Nazarene Essentials Sandia Church of the Nazarene **Our Ecclesiology & Polity**

Our Ecclesiology

1. As Nazarenes, we acknowledge that we are a part of the larger church of Jesus Christ. How should this influence our thinking and ministry?

- 2. We acknowledge God as the source of our mission. What difference does this make?
- How should our belief that all members of Christ's body are equipped for service influence 3. the life of the church?

Our Polity

- How did the church of the Nazarene decide on a style of church government? 4.
 - a. Thus sayeth the Lord.
 - b. We don't believe that the scripture teaches a particular government, so we chose based on agreement of all those coming together to form the Church of the Nazarene (common consent).
 - c. We believe that mission should shape structure.
- 5. What are the three levels of government in the Church of the Nazarene?
- a. _____ b. _____
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- 6. Who calls a pastor to a local church?
 - a. We don't know, he just showed up one day and drew the short straw.
 - b. The District Superintendent appoints.
 - c. Churches call their own pastor in consultation with the DS.
 - d. God.
- What is the difference between the Regional groupings (Africa, Asia-Pacific, etc.) and 7. Districts?_____

- What does it mean that the Church of the Nazarene is "A Connected Church?" 8.
- What is the World Evangelism Fund, and why is it important? 9.