousands of dollars of furnishings were donated to improve the appearance of the church. We also supported various nonprofits in Buena Vista through giving food,

clothing and monetary donations in Buena Vista and Colorado Springs. We worship and serve our Lord Jesus together! We give Him the praise!

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	d \$138,426	
In Person Attendance	38	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	20	District	\$3,423	86%
Conversions	1	World Evangelism	\$6,888	98%
Baptisms	1	Pension Fund	\$2,818	98%
Sanctifications	3	Education	\$2,796	97%



### Calvary

Pastor Hyun Soo Park No report provided.

Worship and L	Discipleship	Funds Raise	d \$32,150	
In Person Attendance	13	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$0	0%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$0	0%



### **Castle Rock the Connection**

Pastors Chris and Cherie Reiter A relative of ours reminds us often, "Don't despise what draws you to your knees". This year has been full of humble stories of God's glory catalyzed through a handful of church goers. We have been drawn to our knees as we prayed for ways to be a blessing to our community. We participate in the simple actions of a small 2' x 4' cabinet box that sits

on the edge of our parking lot built by church members. It says, "Take What You Need", and is filled by church family and community members alike with non-perishable food items, toothbrushes, soap, and deodorant used daily by local homeless and needy individuals. We celebrate small blessings of a 10' x 12' storage space upstairs in our building gifted to our Castle Rock Adoption and Foster Care Closet. The space is stacked full with bins of clothes, shoes, and items needed to make a child or teenager feel more seen and safe when they are placed in a new home. We thank God for modest monthly financial support given to the Help & Hope Center two blocks north that offers housing vouchers, access to a food bank, and a free clothing supply to needy individuals in all of Douglas County. We praise the LORD for continued provision to participate with the nation-wide Care Portal network that allows us to be notified by case workers of local needs, and fill those needs with items or financial help (see

<u>www.careportal.org</u>). Soon, we hope to have a running espresso machine that will be used to bless the parents who fill our parking lot three times a day while they wait to pick up their

toddlers from the daycare next door. Pray with us about that next blessing. We remain on our knees as God is calling us to do more, and because of that, we won't despise what draws us to our knees.



Worship and D	iscipleship	Funds Raised	d \$163,440	
In Person Attendance	38	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	2	District	\$4,647	100%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$6,388	75%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$2,622	75%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$3,486	99%



### Cedaredge Fellowship on the Rock Pastor Sherry Mitchem

The Cedaredge Church of the Nazarene celebrated bringing 3 people into membership in the family called Nazarenes this past year. These 3 were brought into the church by profession of faith. We didn't even steal anyone else's sheep. We continue to care for each other, especially to the oldest member of the church by providing weekly rides to his cancer treatments. We have not been able to organize community outreach yet. We are currently concentrating on getting necessary maintenance, repairs, and legal paperwork in order so we will be ready to concentrate on reaching out to our community this coming year.

Worship and	Discipleship	Funds Raised	/ \$40,828	
In Person Attendance	8	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	1	District	\$1,204	100%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$551	31%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$896	120%



### **Clarkville Buffalo Grass**

#### Pastor Jon Shaw

At Buffalo Grass we are blessing our community by seeing needs and providing appropriate relief for that need. Near Christmas we sent gift cards to some Cancer patients in our community for their use. We can do many materially to bless our communities, but the most valuable blessing of a community is to be present in their lives showing the love of Christ in attitude and action. When we bless our communities, we are blessed even greater. Personally, I was blessed literally from around the world by

Nazarenes and friends

praying for me when I was bitten by a rattlesnake. I wish to thank all for your prayers as God's healing power made the recovery much quicker and easier.



Worship and D	Discipleship	Funds Raise	d \$41,829	
In Person Attendance	6	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	3	District	\$893	71%
Conversions	2	World Evangelism	\$2,045	98%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$657	77%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$843	99%



### **Colorado Springs Eastborough** Pastor Jim Lynch

Five years ago, an 8-year-old boy began coming to children's church and Wednesday nights after his next-door neighbor invited him. Soon he was bringing his little brother and sister. Three years ago, their mother was diagnosed with brain cancer and began debilitating treatments. When Pastor Zeida found out, she organized people to take meals to the family. When they would arrive with home-cooked or restaurant-purchased dinners, the youngest would yell "The food is here!"—his powerful little voice letting his family and the whole neighborhood know. The congregation began purchasing clothing for the three at Christmas. They would walk into church elated

about their new outfits. Then, last September we started a new discipleship effort called Wednesday Night Alive. We begin with dinner at 5:30 and then have Bible studies for children, teens, women and men at 6:15. Because of these three children, kids from all around their

neighborhood began to attend—one from next door, two from two doors down, two from around the corner, and one from around the corner. Because Eastborough chose to bless a community family, we've been blessed with the opportunity to disciple kids we would have never touched without it. To God be the glory!



Worship and D	Worship and Discipleship		d \$189,554	
In Person Attendance	86	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$5,687	100%
Conversions	24	World Evangelism	\$10,426	117%
Baptisms	4	Pension Fund	\$4,265	117%
Sanctifications	3	Education	\$4,265	117%



## **Colorado Springs First**

### Pastor Mike Higley

What a great year at SFC! Both the English congregation and the Hispanic congregation have experienced the presence and the power of the Lord! As we have traveled through several transitions, we maintained the process of building healthy and vibrant congregations. Many areas of our ministries grew and have had increasingly dynamic impact in their respected areas. Growth always comes with challenges, and through them we still managed to grow numerically and spiritually. Our focus this year was emphasis on reaching into the ever-

changing community and we did just that! Through prayer, discipleship, and amazing volunteerism, we have worked alongside a couple of wonderful elementary schools; connected with two new construction areas (homes and apartments); and extended our footprint through food pantries. We are excited about the trust we continue to build within the community. We have such an amazing body of Believers! I am so thankful for their love for the Lord and their commitment to Springs First Church. The joy and success of SFC would not be possible without them.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$642,174	
In Person Attendance	210	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	43	District	\$19,011	103%
Conversions	20	World Evangelism	\$24,330	73%
Baptisms	11	Pension Fund	\$100	1%
Sanctifications	3	Education	\$0	0%



### **Colorado Springs Genesis**

#### Pastor Gwen Henderson

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup> in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. (NIV) We stepped out on faith in June as we stood on the corner passing out water and praying with 20 people. Our little helpers were all too eager to help get the attention of those who asked for prayer. We went to Prospect Lake to pray and give out water – only to meet up with a turtle sitting on a rock. We prayed with one person. Planted smile seeds to several people. Our kids love it when we reach out into the community. Supported the Hillside Neighborhood as Mayor Yemi Mobolade rededicated the

markers for the history of the Leon Young Park. Since COVID we have not increased our inbuilding attendance much. Since we are streaming our average attendance is 113 watching (that we know of). Pastor Gwen also attends the Leadership Gathering meetings sponsored by COSILOVEYOU and Mayor Yemi Mobolade, Merge and SCCDC Pastors Adrian Vasquez – Faith Community meetings. Metting to know the community and where we can support and pray for the needs of the community. Looking forward to the Holy Spirit leading us and guiding us to continue to reach out and "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with al your soul... (31) Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these" (Mark 12:30-31, NIV).

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$21,753	
In Person Attendance	13	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	113	District	\$653	100%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$1,181	107%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$446	100%
Sanctifications	5	Education	\$8,998	1991%



### **Colorado Springs Grace**

#### Pastor Joe Warrington

Grateful for the privilege of serving a very loving church that demonstrates the transforming grace of God in community. It is a worshiping church, a Spirit-filled church as well as a giving church. We celebrate some victories of salvation and entire sanctification. Let me tell you the story of Angie Gomez. Twenty-eight years ago, we met the Gomez family who were interested in attending the newly started Grace Church of the Nazarene. Mr. Gomez said to me, we would like to come but we are concerned that our daughter Angie would disturb the service because she grunts a lot. Angie was a

mute special-needs 27- year-old young adult. A couch was placed at the back of the sanctuary and was well known as Angie's couch. Angie's grunts served as an amen corner for another 27 years. Last September Angie was diagnosed with cancer which spread very rapidly. A new couch was purchased hoping that it would be more comfortable for her than a pew or the

wheelchair. Unfortunately, she never got to use the couch because she went quickly. At the center bottom frame of the couch is a little plaque that reads: *In loving memory of Angie Gomez*. Angie went to be with Jesus on October 2, 2023. A loving church has been home to the Gomez family for almost three decades. I look forward to what the Lord has in store for us this year.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$101,598	
In Person Attendance	48	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	15	District	\$3,917	138%
Conversions	3	World Evangelism	\$7,181	141%
Baptisms	1	Pension Fund	\$2,933	138%
Sanctifications	4	Education	\$2,938	138%



### **Colorado Springs Kingdom Rock**

#### Pastor Ritchie Asuega

One of the highlights for Kingdom Rock Church in this past year is that we reached a great milestone, celebrating our 10th year church anniversary. God is good! Pastor Reuben from ThornCreek Church was invited to speak and He brought a wonderful Word of encouragement and charge for the church. Shortly after that grand celebration, we received 15 new families which brought in a total of 60 new members for the church. We are excited for what God is doing in his

church. We believe that God will continue to grow the church as we witness people

draw nearer to the Lord through fellowship and discipleship. We were blessed to baptize a total of 13 people and received over a dozen new converts through the profession of faith. We have great leaders in place that are ready and willing to do the work of the Lord. The future for Kingdom Rock Church looks bright as we continue to trust and obey His Word.



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Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$107,631	
In Person Attendance	135	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	250	District	\$3,010	98%
Conversions	25	World Evangelism	\$4,786	85%
Baptisms	13	Pension Fund	\$1,673	72%
Sanctifications	80	Education	\$2,258	98%



### **Colorado Springs Mighty Warrior**

#### Pastor Mila Tumua

Our church has some challenges this past year as we continues to find a place of worship. Few of these places didn't work for our situation. However regardless of these situations, our church has still have a significant impact on the life of our community . First the lives of our own church families. Sometimes their need of food, financial aid, or spiritual counseling for a young person. We try our best to meet those needs. The second way we bless our community is through our

online service every week. Sometimes we have our service at our house. Sometimes they bring some relatives and friends and we enjoy a meal and fellowship at home. The third way we bless our community is the impact we have on those who moved out of state and our community. The reason why they like to go to church where they at is because of their experience they learned from our church. The compassion, the teaching, and the reality of a Christian life.

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$300	
In Person Attendance	15	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	25	District	\$130	1444%
Conversions	1	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	3	Education	\$65	1083%



### Colorado Springs Trinity Pastor John Prichard

Trinity just celebrated 10 years of blessing our community through a ministry called Trinity Cares. Partnering with Care and Share, Trinity Cares provides food and other needed commodities to those in our community experiencing food insecurity. Also, clothing and other household items are made available through the generous donations of our own folks and others who partner with us. Over 50 volunteers participate each month to transport, sort, set up, and distribute food and other goods to those who come. We regularly bless 100+ families each month and hear story after story about the

impact this ministry has on the lives of those who receive. The greatest blessing is talking to and praying with persons in need as they invite us to share in their concerns. Often, we meet people who have just moved to the area and are looking for help and community. It is a privilege to provide both and has opened doors to share the love of Jesus Christ.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$705,179	
In Person Attendance	236	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	59	District	\$21,431	101%
Conversions	10	World Evangelism	\$39,143	108%
Baptisms	6	Pension Fund	\$16,013	108%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$16,080	108%



### **Colorado Springs True Life Community**

### Pastor Keith Morgan

True Life continues to bless our community through our community center called The LIFE Center. We provide over 2000 people with groceries every month. We offer spiritual direction, prayer, discipleship, and friendship through the LC. We also provide community events like special food nights, kids craft nights, a line dancing class, and more. In addition, The LIFE Center is used by families in our community for birthday parties, baby showers, and other gatherings. Our church is growing, and it is a direct result of our neighbors first connecting with us through The LIFE Center. We also provided a Fall festival in the park with over 400 in attendance, community Easter egg hunt, services in the park, collaboration with other churches in the community, teacher appreciation for our local elementary school, and a number of service projects. This summer we are launching a second

campus downtown and are adding a new community to love under the leadership of our Campus Pastor, Rev. Garry McGlinchy. Lastly, True Life celebrated our 20th anniversary this past Easter. It is a privilege to serve as the Pastor of such a wonderful congregation and alongside of such an incredible group of Pastor's and leaders.



TRUE LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$158,122	
In Person Attendance	98	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	70	District	\$4,744	100%
Conversions	17	World Evangelism	\$8,404	102%
Baptisms	5	Pension Fund	\$3,410	101%
Sanctifications	15	Education	\$3,558	105%



### **Colorado Springs True Life Community Downtown**

#### Pastor Gary McGlinchy

As I write this report TLCC Downtown has yet to launch! However we have already begun blessing the Hillside community with a food giveaway that served about 80 families, praying with our neighbors, and studying the Word as a team. We are excited to see how God will use us to meet the needs of our new neighbors, and we seek your prayers as we join God in the work He is doing downtown.



### **Commerce City Iglesia**

#### Pastor Eladio Chavez

The way how the church is blessing the community is about people have no home church, and they want to be married, I give counsel them about marriage and allow them to use the temple to do the ceremony.

On summertime we do service outside, and we give water to the people walking around the church.

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$30,789	
In Person Attendance	30	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$0	0%
Conversions	2	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	2	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	4	Education	\$0	0%



### Cortez

#### Pastor JanElle Hoffman

The Cortez Nazarene family has blessed our community in several ways during this past year. Our door is always open to those who need food, or a ride, or any number of emergencies that arise for members in our community. During the summer months (2023), we were the church without walls. Our "pop-up church" enabled us to worship and serve on Sunday mornings in various locations around Cortez. We were the church in the park, in backyards, and in a nursing home. We worshiped on those pop-up church Sundays by mitigating graffiti and helping a family remove their fire-damaged home. In the fall we started "Mamas &

Littles," a group for mothers and young children - something that did not exist in our town. Our own Rev. Ian Hyde blesses the community by ministering as a hospice chaplain. Finally, we bless our community by being the body of Christ. Each Sunday we provide a beautiful and friendly worship service and study God's word. We meet together often on Sundays or during the week to share meals together. We facilitate men and women's fellowship groups and provide Bible quizzing for children and teens. Our multi-generational congregation is a blessed family looking to bless as many others as we can.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	d \$83,035	
In Person Attendance	48	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$2,266	96%
Conversions	11	World Evangelism	\$4,154	96%
Baptisms	11	Pension Fund	\$1,700	96%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$1,700	96%



### **Delta Gunnison Valley**

#### Pastors Charlie and Barb Bechtold

**Our prayer:** Lord, put us in the right place, at the right time, with the right person, and the right words, to bring glory to your Name and to bring Your Kingdom down to earth.

God's response: An overwhelming response. Feed My Sheep Food Pantry began less than a year ago and we have seen lives changed in ways only God could orchestrate. We have received members into the

Church of the Nazarene because of Feed My Sheep food pantry. We have seen new believers come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior because of Feed My

Sheep food pantry. Feed My Sheep co-sponsored an event with Delta County. Nonprofit organizations, ministries with services to the community, and other resources available to residents were showcased, and given the opportunity to engage with the community to better assist with their daily lives. The Community Connection Fair raised funds where each participant received an equal share of the proceeds. **Our prayer before each FMS distribution day:** Lord, let us be the hands and feet of Jesus to our community. His answer is Feed My Sheep. John 21:17



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raiseo	\$72,072	
In Person Attendance	23	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	5	District	\$500	23%
Conversions	2	World Evangelism	\$524	14%
Baptisms	1	Pension Fund	\$215	14%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$1,008	64%



### **Denver Bear Valley**

### Pastor Jordan Serracino

At the beginning of 2024, our church took on the challenge to give away \$400 worth of groceries each month to people in our community. We do this by giving away gift cards to the

grocery store, and we are praying and asking God to give us the opportunities to meet people in need of this blessing. God has been faithful, and we have had the opportunity to bless people in our neighborhood, in our



church, in our family groups, and at our places of employment. We are excited for new opportunities to continue this blessing.

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	d \$72,803	
In Person Attendance	17	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	2	District	\$2,679	123%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$1,647	100%



### **Denver Family** Pastor Pedro Muniz

One of the ministries in our church that has experienced growth is our English service. It has grown over the last year in numbers and in spiritual growth. One of the ways that we implemented to help the group grow in both areas is we changed the English bible study on Wednesdays to a home bible study on Fridays. This has become a time to fellowship and dig into God's word together. From this group, we have Sunday school teachers, food pantry volunteers, and our new treasurer. It is a blessing to watch this group of brothers and sisters continue their journey of growth. Our church

continues to reach out to our community through our food pantry. On Fridays, we preach to more than 70 people. We pray for them, and do counseling, home visits, and deliveries. From this ministry alone more than 25 new people are attending our church. God is truly working through this ministry. Thanks to the food bank ministry we met a man named Luis. He was homeless and addicted to drugs. We began to take him food, visit him, send him messages, and give him rides to church. He ended up going to jail for a short time, and when he got out, he started coming to church regularly. He gave his life to Christ. Today he is a new person, completely different, his mind has been transformed. He no longer uses drugs. He has a place to live, and he comes to Sunday service with his daughter who is now part of the children's Sunday school program. We are looking forward to the changes that God is bringing to our church through a Christian school that is going to be renting our building. Through the school, we are praying for God's guidance to start new ministries orientated toward families and the community around us. We continue to believe and trust that God has great things in store for Denver Family Church

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	9 \$32,791	
In Person Attendance	43	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$1,500	152%
Conversions	13	World Evangelism	\$2,071	126%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$889	133%
Sanctifications	13	Education	\$889	133%



### **Denver Grace and Life** Pastor Scott Carranza

For our small size, we have a lot of different doors that we have opened to our community. We helped two homeless brothers by allowing them to stay in their trailer in our parking lot in exchange for sidewalk snow removal and lawn care. Our partnership with Helping Hands Community Development LLC has held strong and we continue to host free weekly informational seminars for our community. Four new families have begun to attend our church via the various types of community fairs

and special holiday services we have hosted throughout the year. However, our after-school program, the Academia Mauricio Saravia, always gives us fresh stories to tell. For the past year, we have offered a folklore dance class to the kids. The teacher, Isabel, brings her three kids and an "adopted son", Auner. He is 13 years old and volunteers with whatever projects I give him. He assembled a foosball table and moved boxes of heavy decorative stone in the church. Auner came to the US with his father 5 years ago from Guatemala. According to him, his family attended a Christian church, but a dispute broke out, destroying the church and causing members to flee for fear of violence. Although he misses his mother and siblings, he says with a happy grin, that he enjoys spending time at our church

because he feels peace here. He wants to ask his father to bring him to our church service. Pray that the Lord leads Auner and his father back to church.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	ed \$92,919	
In Person Attendance	52	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$3,020	108%
Conversions	45	World Evangelism	\$100	2%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$100	5%
Sanctifications	23	Education	\$250	12%



#### **Denver One Hope** Pastor Jason Brest (Interim)

Since moving into our new community, even before the One Hope campus officially opened, our church has been looking for ways to touch the lives of those around us and bless our community. A couple of examples include: 1.Offering free bar-b-q events in the park around the corner from our new campus. Hundreds of our neighbors came and enjoyed lunch, activities, and fresh conversations centered around how to meet the needs of our community.

2."Conversations and Quarters" – Our church family gave hundreds of dollars in quarters so we could bless families doing laundry across the street from our new campus.

3.We have supported several events that the city of Littleton has put on, including having

a float in the parade.

4. We are providing space on our new campus for missional partners doing good work to help us bless our community. This currently includes two home-school co-ops and a ministry that trains adults with emotional and mental challenges for vocational work in the café industry. More opportunities are beginning to present themselves for future partners.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$1,177,552	
In Person Attendance	229	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	286	District	\$33,400	100%
Conversions	15	World Evangelism	\$61,234	100%
Baptisms	5	Pension Fund	\$25,051	100%
Sanctifications	30	Education	\$25,050	100%



### Denver ThornCreek

#### Pastor Ruben Villarreal

ThornCreek is a church plant that started on April 20, 2003, with three strangers. We faithfully minister to families in our community and online, every week. 10 years ago, ThornCreek started a backpack program for at-risk kids called, Food For Hope. FFH now feeds approximately 4,000 souls every week in 15 public schools; started four grocery stores, and ministers to Afghanistan refugees. Every November, we have our annual Feed 5000 event, which feeds over 5,000 people a full Thanksgiving meal. Every September we have "Hope Week". During Hope Week we partner with organizations for five consecutive days.

Additionally, we do one outreach project every

month throughout the year. The following is a list of our year-long ministry partners: Hope House (Serves Teen Moms); Beyond Home (Helps Families become self-sufficient); Urban Farm (Serves urban youth through agriculture); Synergy Village (Helps families that have experienced setbacks); Re-Fined (Ministers to survivors of sexual exploitation); Growing Home (Ensures the equity in food, housing, parenting education); Save Our Youth (A mentoring program for teenagers); and Foster Source (Ministers to foster families). Praise Jesus!



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	9726,939	
In Person Attendance	430	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	177	District	\$20,595	100%
Conversions	201	World Evangelism	\$32,662	86%
Baptisms	43	Pension Fund	\$14,669	94%
Sanctifications	112	Education	\$2,862	18%



### **Durango Faith Community** Pastor Rick Williams

I will say, as I did last year about praise reports...there is never enough space. We have committed to prayer without ceasing, which includes praying the scriptures, and we are seeing God move mightily! Some numerical information: We had our largest number of attendees at our Resurrection Celebration this year (2024) at 106! We had three (9) commitments to the Lord Jesus, three baptisms (7), and three (6) new members! These numbers are the largest of any year since I came in 2018. Praise His Holy Name! Pastor Rick and Pastor Eric are volunteer pastors for the Hood Mortuary, assisting families who don't have pastors with officiating funeral/memorial services and counselling.

Durango Faith Community has started a new missions/outreach ministry called Blessing Baskets, where we take food baskets to underprivileged neighborhoods to share compassion and the gospel. Aubrey Begay came to us at the invitation of one of our members. Aubrey, a young Navajo lady, has deep roots in the religious practices of her culture and has been plagued by demonic oppression. Aubrey professed Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and was baptised on Resurrection Sunday morning, along with her three daughters. Life has not been easy for her since that day. She has had tremendous family pushback that has been difficult to battle. But God remains faithful, and she continues to pursue Him. Our big dream is to plant a church in a

neighboring community, Ignacio, CO. We are starting small groups this fall, and one of the families lives in Ignacio, which has a heavy Catholic presence. We have contacted the school district and are in the process of renting the high school cafeteria in the first quarter of 2025. God is moving big in the hearts of our leadership, and we press forward in the power of the Spirit.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$97,016		
In Person Attendan	ce 3	4	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	8	}	District	\$2,915	100%
Conversions	9	)	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	7	,	Pension Fund	\$2,185	101%
Sanctifications	6	;	Education	\$0	0%



### **Emmaus Road Church**

#### Pastor Daniel Pape

It has been a privilege for Emmaus Road to partner with a Fort Collins non-profit organization, Family Housing Network (FHN). Last year we hosted twelve families in our church building providing overnight housing, meals, childcare, and family support. FHN has over an 80% success rate of assisting families experiencing a season of being unhoused into permanent housing within 4-6 months. It is one of the most meaningful things we do as a church. Last December 24th to 31st we hosted 4 families at Emmaus. You would think that finding volunteers to take time away from festivities and travel to serve in ministry during the Christmas holiday would have been a tough sell, but all 258 volunteer hour slots were filled during our first week of signups. One evening, after the group meal was

over, I had the privilege of sharing a lovely conversation over a cup of hot tea with one of our guests. She is a single, working mother of three beautiful kids whose condo HOA offered free renovations to all the units. It was a dream come true until the very next month when the rent for their unit more than doubled causing this lovely family to lose their housing. This mother expressed such gratitude for the peace, comfort, generosity, and love they experienced during

their time at Emmaus. She said, "It's times like these when God shows that he is real through the love and support of strangers." This coming year Emmaus plans to host another twelve to sixteen families through the Family Housing Network. We are grateful for such an honest, real opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors.



**EMMAUS ROAD** 

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Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$196,272	
In Person Attendance	59	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	8	District	\$5,888	100%
Conversions	6	World Evangelism	\$10,795	106%
Baptisms	2	Pension Fund	\$4,417	106%
Sanctifications	8	Education	\$4,416	106%



### **Falcon Cornerstone Community**

#### Pastor Gary Moore (interim)

Cornerstone Community Church of the Nazarene has continued to honor God by being a community where people belong, connect, grow, and serve. Its presence in Falcon, CO has provided a welcoming place for people to anchor themselves in a church family. Cornerstone Community Church has begun to develop

real roots in Falcon as members of its immediate community have begun to attend, join, and grow in fellowship with one another.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$467,531	
In Person Attendance	34	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	7	District	\$1,774	13%
Conversions	1	World Evangelism	\$7,680	32%
Baptisms	1	Pension Fund	\$3,170	31%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$4,811	47%



### **Florence Faith Journey**

#### Pastor Doyle Larkin (interim)

Florence Faith Journey has been faithfully serving this community for over 100 years. Each of those years have been filled with joy and challenges. Today, they have been presenting a ministry of love and care by example. We have several special needs adults attending and the excitement and joy they share with the congregation is contagious. And now we are looking to the future as our new pastor will be arriving soon. And we anticipate experiencing God's blessing and grace as we grow forward.

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	d \$36,535	
In Person Attendance	28	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$0	0%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$965	51%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$402	51%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$0	0%



### **Fort Morgan**

#### Pastor Kent Davenport

Morgan Church of the Nazarene has a heart for blessing our community. In the months of June and July we spent our Wednesday evenings in a manufactured-home community in our town, getting to know the people there, providing activities for children, and demonstrating the love of Jesus. We are preparing to do the same this summer as we continue to work to build lasting relationships with the people. God is opening new doors for us to connect to and minister to this community. We also have a ministry that gives free clothing and hygiene items to any who have

need, and our people serve with several other organizations in our community.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	d \$168,799	
In Person Attendance	76	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	8	District	\$5,065	100%
Conversions	3	World Evangelism	\$8,550	100%
Baptisms	2	Pension Fund	\$3,500	100%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$3,500	100%



### Golden

#### Pastor Shari Palmer

It's a privilege to bless our community through our outdoor food pantry. Those experiencing food insecurity can come anytime, 24/7, and get shelf stable food along with various hygiene items.

During the winter, we also offer a small outdoor clothing closet with coats, gloves, warm hats, and socks. Thanks to a new partnership with a local farmer's co-op, we've recently added a 24/7 community fridge next to our pantry. This allows our neighborhood to have access to fresh fruits, veggies, meat, and dairy products. Our next step is to make connection with those using this anonymous resource. We hope to do so by offering a weekly meal this summer at a nearby apartment complex.

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$43,590	
In Person Attendance	20	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	2	District	\$1,592	122%
Conversions	1	World Evangelism	\$3,672	167%
Baptisms	2	Pension Fund	\$1,410	157%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$1,410	157%



### **Grand Junction** Pastor Wayne Spencer

This last year Grand Junction Nazarene embarked on a journey to bless and once again connect with our community. We began this journey in a few different areas. First, we have begun to revamp our childcare ministry to begin to eliminate fees, lower costs and offer additional assistant programs for the many families that are struggling to afford childcare. Childcare is a hard thing to find in our city let alone affordable childcare that seeks to teach children of God's love by showing them God's love. Secondly, we

have begun a partnership with our local pregnancy center. We know that God has called us to love and care for His Creation and helping partner in this vital ministry is a way we can do exactly that. This is accomplished in multiple different ways: supply drives, volunteer workers,

baby showers for expectant mothers, a support system found within the church community and father/men mentoring. Lastly, we filled plastic water bottles filled with different water additives, hygiene products and other supplies for the houseless in our community and supplied food boxes for families in need that contained all the items needed to prepare a full Thanksgiving meal. This is just the beginning of this journey, and we know that as we pray and increase our resonance that God will reveal new ways for us to partner with Him and love/bless our community.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$189,668	
In Person Attendance	71	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	8	District	\$5,691	106%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$9,612	103%
Baptisms	6	Pension Fund	\$4,016	100%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$4,016	100%



### **Greeley Celebration Pointe**

### Pastor Gary Haddix

CPC has impacted our community for 4 straight years by volunteering and being a light at the Greeley Stampede. Every age group is involved in some way for 10 straight days, with our main impact in the vehicle entry areas, assisting in parking and giving direction to those coming

to visit the Stampede as well as the contestants. Our people are sporting CPC logo shirts, hats, and big smiles as we represent Christ in this area of service. Additionally, we invite the community to participate with us as we support Operation Christmas Child as we gather to collect items for shoe boxes, host packing parties, and even caravan to the packing center in Denver. We have doubled the number of boxes donated every year now for the past 3 years!!



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$22,751	
In Person Attendance	31	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	8	District	\$4,808	704%
Conversions	2	World Evangelism	\$6,091	665%
Baptisms	2	Pension Fund	\$2,451	655%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$3,606	964%



### **Greeley First**

### Pastor Charles Hayes

God is bringing the mission field to us! We have become a church where immigrants feel welcome. We have now officially launched a worship service in the Chuukese language at 3:00 pm on Sundays to complement our 10:30 am English language service and

our 1:00 pm Karen language service. On the first Sunday of each month, we have a unity service where we join into

one service to celebrate our bond in Christ. We are providing support, encouragement, and Jesus to those who are new to our nation and learning how to live and thrive in our culture. God is providing amazing possibilities for us to proclaim His Gospel.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$427,976		
In Person Attendance	131	Budget	Amount Paid	%	
Online Attendance	105	District	\$12,839	100%	
Conversions	6	World Evangelism	\$23,539	107%	
Baptisms	6	Pension Fund	\$9,630	107%	
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$9,630	107%	



### **Karval New Day Community**

#### Pastor Enola Leonard

God continues to do His work through the church in Karval! Celebrating our 90th Anniversary, we chose to engage in a year-long endeavor to impact our community. It started with a door-to-door "Bread of Life" campaign that took us to 91 homes. The homemade loaves of bread were received with great joy. We mailed out 123 Christmas cards to the families within our community, adding a handmade star ornament and newsletter to the greetings. We gave away 30 gift packets to the students at the school's Christmas program, and continued collecting supplies

for our Crisis Care Kits. We've celebrated through a great week of VBS, offered movie nights, started a Men's Night, continued our Women's Bible Study, and WASPS (children's weekly program). We have enjoyed a variety of fellowship meals together as His church, and engage often in the events and activities of our small community. The greatest challenge to the year was having to remove a family. There were eight of them and they were creating quite a stink within our small town. They spent much of their time at the parsonage, which made it difficult to invite

people into my home. After much consideration, it was determined that they had to go, so we began the removal. While it got the attention of many in our town, as this family greatly protested their removal, we were able to remove all eight. Forgiveness was granted, but we are so, so glad to have Heeza, Sheeza, Theya, Thema, Ohma, Ima, Itza, and Houdini (once escaped) Skunk family gone! God is good, even when things stink :-)



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Worship and D	Worship and Discipleship		\$13,212	
In Person Attendance	13	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$400	106%
Conversions	2	World Evangelism	\$730	106%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$300	107%
Sanctifications	11	Education	\$300	107%



### La Junta First

Pastor Mark Callister

When I met Kristi, she was a smile on four wheels. She expressed a desire to deepen her faith and from that day to this I have been blessed to see her smile each Sunday. Slowly I began to hear bits and pieces of her story. It seems she is quite a local celebrity, for all the wrong reasons.

Kristi was an athletic high schooler with big dreams until the horse threw her and stepped on her back. In a tragic moment her life was forever changed. From a distance everyone

knew her story. It was the buzz around town, till it slowly faded into the past. Kristi came to me one day and said, "Pastor, I have been encouraged to tell my story, can you help me out?" She

and I met, and it turned out my help was not really needed, just my support. But I did give her the opportunity to tell her story to all our SS classes. Then we recommended her to speak at a Women's conference hosted by our church and it was a wonderful crowd that gathered to hear from the source a story that had moved them years ago. It was a tremendously cathartic event for Kristi and our tight-knit community. Kristi's story is one of hardship and setbacks but also the power of optimism and growing faith. Kristi truly is a smile on four wheels.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	ed \$261,648	
In Person Attendance	131	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	59	District	\$7,433	100%
Conversions	20	World Evangelism	\$13,650	101%
Baptisms	10	Pension Fund	\$5,585	101%
Sanctifications	7	Education	\$5,597	101%



#### Lakewood

## Pastors Tim Stearman and Jim Diehl (interim)

Using the words of Samuel in First Samuel 7:12, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." That's also our testimony here at the Lakewood Church of the Nazarene over the last church year. God has greatly helped us, and I rejoice saying again, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us!" Rev. Tim Stearman has served this church year as co-pastor and our

basic preaching plan is for Pastor Tim to preach two Sundays, then I preach for two. I'm very thankful for the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon our services. Our Hispanic Pastors, Jorge and Ofelia Martinez, have been serving our Hispanic congregation with much prayer, faithfulness and love. Carol Alberts, Children's Director, Randy Garmon Worship and Administration Pastor, and Bev Garmon Administrative Assistant serve our congregation with grace and wisdom. We are fortunate to have them! We saw our debt go down from just over \$1,000,000 to just under \$900,000 (\$899,999.00 to be exact). We have designated 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays as "Debt Reduction Sundays". We also paid all denominational obligations in full. We baptized 7 people on Easter Sunday. We took in 13 new members this year. We rent part of our facility to "The Lively Arts" school. Our online viewing of the services goes out to over 1,400 people a week. A lot of those watching give to our online giving. We are in the process of selling our parsonage and hope to see that come to fruition in the next month (June). The morale is up, the giving is up, and the attendance is slowly coming up. Our altars have been used as people come to pray

things and situations through. Spiritual and physical healings have been victorious. We had an "old fashioned revival" with Evangelist Norman Moore. It was life changing and powerful. We rejoice with the victories won and look forward to many other victories to be won by His power in the coming year. – Dr. Jim Diehl



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Worship and D	iscipleship	Funds Raise	d \$395,299		
In Person Attendance	88	Budget	Amount Paid	%	
Online Attendance	1003	District	\$12,000	108%	
Conversions	7	World Evangelism	\$20,319	100%	
Baptisms	7	Pension Fund	\$8,524	103%	
Sanctifications	100	Education	\$8 524	103%	



### Lamar Crosswind

Pastor Roy Gueswel

No report available. Please pray for Pastor Roy who has been in and out of the hospital in recent days.

Worship and Discipleship	Funds Raised		
In Person Attendance	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	District		#DIV/0!
Conversions	World Evangelism		
Baptisms	Pension Fund		
Sanctifications	Education		



## Las Animas First

#### Pastor Carlton McKay

As I write this report, it hardly seems possible that five years have passed since we came to the Las Animas Church. Much has transpired in these years, and we believe God has more for us in the future. This year, we have witnessed several definite answers to prayer. One involved the removal of the former parsonage, which seemed like an impossible challenge. A few weeks ago, our church was asked to pray for a man here in the community who was dying from cancer. He was finally put on hospice, and we heard he had been disconnected from life support. Imagine our surprise when he showed up at church on Sunday

morning. When I asked if anyone had spoken praise, he immediately stood and thanked God for sparing his life for a while. His testimony brought tears! We hosted a community VBS last year and plan to host it again in June. Our attendance remains steady. Visitors are not unusual on Sunday mornings. God is moving in the Arkansas River Valley!

Worship and L	Discipleship	Funds Raised	\$82,501	
In Person Attendance	35	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	43	District	\$2,322	100%
Conversions	1	World Evangelism	\$4,859	114%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$1,988	114%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$1,741	100%



### **Longmont** Pastor Gary Sivewright (interim)

August 2023, Longmont Church of the Nazarene commissioned NextStep Church Services to assess the ministry of the church and its potential for blessing the community. It was determined that for the church to survive, let alone thrive, it would need to find a way to reach the 60,000 unchurched people within a four-mile radius of the church, most of whom are considerably younger than those attending the church. The church decided to focus on the elementary, middle, and high school, all within one mile of where the congregation meets every Sunday. The question was asked of school

staff, "What can we do to help you and your students be successful?" We learned that there were several students and families that were in need of a Thanksgiving dinner, so church members provided dinners. Those same families were given Christmas gifts for their children in

December. Some middle school teachers were interested in starting a Young Life group, called Wyldlife, and were looking for a place for their club to be held after school. Because of our contact already, our church became the designated location for the middle school Wyldlife club. Our hope and prayer is that this club becomes totally active next school year.



Worship and Discipleship	Funds Raised	\$257,427	
In Person Attendance	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	District	\$6,479	100%
Conversions	World Evangelism	\$27,522	232%
Baptisms	Pension Fund	\$4,874	100%
Sanctifications	Education	\$4,873	100%



**Loveland** Pastor Brian Smith

As I share my 15th report for the Loveland Church of the Nazarene, I find myself thinking back on a body of believers who continues to seek to "Impact people around the corner and around the world with the love of Jesus." Most recently one of the ways our church sought to be a blessing to our community and share the love of Jesus was through our Easter Fest. Over 400 parents and children of our community packed into our church to participate in putting together crafts, hunting for Easter eggs, enjoy a petting zoo, bounce in the bounce house and hearing the story of Easter, all while enjoying a hearty meal of hot dogs, chips and cookies. Another yearly effort that is a part of our ministry at Loveland Naz is our food drive for The House of Neighborly Services, a community ministry to the less fortunate. Along with a check for \$1,000, we contributed 600 lbs of food to HNS. 4-5 times a year we send out 300 cards inviting the neighborhood to a movie night where popcorn and root beer floats are the delicacies for the

evening. Our youth group has participated in a community ministry called 6.8 that distributes food and clothing through several local churches. These are a few of the things we do to bless our community and let them know Jesus loves them and so do we!



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$390,460	
In Person Attendance	91	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	19	District	\$15,147	129%
Conversions	1	World Evangelism	\$35,024	192%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$8,804	118%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$9,890	132%



## Monte Vista Valley

#### Pastor Chris Yocom

Our church blesses our community through generously giving of our recourses to help those in need. When we have families or individuals who find themselves in a crisis situation or just needing a helping hand, we are able to help financially or with items from our thrift store. Many in our community are dealing with poverty, addiction, and mental illness leading to homelessness and other difficult circumstances. One instance is a woman who for years lived in a

car in someone's back yard. Following an auto accident, she was left with chronic pain. She became addicted to pain killers and then opioids. Our church walked with her for around four years through her struggle and eventually she was able to find a stable home and recovery. Stories like this are a common occurrence and show how the love of God can transform lives.



Valley Church of the Nazarene Encounter, Equip, Engage

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	/ \$391,146	
In Person Attendance	109	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	75	District	\$11,940	102%
Conversions	33	World Evangelism	\$42,704	239%
Baptisms	3	Pension Fund	\$8,701	120%
Sanctifications	5	Education	\$0	0%



### Montrose First Pastor Buddy Cook

I am now entering my 20<sup>th</sup> year as pastor of the faithful people of Montrose. This year we have sought to be a blessing to our community through our Next Steps/3 B's ministry. This ministry is intended to support individuals who are recovering from brokenness (addiction, divorce, poor choices etc.) so that they can rebuild their lives having found Christ and are learning to live according to his teaching. By ministering to those Jesus spoke of in Luke 4:18-19 we not only share the gospel and care for those who are struggling but seek to shine a light of love into our community demonstrating that Jesus and his church care about the lives of our

neighbors especially those who have been impacted by addiction and other life altering circumstances. This support may come in the form of financial grants to assist with immediate needs such as rent, utilities, food etc. as well as spiritual counsel by individuals from the church who have been equipped to walk this road with individuals struggling with addiction and brokenness. This "breathing space" demonstrates the love of Jesus to individuals who are struggling by giving them time to focus on strengthening their relationship with Jesus. We are also investigating the possibility of providing temporary housing (whether in the form of physical housing in quarters provided by the church or paid for by the church in housing provided by community partners) to provide additional breathing space for individuals as they look for a job or a place to live to rebuild their lives. On a regular basis our congregation is

privileged to hear the testimonies of individuals whom Jesus has redeemed and who are in the process of seeking to reshape their lives in the image of Christ. We give the Lord all the glory for what he is doing and are thankful we have been invited into this transformational work. We also want to thank the Colorado District for their investment in this ministry through a generous Resurgence Grant. To God be the glory great things he has done!



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Rais	ed \$160,312	
In Person Attendance	58	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	2	District	\$4,526	100%
Conversions	5	World Evangelism	\$8,781	106%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$3,395	100%
Sanctifications	2	Education	\$3,396	100%



### Palisade

#### Pastor Don Blanchard

It is my privilege to present my 37<sup>th</sup> report for the Palisade Church of the Nazarene. I thank God for every answer to pray, every life touched by the love and power of Jesus Christ. We have made progress in some areas and regressed in others. We have an awesome group of Jesus followers who are attempting to touch our community with God's love. Our

food pantry served over 2,500 families this past year. We have seen several clients attend our services and are praying the gospel will impact their lives in an even greater way. We are in the beginning stages of a "door to door" prayer ministry in our community. We are excited about the opportunity God will provide through this effort. We continue to have active ministries for our children and youth. Our missions' program has inspired many to sponsor children through Nazarene Compassion International. We have also sent a good number of Crisis Care Kits. I thank my leadership team and all the devoted volunteers serving God faithfully in whatever way God has called them to. God has blessed us financially once again enabling us to pay all our budgets, totally remodel our kitchen and a major overhaul of our sound system. In addition, we have been able to help many within our fellowship and in our community with financial help for prescriptions, car repairs, utility bills and rental assistance. I certainly hope we can win more people to our Lord Jesus in this coming year. All glory goes to our amazing God.

Worship and I	Discipleship	Funds Raised	d \$204,740	
In Person Attendance	98	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	182	District	\$6,152	100%
Conversions	17	World Evangelism	\$10,305	100%
Baptisms	2	Pension Fund	\$4,225	100%
Sanctifications	10	Education	\$4,225	100%



### Paonia

### Pastor Sherry Mitchem

The Paonia Church has been involved with the Paonia Care and Rehab Center for several years. In years past we provided a weekly Bible Study. This year, however our ministry has grown to include weekly Sunday afternoon worship services also. The need for weekly worship services came out of 3 people being saved at Bible study a year ago, then 7 people wanting to be baptized a few months after that. We had a

wonderful baptism service on a warm late August Sunday afternoon outside in the yard of the Rehab. facility. Although we were not able to dunk, enough water was poured over each person being baptized that they knew they had been baptized. Two of the Bible study participants have since passed on. We know that they had been saved, baptized into the family of God. I look forward to seeing them when we all get to heaven.

Worship and	Discipleship	Funds Raised	\$23,486	
In Person Attendance	11	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	1	District	\$806	114%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$1,262	104%
Baptisms	7	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$608	123%



### Primera Iglesia del Nazareno

#### Lay Pastor Gildardo Prieto

Apart from blessing some people with food and clothes, we have prayed for our community either in person or for the distant neighbor. What comes to mind is that several people we've helped, either financially, emotionally and with prayer for all sorts of reasons such as,

- •A sister lost her husband, that was widowed.
- •A lady who was traveling from Mexico had a very serious accident.
- Also, we as a church had a collection and distribution of clothing for Newly arriving Venezuelan families.
- We also offered transportation to hospitals, courts, grocery stores, pharmacies to pick up their medicines, and several other appointments.

Worship and D	iscipleship	Funds Raised	\$18,452	
In Person Attendance	41	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$0	0%
Conversions	20	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	12	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	10	Education	<b>\$</b> 0	0%



### **Pueblo First**

#### Pastor James Murray

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest." (Matthew 9:37-38).

Our mission here at PFC is, "To Introduce People to a Growing Relationship With Jesus Christ." This past year we have sought to not only know what the mission of His Church is, but to live it out loud

before our community and world by blessing our community in multiple ways. We, as the body of Christ, continue to pray our streets, serve our community, and reach the lost. We have had the privilege to serve the Lord out loud in our community through Crazy Faith Street Ministry,

preparing breakfast and then serving the homeless community in ough Crazy Faith Street N Pueblo on a rotating basis with other local churches. We have also blessed our local community through our Good News Club ministry being in six of our local elementary schools, ministering to over 100 children on a weekly basis. PFC is being used of the Lord to make a difference in our community and world. To God be the glory for great things He is doing and has done.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$453,732	
In Person Attendance	184	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	56	District	\$12,847	105%
Conversions	27	World Evangelism	\$46,252	208%
Baptisms	19	Pension Fund	\$9,258	102%
Sanctifications	10	Education	\$10,701	118%



### **Pueblo West Living Water Fellowship**

#### Pastor Jim Young

We have a food panty area in the church that not only helps church members but is available to anyone who would need food items. We have on Thursday nights at 6:30 a face book devotion that I answer questions that people might have on the Bible or questions about social issues from a biblical perspective. Once a month we have a church and community outreach activity or potluck such as "That's Amore!" (February around Valentine's Day—a Pasta Potluck), "Sweet Treat Day" (for Mother's Day—everyone brings a dessert, and takes a different one

home), "BYOB Day!" (That is, Build Your Own Burrito Day for Father's Day), a Saturday night Barbecue around July 4th, "Souper Sunday!" A potluck of a variety of soups, chiles, and salads, and then around Christmas time, a flurry of activities like our annual cookie exchange, and our ugly Christmas sweater contest. All are advertised through our live stream and Facebook posts for the community to participate.



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Worship and	Discipleship	Funds Raised	/ \$49,898	
In Person Attendance	36	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	80	District	\$3,819	255%
Conversions	10	World Evangelism	\$0	0%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	25	Education	\$0	0%



### **Rocky Ford**

#### Pastor Paul Farrell

Rocky Ford Church congregation has experienced an intimate, communing spiritual growth by focusing on the power of prayer, the Life of Christ, and the sanctifying power of the Spirit. God provided 15 professions of faith, 5 new disciples baptized, and 6 new members. In the last eight years, Rocky Ford expanded with four years of 20+% membership growth and 11% this year. Community outreach includes a Recovery Group that has increased church

attendance, new conversions, and baptisms. Chuck was a man who struggled for decades in a performance trap of depressed and frustrated feelings he had not done or been enough before God, a trap instilled in him since youth confirmation. Recently, Chuck experienced the transformative, awe-inspiring love and grace of God within the sanctifying growth the Spirit and the Life of Christ. This is why Rocky Ford proclaims the saving, sanctifying, and healing power of God's love as

experienced in deep, intimate, abiding, communing fellowship with Him!



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Worship and Discipleship		Fun	nds Raised \$55,483	
In Person Attendance	43	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	15	District	\$1,685	101%
Conversions	15	World Evangelism	\$3,055	106%
Baptisms	5	Pension Fund	\$1,250	106%
Sanctifications	5	Education	\$1,265	107%



#### Security Life Community Pastor Curtis Hight

At Security Life Community we have seen God do marvelous things. In 2018 we began what we call "This Time, This Place". Every week our people are asked to place a lose \$1 bill in the offering. Each one is used to help families who they know in the community who have a financial need. God is sending new families allowing us to have the need for a nursery/toddler ministry. We have provided community outreach in the park next to our church providing food and drinks throughout this past summer, our annual Pumpkin Bash (a community favorite) and a community Easter Egg Hunt were all well attended and

appreciated. We continue to pray God's blessings on these families. We saw a life changed, which changed us in return. His name is Jason. A man in his 40's who began attending this past summer. He gave his life to Christ and in the fall, he became an official member. Soon after he learned he had cancer. Our people pulled together to support him as he faithfully continued to

participate in our small groups and regular services. In late November, our Lord received him from us. Our loss was truly Heaven's gain. Our church is full of life, with people stepping up as disciples of Jesus seeking opportunities to reach our community for Him. We continue to seek new opportunities to share Him with our community in ways that will bring everlasting life. God is faithful and we are excited to see where He leads us to serve where He will be glorified.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	d \$32,150	
In Person Attendance	40	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	10	District	\$534	55%
Conversions	14	World Evangelism	\$146	9%
Baptisms	3	Pension Fund	\$0	0%
Sanctifications	8	Education	\$60	8%



#### Sterling

#### Pastor Chris Rose

In Sterling, Colorado our church and congregation volunteer and participate in several ministries already established within the community in order to share and shine Jesus' love! For Cooperative Ministries our congregation collects emergency food items every month to donate to those that are less fortunate. We also have several members who volunteer at the Cooperative Ministries building, as well as help distribute food every fourth Tuesday of every month at the Logan County Fairgrounds. We partner alongside the A Caring Pregnancy Resource Center of Northeast Colorado. Every year we participate in donating to the "Baby Bottle"

Fundraiser, provide times to have a special offering for them, and we participate in their annual fundraiser by purchasing a table. Our Pastor and others in our congregation are dedicated to helping provide counseling and support for abused victims and partners and volunteer and donate to the Family Resource Center. This fall we will begin an outreach ministry to families and children that will include us being able to minister to those in school from Kindergarten to College Age. We will also be trying to implement an after-school program so that we can help students be successful both in and out of the classroom. For families we will have a family night where we will provide a meal, a time of fellowship, and

bible studies to help parents on their journey! God has blessed us so much in this past year, and we look forward to coming alongside those in our community to share Jesus' love, grace, and compassion with all in Sterling, Colorado!

Sterling Church of the Nazarene

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$313,296	
In Person Attendance	97	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	12	District	\$8,896	100%
Conversions	30	World Evangelism	\$16,309	100%
Baptisms	22	Pension Fund	\$6,672	100%
Sanctifications	28	Education	\$6,672	100%



#### **Thornton Hope Hacienda**

#### Pastor Mark Runner

Hope Hacienda is continuing to break out of some struggling times. We've begun to see a few new, young, families begin their journey with us. One particular young lady who used to attend Hope Hacienda a few years ago has been a tremendous encouragement to the body. She left as a troubled teenager and came back seeking God with a passion. She was so excited that she asked to be baptized at Easter and we also had the privilege to dedicate her toddler to God in the same service. Where we

had struggled getting new families with young children, we are now excited to have started a nursery which had 8 kids the first week! The attendance of these young families is a very good sign to the work I believe God is beginning in our midst. In addition, we continue to meet, encourage, and build into those who struggle with different types of addiction who are in real need of some deep spiritual healing. Our goal is to continue to be that safe place where they feel comfortable enough to grow into a meaningful relationship with Christ. Sadly, due to some "unintentional" accounting oversight we missed our WEF and Pensions goal by 3 percent. We do believe this is important and certainly intend to correct this error in future years. Ultimately, we're still excited about what God is doing and are genuinely looking forward to fulfilling God's call within our community of bringing "good news to the poor" and "comfort the broken hearted" (Isa 61:1).

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	d \$82,965	
In Person Attendance	41	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	0	District	\$2,504	101%
Conversions	2	World Evangelism	\$4,182	97%
Baptisms	1	Pension Fund	\$1,711	97%
Sanctifications	1	Education	\$1,878	106%



#### Trinidad

#### Pastor Becky MacLearn

Trinidad Naz is blessing the community by providing free pancake breakfast to our community once a month where we also have some of the homeless join us. We

have had the opportunity to bless our community with an Easter egg hunt where

we had the opportunity to share the gospel with over 300 people. We have had the joy of serving over 100 hot dogs and hamburgers to the community in front



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$18,682	
In Person Attendance	17	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	3	District	\$560	100%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$904	93%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$391	98%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$420	105%

#### of Big R. We continue to look for ways to bless our community.

#### Westminster Iglesia del Nazareno

Pastor Omar Gurrion No report submitted.

#### Westminster Crossing

#### Pastor TBD

The Crossing Church has now experienced our third pastor in a row "snatched" from us to become a District Superintendent in the USA/Canada Region! We are now recruiting our next lead pastor from the Eastern Orthodox Church, so this does not happen again. (JOKE... relax, we are not doing this.) The Crossing Church has been focused on three areas over the past year. First, we are building community within the body of the church. We strive to strengthen our relationships with one another so we can "...call on the name of the LORD and serve him shoulder to shoulder." Zephaniah 3:9 (NIV). Secondly, we are building relationships in the community around the church. We are "Blessing our Community" along with many other churches within the USA/Canada Region. This includes adopting a local elementary school, providing funeral services to families with nowhere else to go, providing gifts and meals to families during the holidays, and supporting our unhoused community with meals and a Bible study every week in a park nearby. Each of these initiatives, among others, is designed to bless our community and create opportunities to build friendships and share the hope and love of Christ. Lastly, we are focusing on hospitality with our guests at church events and church services on Sunday mornings. Our goal is to see and connect with every person that chooses to give of their time and visit our church. Recently, retired General Superintendent, Dr. David Graves, preached a message at The Crossing Church that challenged our congregation to go beyond being imitators of Christ. He challenged us to surrender our mind, heart, and body to allow Christ to flow through us so that His will and our purpose would be fulfilled. This results in an immeasurably greater impact than we could ever achieve trying to imitate Christ in our own strength. One example is a layperson in our church who is surrendering herself and serving as the interim co-leader of our Youth Ministry. Tom and Stacey Hassell are allowing Christ to work through them, and their service has seen the size of the youth group double in

through them, and their service has seen the size of the youth group double in eight months. Stacey has responded to a ministerial call and is taking the first step by getting her local minister's license. Within the next year, we are trusting the Lord to call a new lead pastor to The Crossing Church. We are anticipating great days ahead! We will continue to focus on building community inside the church, blessing our community around the church, and being hospitable to every person who meets with us on Sundays and throughout the week.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raise	d \$1,087,504	
In Person Attendance	382	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	212	District	\$32,155	106%
Conversions	40	World Evangelism	\$58,009	104%
Baptisms	18	Pension Fund	\$22,864	100%
Sanctifications	19	Education	\$22,864	100%



#### **Woodland Park** Pastor Dale and Michelle Butler No report submitted.



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$408,555	
In Person Attendance	97	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	13	District	\$12,397	107%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$22,728	107%
Baptisms	1	Pension Fund	\$9,298	107%
Sanctifications	2	Education	\$9,298	107%



#### Wray Pastor Ben Beckner

My first year of pastoring Wray Naz began in January 2020. A few short weeks later, our world was turned upside down. Everything was looked at with fresh eyes as we began new again in many ways. This was also the year we were to celebrate our 100 year anniversary! In my time here, we have been working to understand and meet the needs of our little community. 100 years is an amazing legacy for a church to be active in a community. But with longevity, sometimes we can get locked into "doing things

the way we have always done it" and "this event worked when I was a kid!" types of thinking. In these last couple years, and in intentional efforts today, we are desiring and strategizing to re-introduce ourselves to our community with the purpose and agenda to be a blessing to our community. We are developing our "Community Center" further with a growing food pantry, supporting the growth of the needs of our regional crisis pregnancy center by giving them office space and as they desire to expand with an ultrasound room. Our partnership with the trauma counseling group meeting in our center provides another touch point into our community. We are working with our area BOCES group by providing space to meet with families in need. In all of these efforts we are learning more and more who our community is and what ways we can be a blessing to them. Even in these efforts, we felt we were falling short of being truly effective. We have begun the process of working with a "consultant" to further help us as leaders and as a church body, to discover and unify our focus and take critical next

steps in our mission. We desperately want to be the church God has uniquely called us to be, and to understand and carry out the mission he has set before us. We want to accomplish it with urgency, efficiency, and a laser focus. We believe as we get these areas into clear view and are taking clear action, we will be better equipped to be the blessing our community needs that they might not yet realize. We want to be a church that is effective for the kingdom into the next 100 years!



Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$113,441	
In Person Attendance	67	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	5	District	\$4,173	131%
Conversions	0	World Evangelism	\$7,651	132%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$3,705	156%
Sanctifications	0	Education	\$2,117	89%



#### Yuma First Pastor David Martelle

What a difference a year makes. I am thrilled to report that this has been our best year in ministry thus far. God is on the move, and we are eager to follow (Psalm 63:8). It is with great anticipation that Sweetie and I look forward to an even brighter future. I am so thankful for the Colorado District. We would not be here without their steadfast support - enabling Yuma Naz to move from merely surviving to thriving – making a kingdom difference with the love of Jesus. This movement of God within our church has been clearly marked by:

•My wife Jamie received her first district pastor's

license. We make a great pastoral team!

- The goals set for last year have been exceeded, as evidenced by: a budget surplus, 12 new members, 2 new board members, a booming youth and children's ministry, and a rocking (for Jesus) worship team. The fruit of these blessings have produced a desire within 6 folks to be baptized and a couple to dedicate their child.
- We have joined forces with the fastest-growing Hispanic church in our area. Centro de Nueva Esperanza (CNE) is breathing new life into our church. Together, we more than double our impact ministering to the whole of Yuma.
- We are growing younger. The Yuma Naz youth group is averaging over 31 and taking dozens of our youth to district events and 4 to NYC. With the generous help of this district and our denomination Yuma Naz now has a brand new after-school program, Kingdom Kids. In only a month, it is averaging 21. The community has not only been blessed by this ministry; it is now investing in it as well.
- Our 35-year-old facility is getting a much-needed update. The sanctuary has an updated stage, back drop and lighting. The foyer is being transformed into a gathering place. We are adding a fireplace, TVs, coffee bar with seating, and have brightened up the area with new lighting and a fresh coat of paint. God willing, we'll add new flooring this year as well. Outside, we have a new playground and music piped out to the front entrance.
- Through Faith Promise, we have been able to bless those in our community hit by extreme weather, replacing roof and windows. We have also given thousands of dollars to those in need of help with medical bills and have successfully prevented homelessness.

I so appreciate the love, prayer and support that we enjoy from our brothers and sisters from this great district. We cannot imagine doing ministry without you all. Philippians 1:2-5

Worship and Discipleship		Funds Raised	\$159,615	
In Person Attendance	47	Budget	Amount Paid	%
Online Attendance	8	District	\$4,546	100%
Conversions	12	World Evangelism	\$8,296	100%
Baptisms	0	Pension Fund	\$3,416	101%
Sanctifications	8	Education	\$3,444	102%

# 2024 Memoirs

The Church Triumphant

Aurora Tower Community Fellowship: Kaden Capen (Faust), Tanya Frick, Ed Hayes, Keith Hoagland, Francine Ikerd, Phyllis Pridgen

Brighton Chapel Hill: Lois Burrell, Bud Whitfield

Castle Rock The Connection: Ralph Douglas (Doug) Bishop, Gloria Jean Tiemann

Colorado Springs Eastborough: Carol Ebert, Alan Hutchins

**Colorado Springs First:** *George Chalmers, Thomas Dugay, Kathleen Jaeger, Richard Noble, Raymond Seward, David Sturlaugson* 

Colorado Springs Grace: Angie Gomez

Colorado Springs Trinity: Carol Houser, Gayle Nice, Mary Ransford, Leon Schacher, Jane Yoakum

**Cortez:** Lois Crites

Denver One Hope: Merleta Dunn, Harold Moran, Walt Scott

Durango Faith Community: Gloria Garcia

Emmaus Road: Morgan Downing

Falcon: Barbara Fitts

Grand Junction: Anthony Abshire, Sherrie McMurdy

Greeley First: Ruth Coatman

Karval: Grace Katherine (Little) Schack

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Lakewood: Farol Burks, Doretta Capps, Maxine Carlson, Roberta McWain, Gerald Schaffer, Anette Towne

Longmont: Bonnie Lowe

Loveland: Beth Dreshbach, Amos Lawrence, Cindy Overturf

Montrose: Donna Gardner, Duane Gardner, Earl Marsh

Palisade: Jean Almares, Carolyn Ford, Gordon Stewart

Pueblo First: Robert Bailey, Shirley Bickel, Dell Haning, Dianne Kingsley, Deborah Markiewicz, Steven Ross, Rev. Robert Simms, Barbara J. Smith, Loraine B. Tibbs, Joyce J. Maley

Rocky Ford: Susan Eckhart

Sterling: Ken Skipworth, Ruth Weisdorfer

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