

ROAD TRIP!!!!

It is that wonderful time of year that many will be planning one-

Whether it is a family vacation to see family or a destination like Disney World or it may be a group of friends or family going on a shopping trip, fishing trip (whether deep sea or not), beach trip, camping trip or Spa weekend OR maybe even one of those literal ROAD TRIPS where you pack up the car, have a cooler and will travel just seeing America cross country. I have been on all those ROAD TRIPS or Journeys.

We are on many road trips or journeys right now. Navigating opening our churches, attending things we have not for a year locally and districtly. As we travel, we all have something in common, we are on this Journey with Jesus. We also, have each other to *Journey Better Together*. As you check out what is happening in Sunday School ministries, Adult Ministries and Children's Ministries you will see all the connections on the Journey. Have a great trip and don't forget the road map(Scripture) and getting connected to GPS(Prayer).

SDMI:

Please plan on attending District Assembly, Thursday June 3rd and Friday June 4th

On June 3rd from 3:30-4:30 we will be having an **SDMI meet and greet** time for all local Sunday School superintendents or Family Life Directors at the Main Tabernacle. Please plan on attending

Also, on Friday we will have 3 different times of opportunity to attend a **Break-out session** on many topics, such as worship, post pandemic discipleship, missions, children's ministries, youth ministries, etc.

Check out THEFOUNDRY.COM for more information, resources, and the book by Dr. David A. Busic called WAY TRUTH LIFE, Discipleship as a Journey of Grace.

Other Discipleship resources for Sunday school and Small groups – some really Great Resources!

If you ever have any questions or need resources, please feel free to contact me.

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Living His Purpose and Plan,

Rev. Crystal C. Petty, MidSouth District SDMI Chair

From District Children's Ministries:

Pastor Tonya Marks

Pastor Tonya is stepping down as our District Children's Ministries Director. She has served on that council for many years and served as its leader since 2018. We appreciate her heart for children, for service in His Kingdom and her service on the District. She will be missed as leader, but she is already in transition and is passing the leadership baton to Pastor Shaun Stevenson, children's pastor at Gallatin, TN. We are excited for Pastor Shaun's willingness to serve, for his gifts and talents he brings to the table and his love for children. Please be in prayer as we go through this transition.

District Children's Quizzing:

This year has been unique – we did finish our study on Exodus and had a District Quiz Live/Virtual from Dover COTN hosted by Esther Simmons.

Those qualifying went on to be a part of the Virtual Regional Quiz and Now those that qualified will participate in a Virtual World Quiz held at TCC on the campus at Trevecca on June 26, 2021 for Red and Blue level quizzers that qualified.

Thank you! Esther Simmons for such an exceptional job.

If you are interested in getting involved in Children's Quizzing at your church contact Esther at

Estheresimmons2@gmail.com

DISTRICT CHILDREN'S CAMPS 2021

Yes, we are having camp!

Early Elementary (finished 1st-3rd): July 6-9

Tween (finished 4th-6th): July 12-16

To register and get other needed paperwork go to www.nazkids.org

Registration will be online!

District Family camp and District Assembly childcare and older children services:

Registration will be online, and the info was sent out **by the district office to each pastor.**

There is no cost to participate but your child may not have a spot if not registered.

Here is a message from Pastor Michelle Bergman our Family Camp and District Assembly children's coordinator:

Family Camp begins in just over a month! I'm so excited to join our MidSouth Family again after the past year!

Below is a link to pre-register children for each of the different children's areas. Please share this link with families who will be attending Family Camp and/or District Assembly. This will allow you to skip the line when dropping your children off and help me ensure we have plenty of staffing to maintain proper ratios.

<https://nazkids.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/325822>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at mnbergman12@gmail.com.

Thanks!

Michelle Bergman

NAZATWEEN:

Don't forget to let Pastor Kayla Smith know when you have had your NAZATWEEN event. I know some were not planning to have them until spring or at an outdoor event. Please connect with us!!

From District Adult Ministries:

Pastor Derek Mitchell

Updates on Events:

Instead of having Winter Break-Away this year the District Women's Team hosted a

WOMEN'S VIRTUAL DAY ON April 17, 2021 – It was a great event

They have plans and a date for Fall Retreat at Camp Garner Creek check out and ...

Like the MidSouth District Women's Ministry Facebook Page for more info

District Assembly: June 3-4

We are having workshops and breakout time for Adult Ministries at District Assembly if you are a part of one of these ministries at your church please plan to attend and connect with other local leaders and district resources we have available for this new year.