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NYC Introduction

Dear Parents and Youth Participants,

Hosted by the Church of the Nazarene, Nazarene Youth Conference (NYC) is a powerful youth event that has been held in different locations over the past six decades. NYC takes place every few years and provides an opportunity for high school students from the USA and Canada to be united in a time of worship, teaching, and community service.

Students participate in sessions featuring powerful worship, engaging speakers, creative arts, and also attend nightly live concerts featuring top Christian artists. They serve together with 'Ministry With Others' service projects throughout the area. Students also experience interactive discipleship environments, and a Recreation Hall filled with individual and group activities, games, and exhibits.

NYC Information

Event Date & Location: June 30 – July 8, 2026 in Salt Lake City, Utah

Qualifications: Open to teens in grades 8-12 for the 2025-2026 school year

Cost: Estimated cost is \$2,400 per person

Registration: Contact Pastor Austin or Maria Brown by February 1st, 2025.

Official registration with deposit is due May 1, 2025

Mt. Sterling NYC Coordinator: Maria Brown

Coordinator Phone: 740-360-9665

Coordinator Email: mariabrown25@yahoo.com

Next NYC Meeting: Monday, March 10th, 2025 (tentative, Zoom meeting)

Communications: Each teen and at least one parent/guardian must download the free BAND app. All communications, dates, documents and pertinent information will be posted in this app. Please contact Maria Brown with all questions regarding NYC.

Fundraising

Funding each teen's trip to NYC proves to be sacrificial for most families. Please contact Maria Brown with concerns/extenuating circumstances regarding the funding of your trip. Our church desires to support each family in order to help their teen arrive in Utah to experience this life-changing event.

We encourage you to set personal goals and seek funds outside of our committee's efforts. Our church also plans to host a set amount of fundraisers to assist you. Each student will have a chance and a choice to participate in order to receive these funds. At times, a general donation will be given/identified for the entire group and those funds will be equally distributed among each participant. We will be asking for assistance from each participant's family to help carry out these fundraisers.

It is our intention to be transparent, timely and precise regarding all funds obtained for NYC. We will communicate clear expectations prior to each fundraiser so that your teen can benefit from these opportunities. **Funds earned through fundraisers will be deducted from your final payment.**

First Fundraiser: Sunday, Feb. 2nd Grab-n-Go Lunch (details/signups in BAND app)

Payment

Full registration is due May 1, 2025 with a \$200 non-refundable deposit. It is highly suggested that you start NOW with your funding efforts. ALL monies must be paid to NYC by April 1, 2026.

The following is a proposed payment schedule to assist in budgeting your teen's trip, **WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE HIGHLIGHTED DATES, where set amounts are due in accordance with our district's requirements. You can choose one of the following options: Monthly, Bi-monthly, District or Other. You may notify Maria Brown of your choice if you'd like timely reminders to assist you in turning your deposits.

	MONTHLY	BI-MONTHLY	DISTRICT TIMELINE	OTHER	
AMOUNT	\$160	\$360	\$600	-	
DUE DATES	1st of each month starting Feb. 1, 2025 thru Apr. 1, 2026	1st of every other month starting Feb. 1, 2025 thru Apr. 1, 2026	July 15, 2025 Sept 15, 2025 Jan. 15, 2026 Mar. 15, 2026	Can pay lump sum, but must meet District deadlines at minimum	
		REQUIRED			
DATE	May 1, 2025	Jul. 15, 2025	Sept. 15, 2025	Jan. 15 2026	Mar. 15, 2026
AMOUNT DUE EACH DATE	\$200	\$600	\$600	\$600	(Remaining balance)

How to make a payment to your account:

- Cash, check or Pushpay. Please include service fee if using Pushpay. Make checks payable to our church (write "NYC + teen's name" on the Memo line).
- **It is preferred that you place your payment in an envelope and place it in the offering.**
- You may also hand your payments to Kara Mason (church treasurer).

How to check your balance:

- Contact Maria Brown
- Call church office
- Check the periodic updates that may be posted in the BAND app

Trip Cancellations:

- Partial refunds can be discussed and will be offered until January 15th, 2026.

IMMERSION 2025 MISSION TRAIL

We have a great opportunity for your teen to have a life-changing mission trip this summer with their youth group! We will be headed to serve in Grand Rapids, Michigan from July 20-27, 2025. We will serve impoverished communities through service, education, and Scripture.

Cost: \$250 (Registration (online or paper) and a deposit of \$60.00 are due March 23rd. Full payment due by June 26th.)

Location: Grand Rapids, MI

Grades: 7th-12th (not incoming 7th graders; does include upcoming graduated seniors)

Much more information will be provided to parents as we approach the registration and trip dates. However, if you have questions, please contact Pastor Phil or Pastor Austin today!

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Blessings,

Pastor Austin Hill - Family Ministries Pastor

Maria Brown - Mt. Sterling Nazarene NYC Coordinator

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Pastor Phil Starr - District NYC Volunteer