



Preparing Global Christians for Serving in the 21st Century

Over the next few years we will be celebrating the Centennial of the Church of the Nazarene. Four Nazarene universities/colleges have already had Centennial celebrations: Southern Nazarene University (Bethany, Oklahoma, USA); Eastern Nazarene College (Quincy, Massachusetts, USA); Point Loma Nazarene University (San Diego, California, USA); and Trevecca Nazarene University (Nashville, Tennessee, USA).

Since the inception of the church, higher education has become one of the emphases of our founding fathers. As early as 1916, General Superintendent R. T. Williams stated, "The holiness schools have done much in raising up the church."



Chapel at Texas Holiness University (SNU), www.snu.edu



Today the challenge of Christian higher education remains invigorating as the denomination expands to every corner of the globe. Our educational institutions prepare pastors, missionaries, and laity to make an impact for Christ through evangelism, discipleship, and church planting. We are indeed preparing global Christians for serving in the 21st Century.



Pentecostal Collegiate Institute (ENC), en.wikipedia.org
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International Board of Education
taken from www.nazarene.org/education/iboedisplay.aspx



Northwest Nazarene College (NNU)
Campus Hospital
www.historycooperative.org
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Southern Nazarene University
1999
www.snu.edu



Eastern Nazarene College
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www.enc.edu



Trevecca Nazarene University
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www.trevecca.edu



Point Loma Nazarene University
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www.ptloma.edu





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Centennials*

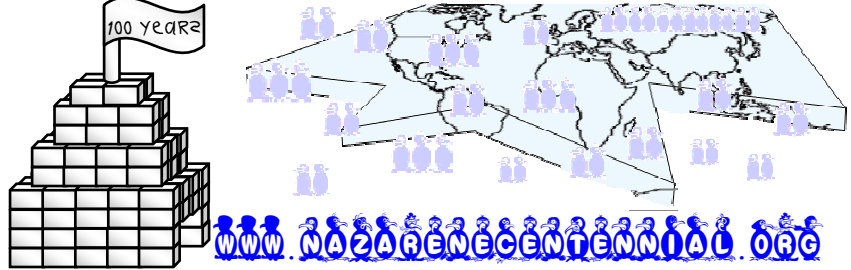
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JUNE, 2006
PORTLAND FIRST (OREGON PACIFIC, USA)
JULY, 2006.
GRIFFIN'S CHAPEL (TENNESSEE, USA)
SEPTEMBER, 2006
CHATTANOOGA FIRST (EAST TENNESSEE, USA)
OCTOBER, 2006



Centennial Banners

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www.nazarene.org/centennial/resources



"The strengths of our past must be known and appreciated before the challenges of our future can be identified and encountered."

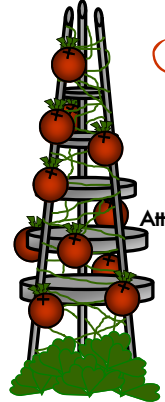
from Value of Denominational Heritage,
Dr. John A. Knight
(general superintendent emeritus)
www.nazarene.org/centennial/history

Districts will offer planning helps when they deliver the Centennial materials to pastors in the spring of 2008. The basic materials will be handed out, and a variety of options will be explored.



Each district will discuss strategies for involving the larger community in the local church celebrations. There will be a "refresher course" offered in the fall as well, just before the celebration. That will allow final tweaking of plans and opportunity to work together with neighboring churches to highlight the event in the community.

Each district will set a date for distributing the materials and for training in 2008. To see if your district has already set a training date visit www.nazarene.org/centennial/training. Check each district's website or contact the district office for last minute changes. If your district's training date isn't listed contact your district office. The Centennial web site will be updated as new information is received.



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