The Ascending

Rocky Mountain News

Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain District Church of the Nazarene February 2026

MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

God is still in the process of calling men and women to places of leadership in His Churc. The information below is meant to help you navigate the processes leading from a call to ministry, through local and district licensing, and educational preparation, and on to ordination as an Elder or Deacon in the Church of the Nazarene.

Register with the Board of Ministry
Obtain your local license
Ministry preparation & Ordination
Ministry Documentation
Pastoral Mentor
Interview Preparation
Education Resources

License Interviews

2026 District License Interview dates are below:

April 6 - Billings Area
April 7 - Missoula Area
April 13 - Casper Area

Find more information on the RMD webpage www.rmnaz.org

ONE TABLE
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Many Stories. One Table.

NEW CHURCH STARTING IN BILLINGS MONTANA

One Table COTN will provide a food distribution ministry on the west side of Billings MT, with an emphasis on connecting with and feeding others and providing a compassionate ministry lead by Pastor Michael Konings and volunteers.

BE. DO. GO.

evangelism discipleship leadership

RMD NYI

REJOICE

G.O.A.T.

GOD OVER ALL THINGS

April 16 - 19, 2026
Billings Hotel and
Convention Center

WONDER P.A.C.K.

PRAYER AND CARE KITS

July 1 - 5 ,2026

Gather These Approved Items for PACK Creation On-Site!

2	Hand Towels
2	Washcloths
4	Unopened Toothbrushes
1	2-5 oz. Toothpaste
2	2-5 oz. Bars of Soap
2	3-4 oz. Shampoo (Travel Size)
2	Pocket-Size Packs of Tissues
1	32-80 Count Pack of Wipes
1	40-100 Count Box of Assorted Bandages
2	1-4 oz. Stick Deodorants
1	Hair Comb
6	Sanitary Napkins
2	Disposable Razors

NOTE: All items must be new and from above list. Do not include money, personal notes, or additional items. No powders or aerosols.

TEEN super camp

July 27 - Aug 1, 2026
Lavina MT

Teen Bible Quizzing

1st - 2nd Corinthians

February 6 & 7, 2026
WY @ Casper COTN
MT @ Victor Bitterroot COTN
March 13 & 14, 2026
WY @ Kinnear WY
MT @ Great Falls COTN

Do you have news or photos of your local NYI ? Send them to joannhirning @gmail.com

PASTOR MIKE KONINGS - NYI PRESIDENT

GENESIS

KIDZ BIBLE QUIZZING

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MT @ Great Falls COTN

DISTRICT KIDZ FINALS

MARCH 27 & 28, 2026

LAUREL MT

COTN

CASPER WY

Friday night Feb 6th

7 - 9 p.m.

SWIM PARTY

$5 / person paid to NDI

Send your child with a modest swimsuit and a towel, and a bag for wet clothng.

REGIONAL KIDZ FINALS

MAY 22 & 23, 2026

NAMPA ID

BITTERROOT VICTOR

Friday dinner and games 6:30 p.m.

Breakfast and Lunch provided on Saturday $5 /person

RMD KIDZ

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WHAT'S ON *in the* AGENDA

DISTRICT Assembly & CONVENTIONS

COMING SOON

JUNE 18 - DISTRICT LEADERSHIP DINNER
JUNE 19 - NDI & NMI CONVENTION
JUNE 20-21 DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

BILLINGS MT
EXACT LOCATION
TO BE
DETERMINED.

PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES TO FIND AN APPROPRIATE MEETING SPACE.

BE IN PRAYER

Be in prayer for our district churches.
Billings New Hope and Laurel First Church are now in the process of searching for new pastors.
Pray for Pastor Alex as he transitions to a new calling in Florida and for Pastors Matt & Candace as they start their ministry in Sheridan WY.

upcoming EVENTS

ANNUAL MEETINGS
Church Year End is April 30th
This means elections for new church officers and delegates for District Assembly and Conventions and Annual Reports.

FIVE AREAS OF IMPACT

PRAYER (FOR ALL MISSION EFFORTS OF THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE)

ENGAGE CHILDREN & YOUTH

CARE & CONNECTION

WORLD EVANGELISM FUND

ALABASTER OFFERING

NMI Central

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Keep our globally appointed LINKS missionaries in your prayers.

Shaun & Faraja Bati
in Kenya
Learn more about them at
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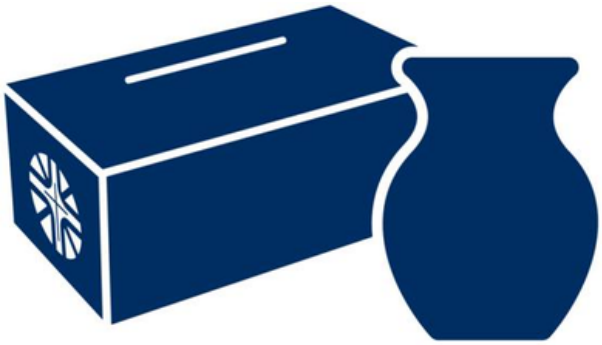

February Emphasis
is Alabaster Offering

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