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Represent ROAM at District Assembly



Carol Wilkinson

The 2016 Nazarene District Event season is starting soon, beginning in April and ending in August. There are meetings of various kinds (NMI, Camp Meetings, Assemblies) all across the country, any of which could be great opportunities to share about ROAM via manning a table of materials.

Would you be willing to represent ROAM at a district event on your home district? Or maybe you are traveling this summer and could spend a day or two at a district event near you. If

so, please contact the ROAM Regional Representative for that district and let them know you would like to help.

Kile's Corner



Greetings and Happy New Year:

I'm writing this under the sunny skies of Florida. It is colder than expected but not as cold as in the north. This week the church we are attending is in revival with Adam's Voice and Jeff Keaton. It has been a blessing and anointed of God. Jeff used a thought that really puts our commitment in perspective. He looked over the congregation and said that many of us are in the last quarter of our life, and some are in

the last two minutes of the game. That is so true, but he softened it by saying that God is not through with us yet. Praise the Lord!

When Ruth and I retired from our jobs we were not ready to just sit back and do nothing. That is why most of us joined ROAM. Sure, we may be in our last quarter of life but we are still making our mark on our world. When we see or hear about victories in the churches and camps where we have worked, that blesses my heart. That's what makes expending our time and energy worth it. Thank you all for giving your best. God will definitely bless you all. "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might. . . ." (Ecc. 9:10 NIV) Have fun, meet new friends and be safe.

In His service,

Ed

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Richard and Alice Near - Bio

By Richard and Alice Near

We feel blessed to have discovered ROAM through friends telling us of their experiences in the mission. Being married almost forty-nine years, raising two sons, and enjoying five grandchildren, we can continue to use our gifts and experiences to help others.

Dick is a retired aircraft mechanic and plumber, enabling him with invaluable skills in many areas.

Alice retired from teaching and also as a nurse, and can pull slivers and slap on band-aids!



Richard and Alice Near

We are privileged to have traveled to eleven different countries during retirement, the most enjoyable being three visits to Kenya where our son and family served in support ministry with Africa Inland Missions.

Given good health and ambition, we anticipate more time of service to others.

ROAM and Mission Immersion 2016

This coming summer a mission training camp called Mission Immersion for 9th-12th graders will be hosted by Youth In Mission (YiM) in partnership with Nazarene Global Mission, NMI, NYI, and Compassionate Ministries. Mission Immersion (MI) has been an initiative of the Nazarene church for youth to explore a call into missions every other year since 2010 in various global locations. Here's an article on [MI's history](#). The purpose of MI2016 for participants is threefold:

Explore: the mission of Christ

Equip: to join the mission in their Community

Immerse: through [Youth In Mission location](#) Culture

How can ROAM help? Transportation.

[Shepherd Community Center](#) in Indianapolis, IN will be the host location for Mission Immersion, July 6-14, 2016. Mi2016 participants who are 11th-12th grade will be traveling round trip from Indianapolis to one of four YiM2016 locations July 10-13. These locations may include: St. Louis, MO, Detroit, MI, Toledo, OH and Turkey Creek, KY. They will be accompanied by a MI2016 staff person and a mentor. Six total. Mi2016 participants traveling to these four YiM 2016 locations need transportation. Could you provide this practical relational resource?

While you may have served in many Work & Witness settings have you ever participated in a mission adventure like this? Interested in more details?

You would be traveling at your own expense for fuel, meals, and lodging. Two ROAM vehicles may be needed per location. We will know by May 2016. You can contact the local YiM location Coordinator to see if they have any projects for you to work on while on location. We will explore hook-up facilities for your vehicles in Indy and YiM location once you register.

An online registration for your participation will be live by February 2016. Background checks and Ministry Safe online training will be required. Here are a couple other ways to be involved:

- Pray for Mi2016 and YiM 2016: Recruits, Participants, Leadership, and Locations.
- Network with the local church about the Mi2016 and YiM2016 opportunities.

If you are interested please email me: yim@nazarene.org

Missioning Together,

Kenny Wade
YiM Coordinator
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Lake Placid Camp & Conference Center

by Alice Bough

December, the first full month for some ROAMers, was a month of Christmas. Yes, there was work completed, along with decorating and parties. A new shop office was built for the Maintenance Supervisor and repairs were made where needed.

While shopping here at Lake Placid, Florida, I heard many comments like, "They're coming, they're coming, OH, my! They are here!" Yes, the northerners are here at LPC3. All the camp spots are full; the hustle and bustle of the RVers ready to start work makes this a very exciting place.

Projects started with a finger food potluck and a huddle for introduction and instructions on the Saturday before the work started. There are many projects; tearing out ramps, building decks, painting, cleaning, laundry, housekeeping, taking down Christmas decorations, remodeling one of the dorms, putting in new windows in cabins and there are many more projects to come.



*Aleighta is a good basketball player
and we are all very proud of her.*

We heard a special guest at devotions on our first Monday, District Superintendent Brian Wilson of the Southern Florida District. What a great way to start our projects, hearing what the Lord Jesus Christ had to say to us through him.

We have a basketball star on our campus. Aleigha, Wes's daughter (the maintenance supervisor), plays basketball as a junior for her high school team at Lake Placid High School. Many of the ROAM members went to see her play. It was an exciting evening for all.

Many of the ROAMers attend Lake Placid Nazarene Church. There is a time of food and fellowship on Wednesday night along with the regular services. What a privilege to hear the evangelist Jeff Keaton and the singers, Adam's Voice, at our winter revival. You know you have been in the presence of the Holy Spirit when you are a part of these services.

During the next 2 months we look forward to working as a team. There are always exciting events at LPC3 for us to take part in along with the work.

MASH Unit/New Beginnings Church Casa Grande, AZ

Darrell and Mary Weatherford have been hard at work at the MASH/New Beginnings project in Casa Grande, AZ. To those of you who have served at this project, you may appreciate the recent update that the Weatherfords shared with us regarding that project. They sent us the following:

Good Morning,

Can you change the site availability at the Casa Grande, New Beginnings Church to show that there are 6 sites, all with water, sewer and electric, 3 with 50 amp and 3 with 30 amp service.

*Thank you!
Mary*

Here is what the project manager, Jerry Leastman, had to say about the Weatherfords:

The Weatherford's are a tremendous blessing and are welcome to stay as long as they desire. We will work out any additional RV space that we may need. They are such hard workers and put their heart into what they do. Thank you again and may God richly bless all those who belong to ROAM--Jerry

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