



## NC NMI Presidents

# Resource Handbook 2023-2024

"Engaging the Local Church for Missional Involvement."

Nazarene Missions International focuses on five strategic areas where the local church can have maximum impact on missions in the Church of the Nazarene.

The first is [PRAYER](#). NMI gathers believers together for prayer in the local church, linking us to our brothers and sisters in Christ across the globe.

The second is the [WORLD EVANGELISM FUND](#), which fuels the Church of the Nazarene's mission by combining gifts from each person and church to fund ministries everywhere.

Through the [ALABASTER OFFERING](#), the third emphasis, ministries around the world receive funds to purchase property and buildings.

The fourth is to [ENGAGE CHILDREN AND YOUTH](#) through education and fostering calls to missions.

[LINKS](#) the last area of emphasis, strategically connects Nazarene missionaries and Nazarene churches through prayer, personal contact, and generous giving.

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Dear NMI President,

Thank you for your willingness to serve in the important role of NMI president. You are the “go to” person for missions in your local church. This booklet has been designed with you in mind. It contains information that will come in handy throughout the year.

Your focus for NMI should be on the four emphases of praying, educating, giving and engaging children and youth; the World Evangelism Fund; Alabaster offering; District Work & Witness offering and LINKS. Incorporating these vital mission activities into the life of your congregation will strengthen both the local body and the worldwide church as we partner together for the gospel.

The NMI website has been undergoing revisions and many links have changed. In this book, I have provided many of these “revised” links for your benefit. Be aware that <http://nazarenemissions.org/> will always point you to the most current version of the website. Because it is always a work in progress, if you have trouble locating something that you need, do not hesitate to contact me.

I encourage you to save a copy of this document to your computer for future reference.

As your District NMI president, one of my responsibilities is to support you in your crucial role of NMI president in your local church. I thank God for each of you and your willingness to serve in this role to support missions (NMI) in your local church.

Serving with joy!

Donna Spivey-Sisk

NC District NMI President

### **NMI Mission Statement**

**NMI Purpose-** To mobilize the church in mission through praying, engaging children & youth, giving, and educating.

**Praying-** To encourage people to pray for all efforts of world evangelization.

**Engaging Children and Youth-** To challenge children and youth to learn about and participate in the mission of the church.

**Giving-** To raise funds for mission outreach.

**Educating-** To inform people of the world's needs and what the church is doing to meet those needs.

### **NMI Constitution Link**

**(Note We are still using 2017-2021 constitution until a new one is released)**

**The NMI Constitution** is available online free of charge. The following webpage contains links to the constitution in English, French, and Spanish. Click on the link below and they click on either of the folders. **This link is to our most recent constitution.**

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/gx5p48j2moyuequ/AADsRaXg2Wg8l7TLIsG7pkWka?dl=0>

It will be one of your “best friends” and will answer most of your questions. Read it as soon as possible so you can be familiar with the organization and emphases of the NMI. When an updated version is available it will be updated.

### **Questions for Local NMI Leaders**

Click on this link: <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-faqs-nmi-leader>

## **NC District NMI Local Presidents Resource**

The purpose of this resource is to equip the local president to understand the important role of leading the local church in Nazarene Missions International (NMI).

**Nazarene Missions International** <http://www.nazarene.org/nmi>

The role of the local NMI President is to promote NMI in the local church, in cooperation with the pastor as a voting member of the church board and lead the local NMI council.

- We believe there are five key areas of impact in which every church should participate regardless of their size, location, or language.
- These are the NMI **Top Five Areas of Impact: Prayer, World Evangelism Fund, Alabaster Engaging Children and Youth, and Links.**
- Focusing on these five areas of impact does not diminish other areas of NMI influence. These items are stepping-stones to deeper involvement in missions support through the Church of the Nazarene. They are a way to begin to become involved; they are easily understood, and we are striving for them to be adaptable in every culture. We aim for each church to participate in these five areas, and then adding additional areas of connection, to match the interests and needs of each local congregation or district.

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The following awards are given to churches at the annual NC Mission District Advance. We encourage every local church to become a World Evangelism Church and a Missions Priority One Church.

### **World Evangelism Church**

Churches that give at least 5.5% of their income to the World Evangelism Fund have met the minimum goal in their support of the global mission. These churches are the lifeblood of the Church of the Nazarene's mission to the nations.

### **Missions Priority One Church**

Missions Priority One is a way to recognize if a church has embraced the Five Areas of Impact of Nazarene Missions International: Prayer, World Evangelism Fund, Alabaster, Engaging Children and Youth, and Links. World Evangelism Church of Excellence Churches that give at least 5.7%, or \$1,500 or more beyond 5.5%, whichever is less, to the World Evangelism Fund.

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## EDUCATION

**(Click on the various links to see where you can access information and order mission supplies.)**

The children's teaching materials are a great way to share what is going on in the Nazarene world. For easy ordering and download: [www.livingmission.com](http://www.livingmission.com) or

[www.thefoundrypublishing.com/nmi-resources.html](http://www.thefoundrypublishing.com/nmi-resources.html) Here you can choose from a variety of NMI materials to purchase.

**Below is a link to a free adult curriculum- titled Loving our Global Neighbors. It was written and developed by commissioned Missionary Teanna Sunberg. This is an NMI curriculum focused on ministering to refugees. There is a six lesson children's curriculum included as well. The MidSouth district has generously chosen to share those.**

**Here's the link to curriculum:** [midsouthnmi.org/curriculum](http://midsouthnmi.org/curriculum) This is available in English and Spanish.

This year's theme, "**Engaging the Local Church for Missional Involvement.**" is meant to help us "fine-tune" our focus on missions as a church and to understand our individual and local church role(s) in carrying out that mission to God's glory.

Through stories and scriptures and mission's principles, a vivid tapestry is woven with the threads of passion for the lost, sacrificial giving, and joy in serving the eternal purposes of God in missions.

Visit the Foundry for other missions related materials you can purchase for your church. Here is their link: <https://www.thefoundrypublishing.com/ministry-resources/nazarene-resources/nmi-resources.html>

Extra leader's guides for the children's curriculum are available if the packet is also purchased. Helpful when there is more than one leader for a group or when multiple groups use a packet.

From this, link you can access information to order items such as Alabaster boxes, and other mission supplies. <https://www.thefoundrypublishing.com/ministry-resources/church-supplies.html>

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## **WORLD EVANGELISM FUND**

To learn more about WEF visit: <http://nazarene.org/wef>

### **Why do we give to the World Evangelism Fund?**

**World Evangelism Giving** is the cornerstone of Nazarene Missions. This denominational fund (WEF) is the foundation for discovering, delivering, and resourcing our mission's organization around the world. Every Nazarene church participates in Nazarene Missions through their contributions to World Evangelism giving. World Evangelism giving is essential for Nazarene Missions initiatives to thrive.

Here are a few examples of ministries that the World Evangelism Fund makes possible through direct funding or the ministry network:

- New churches and ministry outposts
- Missionaries • Regional ministries
- Christian literature and resources
- Partner Ministries such as JESUS Film Harvest Partners, Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, and many more
- Holiness education

### **What is the easiest way to pay World Evangelism Fund in full?**

- Contributing weekly or monthly will help the church more easily reach its goal.
- Making contributions online via bank draft is easy at [www.FundingTheMission.org](http://www.FundingTheMission.org).
- Or mail checks to Global Treasury Services, P O Box 843116, Kansas City, MO 64184-3116.
- Mark each contribution for the ending church year (for example, 2020-2021)

### **What is my church's goal for paying World Evangelism Fund in full?**

The goal is to send least 5.5% of adjusted church income for the World Evangelism Fund, as verified by the Annual Pastor's Report submitted to the district in March.

### **What is the goal for overpaying World Evangelism Fund to reach Church of Excellence?**

The goal is to send least 5.7% of adjusted church income or \$1,500 over goal for the World Evangelism Fund, as verified by the Annual Pastor's Report submitted in March.



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## **FAITH PROMISE**

Faith Promise is a plan based on missions giving at systematic intervals rather than just twice a year. Through Faith Promise, People pray about the amount they should give for missions (over and above their tithe). The amount is often given weekly, biweekly, or monthly.

### **How to prepare and plan Faith Promise with your pastor and council:**

- a. Set the date and plan a Faith Promise emphasis.
- b. Discuss your specific responsibilities for the Faith Promise emphasis.
- c. Who will be the speaker? Who will book the speaker?
- d. Length of Faith Promise emphasis: Saturday? Sunday morning only? Sunday morning & evening? Saturday night & Sunday morning?
- e. Plan for special gatherings? Friday evening rally, Saturday men's breakfast, women's lunch, teen pizza party Saturday night?

**Ask** about a missions bulletin board, the church calendar, and how and when the deadlines are for submitting mission information for the Sunday morning church worship folder, church newsletter, or website.

**Discuss** the amount that needs to be raised for mission for the coming year, starting with the WEF (5.5%), special offerings, local NMI Council expenses, missionary speakers—both care and offerings.

**Need a WEF brochure for your church? Download one here for free.**

<https://resources.nazarene.org/index.php/s/2zJSG5fqWM9Tk6E#pdfviewer>

**WEF Videos:** <https://nazarene.org/wef> (In various languages)

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## LINKS

Links is a NMI top 5 area of impact and a strategic ministry 'linking' Nazarene missionaries and Nazarene churches through prayer, personal contact, and generous giving.

Global NMI assigns each District missionary families (Links) every 3 years. Missionaries can use gifts to help with their everyday needs, such as food, clothing, etc. Your NC NMI requests that you reach out to all of your Links missionaries, pray for them, and consider sending gifts for birthdays, anniversaries, and special holiday's, such as Christmas.

Sending gifts to your Links missionaries: To send cards directly, you will need to first email your Links missionary and ask them for their address. Global NMI and security reasons do not allow us to publish our Links physical addresses. To send financial gifts, please remit checks to: Global Treasury Service P.O. Box 843116 Kansas City, MO 64184-3116 \*Description for remittance: Missionary first and last name + Links Example: "Erika Contreras Medina Links" Do NOT send mail to the Global Ministry Center.

**For more Care & Connection (LINKS) information click on this link:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-links>

**Our district LINKS coordinator is Janet Creech. Her email is:** [Kidsblessing@yahoo.com](mailto:Kidsblessing@yahoo.com)

**NOTE: At this time, we are not assigned a LINKS missionary. Our missionary has come back to the states. As soon as we have a new assignment we will email and update this document.**

## DEPUTATION

The Church of the Nazarene funds its mission's enterprise, and supports missionary families, through the World Evangelism Fund (WEF), which is given by local churches around the world throughout the year.

Missionaries supplement this fund by traveling to their home country every few years to raise money for specific ministry needs and projects, as well as to share with churches what God is doing around the world and inspire greater involvement with God through missions.

### What is home assignment?

Most Nazarene missionaries visit their home country periodically to raise funds. These trips are called deputation, or home assignment. The money they raise pays for a variety of personal

needs including medical expenses, home furnishing, transportation and special mission projects.

If and when you have a missionary come to your church for a deputation or Faith Promise service, here are a few things to remember while hosting:

Imagine having a Thanksgiving dinner every day for three months. Furlough fat is the fate of missionaries. Taking care of special church guests requires healthy hospitality.

When family comes to our house on vacation, we spoil and indulge them. We stay up late chatting or playing games. We go to the mall to shop for the upcoming family event. It is a break from their routine, a pleasure trip.

For many missionaries, however, travel is their job. They need a different type of caring. This thoughtfulness manifests itself in three fundamental areas: food, sleep and free time.

Potlucks can be challenging places for anyone who has to be careful about his or her health. People are emotionally invested in the food they bring. They want to prepare food the missionary will be talking about years later. They also do not want anyone to go away hungry. There seems to be no graceful way for the guest speaker to say, "I need to lose weight. Support me.

" Food, rest and fun are essential elements for guests to leave ready to carry on with their God-given work. Stamina is needed to constantly travel. Healthy hospitality helps

**Our deputation Secretary is Dawn York. Her email is:**


[ddyork430@gmail.com](mailto:ddyork430@gmail.com)

#### **Deputation Offering Recommendations**

<b>Sunday Morning Worship.....</b>	<b>\$400-\$500</b>
<b>Sunday Evening Worship.....</b>	<b>\$250-\$350</b>
<b>Weeknight Gatherings.....</b>	<b>\$225-\$325</b>
<b>Weekend Conventions .....</b>	<b>\$700- no limit</b>
<b>District NMI Conventions .....</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>The actual amount will vary according to the size of the church and the distance the missionary travels.</b>	

\*\*\*\*\*See the brochure for more information and suggestions.

## Deputation brochure



to make  
**Christlike  
disciples  
in the nations**

**global vision**

You and your local church are at the very heart of the efforts of the Church of the Nazarene to fulfill its mission. Together with other Nazarenes around the world, you support approximately 700 missionaries from over 40 countries to more than 155 world areas.

Through deputation, your local church will hear firsthand accounts from the frontlines of mission service.

Your missionaries' reports will inform and lift mission awareness. You will learn of specific needs on the field, strategies for developing a growing church worldwide, stories of transformation, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

GLOBAL MISSION

participation

**Deputation Offerings:**  
Deputation offerings support the missionaries' specific needs that are beyond the World Evangelism Fund such as:

- Vehicles and equipment for field ministry
- Deputation travel and housing
- Educational benefits for missionary and children
- Supplement to pension (403b) and medical plans
- Special ministry projects on the field

**Recommended Minimum Amounts:**

Sunday Morning Worship: ..... \$350-450  
 Sunday Evening Worship: ..... \$200-300  
 Weeknight Gatherings: ..... \$175-275  
 Weekend Conventions: ..... \$700-no limit  
 District NMI Conventions: ..... \$1,000  
 The actual amount will vary according to the size of the church and the distance the missionary travels.


**Recommendations:**

- Receive the offering after the missionary speaks. Give the congregation an opportunity to respond to the missionary's ministry.
- Make checks payable to: General Treasurer, Church of the Nazarene with the missionary's name and the word "deputation" on the memo line.
- Give checks directly to the missionary, if possible.
- Include travel costs in the deputation offering.

**scheduling**

Church of the Nazarene  
 17001 Prairie Star Pkwy  
 Lenexa, KS 66220  
 Phone: 913.577.2980  
 Email: [deputation@nazarene.org](mailto:deputation@nazarene.org)

**Deputation  
Home Assignment**



connecting **your church**  
to its **global outreach**

suggestions to prepare your church for this global event:

## challenge

Personally contact the missionary in advance of the service. (Contact information has been sent to your church.) As host, your church will want to make the necessary arrangements for travel, food, and lodging.

- Please give attention to gender issues when planning transportation and housing.
- Please consider that some may have allergies to pets and certain foods. The missionary should make those needs known prior to arrival.

During the missionary's visit, provide for specific needs: telephone, computer or Internet use, vehicle, private time, etc.

Provide comfortable accommodations for the missionary; a private room or hotel/motel is often appreciated.

- Global Mission does not make travel/lodging arrangements for the missionary. These details are coordinated directly between the host church and the missionary.
- Although travel reimbursement is not required, each church is encouraged to assist in covering travel expenses.

## inspiration

As you communicate with the missionary, find out what types of ministry opportunities the missionary has available. Some missionaries sing, play instruments, and have PowerPoint or video presentations. Some have programs for children or teens.

Tell the missionary the technology available at your church (including details such as the type of computer and version of PowerPoint). Plan to give the missionary access to the sound and video technicians 30 minutes before the service.

Add to the missionary's program with participation from your local church with the choice of specials, music, drama sketches, etc. Keep preliminary activities brief, allowing for "maximum missionary time." If the missionary finishes early, allow for questions and answers.



## connection

For best results, announce the mission event several weeks in advance. Promote through posters, drama, bulletin inserts, pictures, newsletters, newspaper, radio, GM DVD video clip, Internet, E-mail, Sunday announcements, etc. Global Mission provides the missionary's photo and news release. Additional information and press releases may be found at the link "Missionary Profiles" on the Global Mission web site: <http://app.nazarene.org/MissionaryProfiles>

For faith promise conventions, communicate the theme for the weekend, your World Evangelism Fund commitment, your goal for this emphasis and any special instructions for the conclusion of the service.

To maximize the opportunity, arrange for all age groups to be present during the missionary's main presentation. Create specific times for the missionary to meet with children and youth. Opportunities exist for everyone to experience missions.



## Where to Send Monies

To ensure your church gets proper credit, make sure your offerings are sent to the right place. (See instructions for Local NMI Treasurers on the following page for additional details.)

Please share this page with your Church Treasurer and/or NMI Treasurer

<p><b>GENERAL TREASURER</b></p> <p><b>Make checks payable to:</b> General Treasurer Church of the Nazarene <b>Mail to:</b> P.O. Box 843116, Kansas City, MO 64184-3116</p>	<p><b>Payments for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Evangelism Fund</li> <li>• Thanksgiving</li> <li>• Easter offering</li> <li>• Faith Promise</li> <li>• Pensions &amp; Benefits</li> <li>• Prayer &amp; Fasting</li> <li>• Alabaster</li> <li>• DSA or Memorial Roll Certificate</li> <li>• Medical Plan</li> <li>• World Mission Radio</li> <li>• VBS Mission</li> <li>• Deputation</li> <li>• Compassionate Ministries</li> <li>• Hunger &amp; Disaster Offerings &amp; any 10% "Approved" World Mission Special Offering</li> <li>• LINKS for adopted missionaries</li> </ul>
<p><b>NC DISTRICT NMI TREASURER</b></p> <p><b>Make checks payable to:</b> NC District NMI <b>Mail to:</b> Walter Irons, 6823 Fenning Dr., Charlotte, NC 28227 <b>Phone:</b> 704-545-3456</p>	<p><b>Payments for:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Children's District Mission Project (10% credit) → VBS offering IF you want it to count as your Children's Project offering</li> <li>2. Youth District Mission Project (10% credit)</li> <li>3. Work &amp; Witness offering for district Work &amp; Witness projects</li> </ol>

## Approved Mission Special Offerings

These offerings are **over and beyond the WEF**. When a local church gives these offerings through the appropriate channels, that church will receive credit toward Ten Percent recognition.

While all Approved Mission Specials are important and have value to the global mission of the church, NMI places a priority on and promotes the following:

**Alabaster** – typically received in February and September, may be received once or twice a year according to local church preference. For more information click here:

<https://nazarene.org/alabaster> **Video link:** Over 30,000 USD were received in the first offering celebrating Alabaster's 75 years of laying foundations where people worship, heal, and learn. Additional funds were received, but not counted when the total was shared during the Global NMI Convention. Click <https://nubo.nazarene.org/index.php/s/RkfX2beXKRPp9rq> to access the video introducing the Alabaster 75th Anniversary celebration, available in English, French, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish.

**Missionary Care** – Missionary care is an important strategy of Nazarene Missions International (NMI) to help provide for personal needs of missionaries. For more information click here:

<https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-links>

- These expressions of care include:  
Links: a strategy for “linking” churches with missionaries through prayer and personal contact.
- Missionary Christmas Fund: provides a monetary Christmas gift for missionaries.
- Missionary Health Care: monies collected through the Memorial Roll and Distinguished Service Award used to subsidize missionary health care costs.
- The Memorial Roll: a way to honor deceased friends and loved ones. A certificate is issued in the name of the person memorialized and is often presented to a family member or displayed in the church.
- Distinguished Service Award: a certificate presented to an individual to recognize outstanding service to God and the church. The presenter (usually a church or district) contributes \$125 to Missionary Health Care.

**World Mission Broadcast** – Provides electronic media broadcasts of the gospel throughout the world. This offering may be promoted any time the local church may deem best to be most effective. For more information click here: <https://nazarene.org/wmb>

**\*\*\*Churches may include any of the above offerings in the local budget or in faith promise without receiving an offering.**

**Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, JESUS Film Harvest Partners Work & Witness, International Student Scholarship Fund, and Books for Pastors** will continue to be promoted and churches may support these offerings through faith promise or by other strategies. NCM link-<https://www.ncm.org/>

Be sure to report any other 10% Point to Point giving to missions at your Funding the Mission site

### **Other Global Giving --- Non-Ten Percent Giving**

- Duty money on packages sent to missionaries
- Postage on LINKS communications and packages
- Items for LINKS (instead of cash)
- Personal gifts to missionaries

**Designated Giving** is a vehicle for specific Nazarene Missions initiatives. Designated giving (Approved Specials) allows every member to give directly to specific needs within the Nazarene Missions organization as defined by the Church of the Nazarene.

### **World Evangelism Church of Excellence**

Churches that give at least 5.7 percent or an additional \$1,500, whichever is less to WEF. (This giving parallels the former "Award of Excellence.") WEF giving beyond 5.5 percent invests in new world areas and new works in the U.S.A. and Canada.



## Nazarene Missions International Fast Facts

- The Church of the Nazarene ministers in **164 world areas**. During the 2021 General Board, **Luxembourg**, on the Eurasia Region, became the latest world area to receive approval for official entry.
- In 2020, there were **531 missionaries** originating from **64 world areas**, serving in **96 countries**. Of these missionaries, **361 served as global deployed** and **170 were sponsored deployed**. Last year, there were **66 new missionary deployments** (some of whom are awaiting their departure for the field, due to COVID-19 travel restrictions). Within these missionary families, there are **302 missionary kids**.
- The number of Nazarene churches grew to **31,049 churches**, an increase of 0.56 percent, with **2.64 million members**, an increase of 0.90 percent increase from last year.
- In 2020, there were **489 districts** around the world, with **30,184 credentialed clergy**.
- **51 educational institutions, including graduate seminaries/theological colleges, 13 liberal arts colleges/universities, 30 undergraduate seminaries/theological/Bible colleges, 2 nurses training colleges, 1 teacher training college, and 1,411 education centers (extension)** had a 2020 combined **enrollment of 49,244 students** globally.
- Persons in need were treated at **community-based clinics and health care centers** all over the world with concentrated efforts in India, Papua New Guinea, and Eswatini (formerly known as Swaziland).
- **406 retired missionaries** received benefits through the Global Missions Pension Plan for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- **NMI membership was 1,058,137**, with the **number of organized local NMIs rising to 19,143**
- **JESUS Film Harvest Partners (JFHP), raising \$3.67 million**, reports that World Evangelism Fund(WEF) helped provide infrastructure for **847 JFHP teams** to share God's love. In 2019–2020, the teams reported **1.9 million evangelistic contacts**. Of these contacts, **511,097 indicated decisions for Christ** with **314,924 initial discipleship follow-ups**. The teams started **8,632 preaching points** in 2020.
- NMI and others partnered with local churches to help raise **US \$37.09 million through the World Evangelism Fund** during the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- Churches globally gave **US \$25.88 million for Approved Mission Specials**.<sup>1</sup>
- In 2020, **77 districts gave 5.5 percent of their income and beyond to the World Evangelism Fund (52 of which were from regions other than the US/Canada region)**. WEF giving beyond 5.5 percent helps open new work, sustains works opened in recent years, and helps send new missionaries that God calls.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>“New work” refers to new world areas, a geographical area, or new entities such as institutions. Pioneer areas or Phase 1 districts are considered new work. When a district reaches Phase 2, it is no longer a “new work.”

- **Missionary Health Care** provided **US \$304,671 in medical assistance** for Nazarene missionaries, through offerings, Memorial Roll gifts, and Distinguished Service Award gifts.
- Nazarenes gave **US \$233,667 to World Mission Broadcast (WMB)**, providing radio, television, and Internet programs to share the gospel globally.
- Nazarenes gave **US \$3.07 million in deputation** offerings for missionaries.
- NMI has more than **269 districts worldwide participating in Links**, contributing **\$186,051**, and creating personalized connections between local churches, districts, and missionaries around the world. Each connection is vital in continuing to share about the impact of missions.
- Nazarenes gave **US \$2.4 million for Alabaster**, to fund construction projects in 2020. The Alabaster Offering is used in all six global regions.\*\* No Alabaster funds are used for administrative costs.
- **International Student Scholarship Fund** (NMI 80th Anniversary project) provided **86 scholarships** for students outside the USA/Canada to attend Nazarene theological institutions.
- NMI partnered with **Nazarene Compassionate Ministries** to give **more than US \$4.3 million**, for disaster response and compassion projects around the world and to support **11,951 children** through Child Development Centers and Pastor's Kid programs.
- NMI assisted **Work & Witness** in raising approximately **US \$1.01 million**, to deploy **270 teams**, an **average of 4.82 teams per week**. **2,659 volunteers** participated in Work & Witness in 2020, donating **173,023 hours of labor (or 86.5 years of labor)**.
- Nazarene churches around the world operated **1,353 pre-school, primary, and secondary schools** with a **total enrollment of 162,797 students**.

God has blessed the efforts of the Church of the Nazarene during the COVID-19 pandemic, extending grace, bringing hope, and ministering peace to those in need of Him around the world. Thank you for your faithfulness in these uncertain times.

\* Supported either directly or indirectly by World Evangelism Fund (WEF).

\*\* Represents data for the fiscal year (1 October, 2019 through 30 September, 2020).

Denominational statistics for 2020

NMI 3/2021

[www.nazarene.org/nmi](http://www.nazarene.org/nmi)

## **NC District Work & Witness – Nazarene Mission Teams**

Coordinator: Pastor Tom Roswick [troswick@att.net](mailto:troswick@att.net)

When we go on a district work & witness trip we have to provide “project money” in advance funds to purchase the materials that will be use for the project we will be working on. The project money can be anywhere from \$10,000.00 up.

**\*\*\*\*Note: Our W&W projects are registered.**

**\*\*\*\*NOTE We have established the months of March and October as work and witness offering month. We ask that each church send an offering -earmarked “District W&W Project Money”.**

**Note: This DOES count toward 10% credit**

Your treasurer can mail these earmarked funds to:

### **NC DISTRICT NMI TREASURER**

**Make checks payable to:** NC District NMI – earmarked “District W&W Project Money”

**Mail to:** Walter Irons, 6823 Fenning Dr., Charlotte, NC 28227

## **Ten Percent Giving**

To learn more about 10% giving visit this link: <http://nazarene.org/stewardship/tenpercent>

## **Ten Percent Mission Specials Ministries**

The majority of Nazarene ministries are Ten Percent approved, including JESUS Film, Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, registered Work and Witness projects, and registered Compassionate Ministry Centers. To be sure, the ministry you give toward is approved, you can use the following sites to locate needs you would like to donate toward. Some ministries not listed above may also be Ten Percent Specials. If you are unsure about the status of a ministry, please email or call us at 800-544-8413 to find out more.

When a church meets its Funding the Mission giving goals, it is recognized as a World Evangelism Church. When a church also gives ten percent of its total income to mission work via donations to the World Evangelism Fund and Mission Specials, the church reaches its Ten Percent goal and is recognized as a Mission 10 church.

Some generous churches contribute more than 10 percent to the shared global mission. These churches receive recognition in five percent increments beyond the Mission 10 status (mission 15, 20, 25, etc.).

Additionally, Nazarene Missions International recognizes churches that meet their World Evangelism Fund goal at 5.7% as World Evangelism Churches of Excellence.

[stewardship@nazarene.org](mailto:stewardship@nazarene.org) Call toll free: 1-800-544-8413 Fax: 913-577-0875

## **World Mission Broadcast**

To learn more about WMB visit: <http://www.nazarene.org/wmb>

Welcome! Join us as we take the gospel to the world through radio, television, and Internet programs. On the air since 1944, World Mission Broadcast (WMB) reaches even the most remote parts of the world, with words of hope and holiness ... and lives are changed.

**Note: Our district has established June as WMB offering month**

### **For more information contact:**

<p>Karla Edwards  <a href="mailto:wmb@nazarene.org">wmb@nazarene.org</a>          Phone: 913-577-2905</p>	<p>World Mission Broadcast          17001 Prairie Star Parkway          Lenexa, KS, USA 66220</p>
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## **Link to the 2017 NMI Constitution**

[https://www.dropbox.com/sh/2kf6621rrzsoxtv/AACRkeJG4U2oQfliC2H-BH-La/Constitution/8.5x11?dl=0&preview=NMI\\_Constitution-2017-English.pdf&subfolder\\_nav\\_tracking=1](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/2kf6621rrzsoxtv/AACRkeJG4U2oQfliC2H-BH-La/Constitution/8.5x11?dl=0&preview=NMI_Constitution-2017-English.pdf&subfolder_nav_tracking=1)

## JESUS Film Harvest Partners

General Address:  
15055 W. 116th Street  
Olathe, KS 66062  
Phone: 913-663-5700  
[www.JFHP.org](http://www.JFHP.org)

### 3.22 BILLION PEOPLE HAVE NEVER HEARD THE GOOD NEWS

Partner with indigenous church planters using solar-powered technology to share the gospel.

Click here to donate: <https://jfhp.org/donate>



**As of June 8, 2021 their stats were:**



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EVANGELISTIC CONTACTS

**87,285,806**

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

**17,400,627**

DISCIPLESHIP FOLLOW-UPS

**8,315,711**

PREACHING POINTS

**102,548**

**The Power of Stories** <https://jfhp.org/index.php/stories/the-power-of-stories>



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**Visit their website for more information:** <https://ifhp.org/>

### **Nazarene Compassionate Ministries**

To learn more about Nazarene Compassionate Ministries visit: <https://www.ncm.org/>

**For specific ways to pray** visit: <http://nazarene.org/nmi/prayer>

**Alabaster Offering** To learn more about Alabaster visit: <http://nazarene.org/special-offerings>

**Visit our NC District page:** [www.ncnaz.org](http://www.ncnaz.org)

**Here you will find links to get more information on the following:**

- **NC District NMI Council for 2021-2022- Contact information**
- **LINKS Missionaries Names-** (Their personal information and pictures will emailed to all pastors and NMI presidents. (For security we are not posting this information online)

**World Areas:** The Church of the Nazarene has been global from its founding. The Church of the Nazarene is organized into six regions in **164 world areas**. Each week, Nazarenes worship in more than **212 languages or tribal languages**. To learn more about the church across the world, visit the different regional websites. **For more information:**

<https://nazarene.org/world-areas>

### **End of Year Reporting**

There are 4 forms that need to be returned to the District NMI Secretary at the end of the church year either by mail or email.

You can find these forms @ [www.ncnaz.org](http://www.ncnaz.org) > click on Programs> click on NMI> Click on Overview

1. Local NMI President's Report Form
2. Local NMI Council Address Form
3. Delegates for District NMI Convention
4. Honor Society Worksheet
5. In the email share a story of what your church did for Missions this year.

**NOTE: All church reports are due to be emailed or mailed by May 8, 2022.**

**If possible, email your report to our District NMI Secretary Miriam Irons.  
[nc.nmi.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:nc.nmi.secretary@gmail.com)**

**If you cannot email the reports, you can snail-mail them to Miriam to:**

**NC NMI District Secretary  
6823 Fenning Dr.  
Charlotte, NC 28227.**

**Reminder emails will be sent. Please know that YOUR report matters. Thank you in advance for fulfilling your role of NMI president or if your church does not have an NMI president-pastor thank you for sending in these much-needed reports.**



### Quick Links for navigating the Global Nazarene Missions International website:

- **Nazarene Missions International website:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international>
- **Who we are:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/who-we-are>
- **History:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/who-we-are/nmi-history>
- **Resources:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/who-we-are/nmi-resources>
- **Impact:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/areas-impact/nmi-areas-impact>
- **Prayer:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-prayer>
- **Alabaster:** <https://nazarene.org/alabaster>
- **Engaging Children and Youth:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/areas-impact/engaging-children-youth>
- **World Evangelism Fund (WEF):** <https://nazarene.org/wef>
- **LINKS:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-links>
- **Distinguished Service Award (DSA):** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-distinguished-service-award>
- **Memorial Roll:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-memorial-roll>

- **DSA/Memorial Roll History:** <http://app.nazarene.org/NMICertificate/>

- **Curriculum:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/curriculum>

- **Missions Books:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-missions-books>

- **Children's Curriculum:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-childrens-curriculum>

- **Children's Missions Books:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-childrens-mission-books>

- **FAQ General NMI Questions:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-faqs>

- **FAQ For Local Leaders:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-faqs-nmi-leader>

- **To subscribe to the Prayer Mobilization Line:** <https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-prayer> Scroll towards the bottom and enter your email in the Prayer Mobilization link.

## Crisis Care Kits/ School Pal Paks

CCK's and SPPs are under "Gifts in Kind" with Nazarene Compassionate Ministries

For more information click here: <https://www.ncmi.org/gifts-in-kind>

- Please read all this information for a clear understanding of CCK's and SPP's and why we must stick to the required instructions. These boxes have the potential to go around the world.
- There will be explanation of how we collect these and an explanation of the required check to cover \$15.00 for each box you bring.

**Gifts in Kind** <https://www.ncmi.org/gifts-in-kind>

Gifts-in-Kind (GIK) is a type of charitable giving in which, instead of giving money to buy needed goods and services, the goods and services are given. As Christians, we give because sharing with others is at the core of the Gospel.

A GIK shipment involves sending a 40-foot container, and in some instances, a 20-foot container, to Nazarene ministries overseas. The container, loaded with GIK items, is transported by truck to a nearby port, then loaded onto a sea vessel and shipped overseas. Containers can be purchased and will remain in the country of destination to be used by the recipient organization. The recipient organization is called the Consignee.

### GIK SHIPPING STANDARDS

As a program, Gifts-in-Kind has earned an excellent reputation with several countries' governments that are skeptical of most donating programs. This program deals with an impressive amount of red tape in clearing shipments with different government's customs offices, but has been successful in building relationships and trust. Because of this reputation, we require high standards of quality of the donated goods. In this section you will find many guidelines we ask that you abide by. Please know this is not to be overly picky, but to convey a message of love to the person who will eventually receive it as a gift from his brothers and sisters in Christ.

We follow the GIK Standards set by Accord (formerly known as AERDO). Accord serves Christian organizations and churches to achieve the highest standards, principles and effectiveness in their relief and development efforts. ([Click here to review the Accord GIK Standards](#))

The Gifts-in-Kind program is one of the many ways we as a church body reach out in compassion to provide hope and help to the needy. It is a program made possible by your donations and willingness to volunteer. Thank you for helping us to be the hands and feet of Jesus around the world.

## CRISIS CARE KIT PREPARATION

1. Gather **NEW** items in quantities listed below. Assemble Crisis Care Kits (CCKs) and seal the Ziploc bags. Include only those items listed below. **Deviating from this list can cause an entire shipment to be rejected in customs.** Set the CCKs in groups of six (6) to determine the number of banana boxes needed.
2. Pack contents below into a clear 2-gallon OR 2.5-gallon plastic Ziploc bag and seal:
  - 1 medium-size bottle of shampoo (12-18 oz.), please tape flip-tops closed
  - 2 bars of soap (bath-size or larger)
  - 1 medium toothpaste (4.0-6.4 oz.)
  - 3 toothbrushes (in original packaging)
  - 1 box of Band-Aids (30 or more)
  - 1 fingernail clipper
  - 1 sturdy hair comb
  - 2 hand towels
  - 4 pocket-size packages of facial tissue
  - 1 Beanie Baby-size stuffed toy
3. Obtain the banana boxes from your local grocery store. **Please ship CCKs solely in banana boxes, as they provide uniformity, eliminating wasted space in shipping.**
4. Cut the heavy brown paper (usually found in the banana box) in half and place inside the bottom of the box. Tape the other half over the hole in the lid. (Plain cardboard may be used in the same way if your banana boxes are missing the paper.)
5. Fill each box with **six (6) CCKs—no more, no less.**
6. **Do not insert money or literature** (including anything with the church's name on it, notes, etc.) in the CCKs or banana boxes.
7. Using strong packing tape, cover all holes in the top and the bottom of the box. Then tape the box securely shut. Please leave box handles open; this makes it easier to load and unload.
8. When addressing the box, please put the name and address of the church (or individual donor) on the box in the "From" section and the address of the warehouse in the "To" section.
9. **Do not wrap banana boxes** in brown paper or contact paper or put filled banana boxes inside another box.
10. **Bring the boxes to our MAC (District Convention) and the boxes and required check will be collected at the appointed collection point and time.**
11. **Bring a check from your church: Make your check payable to NC District NMI and "Earmark it CCKs/SPPs":**  
**The check must be presented to those collecting the boxes to cover \$15.00 for each CCK box you bring to the district MAC (District Convention)**

- The \$15.00 covers the following: The 12.00 storage fee required by the warehouse that helps ship these boxes anywhere in the world as needed and \$3.00 helps cover the district cost of delivering the boxes to the warehouse.
- Include the **name and address of your church** with the check.
  - Our treasurer will write one check for the storage fee and send a list of the churches that participated. Ten Percent Credit will be allowed for the \$12.00 shipping donation only. **Do not put the money in the CCKs or banana boxes.**

## SCHOOL PAL-PAK PREPARATION

1. Gather **NEW** items in quantities listed below. Assemble School Pal-Paks (SPPs) and seal the Ziploc bags. Include only those items listed below. Deviating from this list can cause an entire shipment to be rejected in customs. Set the SPPs in groups of ten (10) to determine the number of boxes needed.
2. Pack contents below in a clear 1-gallon Ziploc bag and seal:

-2 composition notebooks (such as Mead brand), no larger than 9¾" x 7½". (**No spiral-bound notebooks will be accepted.**)

-package of #2 pencils (quantity—10-12 pencils)

-package of black pens (quantity—10-12 pens)

-pink erasers, 2-3" long

-rulers (6" or 12", with metric measurements)

-package of colored pencils (quantity—12-15)

-pair of blunt-nosed scissors

-hand-held pencil sharpener

These contents will give each student a notebook, 5-6 pencils, 5-6 pens, an eraser, and a ruler. Two students will share the colored pencils, scissors, and sharpener.

3. Obtain 12"x12"x12" boxes from any office supply store such as Office Depot, Office Max, Staples, or a UPS store.
4. Fill each box with **10 Pal-Paks—no more, no less.**
5. **Do not insert money or literature** (including anything with the church's name on it, notes, etc.) in the Pal-Paks or boxes.
6. Using strong packing tape, tape the box securely shut.
7. When addressing the box, please put the name and address of the church (or the individual donor) on the box in the "From" section and the address of the warehouse in the "To" section.
8. **Do not wrap boxes** in brown paper or contact paper or put filled boxes inside another box.
9. Bring a check from your church: **Make your check payable to NC District NMI and "Earmark it CCKs/SPPs":**

**The check must be presented to those collecting the boxes to cover \$15.00 for each box you bring to the district MAC (District Convention)**

- **The \$15.00 covers the following:** The **10.00 storage fee for SPP** required by the warehouse that helps ship these boxes anywhere in the world as needed and **\$5.00 helps cover the district cost of delivering the boxes to the warehouse.**
- Include the **name and address of your church** with the check.
  - Our treasurer will write one check for the storage fee and send a list of the churches that participated. **Ten Percent Credit will be allowed for the \$12.00 shipping donation only. Do not put the money in the CCKs or banana boxes.**

### **HOW YOU CAN RAISE THE PER BOX SHIPPING COSTS**

- Have a line item in your NMI budget.
- Take a special offering.
- Have fundraisers to cover cost. This would be a great project for teens.
- Encourage your church family to share the need with friends, neighbors, and relatives outside of the church.
- Check with business people.
- Pass out Quarter and Dime Coin Collectors ( Quarters \$10.00 a roll and Dimes are \$5.00 per roll)

### **Partners in Ministry**

North Carolina's CCK's and SPP's go to: Fawn Grove, PA.

[Fawn Grove Compassion Center \(FGCC\)](#)

(accepts Crisis Care Kits, School Pal-Paks, and many other items.)

### Standards and Goals 2021-2022

It is important that the Nazarene Missions International (NMI) work effectively in helping to carry out the Great Commission. Standards and Goals can help keep us moving in the right direction. Standards set up a rule for measuring. Goals encourage reaching ahead. May we strive to meet and exceed the goals established this year for God's eternal glory.

We, your committee on Standards and Goals, recommend the following:

I. Each local church has an organized Nazarene Missions International

A. Enroll all church members participating in the mission program of the local church as active members and enroll as associate members those people who are currently active in the mission program of the local church but are not members of the local congregation.

II. B. Organize the following auxiliaries:

1. Children's chapter      2. Youth chapter

C. Elect a local Work and Witness coordinator and participate in district Work and Witness projects and, if possible, plan a Work and Witness trip from your local church.

D. Elect or appoint a Mission Call Director who actively seeks out, encourages and gives purposeful direction to children, youth who feel there is a possible call of God on their lives for missionary service. This Director will report the names and contact information for such individuals to the District Mission Call Director and the local pastor.

**Each church pays its World Evangelism Fund (WEF) in full and strives to earn the Award of Excellence.**

A. This is achieved through accomplishing one or a combination of the following:

1. Thanksgiving Offering
2. Easter Offering
3. Prayer and Fasting Offering
4. Faith Promise Offering
5. Any offering designated as WEF Offering

B. Award of Excellence: overpay the WEF by 3% or \$1,000.00 (whichever is less)

#### **MISSION PRIORITY ONE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Prayer-The church will pray for missions.
2. Global Awareness- The church will use mission's resources and participate in activities to develop global awareness.
3. Children and Youth- the church will provide opportunity for its children and youth to experience missions and to respond to God's call.
4. Giving- The church will pay World Evangelism fund in full.

III. Each local church fulfills the following financial responsibilities:

A. **Pay the North Carolina District budget in full**

B. Pay the LINKS apportionment by September 30 (we are the only District assigned to our LINKS missionaries)

C. Participate in the Medical Plan through:

1. Memorial Roll
2. Distinguished Service Award
3. Special Medical Plan Offering in May

4. Gifts from the Heart



**D. Participate in World Evangelism Broadcast Offering (June emphasis)**

**E. Participate in the Alabaster offering (September and February)**

**F. Participate in the Compassionate Ministries Offering (December emphasis)**

**G. Participate in the District Work and Witness Project Offering (October and March)**

1. **Project Money goes entirely for materials/supplies to be used on the specific work assignment of the Work and Witness trip.**
2. **Mail to District NMI Treasurer by October and March in order to help fund the Project Money for the District Work and Witness trips each year.**
3. **That each church considers when providing its Work & Witness Project offerings the fact that the General church requires a minimum of \$10,000.00 per Work & Witness Project and that generally North Carolina attempts to have two District Work & Witness trips per year.**

**H. If possible, each local church will host or co-host a missionary speaker each year and provide Deputation Offering in line with General NMI Handbook and Constitution recommendations.**

**The following minimum offering scale is recommended:**

1. **Sunday Morning Service..... \$400-500**
2. **Sunday Evening Service.....\$250-\$350**
3. **Weekday Service..... \$225-\$325**
4. **Faith Promise Convention.....\$700-No limit**
5. **District NMI Convention.....\$1,000.00**

**IV. Each local church finds a way to give 10% of the total church income to World Evangelism.** Recognizing the impact that churches around the world have found by using Faith Promise giving as one of the most effective and powerful way to raise this WEF completely and even overpay it, every church is encouraged to at least try the method of Faith Promise to raise WEF and 10% giving.

V. Each local church achieves Mission Priority One Award and North Carolina Honor Society status

#### **PROCEDURES THAT WILL AID AND ASSIST THE LOCAL CHURCH IN REACHING ALL GOALS**

1. Participation by each church in an organized PRAYER and fasting program a. Utilizing the Prayer Mobilization Line by Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/NMIPrayer> b. Utilizing the Prayer Mobilization Line by Internet at <http://www.nazareneemissions.org> (then click on "Prayer Mobilization Line") c. Join our district Facebook page by logging on to your Facebook account and then typing NC District NMI
2. Promotion of mission education through mission reading books and other methods according to the guidelines/requirements for mission education (these guidelines and requirements are found in the NMI Handbook and Constitution and Mission Priority One Guidelines)
3. Annual subscription and reading of the Holiness Today magazine by every church family
4. Use of the current NMI Handbook.
5. Quarterly meetings of the Local NMI Council for planning, promotion and evaluation
6. Participation in available workshops, Missional Area, District and Southeast Regional meetings.
7. If possible, mission education shall be accomplished through monthly local NMI meetings promoting the monthly calendar emphasis, prayer and mission study. Use of a variety of mission education resources is recommended: mission education curriculum now named Living Mission, videos, deputation speakers, dramas, etc. Remember that the curriculum is only a guide and resource and does not have to be covered in detail monthly in order to accomplish true mission education in the local church. We encourage the freedom of each local NMI to provide exciting, interesting, innovative mission education in whatever forum works best for each local congregation. We encourage the regular use of mission spots in Sunday services to reach the greatest number of people.
8. Look for mission opportunities in your community, Ex: Salvation Army, Local homeless shelter.
9. Utilization of available NMI News services
  - a. World Mission Video Magazine
  - b. Global Glimpses
  - c. Engage Magazine (online magazine: [www.engagemagazine.com](http://www.engagemagazine.com))
  - d. [www.nazarene.org](http://www.nazarene.org) for pictures, names, locations of missionaries on the field
9. Promoting, hosting and attending services with missionaries on deputation and other mission speakers.
10. District Goal- each church is encouraged to prepare and send at least 1 or more boxes (each) of Crisis Care Kits (CCK's) and School Pal Paks (SPP's)

## Global NMI Directory

For an expanded view of the directory visit: <http://www.nazarene.org/contact-information>

### Mailing Address and Phone Number

Global Ministry Center  
17001 Prairie Star Parkway  
Lenexa, KS 66220  
913-577-0500

<b>913-577-0500</b>	<b>EXT.</b>	<b>For general questions, e mail <a href="mailto:info@nazarene.org">info@nazarene.org</a></b>
<b>Global Mission Department</b>		<b>TOLL FREE</b>
<b>General Office</b>	<b>2900</b>	
<b>Mission Candidate Opportunities</b>	<b>2950</b>	
<b>Mission Corps</b>	<b>2950</b>	
<b>Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM)</b>	<b>2880</b>	<b>800-310-6362</b>
<b>Nazarene Missions International (NMI)</b>	<b>2970</b>	
<b>Work &amp; Witness</b>	<b>2950</b>	
<b>World Mission Broadcast</b>	<b>2930</b>	
<b>Youth in Mission</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>(915)-562-6300</b>

## Missionary Profile Link

Having a missionary at your church and need some profile information to advertise. Click on the link enter in the last name and it will provide info you can use. Click here:

<https://give.nazarene.org/category/missionaries>

## All revisions will be posted starting on this page:

Our 2024 Links Missionaries are:

Radzisewski (Radi), Carlos & Robin Argentina

rradi@samnaz.org

<https://give.nazarene.org/pledge/radziszewskis>

Remember, the new Links cycle begins January 1, 2024, and ends Dec 31, 2024. Please be sure to finish up well with your current Links missionaries.

I tried hard to get the 2024 Links assignments from a region different than the 2023 assignments.

I have attached the Links Policy for you as well.

If you try to contact the Links missionary and if you have not heard from them within six weeks of your initial contact, please let me know and I will reach out to the Global office. We want Links to be successful and fulfilling for the district and the missionary, so I need to know if there are any issues. I would also love to hear about your joys in your connection with the Radis.

## Global Links Policy (Please review)

ADOPTED GLOBAL NMI EXECUTIVE COUNCIL – 28 JANUARY, 2022

### Purpose

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Links is a Nazarene Missions International (NMI) system to assist districts in providing care and connection to Nazarene missionaries.

### Global Scope

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Each region, through the sending district, provides care and connection to Nazarene missionaries sent from their region. Links provides additional care and connection to globally deployed missionaries who are deployed from your region and other regions. Only missionaries assigned through the Links system, should be referred to as Links missionaries. Links assignments are made by global NMI in consultation with the regional NMI coordinator.

## Global, Sponsored, and Retiree Missionary Involvement

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- Care and connection is provided to every global and sponsored Nazarene missionary who is on contract with Global Missions, by their home district.
- Retired missionaries, who meet Global Missions requirements as a retiree, are provided care and connection by their home district.
- Globally deployed missionaries are eligible to be assigned to any district in the Church of the Nazarene for additional care and connection through Links.

## Global Process & Procedures

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- Assignment: The Links connection is between a district/country/field and the missionary. Local churches should work with the district to care for their missionaries including those assigned through Links. Globally assigned missionaries must respond to the global NMI office by the deadline given to participate in Links. It is possible that not every globally deployed missionary will receive a Links assignment each year.
- Assignment Length: All assignments are one year in length and will be from January 1 – December 31 each year regardless of the fiscal/church year. Districts, whose Links assigned missionary end their Global Missions contract by September 1, will receive another Links assignment for the remainder of that Links year.
- Monetary Gifts: Any monetary gifts for missionaries through Links, will be processed through the missionary's deputation account. Gifts to retired missionaries must be given directly to them.
- Participation: It is anticipated that each Links participant (district/country/field and missionary) will:
  - Pray for each other
  - Communicate with each other at least three times a year
  - The district/country/field will invite the Links missionary to speak at events-in person or online

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