



NOWTHEN ALLIANCE CHURCH

Equipping people to find Life and Faith in Christ

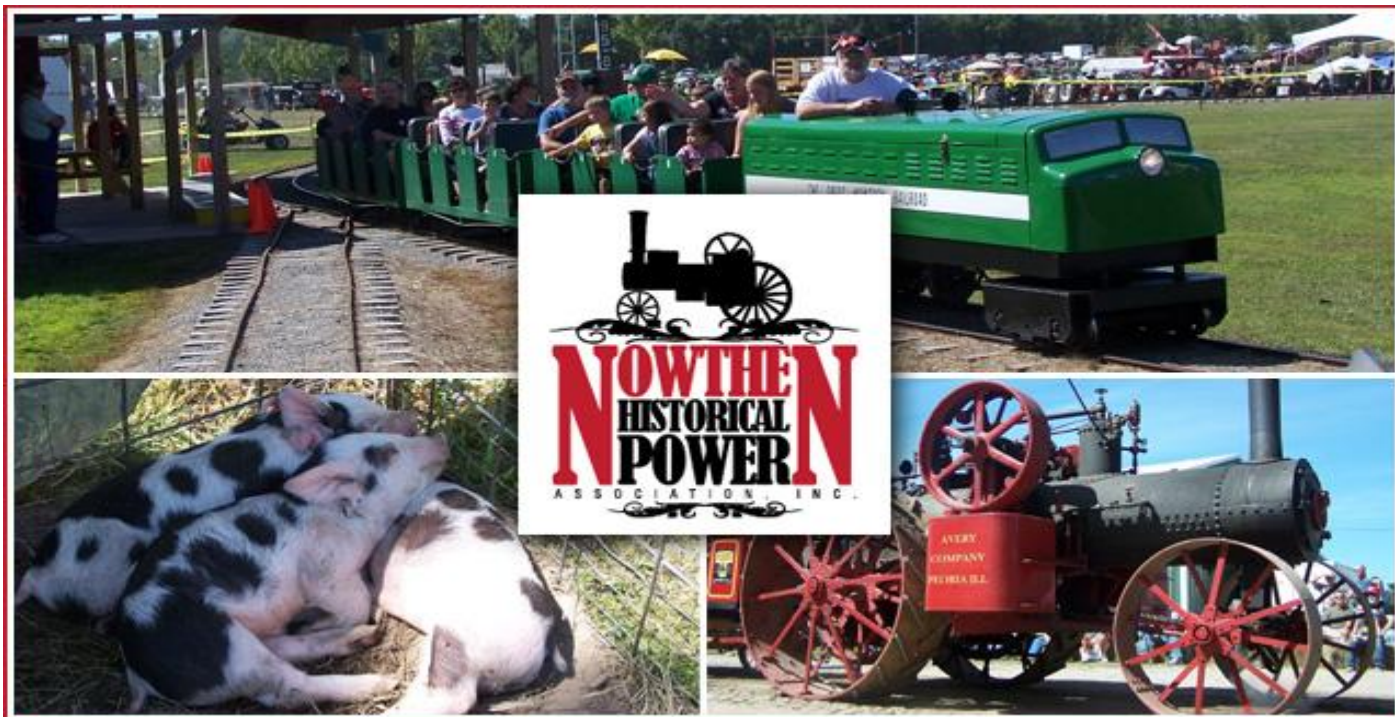
In this edition of the NAC eNews we are happy to announce that the **new church Picture Directories** have arrived! If your family was photographed to be included in the picture directory (or you submitted a photo to be used), you will receive a copy. They will be available Sunday at door B, labeled with each family's name that receives one. If you would like to pick yours up before Sunday, please see Cindy. In addition, we will update you on the many events occurring at the church during the month of August. We will begin with the Membership class and the all-Church Picnic and Baptism service.



Membership class: On Sunday, August 6, following second service at 12:15pm, join the pastoral staff for a pizza lunch and a class about our denomination (C&MA). This class is a requirement for membership at Nowthen, however you are welcome to simply come to learn about our church. For more information or to sign up contact the church office at 441-1600.



Church Picnic and Baptism celebration: On Sunday, August 13, following second service, you are invited to a congregation picnic at Twin Lakes Park. The church will take care of piping hot chicken and ice cold lemonade. Each family should bring a side or dessert to share. Please bring lawn chairs if you have them! Following lunch at 12:30pm, there will be a number of activities for all ages so plan to stay. The highlight of the afternoon will be a baptismal service at 2:00pm. If you wish to be baptized please contact a pastor or the church office.



Nowthen Threshing Show: As in the past, Nowthen will be forming a choir to sing during the Sunday, August 20 church service at the Threshing show. Jerri Schulz will be leading this special choir. Contact Jerri or Don Damborg at the church if you would like to be a part of this outreach ministry.



Great Commission Women: Each month the Great Commission Women meet to learn about international workers and missions, to pray for our international workers, and to orchestrate ministry on behalf of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19). The GCW will host a special guest from a sensitive central Asian country on August 10. You won't want to miss this

presentation so plan now to attend August 10 at 9:30am! Contact Annie Julik for more information.



The North Central District Great Commission Women announce the Women's Fall Retreat and registration information. This year's retreat will take place on October 6th to the 8th. Registration opens August 1st and the cost of registering increases on August 16th with an additional increase on September 13th. Click on the following link to register:

<https://www.ncdistrictwomen.org/retreat>



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The Vineland C&MA Church Partnership

Vineland Partnership: Nowthen has formed a partnership with the Vineland church on the shores of Lake Mille Lacs. Although the Vineland church has ministered to the Ojibwe people for many years, they recently received approval to construct a new facility on their property - which happens to be within the Ojibwe reservation. While a contractor has been hired (and the contractor will provide the skilled labor), they still need many hands to assist. Feel free to commit to only one trip or only one type of work. At this point the cement work is done and they are looking for assistance with framing. Tim Frame is organizing week day or Saturday teams now. For more information email Tim Frame at tframe59@yahoo.com.



Operation Christmas Child

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August is School Supplies Month. As you shop for school supplies this August please pick up a few extra items for the Operation Christmas Child store room at the church. Pencils, pens, small note books, and similar materials are always needed by those who receive the boxes!



American Red Cross

American Red Cross Blood Drive: will be held at Nowthen on Tuesday, August 15, from 1:00pm until 6:00pm. The drive is held in the Café and you can register by calling 1-800-RED CROSS or by visiting <http://redcrossblood.org> and entering "Nowthen" to schedule an appointment.