



Field Quizzing Newsletter

From the Field Director



Greetings Fellow Quiz Friends, I pray that you have had a good start to 2023! January is already behind us, and we are starting the final push toward District Finals, Field Finals and for some of our students, National Quiz. Keep studying, keep practicing and most importantly, keep Christ the center of all you do!

I occasionally get asked why I am involved in the Youth Bible Quizzing ministry. While I can waste most of your day explaining why I am involved, I thought I would give you a quick answer to that question.

I started my Youth Bible Quizzing ministry journey in the 7th grade in southern New Mexico. The coach of our team started the ministry at our small church the year I joined. My family left New Mexico and

moved to Spokane following my 7th grade year. When we arrived in Spokane, there were no churches participating in the District quiz ministry so I pestered my local church's youth pastor to start a team. The youth pastor's wife reluctantly agreed to start the quiz ministry the following year. Following my 9th grade year, the youth pastor was called to a church in Minnesota. So another adult in the Church agreed to take over the quiz ministry. When this adult had to step down at the end of the year, my mom agreed to "coach" us until a replacement could be found. Finally, in my Senior year, another adult in the church agreed to take on the local quiz ministry. As a result, I quizzed for 5 years with 5 different people who stepped in to lead a Bible quiz ministry at our local church.

Little did these adult leaders know that their willingness to spend time with some usually unruly students, who would drive them crazy during practices, would dramatically alter the course of my spiritual journey. Some of my closest friendships during my high school years were formed by spending time together on quiz trips or at quiz meets. While trophies, ribbons and awards were surely won (some of which I remember, but

COMING EVENTS
Field Finals 2023
May 19th—20th
Northwest Nazarene University

National Quiz 2023
July 3rd—5th
Tampa Bay, Florida

International Open Championships
July 13th—15th
Seattle Pacific University

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June
Point Loma Nazarene University

most I do not), the time these adults invested in explaining God's Word and discipling me are what I remember today. I still have vivid memories of spending time with all of these adults and the lessons I learned from them.

So why am I involved in the Youth Bible Quizzing ministry? Because it is one of the best discipleship tools that we have to reach teens. While the competition is part of the ministry, the real value is the time that adult mentors spend on a consistent and regular basis with teens studying and examining Scripture. It is the small, consistent interaction with our youth that keeps me involved in the Youth Bible Quiz ministry. And who knows how these interactions will further the Kingdom of God!! So I want to thank all of our local coaches and volunteers who are changing lives one practice and interaction at a time.

Field Finals 2023



The Northwest NYI Field Quiz Finals will occur Friday, May 19 through Saturday, May 20 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, Idaho. Field Finals will be a stand-alone event as there is no NYI Field Spring event scheduled this year. In addition to the District Champion/District All Star Division, we will also have a Rising Stars division for those teams and students who did not qualify on a District Champion or District All Star Team. The Rising Stars Division is a great

opportunity for younger and less-experienced students to see quizzing at the Field level and meet new friends involved in the quiz ministry around the Northwest Field.

Quiz rounds will begin in the morning of May 19 so we have arranged for NNU to open housing on Thursday evening, May 18. There will also be housing available the night of Saturday, May 20. While we are waiting for some quotes to finalize the actual registration fee for Field Finals, the registration fee will cover meals beginning with lunch on Friday, May 19 through Dinner on Saturday, May 20 as well as on-campus lodging.

More information will be coming on how and when to register. All information will be posted as it becomes available.

Quiz Officials for Field Finals

We are in need of:

Up to 10 Quizmasters
&
10 Content Judge/Scorekeepers



If you are interested in serving in one of these roles, or if you are aware of anyone who should be asked by the Field Director, please email Bill Buckholdt at northwestquiz@gmail.com. We would like to have quiz officials from every District on the Field, if at all possible.

“Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me. I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.”
Acts 26: 16-18