

NACCC E-NEWS

THE MESSENGER



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THE BUSY SEASON

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Hello fellow travelers in faith! This is the busy season for the NACCC. The **Annual Meeting and Conference** is just around the corner in St. Louis. I look forward to greeting the NACCC family from all over the country and, indeed, the world! This will be my first Annual Meeting as Executive Director. Our Association has been through so much change over the past year, it's hard to take a deep breath because we've been working mightily and moving fast. Please make plans to attend the Annual Meeting and Conference in person, but if that isn't possible, register to join us for the portions that will be available virtually.

Nothing is new under the sun, as the old saying goes, but we are trying to encourage more connection and fellowship with the new Executive Director by hosting a breakfast table on Monday, June 23. The cost of the breakfast is the only requirement to join the table (although, if you want to come and be part of the conversation without the meal, you're welcome as well).

St. Louis offers us a different kind of event. We're meeting somewhere we don't currently have any Congregational churches. I hope you will arrive asking God the question, "What would it look like to see some new Congregational outposts developed in our world, maybe even in our own backyards?"

This will be a good Annual Meeting and Conference, even more if you are able to join us in St. Louis. Be encouraged!

QUIET DAY RETREAT

The Congregational Retreat Society invites you to join them in Florissant, Missouri, following the 2025 Annual Meeting and Conference, to take part in a transformative **Quiet Day Retreat** focused on reflection and renewal through periods of quiet and silence. This year's retreat will be held at the **Pallottine Retreat & Conference Center**. Don't miss this opportunity to recharge and reconnect!

RESERVE YOUR ROOM FOR THE AMC!

Today is the final day to make your reservation for the **Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel** at the discounted group rate of \$139 per night (plus taxes and fees) for the **2025 Annual Meeting and Conference!**

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ENRICHING RELATIONSHIPS

JULIE CLAASSEN, FISHERS OF MEN

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, 'Your God reigns!'" (Isaiah 52:7)

Recently, NACCC Missions Coordinator, Julie Robie, her husband, Rev. Jeff, and friend, Sarah Swible, trod through the mountains and valleys of central Mexico carrying out these very tasks! As the founder and director, as well as an on-the-ground missionary with Fishers of Men, I can attest that receiving these servants' visit brought peace through fellowship as we did daily life together at Refuge Ranch. They proclaimed salvation through a one-day Evangelistic Medical Mission Caravan in the metropolitan Mexico City area, during which our team provided 138 free medical services and 18 individuals prayed to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Their presence certainly brought good tidings from the NACCC as representatives of your prayers and support! It meant so much to receive their visit, especially because of Julie's role in the NACCC as Missions Coordinator. Her visit enriches the relationship between the NACCC and its missions, in this case, Fishers of Men, by allowing her to experience what the Lord is doing firsthand! However, her presence was also like receiving a big hug from the entire NACCC that encourages and uplifts us as we continue to carry out the Lord's work in Mexico through Fishers of Men. Thank you, NACCC, for supporting missions not only from afar but firsthand!

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2025 NAPF/HOPE CONFERENCE

The countdown is ON for the 2025 NAPF & HOPE Conference – and we want to see you there!

Join us June 21–26 in St. Louis, Missouri, for an awesome week of faith, friendship, and fun designed for high schoolers (NAPF) and young adults up to age 26 (HOPE).

What can participants expect? Dynamic worship and inspiring speakers, service projects that make a real impact, and late-night laughs, deep conversations, and unforgettable moments, among much, much more.

If you or a young person you know is exploring faith, looking for community, or wanting to dive deeper into God's call, this is the place to be.

Register by June 1 for \$445 - lodging, meals and all programming included. After June 1, a \$50 late fee applies, so don't wait! Scholarships are available.