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### Missionary Care—One Year Later

by Gail L. Sawrie

Exactly a year ago, we featured Missionary Care in the cover story for *Mission Connection*. We are left wondering how many churches that asked for simplification have adopted this opportunity. And if they are trying the new option, how is that working? Is participation still strong? We thought it might be time for a check-up.

Missionary Care was developed to simplify several NMI emphases that are closely related: Missionary Health Care (including Distinguished Service Award, Memorial Roll, and Gifts from the Heart), Missionary Christmas Fund, and LINKS. Each supports Nazarene missionaries directly, and each is vital.

#### How Are Your LINKS Missionaries?

Has your church corresponded with them? More importantly, do the members of your church know who they are and pray for them regularly? In the simplification, be sure they are not forgotten. In fact, your congregation could increase its LINKS participation with the only cost being that of a little time.

Your LINKS missionaries are your church's "personal" missionaries for two years. Those missionaries are assigned to your district. Only on very rare occasions will more than one district share a missionary family. Your LINKS missionaries rely on your church's prayer support and care for ministry.

Keep praying for the missionaries' family. Your church should know who the family members are, and their names should be on the prayer lists of the Sunday School classes and youth and children's mission groups. Plus, your church needs to know when requests are answered, so they can join with the missionaries' family in praise to God.

With the prevalence of e-mail, correspondence has been simplified. However, keep in mind that in many places, connection to the Internet is limited to short periods of time (if it is available at all). Large attachments (such as photos) or e-cards are not practical and too expensive to download. So keep the e-mails simple, sending plain text and asking about their lives, as well as telling them a bit about your church "family."

Your church is still encouraged to remember your LINKS family on special occasions—birthdays, anniversaries, etc. "Celebrating with creativity" may be a necessity with postal rates increasing. Pay close attention to the list you received from your district leaders about what is needed and wanted, and correspond with the missionary before gather-

Your LINKS
missionaries are
your church's
"personal"
missionaries...

ing many items. (You also might want to check what it costs to mail a package to the world area where your missionary serves before you even begin.)

Most churches still receive a cash LINKS assignment for their missionaries. However, money sent to your LINKS missionary as a gift (for birthday, Christmas, anniversary, etc.) is just that...a gift. It is to be considered an addition to your cash LINKS assignment.

### Missionary Care Offerings

As you receive Missionary Care Offerings, remind the people of your congregation how their money will help Nazarene missionaries:

- Sixty percent of the offering will be used to provide missionaries with health care insurance
- Thirty percent will go to LINKS (be sure your LINKS missionaries are listed on the remittance form when the offering is submitted)
- Ten percent goes to Missionary Christmas Fund, an offering that provides each missionary family with Christmas money at the end of the year, pays for several Nazarene periodicals to be sent to them, and allows them to receive an annual Day-by-Day pocket calendar.

Please remember that the need for each of these offerings has not gone away. They have just been combined to make it easier for the local church. With the combined offering, you can receive the Missionary Care Offering only once if that works best for your church. Challenge your congregation to give generously, and verify that the offering is sent in promptly.

#### **Nazarenes Care for Missionaries**

We know you care about the missionaries for the Church of the Nazarene. As Missionary Care becomes more a part of your church's culture, please be sure you are intentional in expressing that care, and let us know how you accomplish that.

Gail L. Sawrie is editor for Nazarene Missions International and for Mission Connection. She welcomes your questions and suggestions and especially wants to know what your church does to promote missions.

60% - Missionary
Health
Insurance

**30% - LINKS** 

10% - Missionary Christmas Fund





### **Missing Pieces**

By Russ Bredholt, Jr.

Is it possible that the church in mission has fewer of the right kind of leaders today than it did nearly 20 years ago? I am referring to those individuals who exhibit a good balance of experience, personal depth, emotional strength, and administrative discipline.

If this may be true, why?

One reason could be too much focus on technique and not enough on the deliberate practice of the discipline that leadership really is. Being a leader is meaningful but hard work no matter the situation or size of the organization.

Another possible answer to our question lies in the failure of leaders to learn from their experiences. Someone once said that those who are not open to counsel can't be helped. Often good development programs are offset when individual responsibility to keep learning disappears.

The person most responsible for development is the leader, not the educator or trainer.

Is there hope for this situation?

Are there other things needing attention when it comes to chiseling one's character traits as a leader? What's missing that often undermines well-intended people?

The first missing piece tends to be...

#### Credibility

It's difficult, if not impossible, for people to follow someone they don't believe in.

You have to offer reasonable grounds for being believed, whether you are in your first major assignment or you are a seasoned executive. Relationships are built on trust. Call it authenticity or transparency, if you like. But substance is a must.

Are people sometimes misled by their leaders?

Too often this is a reality. Yet as someone once famously said, "You can't fool all of the people all of the time." Weakness in character comes out at some point. This type of behavior can do a great deal of damage until it's discovered and the person either gets helped or is removed.

Maybe a coach is what you need. Timely interventions by trusted individuals may be more important than formal reviews separated by long intervals. Few, however, change their behavior with coaching alone. It takes feedback, self-discipline, and practice with colleagues to put changes in place. Even then it is an uphill climb.

One way to understand credibility is to think about what impresses you in a leader. Matching words with deeds is very important no matter where on the planet you happen to be. Why does this type of behavior stand out? Because so few engage in it. Measure your words. Promise less. Deliver more.

The second missing piece is...

#### Communication

I am referring here to interpersonal or social communication, not necessarily oratory or elocution. Most of a leader's communication is one-on-one or small groups. Businesses are social systems. An overlooked tool is conversation.

The writer, Alan Barker, put it this way: "Conversation is your primary management tool. It's how you build relationships with colleagues and others. It's how you come to understand what people think and how they feel. Conversation is the way you influence others and are influenced by them. It's how you solve problems, cooperate with others, and create new opportunities."

This is good advice.

Two-thirds of any conversation is listening, and listening is hard work. Why?

While someone else is talking we often keep our brain in gear, waiting for just the right time to speak again. By doing this we hear little the other person has to say.

Many gain leadership positions in spite of being poor listeners. How this happens is a mystery. When is the last time you really paid attention to volunteers? Board or council members?

Is two-way communication a missing piece? Then practice the habit of asking good questions. Find out what interests the other person. It's one thing to know *about* your people. It's another to *know* your people. Understanding this difference improves and strengthens relationships.

The final missing piece is...

#### Cooperation

The buzzword is "collaboration," but colleagues value someone who is simply "cooperative" in attitude and behavior.

There are things you can do on your own, such as sharpen a pencil or take out the trash. If you want to move a grand piano on a stage, Steinway recommends at least one person be assigned to each leg with rollers.

If you are trying to build a great ministry, it's going to take enough of the right people laboring together to achieve common goals. Even though succeeding generations appear to have a collaborative ethos, this does not remove the need for someone to lead, direct, and follow up. It does, however, change the look of the organization from leadership at the top to leadership throughout.

Are you comfortable with an organization filled with strong and gifted leaders?

Conversation...
It's how you solve problems, cooperate with others, and create new opportunities.

While the task determines the form of collaboration, here is a practical way to begin. Start by asking people what you can do to help them. Learn to cooperate with others first. Then see if there is a difference when asking for their help in getting something done on your list.

It takes practice and discipline but these missing pieces, and others you might identify, can be placed in your life and work.

There is hope after all. Church mission leaders can embrace and implement these three missing qualities: credibility, communication, and cooperation.

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From his blog site: www.strategistblog.com

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Daniel D. Ketchum, Ph.D. Global NMI Director



### Gifts from the Heart Provide Dual Value

"Heart Gifts" may be one of Helen Steiner Rice's most treasured poems.\* Likewise, Gifts from the Heart are beautiful, simple expressions of friendship and recognition.

Adult Sunday School classes are prime locations for every church to make "In Honor" and "In Memory" cards available. Assign a responsible person to explain to the class how to use the cards and the cards' dual value of honoring loved ones while helping provide missionaries with much-needed health care. (The person should also to maintain a good supply of cards). The person should follow up the first Sunday of each quarter with a reminder about the cards.

The **Gifts from the Heart** persons could prepare ahead and distribute "In Honor" cards to all class members, asking them to make a donation to Missionary Health Care through Gifts from the Heart in the Sunday School class teachers' names, presenting the cards to the teacher on Teacher Appreciation Day.

One adult Sunday School class chose to use **Gifts from the Heart** in lieu of flowers when a member was hospitalized or died. Becoming familiar with the use of **Gifts from the Heart**, individuals responded using the cards to honor birthdays, anniversaries, ordinations, baptisms, new grandparents, second marriages, retirement, job promotions, or congratulations on a job well done.

In another church on a Sunday evening, "In Honor" cards were distributed to everyone. The purpose of the cards was explained, and everyone was asked to write a note in their card to someone in the service, affirming their personal ministry (usher, nursery worker, musician, sound technician, custodian, greeter, faithful attender, etc.) and write the recipient's name on the envelope. Cards were placed in the offering plates, along with donations. (Instead of asking donors to mail checks to Global Treasury Services, all donations were collected and sent by the local treasurer.) Cards were distributed to recipients at the close of the service.

Keep the **Gifts from the Heart** display well-supplied and highly visible—and be sure everyone knows its dual purpose. The donor determines the contribution, making it useful for all.

\* If you are not familiar with the poem, look it up in one of several of Rice's poetry books in the library.

Martha Bean
Central U.S.A. Regional
Global Council Representative





# College Night!

July is a great month to highlight the work of the Church of the Nazarene in International Ministry, Bible Schools and Seminaries with your youth.

Host a college night. Decorate the room with posters and pennants from all kinds of colleges (especially your regional Nazarene college or university). Encourage adults and students to wear gear from their favorite school.

If you have the resources to serve a light meal, try to find old cafeteria trays and spray paint them with a little school spirit.

When the students arrive, begin with some fun mixer games or questions. Get them talking about the schools they are interested in, why they like those schools, and if they have applied to attend them. Ask them about obstacles that stand between them and college.

Get your students thinking about what their life would be like if they didn't have anything beyond a fourth grade education?

Play the video "Lamp" from Living Mission: Forgotten People. Discuss with your students the obstacles to education that children and teens in other parts of the world face.

Ask your students questions about the video. Do they take education for granted?

Talk about why it is important to have educational institutions on each region. Select a school on a world region different from your own. Check out the school's Web site (if it has one). Share with the students everything you have learned about the school. (If you have Internet access in the location where your youth meet, pull up the site on a computer, and let the students do the research.)

Many Nazarene universities have exchange programs with schools in other world regions, such as Africa Nazarene University or European Nazarene Bible College. Would your students consider spending a semester at one of these schools and getting to know another part of the world?

At the end of your college night, be sure to pray for the international school you chose to highlight. Students should feel encouraged to pursue their own future through education and should be inspired to help others do the same.

Shawna Songer Gaines Chicago, Illinois



Call the admissions office of your regional Nazarene school.
Let them know you are hosting a college night. They might send you some free gear to decorate, give away, or inform your students!



### Animé Shares JESUS with a New Generation

We live in a media-driven society where youth are more engaged than any age group as a visual culture. A groundbreaking new film aims to reach this group using a unique visual language—animé, Japanese-style animation.

My Last Day is the first professionally produced movie about Christ ever created using animé. Seven years in the making, this completed nine-minute movie frames the story of salvation through animé to capture the attention of a new generation. Adopted from the original JESUS film created by the JESUS Film Project®, a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ, My Last Day portrays the story of Jesus' crucifixion through the eyes of the thief who hung next to Him.

Animated by Tokyo's renowned STUDIO4°C, *My Last Day* unfolds through the eyes of one of the criminals receiving the same brutal crucifixion sentence as Jesus. The criminal's own guilt causes him to realize more fully Christ's innocence. *My Last Day* is a short film of regret, repentance, and redemption that frames the story of salvation in a new and refreshing way with dialogue taken directly from the original *JESUS* film.

Barry Cook, director of Disney's *Mulan* and visual effects supervisor for Disney's *Beauty* and the Beast, wrote the story for My Last Day. Since animé appeals to media-heavy cultures, Cook explains, the potential impact of using animé is staggering. "I believe the type of animation we desire to achieve with this project will appeal strongly to a young generation, a post-modern generation. It won't be their grandparents' *JESUS* film. It won't even be their parents' *The Passion of the Christ*. It will be the story of Jesus told in their language."

JESUS Film Harvest Partners has collaborated with Campus Crusade for Christ since 1997 to help share God's love with the lost using the *JESUS* film. *JESUS*, completed in 1979, remains the most translated and viewed movie in history. JESUS Film Harvest Partners teams have reported 58,476,329 evangelistic contacts from January 1998 through April 2011. Of these contacts, 10,440,302 have indicated decisions for Christ. On average, one person becomes a new believer in Christ every 48 seconds through these efforts.



My Last Day is freely available at <a href="https://www.globalshortfilmnetwork.com">www.globalshortfilmnetwork.com</a> (Search for "My Last Day"). To learn more about the work of JESUS Film Harvest Partners, to make a donation, or sign up for newsletters, go to <a href="https://www.JFHP.org">www.JFHP.org</a>.

Diane Robbins
JESUS Film Harvest Partners





### You Decide





Have you ever thought about how much missionaries enrich your life? Do LINKS and deputation ministries have an impact on World Evangelism Fund? You decide!

There are several ways to be touched by this special group of people called missionaries. Mission rallies, Faith Promise events, district NMI conventions, and deputation services provide opportunities to connect with missionaries who share reports of what is happening in Papua New Guinea, Madagascar, Côte d'Ivoire, Romania, creative access, and other world areas.

Get acquainted personally with a missionary who has served crossculturally. It just may change your life forever.

A more personal connection is often formed when one chooses to become involved with the lives of missionaries through praying daily for them and remembering them on special days. LINKS allows this to take place easily. Missionaries long to share about missions with anyone who will listen. Why not team up with your LINKS missionaries through prayer and e-mail or by sending a note of encouragement? If your LINKS missionary is retired, please visit, write, or call to show your appreciation for years of faithful service.

Now how are LINKS and deputation associated with the World Evangelism Fund? The more you are engaged with a missionary and with the work of missions around the world, the more eager you are to give. When you hear about people coming to Jesus, churches growing, miracles taking place, orphans being cared for, compassionate ministry centers serving hundreds, and children being educated, there is a thrill and excitement. It is pure joy to hear about these activities from those who serve or have served on the "front lines." The stories inspire and challenge you to give just a little more.

Have you decided whether LINKS and deputation impact the World Evangelism Fund? Engage personally with missionaries either through LINKS or deputation (preferably both) and *then* make your decision.

Linda Phelps Global LINKS Coordinator Wayne LaForce Deputation Ministries Coordinator



The more you are engaged with a missionary and with the work of missions around the world, the more eager you are to give.



### **Honoring Memories**

When someone from our church has a death in the family, instead of sending flowers we honor that person's memory with a Memorial Roll certificate. Flowers and plants don't usually last that long, and the certificate is something they can cherish!

One of the ladies in the church lost her brother, and we memorialized him with the certificate. When the church member visited her sister-in-law a few weeks ago, she gave the widow the certificate. Her sister-in-law was thrilled with it!

There are other stories that have had the same results. What is nice is that the money goes to a worthwhile cause, and that fact also makes the recipients feel good.

At the end of the church year, we host a memorial service where we honor all those who have passed on during that year. We ask family members of those who are memorialized to bring a a framed photo of their loved one. The pastor has a representative from each family come to the front and say something about their loved one, if they so choose. The family member is then presented with the Memorial Roll certificate. We try to hold the service during Memorial Day weekend since many people can travel for the long weekend, plus the consistent date helps in planning. Such a service makes people feel that their loved ones are honored and remembered in a special way.

Kathy Caldwell Gilman, Illinois, First Church

### **How's That Simplification Going?**

Approximately a year ago, the global NMI, in response to requests for simplification of offerings, suggested the combining of Missionary Health Care, LINKS, and Missionary Christmas Fund offerings into one—Missionary Care. The Missionary Care offering is divided as follows: 60 percent—Missionary Health Care, 30 percent—LINKS, and 10 percent—Missionary Christmas Fund.

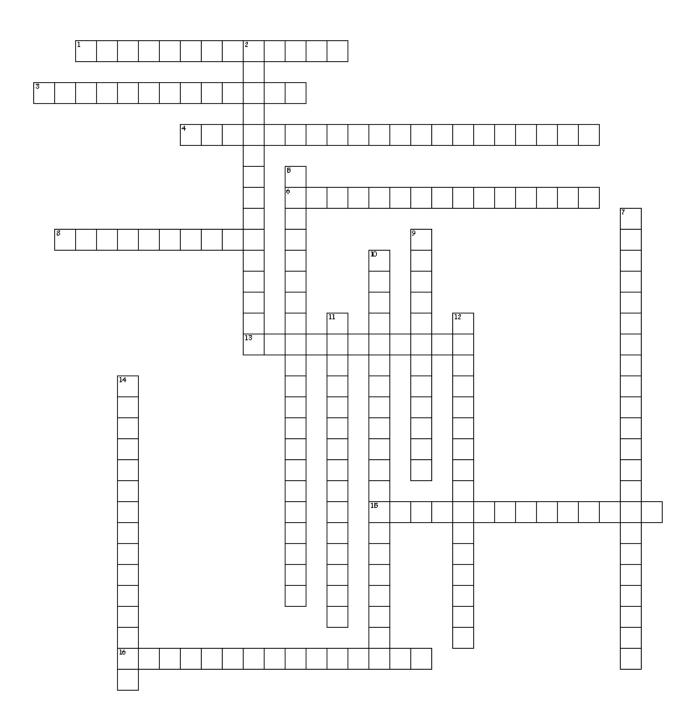
If your church made that change, will you let us know how you educate your congregation and how the participation compares to when there were three offerings?

E-mail Gail Sawrie at <a href="mailto:gsawrie@nazarene.org">gsawrie@nazarene.org</a> with how your church is supporting Nazarene missionaries through Missionary Care.

Swaziland, and Papua New Guinea



# World Mission Broadcast



The following are titles of World Mission Broadcast programs from around the world. Insert the titles of the programs (the ones in italics) into the puzzle above. As you complete the puzzle, pray for each of the programs and for the many others these represent.

Happy Side of Life The Glory of Youth Lifting Up Christ Holy People of God Perfect Rhythm Born to Love En Jesucristo Tiene Poder Ladder to Heaven Not Just a Word Youth Center D-Vote Aktar Men Kalam An Appointment with God The Nazarene Hour Dilo a Cristo El Tren del Dia Ismaelito La Otra Cara de la Monedo



(Solution on Page 17)

Jessica Bennett Grandview, Missouri

Created by Puzzlemaker at DiscoveryEducation.com



### **Bible Story Cloths Arrive**

Under the leadership of Children's Pastor Greg Nash, children at Gallatin First Church of the Nazarene in Tennessee raised \$2,000 to purchase Bible Story Cloths for Melanesia Nazarene Bible College. After a long time in storage and shipping over land and ocean, the story cloths finally arrived and are already being used in Papua New Guinea.

Bible college students were divided into small groups during one chapel service and taught how to use the cloths in teaching Sunday School and in evangelistic services.

"I never realized the difference a colored picture would make," exclaimed one student. "I have always used black and white charts of stick figures and found them very helpful. But the Bible Story Cloths grab the attention of both adults and children in a way I could never imagine."

Pray for our students as they use the Bible Story Cloths in their internships. Pray for the children at Gallatin First Church and their pastor, Greg Nash, that they will continue being mission-minded. Thank you, Gallatin First Church!

Geneva Silvernail Former Missionary/President Melanesia Nazarene Bible College Papua New Guinea



### The First Graduation in Burkina Faso

It has been over two years since we arrived here and laid a foundation on training the first nationals who would take the mantle from us and continue with the Great Commission. Today, the 2nd of October 2010, marks the beginning of saying, "Yes, we won them, nurtured and trained them, and they graduated from an intensive theological training which gives them the ability to understand and lead their beloved Church.

Mary and I could not hold our tears as we presented and watched the first nine pastors and one layperson, who have successfully finished their courses for Diploma and Certificate in Theology respectively, receive their documents. Four of them graduated with a Diploma in Theology, while six have Certificate in Theology.

As I looked at the eyes of the happy graduates and their families and friends, I said, "Lord let me deploy them!"

What a time it was to watch the fruits of our labour. Join us in celebration. God is good and faithful. Our eyes are looking beyond today!



Friday Ganda Missionary to Burkina Faso

## **Can Nurses Be Lay Pastors?**

What great news for the Church in Papua New Guinea—students graduating from the Nazarene College of Nursing (NCON) will also be trained as lay pastors. Yes, nurses can be lay pastors!

Principal White Kintak and his staff are partnering with [Melanesia Nazarene] Bible College administration in providing a Certificate in Lay Ministry. Students will graduate from both schools, but attend classes for the MNBC Certificate of Lay Ministry at the College of Nursing under an approved ordained minister. The colleges will also partner in social and spiritual events, use of libraries, and computer training.

The Certificate in Lay Ministry is for those who feel called of God to fulfill a specialized ministry as a layperson, but do not necessarily feel a call to preach or to be in full-time ministry. Students at NCON integrate into their medical studies such classes as Starting a Cell Group Bible Study, Understanding the Basics of My Christian Beliefs, Learning What the Bible Says About Healing and Life After Death, Learning What the Bible Says About the Spirit World, and other great courses geared to prepare the pastor/nurse.

During the first year, student nurses will participate in starting a branch Sunday School; and at the end of the program, students will be required to start a new church plant. Students from the Bible College will partner with the student nurses to help give them more experience and confidence in their calling as lay pastors. The Bible College will continue to assist in internships, approve any changes in the curriculum and approve the appointment of teachers. The Certificate in Lay Ministry will be awarded either in their annual graduation exercises or during the graduation ceremony of the Bible College.

Why not volunteer to teach at the Bible College or in the College of Nursing? Write Peter Kui at <a href="mailto:academicdean@mnbc.asia">academicdean@mnbc.asia</a>.

Geneva Silvernail Former Missionary/President Melanesia Nazarene Bible College Papua New Guinea







# CONGRATULATIONS, ALABAMA SOUTH DISTRICT!

"God has blessed us tremendously this year in spite of economic struggles; our district overpaid World Evangelism Fund, giving 105.6 percent. We celebrated, and we give God praise!"

Nina Fuller
Alabama South District NMI President

#### NMI MINISTRIES SURVEY COMING SOON

Grace and peace in Christ. We need you to help shape the future of NMI.

The 2011 General Board constituted a GMC Task
Force to assess and recommend to the Board of General
Superintendents a potential future for NMI, SDMI, NYI, and
other GMC ministries. To improve global NMI and assist
this task force, the NMI office team will soon request online
survey responses from leaders of NMI around the world.
The survey will be distributed in early July for Englishspeaking NMI leaders and in mid-July for NMI leaders who
speak Spanish, French, Portuguese, and Korean. If the
survey is translated into other languages, we will notify you
of that fact and what additional languages are available.

You can help us by watching for the survey and responding in a timely manner. Meaningful results, improvements for NMI, and the summary we provide to the task force depend on your responses. The future of NMI will be impacted largely by responses to this survey.

All of us value your leadership and thank you in advance for participating in this strategic. Thank you. May the risen Lord fill your heart, anoint your councils, and prepare your teams for Pentecost coming soon!

Daniel D. Ketchum, Ph.D. Global NMI Director

### ANNUAL ALABASTER PROJECTS PAGE AVAILABLE

The Alabaster Projects Summary Page has been updated with the latest statistics. Printable bulletin inserts are available, too. Please click on this link:

www.nazarenemissions.org/10081/story.aspx

#### 'FAST FACTS' NOW ONLINE

NMI's Fast Facts, produced each spring with global statistics from the previous church year, are now available on the NMI Web site in English (with French, Portuguese, and Spanish soon to follow). Please visit the following Web page to see what the Church of the Nazarene accomplished in 2010:

#### www.nazarenemissions.org/10149/story.aspx

This popular resource is ideal for educating your congregation about Nazarene global mission efforts and will inspire them to give generously, go freely, and pray fervently.

# THE COST OF KEEPING A MISSIONARY ON THE FIELD

Ever wonder or get questioned about what it costs to keep a Nazarene missionary on the field. The following are some statistics that highlight those costs. Please feel free to publish this information.

- Salary—\$685/person (\$1,370/couple), plus an additional \$50/child
- Medical premiums are \$530 per MONTH! The Missionary Health Care offering only pays for about 1/4 of the total medical expenses, which total approximately \$2.0 million each year.
- \$55,000 a year (\$151 a day) to keep a missionary on the field!
- \$80 per minute to run our global missions program

# NMI DISCIPLING COORDINATOR MINISTRY DESCRIPTIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Ministry descriptions for the local and district NMI Discipling coordinators are available on the NMI Web site. Because these are fairly new positions, we ask that local councils review them and discuss how to begin an organized, intentional plan for discipling your youth and children. The ministry description document is attached at the end of this issue.

# HANDS OF HOPE FEATURED IN ENGAGE MAGAZINE

Executive Director Liz Murtland recently was interviewed by the editor of Engage magazine about the ministry of Hands of Hope Northwest, a nonprofit organization launched by Nazarenes from College Church of the Nazarene in Nampa, Idaho. Hands of Hope has spent almost 20 years receiving donated medical equipment and supplies from local hospitals and shipping them to hospitals in need around the world. Read the article here: <a href="www.engagemagazine.com/Magazine-Content/Articles/April-2011/Q-A--How-donated-medical-supplies-help-open-hearts.aspx">www.engagemagazine.com/Magazine-Content/Articles/April-2011/Q-A--How-donated-medical-supplies-help-open-hearts.aspx</a>

# EXTREME SPANISH INSTITUTE INTRODUCES SPANISH TUTORING

Extreme Spanish Institute (ESI) Online invites you to sign up for one-on-one online Spanish tutoring! All of our native Peruvian tutors are bilingual. All you need to start getting fluent is access to the Internet. Visit the following

web site to register: <u>www.</u> extremespanish.com

ESI is a wholly owned subsidiary of Extreme Nazarene Ministries. One hundred percent of the proceeds from ESI go to Extreme Nazarene Ministries to help accomplish its mission to seek and deploy people into extreme expansion of God's kingdom.

For more information, see the advertisement to the right.

#### SKYPE A MISSIONARY

A very popular method of producing a mission moment in local church services is by using Skype. A missionary can now be brought "into" a worship service, Sunday School class, cell group, prayer meeting, and other events with this tool. Skype is used by numerous churches on a regular basis. A constantly-growing list of missionary Skype addresses can be requested from deputation@nazarene. org.

### MORE LIVING MISSION COMMENTS

"I just received my copy [of Living Mission: Act Justly] and spent 30 minutes on a quick preview. The improvements are tremendous! THANK YOU! (P.S. Can't wait to see the "Classic" lessons.)

Peggy Hatter Kentucky District NMI President

"Thank you...for acting upon the suggestions of the people. I, for one, look forward to the new format. My home church enjoys the packed content of these lessons, and we have the privilege of holding a full Missions Service in which they are presented."

Deborah Dunn Syracuse, New York



"Thankfully, I was able to obtain a copy [of Living Mission: Act Justly] by e-mail before it was released for sale in March. That allowed me to study all the lessons and begin to formulate a plan that I could present to our district so that our small churches can readily participate in district projects to make the CAUSES come alive.

"We have already raised about half the money needed to build a well in Haiti—since that is our first CAUSE—and we will be sending a JESUS Film team to Nigeria in November.

"When we sent a Work & Witness team to Guatemala as a district NMI last year, we found that churches that could not send their own team felt real ownership of the Forgotten People—Guatemala CAUSE.

"Thank you for this great material and for all the support you give to those of us who promote it on the district level."

Teresa Hodge
East Tennessee District NMI President

# 'FUNDING THE MISSION' REPORT FOR MARCH 2011

For your information, the March 2011 "Funding the Mission" report is attached at the end of this issue. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving.

# World Mission Broadcast Criss-Cross Solution

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- 15. Ladder to Heaven
- 16. The Nazarene Hour

#### Down

- 2. Holy People of God
- 5. El Tren del Dia Ismaelito
- 7. En Jesucristo Tiene Poder
- 9. Not Just a Word
- 10. La Otra Cara de la Moneda
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- 12. Youth Center D-Vote
- 14. The Glory of Youth

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### **Our Mission**

To mobilize the church in mission through praying, discipling, giving, and educating.

### **Ministry Descriptions**

### **Local Discipling Coordinator**

- 1. Coordinates the work of the following people on the local level—may serve in any of these positions.
  - A. Mission Call Coordinator
    - Identifies, encourages, and develops children and youth who sense God's call to missions.
    - ii. Connects each child or youth who senses God's call to missions with a mentor(s).
    - iii. Coordinates follow-up, dissemination of information, prayer, and encouragement for individuals who sense God's call to missions.
    - iv. Maintains ongoing communication with the district mission call coordinator.
  - B. Children's Missions Director
    - i. Promotes and coordinates missions for children.
    - ii. Educates and integrates children's involvement into local NMI activities.
    - iii. Encourages the prayerful and financial support of children involved in missions.
  - C. Youth Missions Director
    - i. Promotes and coordinates missions for youth.
    - ii. Educates and integrates youth involvement into local NMI activities.
    - iii. Encourages prayerful and financial support of youth involved in missions.
  - D. Youth Representative(s)
    - i. Attends all council meetings and the district NMI convention.
    - ii. Provides input on local NMI plans specifically as they impact youth.

### **District Discipling Coordinator**

- 1. Coordinates the work of the following people on the district level—may serve in any of these positions.
  - A. Mission Call Coordinator
    - i. Promotes the challenge and opportunities for children and youth to respond to God's call to missions.
    - ii. Collaborates with the district NMI president, children's and youth missions directors, and area/zone coordinators.
    - iii. Coordinates follow-up, dissemination of information, prayer, and encouragement for individuals who sense God's call to missions.
    - iv. Facilitates ongoing communications with the local mission call coordinators, the global mission call coordinator (in the NMI office), and the candidate development coordinator in Global Mission.
    - v. Provides training opportunities, as needed, for local mission call coordinators.

#### B. Children's Missions Director

- i. Promotes and coordinates missions for children in cooperation with the district NMI president and district NMI council.
- ii. Educates and integrates children into district NMI activities.
- iii. Provides suggestions and information to the local churches on children's involvement in missions.
- iv. Encourages prayerful and financial support of children's involvement in missions.

### C. Youth Missions Director

- i. Promotes and coordinates missions for youth in cooperation with the district NMI president and district NMI council.
- ii. Educates and integrates youth into district NMI activities.
- iii. Provides suggestions and information to local churches on youth involvement in missions.
- iv. Encourages prayerful and financial support of youth involvement in missions.

### D. Youth Representative(s)

- i. Attends all council meetings and the district NMI convention.
- ii. Provides input on district NMI plans specifically as they impact youth.

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### **Funding the Mission March 31, 2011**

Period 2011/006

	Current YTD	Previous YTD	Variance YTD	% Var YTD	Previous Fiscal Year Annual
World Evangelism Fund	19,693,462	22,812,294	(3,118,832)	-13.67%	44,123,911
WEF Plus	1,378,660	0	1,378,660		4,008
Mission Specials	11,713,920	14,372,849	(2,658,929)	-18.50%	25,100,994
Sub-Total	32,786,042	37,185,142	(4,399,100)	-11.83%	69,228,913
Mission Special Detail					
Alabaster	1,863,961	1,856,513	7,448	0.40%	2,781,658
Compassionate Min - USA/Canada	279,697	300,417	(20,720)	-6.90%	491,254
Compassionate Ministries - GM	1,763,383	5,448,354	(3,684,971)	-67.63%	7,144,672
Child Sponsorship	1,757,176	1,494,248	262,928	17.60%	3,048,810
Deputation	924,176	787,859	136,317	17.30%	1,816,655
Jesus Film	1,661,706	1,208,507	453,199	37.50%	2,369,327
LINKS	139,666	131,528	8,138	6.19%	231,335
Missionary Christmas Fund	41,534	35,091	6,443	18.36%	61,015
Missionary Health Care - Offerings	51,611	43,878	7,733	17.62%	204,573
Missionary Health Care-Memorial Roll	71,591	74,442	(2,851)	-3.83%	211,838
Missionary Health Care - DSA	43,166	31,337	11,829	37.75%	90,352
Work & Witness	780,254	771,765	8,489	1.10%	1,722,868
World Mission Broadcast	150,188	139,853	10,335	7.39%	437,233
Vacation Bible School	68,105	65,019	3,085	4.75%	331,826
Other (i.e. Field, Partnerships, etc.)	2,117,705	1,984,037	133,668	6.74%	4,157,578

Current YTD Goal	YTD Dollar Variance	% Variance	
21,207,160	(1,513,698)	-7.14%	