



Reverend Trevor Johnston

Reverend Trevor Johnston was elected District Superintendent of South Central Ohio in April 2008. He and his wife Mary served as global missionaries in the Church of the Nazarene for 22 years. They ministered in Haiti, The French West Indies and France. Rev. Johnston has held a variety of responsibilities over these years; teacher, academic dean, pastor, church-planter, translator, Chairman of the Board of Trustees European Nazarene College and District Superintendent.

The Johnstons were based out of Ohio within the United States for their entire overseas ministry as missionaries. Following God's leading, Pastor Trevor stepped away from the District Superintendency in order to follow a new calling at this stage in life and ministry.

The Lancashire leadership training project is a new partnership with the British Isles South District Church of the Nazarene. Pastor Trevor will have a primary and secondary role as specified below:

Primary Role: To provide support and Nazarene grounding and understanding to The New Church on the Corner, Thornton, specifically to Frank & Bev Kinnon, as they seek to oversee what is effectively a church plant/restart. Similarly, to Adam & Hannah Sanders, as they seek to establish Revelation Community Church of the Nazarene, Leyland. To build connections with both Heysham and Lancaster Churches of the Nazarene, with the aim of drawing them more into the district network, and exploring connectivity and mutual support options with each other, and Leyland and Thornton.

Secondary Role: To provide consultation and support, as and when required, with various diaspora church plants across the district, particularly focusing on developing leadership capacity, greater awareness of routes to training for ministry, and understanding of Nazarene polity and practice. To develop connections with churches and Districts in the USA, regarding the potential for mission teams, pastoral recruitment, placement students, exchange programs.

Facts About the British Isles South District Church of the Nazarene:

The district is comprised of 35-40 churches including church plants and church type missions with varied attendance of 5-10 people with a max of 120-130 people. This district is multi-cultural including ministries to the following ethnicities: Korea, Brazil, El Salvadore and Africa.

District Superintendent Carl McCann says the following about the District "The big strength of our churches is that they punch above their weight in terms of community service."

The Challenge:

We are hoping to increase spiritual transformation and the recruitment of pastors for these local congregations because one third are without a pastor.

Pastor Trevor Johnston's Confirmation Scripture for this Calling:

¹⁷ Then I said to them, "You see the distress that we *are* in, how Jerusalem *lies* waste, and its gates are burned with fire. Come and let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer be a reproach." ¹⁸ And I told them of the hand of my God which had been good upon me, and also of the king's words that he had spoken to me. So they said, "Let us rise up and build." Then they set^l their hands to *this good work*.

Nehemiah 2:17-18 NKJV