



A Resource Exchange for NMI Leaders

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Our Bags Are Packed— We're Ready to Go!

by Geneva Silvernail

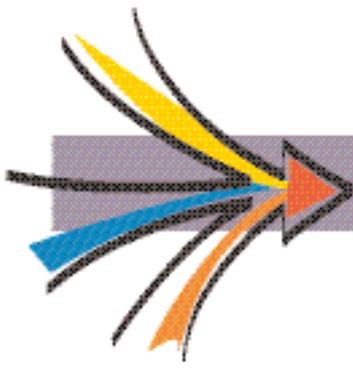
Carefully, Mama took our clothes stiffened with starch off the clothesline and carried them to the kitchen table. She quickly "sprinkled the clothes down" by dipping her hands into a bowl of water and then letting the water drip through her fingers as she moved her hands rapidly back and forth across the fabric. Satisfied that the garments were damp enough, Mama rolled each piece of clothing into a tight ball and placed the ball in the vegetable bin of the refrigerator to sit overnight.

Early the next morning, Mama ironed the clothes and placed them neatly in the suitcases.

Our bags were packed—we were ready to go to the Convention.

Have you thought about packing yet? Hopefully, you won't need to spend so much time in preparation for your visit to the **General NMI Convention, June 21-24, 2005, in Indianapolis, Indiana**. I can imagine us there right now...





COUNCIL INPUT

Medical Plan

This will be more effective if you have a doctor in the church (not a medical doctor) on the platform making an announcement. A person—dressed in a nurse’s scrubs and wearing a stethoscope and a wireless microphone—comes down the aisle, “interrupting” the announcement.

Nurse: Excuse me, are you the “real” Dr. Jane Anderson?

Doctor: Yes, I am Dr. Anderson, but not Jane, John.

Nurse: I have an urgent message for you that the surgery has been cancelled.

Doctor: Why do I need to know about the surgery?

Nurse: Aren’t you the surgeon?

Doctor: No, I’m not that kind of doctor.

Nurse: Well, what kind of doctor are you?

Doctor: I’m a teaching doctor.

Nurse: So you teach others how to do surgery?

Doctor: No, I told you, I’m not a medical doctor.

Nurse: Well, I was told you needed to know that the surgery for missionary Servant Goodheart has been cancelled. She needs this surgery as soon as possible.

Doctor: If she needs it so badly why has it been cancelled?

Nurse: Because she can’t pay for the surgery.

Doctor: Doesn’t Servant Goodheart—is that her real name?—have insurance?

Nurse: Yes, she has some insurance, but missionaries can’t buy insurance overseas. They have to be insured by the church.

Doctor: We can’t let this happen. The missionary needs surgery, and it must not be cancelled because she can’t pay. (*dis- traught*) What can we do?

Nurse: I’m so glad you asked! We can place names on the Memorial Roll. We can give a Distinguished Service Award. We can send Gifts from the Heart, and everyone can participate in a special offering for the Medical Plan.

Doctor: Okay, why don’t we take an offering right now.

Nurse: Thank you, Doctor Jane...I mean John. I just happen to have a first aid kit with me. We’ll put our offerings in it and pray for our missionaries. Thank you again!



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OUR MISSION

To mobilize the church in mission through prayer, education, giving, and interactive experiences.

...continued from cover story



While **delegates register on Tuesday**, our families and friends will spend time greeting each other, making new acquaintances, and learning the best ways to move from the hotel to the convention center. Parents will be asking about the special **Children's Mission Activity on Friday night**. All will be reviewing the program for the events of the week ahead.

Delegates will be inspired right away at the **10:00 a.m. Prayer Brunch Wednesday morning** as Pastor Jim Cymbala of the Brooklyn Tabernacle speaks. They will leave the room with a reinforced passion to pray more for missions and spiritual needs around the world. Many will no doubt stop by the **Prayer Room** to

continue in prayer.

Delegates and visitors both will be impressed with the quality of the presenters and the information provided in the **NMI workshops beginning at 1:00 on Wednesday afternoon**.

Who said business meetings were boring? Apparently, they have not had the opportunity to attend the **NMI plenary meetings** with world region choirs, reports, videos, and speakers who share stories of what has happened in their lives because of our faithful prayer and World Evangelism Fund giving. At the end of the **Thursday night March of the Nations, theme presentation, and dramatic challenge** for the next quadrennium, attendees will be inspired and challenged to participate and learn more about the mission of the church.

And with **Friday afternoon's closing**, whether they have had high expectations, low expectations, or no expectations, convention attendees will return home motivated, with increased knowledge, and with a renewed confidence in the work of Nazarene Missions International. They will fully understand that NMI is accomplishing its task:

To mobilize the church in mission through prayer, education, giving, and interactive experiences.

Start packing, June is only a few months away.

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A poster featuring highlights and details of the 20th General NMI Convention is included in this *Mission Connection* mailing. Post it in a highly visible location of your church.

*For additional information, see <www.nazarenemissions.org/generalconvention>.



Have you got a C.L.U.E.?

(Clear & Lively Ultimate Education)

Goal: Solve the mystery of how world evangelism is happening all around the world in spite of the forces of darkness. (This may be adapted to most lessons in the Adult Mission Education curriculum.)

Three weeks before the service, begin advertising:

Week 1—Have you got a C.L.U.E.?

(Clear & Lively Ultimate Education) Plan now to solve the Missions Mystery in the Mansion on (date). The case file is open. Someone is accused of promoting world evangelism with weapons of the Spirit. The investigation begins at (time). Start sleuthing (and don't forget your "little grey cells")!

Week 2—Have you got a C.L.U.E.? Will the Missions Mystery in the Mansion on (date) be fun? Elementary, dear Watson (that means "of course")! Whodunit? Where? And with what weapon? You're the master detective! Don't miss this startling investigation beginning at (time).

Week 3—Have you got a C.L.U.E.? Evil has met with grave misfortune from world evangelism. Whodunit? Where? And with what weapon? Grab your magnifying glass and prepare to investigate the case file at (time)!

Day of Service—Have you got a C.L.U.E.? As Sherlock Holmes would say, "The game is afoot!" Tonight *(or today)* is the Missions Mystery in the Mansion beginning at (time). Come tonight and receive a clue to unravel the mystery! Whodunit? Where? And with what weapon? Master detectives will find out!

Make enough C.L.U.E. cards of the three following designs for each person in the group to receive a card. Each of the cards should be numbered.

- Card with a silhouette graphic on one side and the



word "Person" on the other.

- Card with a globe graphic on one side and the words "World Area" on the other.
- Card with a sword graphic on one side and the word "Weapon" on the other.

As people arrive, distribute the C.L.U.E. cards (one per person).

Have a container filled with numbered slips of paper equalling the number of people (make sure the cards distributed equal those in attendance). Have a list of questions about the lesson, divided into the three categories: Person (people in lesson who further missions), World Area, and Weapon (method of ministry).

After presenting the lesson material, draw a number from the container. The person with the corresponding card number answers that question. If the answer is correct, the person wins a prize.

For fun, have some people dress up like the CLUE game characters: Colonel Mustard, Mrs. Peacock, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Miss Scarlet, and Professor Plum (if your group is small, pick a couple of characters). Bring them to the front and interview them. (The topics of the questions should be covered in the lesson information.) Sample questions:

- "Colonel Mustard, was the *JESUS* film really shown in the conservatory?"
- "Mrs. Peacock, what did you read about (name of person in lesson) in the library?"
- "Professor Plum, how has (name of person) used theological extension training to teach new pastors?"
- "Mrs. White, you've obviously been busy in the kitchen. Can you tell us what you've learned about the food/culture of (name of world area)?"
- "Mr. Green, I understand there was a wrench (a difficulty in the ministry of the people or world area studied) in the (name of people) plans. Can you tell us about it?"
- "Miss Scarlet, some people have accused the (name of people in lesson) of promoting world evangelism. Do you have any proof of this?"



The Heart and Life of Helen Temple: A Way with Words

by Debbie Salter Goodwin

Long-time Nazarenes know Helen Temple as a prolific author of gripping stories that brought missions to life, engaged people in prayer, and challenged their narrow perspectives. This book-treasure provides Temple fans with another side of her writing: beautiful sonnets, provocative free verse, encouraging epistles, and pithy theological snippets. After finishing this book, readers will have an even greater appreciation for this gifted child of God named Helen Temple.

In Faith on Wings: Nazarene Mission Aviation*

by Timothy R. Eby

Join Captain Tim Eby on a missions flight that can only be described as thrilling, yet harrowing, rewarding, yet challenging. Ride in the cockpit beside this gifted missionary as he takes you over the majestic peak of Mt. Kilimanjaro, the deep blue waters of Lake Kivu, the arid rocky terrain of the Ethiopian desert. Travel with this pilot to remote villages to show the *JESUS* film for curious seekers or to visit a school for children who were orphaned because of war in Rwanda. Fasten your seat belts. Prepare for takeoff. The trip is worth your time.

The Master's Builder: The Jerome Richardson Story

by Richard Gammill

He was a bomb builder—an outstanding bomb builder. The U.S. Navy used his extraordinary skills to design and build bombs and then the plants that produced and detonated those weapons. Meet Jerome Richardson who retired at age 55 and then devoted the next 2 decades in building for the Lord. On more than 40 different projects around the world, this man's legacy echoes from the buildings standing tall on mission fields today. Jerome Richardson, the master builder, was indeed the Master's builder.

Rockets, Rebels, and Rescues: Living the Life of a Missionary Kid *

by Mark and Jeanette Littleton

Huddling together while rockets and mortar fire zoomed around them . . . praying desperately as an elephant herd charged their vehicle . . . losing car brakes on a steep, winding road . . . freezing in horror as a cobra reared up to strike . . . hearing bombs explode just

outside your home. These are just some of the adventures that missionary kids (MKs) have faced and relate in this exciting book. You'll meet seven remarkable MKs in this book. You'll thrill at their stories. You'll marvel at their adventures.

Takin' It to the Streets—Again: Kansas City Rescue Mission

by Joe Colaizzi

“Bursting into the room, eyes fixed on mine, a stranger walked quickly down the center aisle straight toward me. . . . When I raised my hands to signal stop, he lunged, wrestling me to the floor. . . .” With these words Joe Colaizzi begins one of the many stories in his captivating book. In Joe's job he never knows what to expect. His life as director of Kansas City Rescue Mission is filled with the unexpected. And not all of these surprises are negative. This sequel to *Takin' It to the Streets* is a must-read.

Until We All Have Names: Stories of Medical Missions *

by Bill McCoy

Nelisiwe . . . Lusame . . . Mazwi . . . Frank Joe . . . These are the names of boys and girls who are critically ill, who also symbolize countless children worldwide in Nazarene hospitals and clinics. The author, a doctor in Papua New Guinea, says that it's easy to depersonalize patients, referring to them by numbers or diagnoses. “Healing cannot be fully ours,” Dr. McCoy states, “until we all have names.” So, be prepared to meet Nelisiwe and Frank Joe and the others. Read their heart-gripping stories. Learn their names. Rejoice in their healing.

*** Books for Adults and Youth**

Adjunct Book

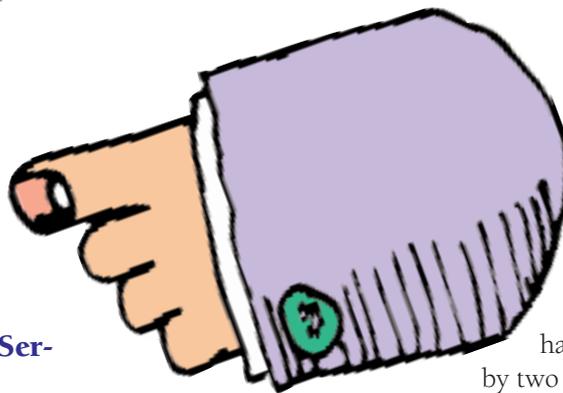
Every Full Moon Night: Life Lessons from Missionaries' Greatest Generation

by Dean Nelson

Before there were computers and E-mail, there were missionaries. They dealt with wars, danger at sea, deadly diseases, and saying good-bye to loved ones for many years. There was a level of commitment, hardship, and loss that is almost unfathomable today. *Every Full Moon Night* gives accounts of several pioneer missionaries as seen through the eyes of their adult children and grandchildren.



Medical Plan Pointers



Memorial Roll (MR) and Distinguished Service Award (DSA) General Information:

- **April, May, and June are the busiest months for Medical Plan.** We are thrilled to have an influx of finances for our missionaries, and we are processing the certificates for your special service. However, please remember there may be several hundred order forms ahead of yours
- **Be sure to double-check grammar.**
- **Additional copies of MRs/DSAs cost \$25.00.**

Specifically concerning DSA Paper Order Forms:

- **Use only the space allotted for the “reason for presentation”**—60 character spaces per line (includes punctuation and 2 spaces after periods); 4 lines available. Words cannot be split between lines.
- **Two people can be placed on the same certificate.**
- **Avoid abbreviations** (example, Ch. Bd. for church board).
- **Avoid typing words in all capital letters (unless it is an acronym).** “All caps” is difficult to read.
- **Keep the permanent text in mind when formulating the reason for presentation.** “Name Church of the Nazarene takes pleasure in presenting this certificate to *John and Jane Doe*” (italics denote information that changes from one DSA to another).
- **Prepositional phrases work best for the special message.** For example: “For your years of faithful service in our church” or “with thankfulness for years of love, care, and dedicated leadership.”

MR/DSA Paper Order Forms:

- **Please allow six weeks for delivery.** When MR/DSA forms are sent to Headquarters they are

hand-processed by two offices (General Treasurer’s Office and the General NMI Office). If you need a certificate in less than six weeks’ time, see the section for ordering online with a credit card later in this article.

- **Type (or print clearly) the honoree’s name on the order form.** This helps avoid mistakes when interpreting unclear handwriting.
- **There are new additions to the MR Order Form.** These allow you to order as many as six MR certificates per order form, plus there are boxes to check should you desire children’s MR certificates (for persons 18 and younger).

MR and DSA Online Orders:

- **How to order online**—Go to <www.nazarenemissions.org/medicalplan>. An online credit card option is on the right side of the screen. Click on this option, and you will be guided through the entire process.
- **Allow 11 business days for delivery when mailed normally** (if you did not opt to have your certificate overnighted—an extra fee).
- **If you need a certificate by a certain weekend**, it must be ordered online no later than the Monday before and overnighted to you. You will pay an extra fee for the overnighting.
- **If you order during the day, it is not electronically submitted into the system until midnight.** Note: Orders placed on Thursdays will most likely not be mailed until the following Monday morning.
- **If you do not have a credit card, your order cannot be processed online.** Processing checks must be done manually and thus is slower. The credit card option allows for electronic processing.

Christy Gunter-Leppert • Medical Plan Secretary



“Be still and know that I am God”.... Those are the precious words God gave me as I was in bed, suffering from severe neck and back pain. And then, as I had to be flown to Cairns, Australia, from Papua New Guinea for an MRI and consultation with a neurosurgeon. Both of which are not available in the PNG where my family and I have served for 20 years. As the radiologist secured the harness on my head and straps on my arms, he said, “Now, I am going to need you to ‘Be Still!’” God’s reminder to me that He was in control and that He was in the details!

“Be still and know that I am God.” That reminder came as I saw the medical bills pass through my hands, knowing that God had already worked in the details of this moment, months and years before, as precious servants of His have given faithfully and generously to the NMI Medical Plan. His provision for me through those that believe in the mission of the church and in helping those serving as missionaries who have medical needs.

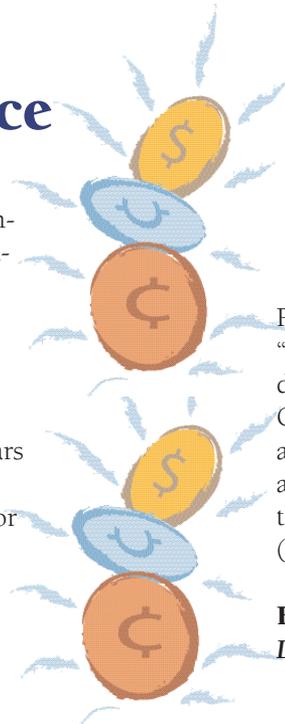
We have a great church, one that believes in the value of offering peace and hope to those in need. I am forever grateful for those who gave, so I could “be still.”

Natalie Ward
 Missionary to Papua New Guinea

Memorial Roll Service

Plan a Memorial Roll Service (MR) for the Sunday before Memorial Day, inviting family members of honorees being placed on the MR. Add names of immediate family members of regular church attendees who have passed away in the past year. Ask for photos of the new enrollees and scan them for use in a Power-Point presentation. Add the names of those your church has placed on the Memorial Roll throughout your church’s history to the presentation with the years the honorees were added. The names can scroll as a special song is sung, and at the same time, a flower for each new enrollee may be added to a flower arrangement. Explain to the families that they may take the flower home after the service. Be sure to explain the purpose of Medical Plan.

Deborah Berry • Alabama South District



Medical Plan Money

Buy small tubes of Mini M&M’s. Put a label on the tubes that reads “Medical Plan Money” and gives the date for your church’s Medical Plan Offering. Distribute the tubes to adults, teens, and children. Encourage the people to eat the M&M’s and then fill the container with quarters (each tube holds \$10).

Frances Teel • Alabama South District



Display/Poster/Bulletin Board Idea

Ideal for Churches of Any Size! This would look good as a poster or bulletin board; however, if you have a place where a display using the actual items could be displayed, it would be more eye-catching.

What Does \$4.00 Buy?

- Fast-food Meal **Temporal**
- Magazine **Temporal**
- 5 Days of Internet Service Provider **Temporal**
- 10 Stamps **Temporal**
- 2 Gallons of Gas **Temporal**
- Ream of Copy Paper **Temporal**
- 1 Minute of World Mission Broadcast Air Time **ETERNAL**

Gail L. Sawrie • NMI Editor



Instructions for Use: Verbal announcements, inserts in worship folders, or E-mails to members if your church has an all-church E-mail list.

South America Reaches a Historical Landmark

During July 2004, with the addition of 70 affiliates of Radio Logos Network from Miami, Florida, the regional programs of WMB South America crossed the 600 station mark. The number of monthly listeners climbed to a total of 22.4 million during the same month. More than 750 families now receive the discipleship E-mail, *Paquete de Esperanza (Hope Packet)*, sent each Monday morning.

Faith Grows as WMB Sows

A listener of WMB's *Awake with the Angels* program from China's Zhejiang Province wrote in May 2004, "Through your program, I got to know Christ and have learned to trust Him and accept Him as my personal Lord and Savior." This listener just chanced upon the two-hour radio program that is broadcast nightly across China via TransWorld Radio. "When I first listened, I was not serious...however after a few months, I felt that Christianity contains the Truth, the Way and the Life," said the listener.

The Internet is another broadcast tool for sending the Gospel. "Thank God for the Internet," relates a Zhejiang Province web surfer. "Thank you for your encouragement and help. You have encouraged me deeply."

'I Know that Voice...'

"I know that voice! I came from far to see you because I listen to your program on radio," said a *Thru the Bible* listener from Madagascar. The World Mission Broadcast radio program is aired in the Malagasy language. This listener had traveled a great distance to meet Rev. Richard Revelamanantsoa, the program's presenter, with the hope of receiving personal counsel. Pastor Richard urged the man to stay for the church service, then counselled and prayed with him later.

Running on Fumes?

The Caribbean Region's French Field Director, Terry Ketchum, in reporting on the region's various programs,

Broadcast Stories—Share the Excitement!

shared about Haiti's Bleck Church of the Nazarene and their radio ministry. Ketchum said the radio station is located in the church and the pastor and district superintendent have been the driving force behind it. When they were asked how often this Nazarene station airs their programs they responded, "daily...as long as there is gasoline for the generator."

Bleck Church of the Nazarene's radio station broadcasts in an area of Haiti where other, larger evangelical Haitian broadcasters do not reach, and all they need in order to stay on the air is gas for the generator. Imagine what a few gallons could do?

Radio Gospel Breaks Through

Fausto Asturias Torres and his wife Alma Noemi Ventura, live in Puerto Barrios, Guatemala. Alma is a believer. Fausto attended church when they began their life together, but soon spent time with friends who encouraged him to participate in ungodly activities.

Alma never stopped praying for her husband. For comfort and guidance, Alma tuned her radio to the local Nazarene station, *Stereo Bienestar (Well-Being Radio)*. Over time, Fausto started listening to the messages, which began to pierce his heart. One day he made a decision to return to the Lord and restore his family life.

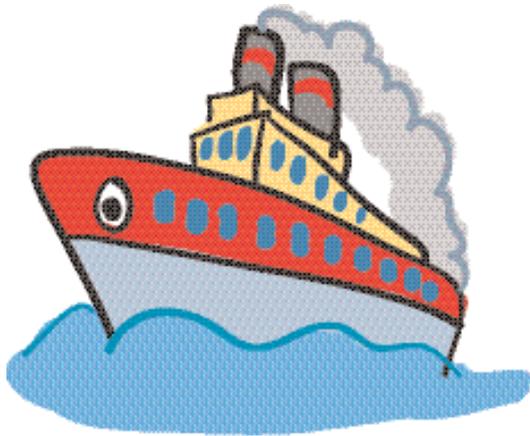
Program Reaches Lives of Indian Listeners

Rev. Manohar Ingle has been the program host for the *Tilak and Christ* radio program in India since 1972. Following are a few recent listener responses:

- Your message on "idol worship" really touched my heart. I have stopped my way of worshiping, but I am having lots of trouble from my family. Please guide me in making them understand to give up idol worship.
- My daughter has accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior. Now I have a serious question as to how she will get married if she accepts the Christian religion openly?



FAITH PROMISE: CRUISIN' FOR MISSIONS



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Decorations

- Many items can create a cruise feel for decorations.
- Colors of blue, green, gold, and silver will remind people of water. Tropical colors will also work.
- Use nautical flags to spell out your church name. (See this Web site <<http://www.marine waypoints.com/learn/flags/flags.shtml>> to learn about international code flags.)
- Have the pastor, emcee, or NMI president dress up like a ship's captain.
- Create a gangplank into the reception hall.
- Name your tables for ports (where your missionary speaker serves, the location where you have sent or will send a Work & Witness team, or, if you have a multicultural congregation, places that represent home countries of members), famous ships, parts of the ship, or names of decks on a cruise ship (check a cruise ship Web site for such names).
- Decorate one side of the room like a pier. Place "ship railing" around the sides of the room.
- Incorporate items from your "cruise destination." For example, if your cruise is headed to the Bahamas, add palm trees and other tropical items. If your cruise is going to Alaska, choose wilderness-type decorations or celebrate the Alaskan Gold Rush.

Table Centerpieces

- Create life preservers (made from styrofoam) with "USS (*your church's name*)" on them. Place a candle, flowers, or both in the center of the life preserver.
- Model ships would be creative centerpieces, especially if they have been made by someone in your congregation.
- Seashells with candles or flowers would also be nice.

Food

- Most cruise ships serve all kinds of food, so anything is in order. Depending on your budget, you could be either lavish or low-key. (They even have pizza on cruise ships!)
- Since most cruises take place on the ocean, giving a seafood flair to your menu would enhance the theme.
- Appetizers/finger foods—Shrimp cocktail, crab rangoon, seafood cheese melts, salmon pate (or pattie?), and *Goldfish* crackers for children.
- Main course—Fried fish, baked cod, angel hair pasta with shrimp and basil, seafood stir-fry, crab cakes, and fish sticks or tuna sandwiches for children.
- You could also choose foods from the different ports your cruise will be visiting.

Favors

Place a sticker reading "Pray for Nazarene Missions" on:

- LifeSavers candy rolls
- Seashell candles; soaps shaped as shells or dolphins
- Shell, boat, or fish magnets

Music

Music can enhance your cruise theme, especially from your "cruise destination" or nautical-themed songs. For a little fun, use the theme song from the TV shows, *Love Boat* or *Gilligan's Island*, or play Beach Boys music.

Activities/Games

Have games for the children and youth (or adults!):

- Limbo
- Pin the Tail on the Donkey
- Piñata
- Fishing game—In a wading pool filled with water, place plastic duck nets on the backs of fishing poles with string, and magnify to "catch" toy prizes.
- Goldfish game—bowls of various colored water. Catch and toss ping pong balls into the bowls to win prizes. (**Note:** you could use other prizes.)



Melinda Wolf Miller • Assistant Editor



Million Hours of Prayer Unites Us All

- Encourage your church to participate in Million Hours of Prayer (MHP), interceding for all aspects of the General Assembly and Conventions in June.
- Meet with your pastor and council to evaluate your church's response to MHP in order to achieve maximum response.
- Involve all age levels—children and youth like to feel directly involved.
- Explain the purpose for the General Assembly and Conventions for any young people or new Nazarenes who may be unfamiliar with the event. (This might be an excellent way to involve your pastor.)
- Set aside a time for concerted prayer—a MHP prayer vigil at the church, prayer cells in homes, prayer walks—challenge your people to be creative in their prayer times.
- Distribute the requests included on the MHP Prayer Calendar in the January/February/March 2005 *Mission Connection* MHP mailing. Set aside time for discussion of other requests your people can think of relating to the General Assembly and Conventions.
- Make prayer reminders with MHP requests on them for people to take home.
- Challenge your church to pray for a specific amount of time; set the goal high—people will strive for it.
- Explain to your church that they can listen to proceedings via the Internet and pray as events unfold in Indianapolis.
- Report to your church what happened at the General Assembly and Conventions, so they realize the results of their prayers.

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Books for Pastors— Tools for Ministry

This is a common sight in many pastors' homes around the world.

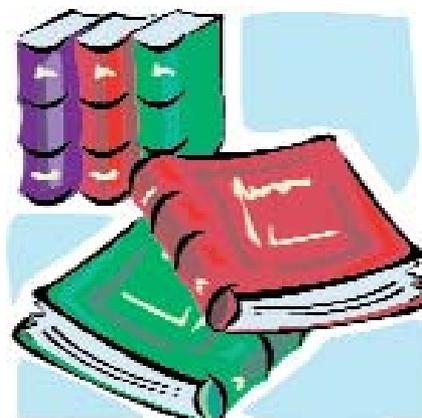


There is still time to give to the NMI 90th Anniversary Project, Books for Pastors—Tools for Ministry!

While money will be accepted for years to come, the project itself will last through 2006.

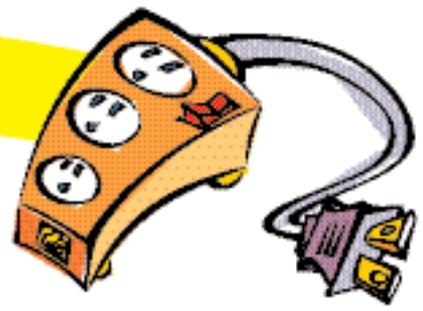
Now is the time to give—or give again, if you have already participated.

Pastors around the world need the Wesleyan-Holiness resources the Books for Pastors—Tools for Ministry Project will provide.



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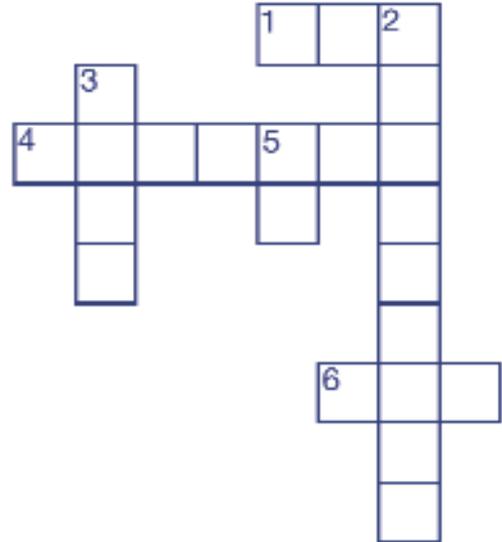
Complete the puzzle with clues 1-6. Fill in the blanks to find out what Jesus tells us to do in the Great Commission.

ACROSS

- 1 A conjunction that means "as well as"
- 4 Another word for countries
- 6 Everything or everyone

DOWN

- 2 People who follow the teachings of a leader
- 3 To build or produce something
- 5 Belonging to



Go _____ (1 Across) _____ (3 Down) _____ (2 Down) _____ (5 Down)
 _____ (6 Across) _____ (4 Across) _____ (6 Across) _____ (5 Down)

Matthew 28:19a

See Solution on page 14.



Children's Mission Event Kidz Passport to Missions

**General NMI Convention
Indianapolis, Indiana
Friday, June 24, 2005
6:30-9:30 PM
Halls A & B**

- Open to children who have completed grades 1-6
- Crafts and games
- Puppets and other activities
- Great giveaways
- Missionaries from around the world

For more information, see <www.cmga05.nazarene.org>

WIRED-UP FOR

YOUTH

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How often do you listen to the radio?
How often do you watch TV?
How much do you enjoy your CD player?

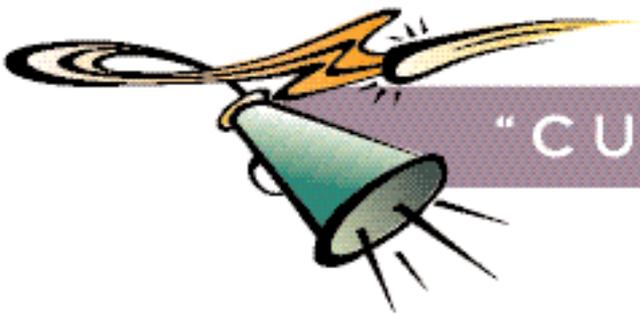


Millions have yet to hear the gospel. But World Mission Broadcast helps make it possible to broadcast programs through a variety of media.

Won't You Help?

For the next two weeks—every time you use your CD player, car radio, headphones, watch a video, or turn on a radio, give an offering...so others may hear the Good News!





“CURRENT” INFO

NMI TO HOST PRAYER ROOM AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND CONVENTIONS

NMI will host a Prayer Room at the 2005 General Assembly and Conventions. Delegates and visitors are encouraged to visit Room 113 in the Convention Center. The Prayer Room will be open from 12 noon to 11:59 p.m. June 22; 8:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. June 23-28.

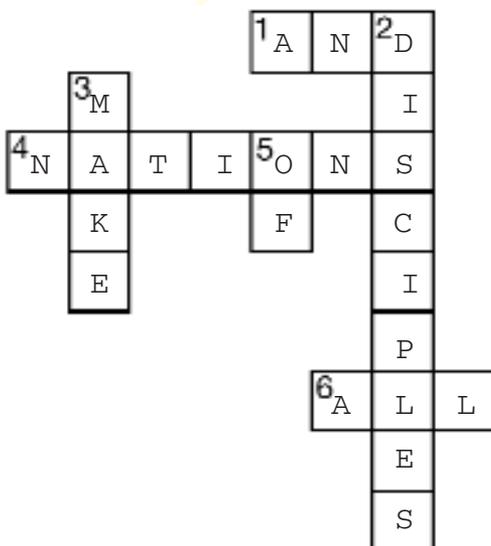
Prayer requests pertaining to each day's activities will be available. Stop by and intercede for the events and business that will take place

“This is a General Assembly and Convention tradition to which many participants look forward,” says Dr. Nina Gunter, general NMI director. “Since prayer is one of our objectives, NMI is pleased to be able to offer a place where visitors and delegates can spend time in intercession.”

MISSION CONNECTION ARCHIVED ON NMI WEB SITE

Would an electronic version of some of the *Mission Connection* articles be of benefit to you? Issues since 2003 are archived and as close as the NMI Web site <<http://www.nazarenemissions.org/mc>>. We do not have access to electronic files prior to 2003.

SOLUTION
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Go and make disciples of all nations.

Matthew 28:19a

HELP US HELP THE MISSIONARIES

Linda Phelps, LINKS coordinator, gives this piece of advice, “It is essential to find out **how to label** packages when sending them overseas. A missionary wrote recently that the **only** reason duty money had to be paid was because the words ‘No Commercial Value’ were omitted when mailing the package. This cost the missionary \$40. Detailed mailing instructions can be secured from your district LINKS coordinator or district NMI president.”

Please double-check mailing instructions when sending a package.

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NMI Medical Plan: 2 minutes, 5 seconds; use—NMI Medical Plan.

World Mission Broadcast: 2 minutes, 46 seconds; use—World Mission Broadcast, especially good leading directly into the offering.

MK Life: Lane Koenig: 5 minutes, 30 seconds; how MKs can have ministries of their own while their parents fulfill God's call.

Touched by the Love of God: 2 minutes, 14 seconds; use—Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, ministry to AIDS orphans.

ABC: 3 minutes; how the Nazarene Church in Bangladesh is meeting the spiritual, as well as educational, needs of women in Bangladesh.

In Sync with God's Timing: 7 minutes, 13 seconds; shows how God's timing is perfect.

CAUSE 2002...Puerto Madryn: 6 minutes, 22 seconds; youth ministering in Argentina—especially good for youth groups.

Volcanic Eruption in Goma: 3 minutes, 56 seconds; use—Nazarene Compassionate Ministries

Why We Do What We Do: 51 seconds; success stories in a very brief format; great for all ages.

Mission Possible 5: 7 minutes, 6 seconds; Chad discovers that missionaries who serve in creative access areas must communicate in creative ways with friends and family back home.

Three Short News Clips of ministries taking place around the world.



Helping keep Nazarene missionaries healthy for more than 85 years!

Medical Plan

Your gifts through Memorial Roll certificates, Distinguished Service Awards, Gifts from the Heart, and other Medical Plan offerings provide for the health care needs of Nazarene missionaries and their families.



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“Hello...It is nice to be greeting you. It is like I know you because I listen to you every day on my local radio station, Radio Maranatha in Peru. Thank you for your messages, they are a great blessing to my life....We have only been in this city for a year and a half; we are from Lima, but felt God calling the whole family to serve Him here. God bless you.”

A Listener from Peru



AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Come to the International Family Gathering

A gathering is an assembly of persons united in a common cause. The family of Nazarenes will come together from all over the world to worship, fellowship, and transact business at the 20th General NMI Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana (USA), June 21-24, 2005 (Tuesday through Friday).

- P Flags and banners festooning the dome
- P Scores of missionaries greeting the family
- P Strong engagements in prayer
- P 24 dynamic workshops, including some in French, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish
- P Creative, interactive exhibits
- P Prayer Brunch
- P Legislation—elections, resolutions, quadrennial mission report—reviewing the past and giving vision to the future
- P “Books for Pastors—Tools for Ministry,” the NMI 90th Anniversary project celebration
- P Inspiring music from groups around the world—South Korean choir, children’s choir from Guatemala, steel pan band, Madalitizo Choir from Zambia, North American praise team and band, and others
- P Thursday night service—March of the Nations, new theme presentation, Dr. Nina Gunter preaching, and an intentional focus on youth
- P Internationals and missionaries telling their stories throughout the day Thursday and Friday
- P Motivational challenge for the new quadrennium



The family will gather. Come and be a vital participant as together we receive God’s blessings and respond to His vision for missions. See you in Indianapolis!

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