



## Developing an Extraordinary Mission Team—Part Four

### *Gazing at God and Glancing at Problems*

by Daniel D. Ketchum, Ph.D.

Jesus got the idea of teams and teamwork from his Father and by studying leaders such as Moses, Joshua, Ezra, and Nehemiah. We have studied Moses, Joshua, and Ezra.


#### **Nehemiah**

Enter Nehemiah 13 years after Ezra, another Jew from whom Jesus learned so much. Nehemiah heard about unholy disgrace from supposed-to-be-holy Jerusalem. Demonstrating the same holy desperation and compassion as Ezra, Nehemiah sat down, wept, mourned, fasted, and prayed before God.

Hear his heart cry, “I confess the sins we Israelites, including myself and my father’s house, have committed against you. If we return to you and obey your commands, you promised to bring us back to the place you have chosen as a dwelling for your name. Lord, give us grace and grant us favor before the king” (Nehemiah 1:6, 9). Desperation. Compassion. Intercession. Petition. Leaders learn to pray under pressure.

Nehemiah boldly asked the king for blessing to return to his people and to rebuild the wall. Teamwork and interdependence began in prayerful fellowship with the King of Kings and continued in partnership with the King of Persia. Partners around Persia collaborated to provide the essential funds and materials for the monumental project, enabling Nehemiah to arrive in Jerusalem.

Collaboration continues. “I set out during the night **with a few men**. I had not told anyone what **my God had put in my heart** to do for Jerusalem” (Nehemiah 2:12). God moved Nehemiah from petition to revelation. God typically births genuine vision through authentic intercession. Then Nehemiah rallied a team, a few visionaries to set out during the night. Don’t fear the night in your nation. Bow your head. Hear God’s heartbeat: build His team in your culture.



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Nehemiah believed in prayer **and** work. Both: not one or the other. Nehemiah knew that faith without works is dead before Paul or James ever preached it. So within three days, the team said, “Let **us** start rebuilding,” and began the good work. Then they advanced from intercession and revelation to organization.

Chapter three provides one of the finest illustrations anywhere in Scripture of the wisdom and value of teams. Nehemiah thoroughly organized his strategy through 36 work teams. Shoulder to shoulder, section to section, gate to gate these teams rebuilt the wall. So can you. Plan your work. Work your plan. Capture the value of intentional organization and strategic planning at every wall, in every church, in every city, and in every nation.

There were a few (such as the nobles in Nehemiah 3:5) who would not put their shoulder to the work under their supervisors. You, NMI leader, will face a few like them who resist leadership, whose lack of cooperation or insubordination, selfishness or indifference frustrates the team. Unless you pray diligently, see vision clearly, and strategize thoroughly, you will be strained, drained, and detained by detractors inside some teams. Gaze at God. Glance at problems.

**Note:** This is the fourth in a series of 16 articles on “Developing an Extraordinary Mission Team” by Daniel Ketchum. Look for remaining segments in upcoming issues of *Mission Connection*.

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## Persecution—What if You Faced It?

We live in a secular world that is anti-Christ. Comfortable western Christians do not know much about persecution. However, more and more we are receiving reports that there are hundreds of Christians who are being persecuted for their faith in the 21st century. For some, it takes the form of direct abuse, beatings, imprisonment, or destruction of church buildings and other properties. For others, persecution is the sense of being a minority, marginalized in an increasingly secular world.

Many Nazarenes are among those being martyred for their faith. In the last 5 years, there have been at least 49 Nazarene martyrs; but as some of our Christian forebears wrote, “The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Gospel.” It is said that an average of 27 churches spring up in each place a martyr has died. Nothing can stop the progress of the Gospel.

Throughout scripture the Spirit of anti-Christ has always inspired persecution of God’s people. It opposed Moses and Elijah; it attempted to put Daniel and his friends to death. It killed many prophets of God. Jesus, our perfect example was persecuted to the point of death. The apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria because of persecution; it martyred Stephen (Acts 7:60), James (Acts 12:12), and Antipas (Rev. 2:13). What if it were you facing persecution in your Jerusalem or Samaria? Would you be able to say like Esther, “If I perish, I perish”?

The persecuted Christians in scripture were able to maintain their joy—even in prison—because of their uncompromising obedience to God’s will. They had no question about their message. They knew whose they were and demonstrated an internal testimony of the Holy Spirit who kept them singing: “I have a joy within—the world can’t have it, the world can’t give it, the world can’t take it away.”

On November 13, let us join Christians around the world as we observe the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Encourage the people in your church not only to pray, but to fully support the World Evangelists Fund offerings. Do all you can to bring compassion and hope to a suffering world, especially those being persecuted.

“These things I have spoken unto you, . . . In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33. KJV).

Jennifer Brown,  
Global NMI President

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## All Have a Call to Obey

On his last days on Earth, our Lord Jesus gathered His disciples and gave them a great commission: To go into all the world and preach the Gospel to all nations and make disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. If we do not comply, we are disobeying His orders.

Since the day it was given, the Church's first priority has been to obey this command. And if it is "the" priority, we have to put our strength, our hearts, and our minds to it. It also means we may have to let go of personal plans to focus on Him and His will.

If we cannot go "to all nations" ourselves, we obey His command by caring for those who can. We can also obey by joining the missionaries' labor, supporting them in prayer and becoming so involved in their lives that we share the same concerns and the same love for the unreached souls. The Commission was given, and we must comply.

*Recently, the church in Mesquita, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, hosted a missionary couple who left Rio de Janeiro in obedience to Jesus' call and have worked in a 10/40 Window country for 10 years. Carrying or reading the Bible is illegal where they are; so during the night, they walk through the streets giving Bibles to passers-by. One night, they were distributing Bibles with a Dutch missionary and were arrested. The women were imprisoned with a woman who had been charged with prostitution and another woman arrested as an illegal immigrant.*

*That first night, at 3:00 a.m., the two women preached Jesus the Savior to the other two prisoners. They discovered the prostitute had been a believer who had abandoned her faith; however, she realized that, if God had sent two missionaries to rescue her in prison, He really loved her. The missionaries prayed for her, and she rededicated her life to Jesus.*

*The other prisoner challenged our friends and asked them if they really believed "their" Jesus could do anything for her in one night. She added that her god had never done anything in all her life. She asked for prayer. The three Christians prayed for that woman, asking Jesus to "work something spectacular in her life, so she would know Jesus is the Lord." That morning a prison guard came to their cell with a piece of news for that "illegal immigrant." He said, "I do not know how it is possible, but the police department has been ordered to give you a passport and permission to remain in our*



*country. You will not be deported". The woman wept and said, "Jesus, I love you already." She dedicated her life to Jesus immediately. She praised the Lord for He is great and does not see barriers and frontiers and loves all peoples.*

*This is our God!*

Our Brazilian missionary friend came back to Rio for a short time. Days before she left to go back, she begged our church to go with her in prayer and support. Not everybody has the call to go, but we all have the call to obey. We obey Him when we pray for those who go. We obey Him when we give for those who go. We obey when we learn of and meet the missionaries' needs. Mission Priority One equals obedience.



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**Editor's Note:** The original text of Haroldo Neves's article, written in Portuguese, is available for download [HERE](#).

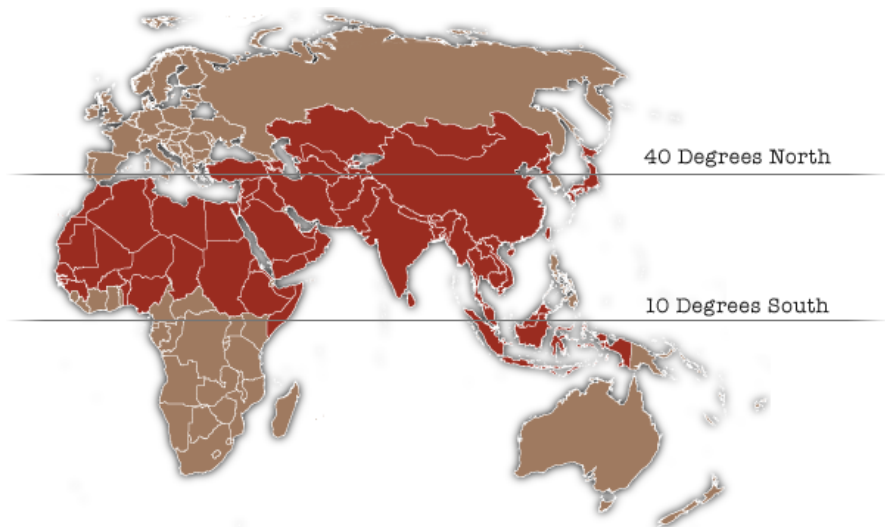


# Praying 10/40 Window

## About the 10/40 Window

The 10/40 Window is located from 10 degrees south to 40 degrees north of the equator. There are **68 nations** across northern Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia in the 10/40 Window. Approximately 4 billion people live here, including 90 percent of the world's poorest of the poor. It is estimated that 1.6 billion of these people have never had the chance to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ—not even once! The seat of every major non-Christian religion—Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Animism, Atheism, and Sikhism—is headquartered in the 10/40 Window. Two-thirds of the world's population (4 billion) live in the 68 nations of the 10/40 Window.

- Two-thirds of the world's population—**4 billion people**—live in the 10/40 Window.
- 95 percent of these 4 billion people are **unevangelized**.
- 87 percent are the **poorest of the poor**, living on an average of only \$250 per family annually.
- In many of the 68 nations, **witnessing the Christian Gospel is illegal** and will result in imprisonment or death.
- 45 of the 50 worst countries in the world for **persecution** of Christians are in the 10/40 Window.
- **Child prostitution and child slavery** run rampant in many of these nations.
- Horrific abuse of women and children remains unchecked, including an epidemic of **pedophilia**.
- A majority of the world's terrorist organizations are based in the 10/40 Window, and children as young as 18 months old are trained to be soldiers.



Though the needs are both and desperate and urgent, **only 5¢ out of every \$100** spent on missions globally is directed toward the 10/40 Window. That's **0.0005 percent** of all missions money designated to bring the Gospel to **66 percent** of the world's population!\*

Join **Window International Network** (WIN) as we work to inform, equip, and mobilize networks of prayer around the globe to empower effective evangelism, church growth, and discipleship in the 10/40 Window.

Window International Network

[www.win1040.com](http://www.win1040.com)

\* **Editor's Note:** While the Church of the Nazarene does not have a specific 10/40 Window offering, World Evangelism Fund helps to support multiple ministries, missionaries, and national leaders in more than 156 world areas, more than 30 of which are located within the 10/40 Window.

For more information and resources about how you can promote prayer for the 10/40 Window in your church, visit the Window International Network Web site.

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## Prayer and Fasting

*"Prayer begins where human capacity ends."*

—Marian Anderson

Prayer and fasting are vital to missions. For this reason, the prayer and fasting emphasis is not restricted to a particular month. Nazarene Missions International (NMI) provides special prayer and fasting opportunities in a variety of settings throughout the year. NMI knows that such spiritual disciplines take place in individual, small group, and corporate settings.

### Ongoing Prayer Requests

- Pray for missionaries and their families—for their ministry and safety.
- Pray for missionaries and Christians in creative access areas, where government officials may not welcome missionaries and those who share their faith are in danger on a daily basis.
- Pray for World Mission Broadcast programs and personnel who minister globally via radio, television, Internet, podcasts, and cell phone texting. For more information about World Mission Broadcast, visit [www.worldmissionbroadcast.org](http://www.worldmissionbroadcast.org).
- Pray for Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM) teams that share the love of Jesus to a needy world. Visit the NCM Web site ([www.ncm.org](http://www.ncm.org)) for more information.
- Pray for the JESUS Film ministry in the Church of the Nazarene. For more information about JESUS Film, visit the JESUS Film Harvest Partners Web site: [www.JFHP.org](http://www.JFHP.org).

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The Great Commission given to us by Jesus is found in Matthew 28:19-20:

*“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”*

We are told to “go.” We may not be able to personally travel to other world regions. However, we can with our missionaries by supporting them through our:

- Correspondence, such as letters and e-mails
- Giving through LINKS or special offerings such as Alabaster, Faith Promise, World Evangelism Fund, Thanksgiving Offerings, etc.
- Work & Witness efforts
- Child Sponsorship involvement
- Support of the JESUS Film
- Through deputation services with missionaries

All of these avenues of support help us become a major part of a team of witnesses. All of these efforts become even more effective when they are covered with prayer.

Effective prayer is as simple as A,B,C...

We can pray for:

**A**cceptance of those to whom missionaries minister

**B**oldness and courage in presenting the Gospel

**C**larity so that the message will not be misunderstood

**D**eliverance from harm, both physical and emotional

**E**xpansion to cover large areas and doors to be opened

**F**ruitfulness, that missionaries will see the results of their labor and be encouraged

**A**  
**B**  
**C**  
**D**  
**E**  
**F**

Will you practice your ABC's today? Will you “go” with Nazarene missionaries and help fulfill the Great Commission?

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# October Mission Priority One

## Journeying into Mission Priority One

Jesus gave us concise instructions in the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20, NIV).

Two thoughts:

- These are Jesus' parting words at the end of the Matthew's Gospel...a conclusion, if you will. A conclusion generally restates the main idea of the piece. Matthew does that with the Great Commission.
- While the love for missions may have been kindled early in our spiritual lives, it is easy to take it for granted the longer we live and the more we experience...if we do not refuel the "fire" of missions.

Since Jesus taught that God's mission should be a priority, it is our responsibility to embrace the Great Commission and help others to do so as well. Sounds overwhelming, but it is simply a four-step process.

### Step 1—Praying

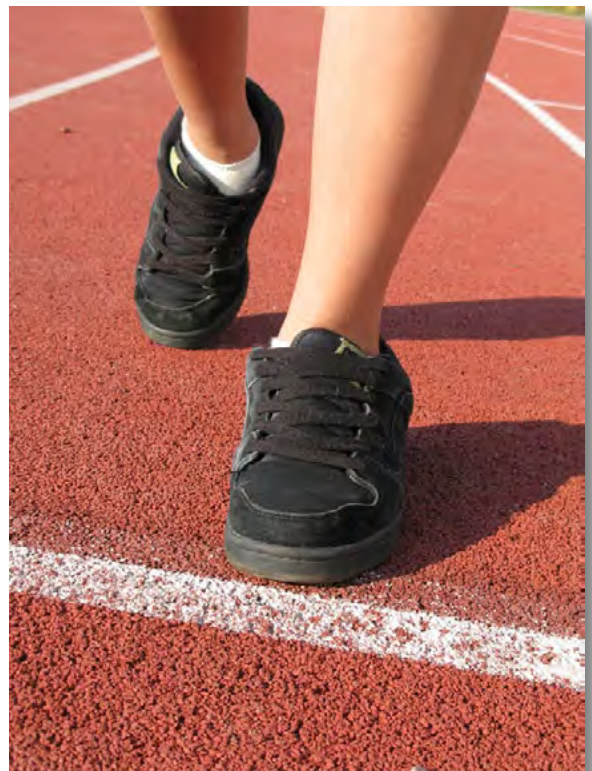
*Do your church members pray for the Church of the Nazarene around the world—at any time, individually, corporately?*  
If so, your church has taken the first step in the journey.

### Step 2—Discipling

*Do the children and youth of your church understand the importance of the Great Commission, and do they recognize that they are a part of fulfilling that command both within the church locally and globally?*  
If so, take another step forward.

### Step 3—Giving

*Does your church give for missions? Most importantly, do the people in your church give to the World Evangelism Fund, which gives structure to practically all mission endeavors in the denomination?*  
You have it down now; take another step.



#### **Step 4—Educating**

*Are those attending your church exposed to what the Church of the Nazarene is doing around the world by the following?*

- Reading/listening to NMI missions books/CDs (there are books for children, youth, and adults)
- Participating in mission service projects (Work & Witness, serving in a soup kitchen, or other activity) **and/or** hands-on missions activities (packing Crisis Care Kits or School Pal-Paks, etc.)
- Hearing missions speakers at least once during the year
- Learning through Living Mission, viewing multimedia missions resources, and/or reading missions publications (magazines, missionaries' newsletters, etc.)

Once someone in your congregation has participated in each of these four points, take a step forward.

By taking these four steps, we all are on the journey to making the mission of God a priority. However, as we proceed, we learn that, once we take the educating step, we will feel prompted to take the praying step again.

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## *To My Nazarene Ministry Partner*

Global leaders of God's mission are preparing now for a very important offering: Harvest 2011 (the annual Thanksgiving/Harvest offering for the World Evangelism Fund [WEF]). Thank you for partnering with key leaders in your church to promote mission giving. This partnership in ministry defines so much about who we are as Nazarenes together.

**We love**...by serving the lost people in every country, province, and town globally that need Jesus. Now is the day of salvation. We challenge every Nazarene to make Christlike disciples in the nations and to give generously for global evangelism.

**We focus**...on this global annual offering for the World Evangelism Fund. We are not promoting a "plus concept" like last year. This year, the entire Harvest 2011 offering is for the World Evangelism Fund. Profoundly simple!

**We maximize**...by utilizing the resources developed in partnership with Stewardship Ministries, Sunday School and Discipleship Ministries International, and Clergy Development. For the benefit of your church, please download any of the following: video clips, prayer initiative, sermon ideas, graphics, and visit the Web site.

**We collaborate**...because, together with Christ, we can make a massive impact for Him in such a time as this! Let us know how we can collaborate with you during this season. We're happy to answer any questions and guide you to the resources necessary for fulfilling God's mission in the world.

### **Theme**

The theme for this year's WEF harvest offering is Harvest 2011: Plant. Grow. Thrive. And the focus is on the life of a "mustard seed" donation: a gift sown in faith and bathed in prayer that spreads to cover the Earth with Christ's love.

There are three weeks of emphasis: Planting with Faith, Growing through Prayer, and Thriving in Christ. The third and final week, "Thriving in Christ," would end on the weekend of the offering—scheduled for October 9, 2011, in Canada and November 20, 2011, in the U.S.A. and most other world regions.



It's important to note that prayer is a large focus of Harvest 2011. For that reason, there is a prayer initiative (available for download [HERE](#)) that coincides with each week's emphasis. For local, district, and regional leaders, there is an additional week called Devotionals for Leaders that will help you and your council to prepare your heart, mind, and congregation for Harvest 2011.

### **Resources**

Digital resources are available for download on the Harvest 2011 Web site. There you'll find clip art, sermon helps, the prayer initiative, bulletin inserts, and much more. Of course, if you have a particular need (i.e. editable art, a special file type, the name of the fonts used in the artwork, etc.), contact Stewardship Ministries by e-mailing your request to [stewardship@nazanene.org](mailto:stewardship@nazanene.org).

You can order free Harvest 2011 offering envelopes from Nazarene Publishing House for a limited time, but—as always—generic WEF offering envelopes are available, free of charge, from Nazarene Publishing House (NPH) as well.

To get the youngsters involved, consider ordering a set of Kids' Quarter Collectors (\$8.99 for a pack of 10 from NPH) to use in conjunction with the Guided Prayer for Children section of the Harvest 2011 prayer initiative.

Be sure to connect with everyone else who is participating: Just visit Harvest 2011 on Facebook or Twitter and join in! If you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, please contact Stewardship Ministries by e-mailing [stewardship@nazanene.org](mailto:stewardship@nazanene.org) or by calling (800) 544-8413.

In Him,  
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***[Download the Harvest 2011 Fact Sheet HERE](#)***  
***and post in a prominent place,***  
***so you don't miss any of the tremendous resources***  
***available for this tremendous event***



# HARVEST 2011

## PLANNING GUIDE

### TIPS FOR HOW AND WHEN TO USE THE HARVEST 2011 RESOURCES

This is a potential planning schedule for effective use of the *Harvest 2011* resources. It is not necessary that you use all of the materials. However, by looking at them and starting early, you might find that members of your congregation look forward to what each week has in store as you prayerfully move toward the *Harvest 2011* offering.

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## IMMEDIATELY

**EXPLORE** Go to the *Harvest 2011* ([www.nazarene.org/harvest2011](http://www.nazarene.org/harvest2011)) webpage and explore it.

**DOWNLOAD** Under the “Resources” tab, click on the *All-in-One Download* and download all the print resources. This is a sizable download and will take a while, even with a speedy connection. If your connection is slow, ask someone else to help you. Be sure to download videos too, as they become available on the website!

**EXAMINE** Read all documents, especially those that pertain to leaders. *Devotionals for Leaders* has an idea sheet at the back, in addition to a reader’s theatre to perform as an introduction to the event.

**PLAN** Gather your pastor and your council, and begin planning. Let the group see all the materials and distribute the appropriate resources to individuals who will be helping.

### PASTOR

- Sermon helps
- Any leadership materials
- *Devotionals for Leaders*

### ALL LEADERS

- *Devotionals for Leaders*
- Other materials you think will help your leaders

### CHILDREN’S LEADER

- *Harvest 2011* Children’s Activity Sheet
- *Guided Prayer for Children*

### PRAYER COORDINATOR

- All prayer items

### PUBLICITY COORDINATOR

- Bulletin Inserts
- Logos and Clip Art
- Poster
- PowerPoints
- Web Banners and Badges

## EARLIER PREPARATION

### MAKE PLANS FOR EVENTS

- Will you use offering envelopes? (If so, order them now by calling 800-877-0700.)
- Who will introduce the prayer initiative?
- Will there be a special way the church will receive the offering?
- Will you have a youth-led worship night, and will it be at the beginning, in the middle, or at the end as a time of celebration?
- When will the children’s resources be distributed and discussed?

DETERMINE DATES WHEN PRINT AND DIGITAL PIECES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED/DISPLAYED  
BEGIN PREPARATION FOR READER'S THEATRE



## PREPARATION WEEK

### DURING THE WEEK:

- Leaders study *Devotionals for Leaders*, days 1-7
- Make copies of *Devotionals for All God's People*
- Final preparation for reader's theatre

### SUNDAY:

- Morning Service: Reader's Theatre
- Distribute *Devotionals for All God's People* to congregation
- Introduce additional prayer activities



## WEEK 1

### DURING THE WEEK:

- Congregation studies *Devotionals for All God's People*, days 1-7

### SUNDAY:

- Video: Plant
- Sermon: *For the People Who Get It!*
- Children: *Guided Prayer for Children*, Session 1



## WEEK 2

### DURING THE WEEK:

- Congregation studies *Devotionals for All God's People*, days 8-14

### SUNDAY:

- Video: Grow
- Sermon: *Our Privilege in Christ*
- Children: *Guided Prayer for Children*, Session 2



## WEEK 3

### DURING THE WEEK:

- Congregation studies *Devotionals for All God's People*, days 15-21

### SUNDAY: IT'S OFFERING DAY! HOST AN EXCITING, UPBEAT HARVEST CELEBRATION SERVICE!

- Video: Thrive
- Sermon: *The Hope of Glory*
- Children: *Guided Prayer for Children*, Session 3

# December Nazarene Compassionate Ministries

## Focus on Giving— *Ryot's Kids Impact Haiti*

I wanted to report some awesome news from our spaghetti dinner for the Haiti Hot Lunch program.

The kids at our church wanted to raise \$350, so that they could support one school lunch program for an entire month by holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser. At the end of the evening just before clean-up began, we counted the money from our donation barrel. There was a total of \$657 in the barrel. Taking out our costs of \$123 (we had many donations), our “net” proceeds to go to Haiti was \$534!

The kids were so, so excited! I reported this to our congregation Sunday morning. By the end of Sunday School, an additional \$171 was donated, bringing our total to \$705! Can you believe how cool God is! The kids are able to support two schools an entire month. They couldn't be more thrilled and—I think—a little overwhelmed until it really sinks in what they've accomplished.

Let me tell you, in the 6.5 years I've been at Ryot, I've never been to a function where the kids literally served those attending. The kids served like mad Saturday, and I couldn't be more proud of them. They worked so, so hard; and you could see in the people's faces how much that brought them joy. The kids never complained, never gave up, never rested the entire time.

I figure they served about 88 meals that night; and for 7 children between ages 5-12, that's a lot of serving. And might I add.....no spills!

What we do here matters there!

Jill Gordon  
Ryot Church of the Nazarene  
Alum Bank, Pennsylvania





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[www.engagemagazine.com](http://www.engagemagazine.com)

## Can't Download Engage 'Issues'

Some NMI leaders have asked how they might download and/or print "an entire issue" of *Engage* magazine. Please, keep in mind that *Engage* is not sent as an "issue." New stories are published individually as soon as they are received, so they are fresh and immediate. Readers wanting hard copies of *Engage* articles should print them individually.

## Collaboration Is Key

Mid-Atlantic District President Sharon Kessler and Philadelphia District President Sharon Thornhill have combined efforts to resource the churches on their districts. Their councils combine ideas (short, one-paragraph items) for promoting the ministries of Nazarene Mission International. Each district combines their ideas into an e-mail, then they send the ideas to the other district. Each item is short and focused with the local church in mind.

"I have my council in focus groups," says Sharon Thornhill. "The leader [of each focus group] is to connect with the group for ideas, etc., for their appointed time. The leader sends me the basic info, and I add the NMI logo, other designs, names, etc., then I mail it out to my

NMI e-mail group....We hope the local church uses it all for sharing, etc. If a church uses Facebook or e-mail as a weekly contact, it could be shared that way too."

Can you think of a church on your district with which you could collaborate in the same way? If so, also send your ideas to *Mission Connection*.

## When Using Copyrighted Music

Music is often a prominent part of mission services. Many people may be unaware of the requirements of copyright law.

When using lyrics and/or music of a copyrighted song, the copyright information and CCLI license number should always be included with any lyrics and/or music reproduced. The copyright information may be printed in a small font; it just needs to be there.

See the following information regarding what is acceptable for reproducing songs without a CCLI number: [www.pdinfo.com/copyrt.php](http://www.pdinfo.com/copyrt.php).)

The proper way to document the CCLI number is:

"Title," words and music by (lyricist and composer)

© (copyright year) (copyright holder)

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The person who will be leading the music should have access to the needed information if the song is registered with CCLI. However, if the song is not registered, the copyright information should still be posted, so it may involve some research.

If the music is used in a service setting where multiple churches are participating, the CCLI number should be of the host church or music leader's church.

These requirements are according to copyright law in the U.S.A. NMI leaders living in other countries should research the laws in those locations.

## Congratulations to Districts Giving 100 Percent and More

A list of districts that gave 100 percent or more of their WEF goals (as of September 12, 2011) is available. Our congratulations and thanks to the district leaders and churches that helped make this possible. You have made a difference in eternity for thousands of people.

To access the list, click [HERE](#).

## 'Funding the Mission' Report for August 2011

For your information, the August 2011 "Funding the Mission" report is attached at the end of this issue. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving. We appreciate the faithfulness of God's people, and are grateful for a good month, only 1.6 percent away from our revised goal!

## 10/40 Window Sunday October 2, 2011

A special opportunity to focus prayer on this special area of the world.

When? The first Sunday of every October.

**Where?** In your home, with your small group, at church.... Anywhere Christians gather to seek the Lord.

**Why?** Because the 10/40 Window is the "final frontier" of world missions. In order to finish the task given to the Church, we need to pray! "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...." —The Bible, Matthew 28:19-20

**How?** Mark Sunday, October 2 on your calendar. Tell your friends, family, small group, pastor.... Plan to join with Window International Network and countless Christians around the globe in interceding for the 10/40 Window.

Visit [www.win1040.com](http://www.win1040.com) for nation profiles, prayer points, and to learn about how you can get involved in reaching the people of the 10/40 Window.

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#### Our Mission

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

## Funding the Mission August 31, 2011

Period 2011/011

	Current YTD	Previous YTD	Variance YTD	% Var YTD	Previous Fiscal Year Annual
<b>World Evangelism Fund</b>	35,825,437	41,079,940	(5,254,503)	-12.79%	44,123,911
<b>WEF Plus</b>	1,478,097	1,037	1,477,060		4,008
<b>Mission Specials</b>	21,379,054	23,479,015	(2,099,961)	-8.94%	25,100,994
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>58,682,588</b>	<b>64,559,993</b>	<b>(5,877,405)</b>	<b>-9.10%</b>	<b>69,228,913</b>
<b>Mission Special Detail</b>					
<b>Alabaster</b>	2,617,425	2,659,819	(42,394)	-1.59%	2,781,658
<b>Compassionate Min - USA/Canada</b>	948,594	457,466	491,129	107.36%	491,254
<b>Compassionate Ministries - GM</b>	3,394,360	6,925,039	(3,530,678)	-50.98%	7,144,672
<b>Child Sponsorship</b>	3,050,092	2,783,047	267,046	9.60%	3,048,810
<b>Deputation</b>	1,905,087	1,689,380	215,707	12.77%	1,816,655
<b>Jesus Film</b>	2,954,881	2,072,964	881,917	42.54%	2,369,327
<b>LINKS</b>	223,594	203,630	19,964	9.80%	231,335
<b>Missionary Christmas Fund</b>	57,936	52,120	5,816	11.16%	61,015
<b>Missionary Health Care - Offerings</b>	113,048	196,738	(83,691)	-42.54%	204,573
<b>Missionary Health Care-Memorial Roll</b>	197,469	205,443	(7,974)	-3.88%	211,838
<b>Missionary Health Care - DSA</b>	94,590	82,667	11,924	14.42%	90,352
<b>Work &amp; Witness</b>	1,490,243	1,654,589	(164,347)	-9.93%	1,722,868
<b>World Mission Broadcast</b>	394,552	397,162	(2,610)	-0.66%	437,233
<b>Vacation Bible School</b>	247,141	247,311	(170)	-0.07%	331,826
<b>Other (i.e. Field,Partnerships, etc.)</b>	3,690,042	3,851,641	(161,599)	-4.20%	4,157,578

Revised YTD Goal	YTD Dollar Variance	% Variance
35,261,802	563,635	1.60%

Original Goal		
38,050,539	(2,225,102)	-5.85%