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# Church of the Nazarene South Carolina District News



**Hunger  
for God**

## **ANNOUNCING SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT HOLINESS SUMMIT**

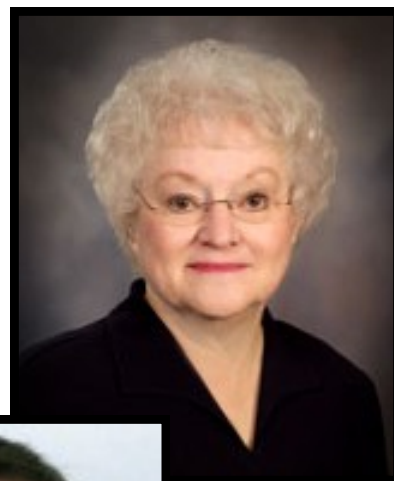
**October 14-17, 2012**

**D. Moody Gunter Camp & Retreat Center**

The South Carolina District will be hosting a **Holiness Summit** at the campground on October 14-17, 2012. Please mark these dates on your calendar. Dr. Nina Gunter, Dr. Nelson Perdue, and Dr. Tim Green will be preaching. The summit will begin with the Sunday evening service. Services will be held mornings and evenings on Monday and Tuesday and conclude with a Wednesday morning service. Morning services will be followed with a holiness seminar/workshop and Q&A by the morning speaker. Afternoons will be free.



**Dr. Nelson Perdue  
(Barbara)**



**Dr. Nina Gunter**



**Dr. Tim Green**

## NEW NAZARENES

### Midland Valley

Travis & Jillian Baldwin, Kurtis LeMaster, Pam LeMaster, Robert & Brenda Sigwald

### Orangeburg Memorial

Donald Judy

### Rock Hill Trinity

Todd and Hanna Sims  
Terry Starr

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Amanda Watts (Hartsville First children's pastor) recovering from leg surgery

LaNora Jensen's (District NMI President and District Treasurer) mother recently hospitalized

Pastor Brenda Turner  
(Greenville First children's pastor)  
at the passing of her sister

Pastor Bill Segur's (Simpsonville LifeSpring) daughter-in-law, Irina, and prematurely born Payton Sofia Segur (3 lbs 14 oz)

Phil Webb (missionary in Thailand) at the passing of his father

Kathy Ulmet (wife of evangelist Bill Ulmet) at the passing of her brother

Pastor Alan and Janet Harkey (Duncan LifeSpring Community) at the loss of their grandson (stillborn)

Pastor John Powell (Batesburg) undergoing cancer treatment

Pastor Jim Thrower (West Columbia Central) recovering from second shoulder surgery

Jimmy and Brenda Haynes ministering in Swaziland (now home for a couple of months)

Connie Thrower (wife of Pastor Jim Thrower, West Columbia Central) recovering from a surgical procedure

Pastor Tommy Baltzegar (Seneca) recovering from physical difficulties

Matthew Merritt, son of Pastor James (associate at Conway) and Trish Merritt, having a cardiac ablation procedure

2012 Ministry Team Retreat Cruise  
(Jan. 30 - Feb. 4)

Please join us in praying for an awakening movement of the Holy Spirit on the South Carolina District.



# News across the District

Condolences to Mattie Copeland at the passing of her husband James. **James Copeland** served as pastor of the Kingstree Church of the Nazarene from 1988 to 1991. He also served as Sunday School superintendent at Ashwood for the last 19 years.

The annual **SDMI Mid-Year Rally** and the **SDMI Convention** are being combined into one event to be held on January 14, 2012. Our speaker will be **Rev. Kerry Willis**. There will also be district SDMI elections and General SDMI Convention delegate elections that take place at the Mid-Year Rally.

Congratulations to **Pastor Bill Segur** and Simpsonville LifeSpring Community church board on a successful two-year review.

Congratulations to **Pastor Mike Blankenship** (Summerville) who was elected president of the Trevecca Nazarene University Alumni Association.

Congratulations to **Jimmy and Brenda Haynes** (mission volunteers at Southern Africa Nazarene University) at the birth of a granddaughter, **Ella Grace Haynes**, born to Jason and Ella on November 20, 2011.

The **National Nazarene Black Conference** will be held July 5-8, 2012, in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Hyatt Regency. The theme is "The Power of One."





## December – Nazarene Compassionate Ministries

**Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.**

**Matthew 25:44-45, KJV**

We live in a hurting world. Children are hungry, orphaned, living in fear. Countries are ravaged by civil wars. People are sold into slavery. But you do not have to look far to find people in need. You may not be able to end world poverty or stop a war, but you can feed a hungry man or teach a questioning child. A life of compassion begins at home. The following letter is from an 11-year-old girl who talks about compassion in her own community. I challenge you on the SC District to begin living a compassionate lifestyle.

*My name is Jordan Danielle Crabb. I am 11 years old and a fifth-grade student at Fort Dorchester Elementary School in Summerville, South Carolina, and have been going to St. Andrews Church of the Nazarene (now Sea Islands International Community) in Charleston, SC, since I was 6 days old!*

*After my singing in church, someone told me that I blessed him and that God told him to return the blessing. This blessing was a monetary gift, and I knew God wanted me to bless someone else, but I wasn't sure who ... so, after talking to my Mom and Dad, I prayed about it. God spoke to my heart and reminded me of children I met at a Christmas community event almost a year before where my family volunteered. My Dad and I were helping at the jump castles, and I saw that when the children took off their shoes, most of them were not wearing any socks. When I helped them put their shoes back on, I was so sad to feel their cold little feet.*

*A couple weeks later, with the help of my Mom and Dad, I started **Warm Feet Happy Hearts**. Our mission is to collect and distribute socks for children in need so their feet will be kept warm by the socks and their hearts happy with Jesus' love. I used the gift I received from singing to buy the first five packages of socks and, in just a few months, with God's help and lots of people, I collected 5,184 pairs of socks. In December 2010, we distributed 3,634 pairs at Convoy of Hope and gave 250 pairs to a local DD2 school for their "Needs Closet," and this summer we sent 1,100 pairs to AIDS orphans in Swaziland, Africa, through the Nazarene Work & Witness Team, as well as 200 pairs to children in the Philippines.*

*My goal is to collect socks until EVERY child has socks to wear, no matter where they live. Would your church support **Warm Feet Happy Hearts** by collecting socks in December for Compassionate Ministries and then by giving them to an organization in your community where children could receive them? It might be through your church's outreach ministries, or maybe a local school, or an organization that helps children. You can choose where they go.*

*Even though this seems like a big goal, I know that nothing is impossible with God and by working together we can make sure EVERY child has **Warm Feet** and **Happy Hearts**. Thank you for the difference you will make in the lives of these boys and girls.*

Will you join Jordan and help put socks on the children in your community?

LaNora Jensen  
District NMI President



## *"Merry Christmas"*

*From our hearts and homes to yours, "May the Christ whose birth caused angels to sing, wise men to seek Him, and shepherds to proclaim to all His coming, fill your hearts with the same kind of awe and wonder this Sacred Season is our prayer."*

*Dr. Jim Thrower and  
Your South Carolina SDMI Council*

### *SDMI Calendar Reminders:*

*December 11 is the date set for us to receive our annual  
American Bible Society Offering.*

*If you have not already done it, please send to Rev. Brenda Turner by Thursday, December 15, your SDMI Delegates list for our upcoming SDMI Convention and Mid-Year Rally. Her address is: 1201 Haywood Rd., Greenville, SC 29615*

*Also, Thursday, December 15, is the date for us to have sent to our District SDMI Treasurer, Janice Lee, our Meal Registration Forms for Convention and Mid-Year Rally. Her address is: P.O. Box 645, Clearwater, SC 29822*

## **CALENDAR**

January 14 SDMI Mid-Year Rally/SDMI Convention

27-28 SC District TNT

30 District Ministry Team Retreat Cruise (to February 4)

February 20-22 Pastors' Pre-Lent Prayer Summit

May 10-11 Board of Credentials/Board of Studies Assessment Days

June 17-24 District Family Camp Meeting

July 22-24 District Conventions and Assembly

October 14-17 South Carolina District Holiness Summit



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## **2012 SDMI CONVENTION AND MID-YEAR RALLY**

*SC DISTRICT DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL*

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**JANUARY 14, 2012**  
10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Seawell's Restaurant  
1125 Rosewood Drive, Columbia, SC



**Featured Speaker: Pastor Kerry Willis**

Kerry Willis is Vision Pastor of Harrisonburg First Church of the Nazarene in the Heart of Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. Kerry is still enjoying Harrisonburg, his first pastorate, and is now in his 18th year. Pastor Kerry attended Nazarene Bible College in Colorado Springs, Colorado, before coming to Harrisonburg. He has received the Virginia District "Pastor of the Year" recognition from Eastern Nazarene College. Kerry has spoken at revivals, retreats, leadership conferences, camp meetings, and mission-related gatherings in the United States, Germany, and the Middle East. He is a recipient of the "Pastor's Leadership Award" given by the National Coalition of Men's Ministries. He was elected to be a member of the General Board of the International Church of the Nazarene at its General Assembly in 2009.

On a more personal note, Kerry enjoys life with his wife of 30-plus years, Kim, and their two children, Grayson, 24, and Allison, 22. The son, grandson, and great-grandson of commercial fishermen, Kerry calls the Outer Banks of North Carolina "home" and continues to carry on the family trade -- He's a "Fisher" of souls. In his book published by Beacon Hill Press titled Relational Leadership – What I Learned From a Fisherman About Leading a Church, Kerry writes, "I am most grateful to be the son of a fisherman and a fisherman for the Son."

Kerry believes the one thing that people are most desperately looking for is to see ordinary people in extraordinary love-relationships with Jesus Christ and one another. There's no vision above being an answer to the prayer of Jesus in John 17 -- that we would be one.





We bring you Christmas Greetings from your district Camp and Retreat Center, where it's cold down on the creek! It's cold and quiet here this time of year, but we are busy with major clean-up and maintenance work that is needed around the property. Here's what's happening in our neck of the woods:

#### **Dennis Johnson Receives Award**

At the annual conference of the Nazarene Camping Association, held in November, Rev. Dennis Johnson was presented with the prestigious Eagle Award. This award is based on Isaiah 40:31, and is presented each year to an outstanding member of the Association for their dedication to Christian Camping through serving Jesus Christ by serving others. We congratulate Dennis on this well-deserved recognition!

**Dining Hall** –Work continues on the roof trusses for our new dining facility. They should be completed soon, and then sheathing needs to go on the walls and roof. Additional work crews are needed on an on-going basis to continue with the work on the building. If you can help out, please contact Richard Coleman at [ricoleman@shepherdnazarene.com](mailto:ricoleman@shepherdnazarene.com), or 803-403-5678.

**Lake House** – A huge “Thank You” to Wayne Cheselka and the guys of the Midland Valley church! The roof on the Lake House was leaking badly, and desperately needed replacing before our winter rains begin. The Advisory Board graciously provided the funding for materials, and the Midland Valley guys came over and re-covered that roof for us. Thanks fellows; we appreciate you!

**Help Needed** – It is off-season here at the Camp and Retreat Center, but we are in full-speed “Clean up and Maintenance” mode. If you have a day or two in December or January that you could come help out, there is much to be done, and we would appreciate the extra hands. Give me a call at 803-730-1094 if you are available.

#### **Wish List**

Here is my Christmas Wish List:

Volunteers who would come one Saturday per month to help out with grounds-keeping

25 - 30 bags of Cedar mulch (natural, not dyed)

A 17" flat-screen monitor for the office PC— Got it, thanks!

A UPS battery back-up power supply for the office PC

A donation of \$300 which would underwrite the cost of putting framed artwork, a window valance, and a painted accent wall in 44 motel rooms

A commercial washer and dryer (laundromat sized)

Someone with grading equipment to re-shape our dirt roads

Someone to donate and install some Leyland Cypress for screening

From our house to your house . . . **Merry Christmas!**

*Pastor Alan*

Rev. Alan Pullen

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# BUDGET PROGRESS REPORT

Thank you so much for your faithfulness in giving to others! We are especially encouraged by the increase of financial support for Trevecca Nazarene University. Year to date, South Carolina churches have contributed \$67,008. At this point last year, the total was \$48,512. Each church is asked to contribute 2.5% of local income (less WEF and approved specials) for support of our Nazarene university. God blesses churches that are a blessing to others.  
Eddie Estep, District Pastor



**DISCIPLESHIP**  
ministries

Church	November Fair Share	TNU Paid YTD	WEF Paid YTD	P&B Paid YTD
Aiken Ebenezer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ashwood	\$0.00	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,699.00
Bamberg	\$209.63	\$308.18	\$867.61	\$315.50
Batesburg	\$160.00	\$148.00	\$1,048.27	\$187.00
Beaufort New Direction	\$0.00	\$1,385.25	\$1,217.56	\$1,068.78
Bennettsville First	\$426.09	\$641.90	\$222.14	\$532.75
Bishopville	\$400.89	\$372.31	\$1,116.73	\$343.38
Camden First	\$472.03	\$616.00	\$4,472.64	\$646.21
Cayce	\$378.00	\$452.00	\$1,267.00	\$607.40
Charleston Calvary	\$1,480.00	\$2,050.00	\$5,876.00	\$2,139.00
Charleston Cross Com.	\$0.00	\$285.03	\$1,298.85	\$263.92
Charleston First	\$344.19	\$0.00	\$505.00	\$0.00
Charleston Sea Is. Intern'l Com.	\$376.32	\$642.77	\$2,246.07	\$671.29
Cherrydale Hispanic	\$103.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chester	\$1,056.00	\$1,967.00	\$5,332.00	\$1,937.00
Clemson - The Bridge	\$0.00	\$155.89	\$453.01	\$124.70
Clover	\$173.00	\$201.00	\$596.00	\$221.00
Columbia Abundant Life	\$284.94	\$398.35	\$1,656.57	\$522.37
Columbia Emmanuel Korean	\$330.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Columbia First	\$5,737.00	\$6,205.00	\$18,418.00	\$6,696.00
Columbia Grace	\$412.83	\$494.14	\$2,038.90	\$462.96
Conway	\$243.75	\$275.40	\$797.39	\$289.99
Duncan LifeSpring	\$398.32	\$678.22	\$2,324.32	\$694.87
Florence Family Life	\$160.00	\$385.00	\$1,050.00	\$383.00
Fort Mill	\$1,100.06	\$1,800.21	\$1,813.33	\$1,777.78
Georgetown	\$154.00	\$59.00	\$129.00	\$45.00
Great Falls	\$119.16	\$0.00	\$482.85	\$75.16
Greenville First	\$3,931.01	\$5,351.27	\$15,091.27	\$5,217.56
Greenwood Community	\$1,352.76	\$3,484.78	\$5,244.90	\$1,936.31
Hartsville Calvary	\$139.44	\$190.39	\$794.58	\$228.62
Hartsville First	\$1,084.68	\$1,942.71	\$3,945.91	\$1,434.87
Honea Path Genesis	\$1,359.41	\$73.11	\$160.85	\$187.13
Lancaster SonLight Com.	\$318.00	\$555.05	\$1,662.50	\$616.71
Laurens Cornerstone	\$0.00	\$112.81	\$593.84	\$221.78
Lexington Shepherd	\$923.99	\$1,526.13	\$4,996.76	\$1,546.85
Lugoff Faith	\$0.00	\$732.00	\$0.00	\$345.66
Manning NewStart	\$1,116.69	\$3,206.12	\$7,597.89	\$3,024.08
Midland Valley Community	\$4,359.00	\$7,339.00	\$21,683.00	\$7,522.00
Moncks Corner	\$151.19	\$224.29	\$653.53	\$242.04
Myrtle Beach	\$486.91	\$164.15	\$969.60	\$241.42
New Ellenton New Life	\$277.29	\$260.56	\$729.08	\$285.75
Orangeburg First	\$585.00	\$185.00	\$859.74	\$824.41
Orangeburg Memorial	\$666.87	\$1,090.93	\$3,821.61	\$1,389.69
Pageland Rose Memorial	\$555.83	\$262.05	\$474.88	\$487.52
Pelion	\$497.00	\$895.69	\$2,800.00	\$886.70
Rock Hill Celebration Place	\$0.00	\$1,077.46	\$798.00	\$290.00
Rock Hill Emmanuel	\$56.63	\$310.05	\$1,374.13	\$505.46
Rock Hill First	\$1,057.95	\$1,140.35	\$107.00	\$1,569.29
Rock Hill Grace	\$893.01	\$1,410.39	\$4,041.30	\$1,469.58
Rock Hill Trinity	\$1,625.53	\$2,074.15	\$10,053.66	\$2,066.02
Seneca	\$0.00	\$105.59	\$245.73	\$84.47
Simpsonville LifeSpring	\$0.00	\$518.22	\$2,505.09	\$424.58
Spartanburg First	\$0.00	\$43.82	\$261.10	\$94.95
Summerville	\$965.82	\$1,559.46	\$4,676.31	\$1,700.49
Sumter Calvary	\$1,553.35	\$0.00	\$1,383.99	\$503.27
Sumter Celebration	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sumter First	\$1,970.41	\$3,304.99	\$9,247.13	\$3,457.26
Sumter Wise Drive	\$859.90	\$995.95	\$3,421.70	\$1,031.76
Wallace	\$215.29	\$161.46	\$460.05	\$173.49
Walterboro First	\$0.00	\$249.98	\$601.96	\$199.98
West Columbia Central	\$1,142.82	\$2,062.53	\$5,889.79	\$2,141.76
West Columbia First	\$802.00	\$948.00	\$5,120.00	\$1,860.00
West Columbia Hispanic	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$375.00	\$0.00
Winnsboro	\$1,873.20	\$2,116.80	\$7,105.14	\$2,606.77
York	\$160.72	\$0.00	\$483.14	\$175.69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$45,551.14</b>	<b>\$68,695.89</b>	<b>\$185,459.40</b>	<b>\$68,697.98</b>

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<b>NOVEMBER 2011</b>		
<b>Low Country Mission Area</b>		
Beaufort New Direction	39	53
Charleston Calvary	153	216
Charleston Cross Com.	15	21
Charleston First	36	33
Charleston Sea Is. Intern'l Com.	101	66
Moncks Corner	22	41
Summerville	69	128
Walterboro First	6	15
<b>Lower Midlands Mission Area</b>		
Aiken Ebenezer	25	42
Bamberg	6	15
Batesburg	28	34
Midland Valley Community	334	593
New Ellenton New Life	17	29
Orangeburg First	25	39
Orangeburg Memorial	117	162
Pelion	88	117
<b>Midlands Mission Area</b>		
Cayce	45	51
Columbia Abundant Life	26	34
Columbia Emmanuel Korean	12	21
Columbia First	389	503
Columbia Grace	27	34
Lexington Shepherd	35	51
West Columbia Central	117	147
West Columbia First	107	163
West Columbia Hispanic	NA	NA
Winnsboro	123	179
<b>Pee Dee Mission Area</b>		
Bennettsville First	40	55
Bishopville	12	16
Camden First	57	76
Great Falls	46	49
Hartsville Calvary	15	21
Hartsville First	92	123
Lugoff Faith	61	62
Pageland Rose Memorial	49	66
Wallace	24	35
<b>Piedmont Mission Area</b>		
Chester	114	151
Clover	26	58
Fort Mill	124	92
Lancaster SonLight Com.	38	77
Rock Hill Celebration Place	34	68
Rock Hill Emmanuel	32	61
Rock Hill First	86	114
Rock Hill Grace	101	108
Rock Hill Trinity	97	128
York	6	17
<b>Santee Mission Area</b>		
Ashwood	40	62
Conway	7	14
Florence Family Life	29	30
Georgetown NewStart	5	9
Manning NewStart	102	180
Myrtle Beach	95	70
Sumter Calvary	102	108
Sumter Celebration	14	14
Sumter First	149	276
Sumter Wise Drive	52	133
<b>Upstate Mission Area</b>		
Cherrydale Hispanic	36	93
Clemson - The Bridge	7	13
Duncan LifeSpring	19	51
Greenville First	603	542
Greenwood Community	66	158
Honea Path Genesis	NA	65
Laurens Cornerstone	12	14
Seneca	15	30
Simpsonville LifeSpring	89	101
Spartanburg First	41	75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4499</b>	<b>6202</b>