

Shepherd to Shepherd

"Stand and shepherd His flock in the strength of the Lord" Micah 5:4

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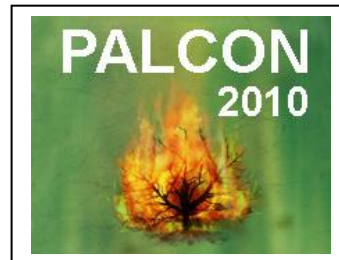
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From My Heart to Yours



TWO KEY PASTOR EVENTS

I am encouraging every South Carolina pastor to participate in the following two events...

DISTRICT INFORMATION TOUR is only one week away! A District "Funding the Mission" Information Tour will take place Saturday, April 24, at three locations across the district: Greenville First 10:00 a.m.-12 noon; Columbia First 2:00-4:00 p.m.; Summerville 6:00-8:00 p.m. Information pertaining to the new funding formula for World Evangelism Fund (WEF), Pensions and Benefits, Trevecca Nazarene University, and District Fair Share will be distributed. Information on the newly revised Annual Pastor's Report (APR) will also be shared at each meeting to help pastors complete the new report. Rev. Greg Pressley, district secretary, Rev. Bill Harmon, district finance committee chairman, and Mrs. LaNora Jensen, district treasurer and district NMI

President, will be the presenters. This information will be very helpful to pastors, church treasurers, church finance committee personnel, SDMI superintendents, and NMI presidents.

PALCON 2010 is only four weeks away! As of today, there are 17 South Carolina ministers registered to attend PALCON (Pastors and Leaders Conference) 2010, held at Trevecca Nazarene University, May 11-13, 2010. You can register at www.PALCON2010.org. (Deadline to register is April 27, 2010.) We have arranged to travel together by luxury bus (only \$20 each) from Greenville First, departing Tuesday, May 11, at 9:00 a.m. and returning to Greenville First by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 14. Please contact Rachael by April 27 (803.794.2209 or nazscdist@cs.com) to reserve a seat on the bus.

Eddie Estep
District Pastor

Bits-N-Pieces

"Dates to Remember"

April

24 District Leaders' Information Tour (Greenville, Columbia, Charleston)

May

3-5 Camp Work Days #2
8 TNU Palmetto Nazarene Golf Tournament (Changed from 5/15)
11-13 PALCON at TNU (Register at www.PALCON2010.com)

June

20-27 District Camp Meeting

July

25-28 District Conventions and Assembly

Nov.

8-11 District Awakening Tour with Dan Bohi

UPDATES

PRAYER REQUESTS: Rev. Mickey Smith (retired) hospitalized following surgeries (Carolina Medical Center); Pastor John Powell (Batesburg); Rev. Hubert Richardson (retired pastor); Scott Adams (son of Great Falls Pastor Henry & Gale Adams) undergoing chemotherapy treatments; Kimberly Wells (Sumter Celebration pastor's spouse) recently hospitalized; Pastor Arthur Sharpe (Sumter Calvary) undergoing medical tests; Rev. B. W. Downing (retired pastor) suffering from Parkinson's disease.

Winnsboro First Church will be celebrating their 75th anniversary on Sunday, May 2, 10:45 a.m. Dr. Nina Gunter will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Jim (Charlotte) Bearden has been appointed interim pastor of the Crossroads Community Church (formerly Birmingham First) in Birmingham, Alabama.

The 2010 IMPACT Team Reunion at camp meeting will take place Sunday afternoon, June 27. Chonda Pierce, former SC District IMPACT Team member, will be the featured guest.

M11 (The Quadrennial Nazarene Mission/Evangelism Conference) is coming to Louisville, Kentucky, February 21-23, 2011.

Pastor Richard Coleman (Lexington Shepherd) has agreed to join the leadership team working to see the new Camp Dining Hall become reality. Richard will be visiting our churches to tell the story and share the vision for this needed addition to our district camping ministry.

Report on Camp Work Days # 1: 44 laypersons and pastors from 15 churches attended and contributed some 728 hours of service in the three-day event. No rain, plenty of pollen, lots of fun and hard work, and the camp looks great with over 50 projects completed. Next Camp Work Days will be May 3-5.

Rev. Marty Cunningham (Charleston Cross Community associate pastor) is available for pulpit supply. He can be reached at 843-793-8827 or martyckool@att.net

A District "Awakening Tour" is coming to South Carolina on November 8-11, 2010. Danny Bohi, a lay evangelist, will be touring our district. The locations for the evening services have not yet been set. We are already praying for a tremendous outpouring of God's Spirit. The district will be called to 30 days of prayer prior to these services.

YEAR-END CHECKLIST

- Plan a baptism service and take pictures of each baptism for the District Assembly video.
- Plan to receive new members before May 31.
- Check the status of your WEF and District Fair Share contributions and, if needed, plan a special offering to take you over the top on giving for others.