

AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Thoughts to Ponder

In this *Mission Connection* we feature: mission education (April), Missionary Health Care (May), and World Mission Broadcast (June).

Mission Education

While serving in South Asia, Carol and I bonded with leaders such as Simon in Bangalore, India. Both of his parents died within two years. At nine he was cast aside in an overcrowded orphanage. A Nazarene pastor (now a district superintendent in India) visited orphans and invited them to Sunday School and eventually met this boy.

Simon responded wholeheartedly. The church gave him a Bible and a *Manual* in his language. By age 15, he read both books cover to cover. He wanted to belong to a family who believed what these books taught. He confessed and repented of his sins, asking God to sanctify him and to enable him to live a holy life. NMI began to teach him about missions. He became a member.

Following several years as the worship and youth leader in that church, Simon now serves as the dean of South Asia Nazarene Bible College. He leads 1,500 students and 100 teachers across this field of 8 countries comprising 25 percent of the world's total population. Mission education impassioned him to reach beyond his own brokenness, culture, and language to multiple nations.

Missionary Health Care

God asks, "Whom shall I send?" (Isa. 6) and "Who will proclaim?" (Rom. 10). Missionary Health Care asks, "Who will cover those sent proclaimers when they face food poisoning or drink polluted water or require emergency medicines or endure surgeries in strange places and languages?"

NMI and Missionary Health Care contributors respond readily, "We will." You are faithful. We are indebted and thank the Lord for your gifts.

World Mission Broadcast

Two months ago World Mission Broadcast (WMB) premiered *Mujer Valiosa* (*The Valued Woman*) in South America. Focused on the Latin woman, the television program reaches persons not previously touched with the love of Jesus. The production quality and content are exceptional. Our communications team has received responses from women previously oppressed and now experiencing healing.

WMB provides more than radio. It utilizes all means to reach people: podcasting, devotionals downloaded to mobile phones, Web casting, e-mail discipleship.

Thank you for teaching, caring, and sharing. And thanks for giving to make all this possible.



Daniel D. Ketchum, Ph. D.
NMI Director

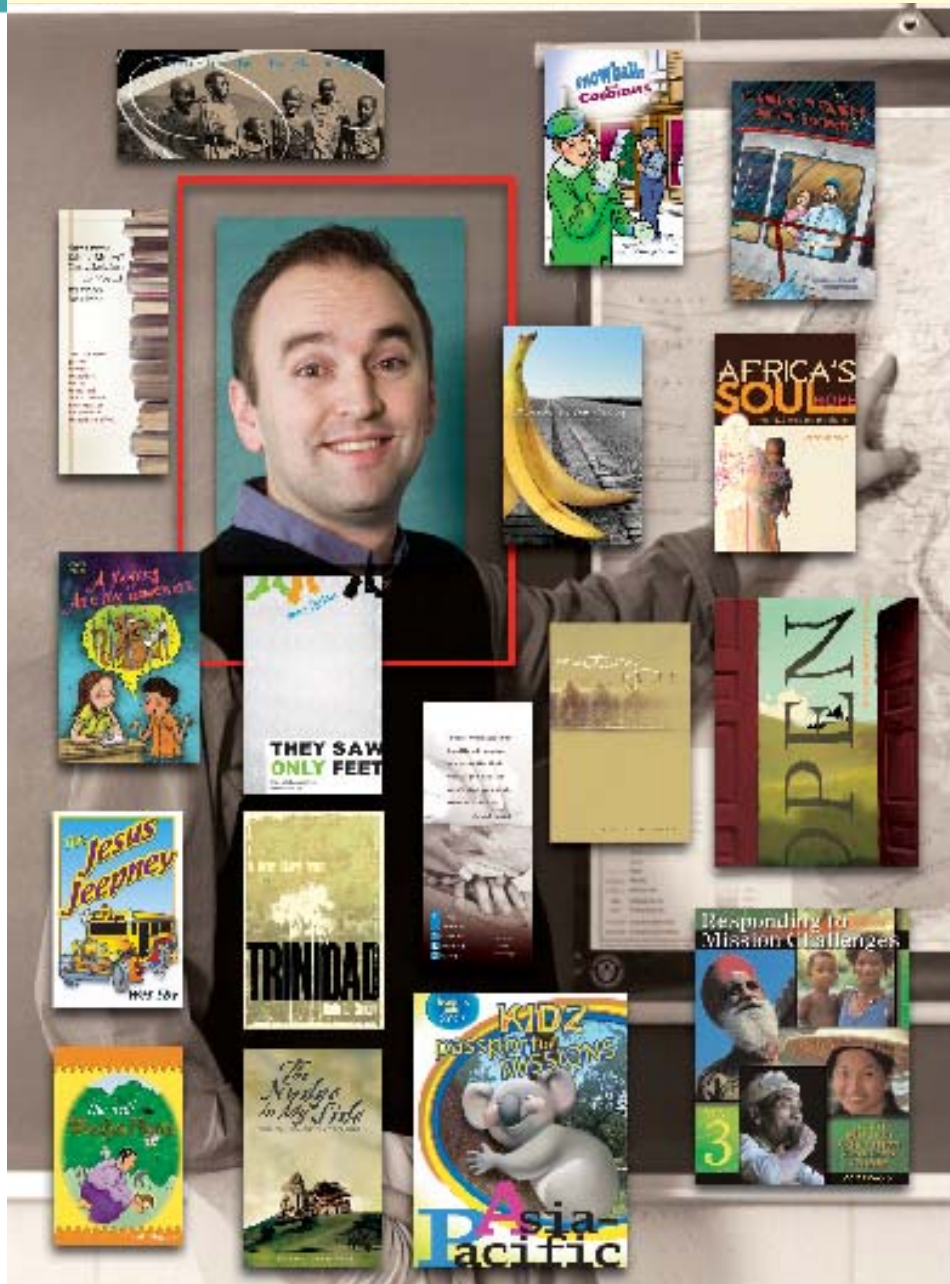


A Resource Exchange for NMI Leaders

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Out-of-the-Box Ideas for Global Awareness

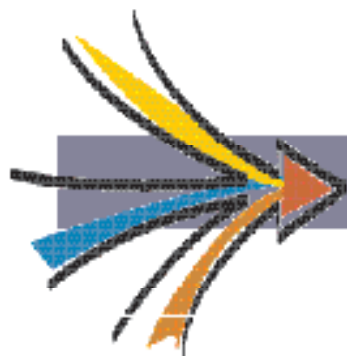
by J. Wesley Eby & Gail L. Sawrie

Just like a school system focuses on multiple subjects Nazarene Missions International encourages churches to use the adult, youth, and/or children's mission education curricula to guarantee your church has a well-rounded knowledge of Nazarene missions.

So exactly how can you effectively use and/or purchase any of the curricula? Following are a number of options for all church sizes. We welcome your “out-of-the-box” ideas; others can learn from your experience.

- Large church uses curricula in small groups or Sunday School settings.
- Large church buys a packet/s for a small church.
- Church includes packet/s in the faith promise budget.
- If your church has English as a Second Language classes, encourage them to use

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COUNCIL INPUT

Global Awareness Learning of Others Weekly


It is important to keep the local church aware of our Nazarene family spread around the world.

One way to do that is to have a designated flag displayed each Sunday at the front of the sanctuary. A systematic way to do this is to follow our church devotional magazine, *Reflecting God*, and select the flag of one of the world areas being prayed for that week.

Go to www.nazarenemissions.org/gin, and click on "View the Global Information Network." Click on a region, then a specific world area. There you will find tabs for maps, church information, and missionaries pertaining to that world area. Using this information, write a short paragraph to be included in your church bulletin, newsletter, e-newsletter, missions bulletin board, or missions display.

Add the prayer items from *Reflecting God* for that country or any requests you might know personally for that country or missionary.

If you right-click on the flag, you can save the flag of the country as a digital image and use it in a PowerPoint slide for the announcement segment of Sunday morning worship. (This is a great substitute if your church does not possess the flag of the world area you select.)



Carol Anne Eby
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General NMI Council

Editor's Note: Some churches would like a set of flags, but cannot afford to buy a whole set at one time. Build the set gradually, encouraging people to donate money to purchase a flag in honor or in memory of a person from your congregation, adding a small plaque with the name of the world area it represents, the honoree, and the donor. It just takes planning by the council to determine the size and material (so they are consistent).



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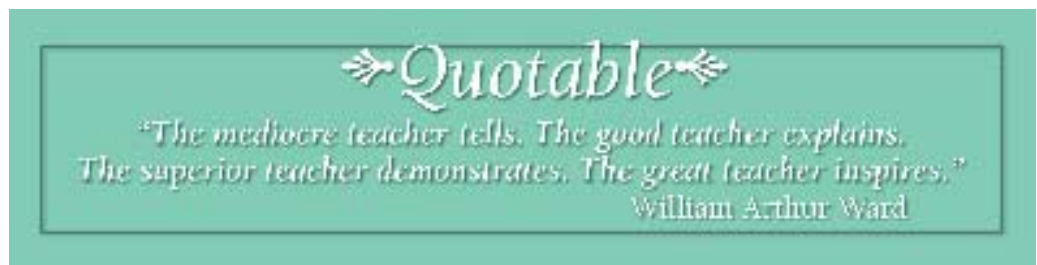


the *International Mission Education Journal* (available from your district NMI president or on our Web site <www.nazarenemissions.org/imej> free) for adults/youth and children.

Online this material is available in French, Portuguese, and Spanish; the district president has it in English for congregations learning English or for translating into languages not represented above.

- Small churches combine efforts to have a missions night on a regular basis (monthly, quarterly, semiannually), buying the packet/s and presenting the information together. Make it a time to build community in your zone/area, district, or city. (If you have a combined time for youth and/or children at the same time or include them with the adults, consider it as children and youth involvement.
- Several small churches buy a packet and share it, with each church using it for three to six months.
- Large church gives packet for year completed to a smaller church to use for the upcoming year.
- District NMI council buys a packet for a smaller church/es.
- Youth and children's groups learn their age-appropriate mission education material and present it to adults—everyone learns!
- Local church conducts a fund-raiser to buy packet/s.
- District NMI council buys packets for smaller churches to share.
- Speed missions—divide material into small segments that can be presented in no more than one minute, distribute to your group/congregation, and ask them to get in groups of two. Tell them they have four minutes for both people to present material, at which time a bell will sound, they will switch partners, and start again. (Group size and presentation time may be adjusted for the size of your group/church.)
- Local church buys a packet and uses it for two years, instead of one (especially helpful if the church has mission education through Mission Moments and only a limited amount of material is used).
- District NMI council conducts a fund-raiser or takes a special offering to buy packets for smaller churches.
- Local church encourages someone to donate the cost of buying a packet.
- Rather than having a monthly time of mission education, have a weekend missions retreat for all ages two to four times a year.

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MISSION EDUCATION

Storyteller Teaches about Nazarene Missions

Some years ago, we had a lesson about an African storyteller. At that time I got an electric light with a bulb of small wattage, plugged it in, covered it with red tissue paper, added some sticks, and made a "campfire."

As the storyteller, I tried to look as close to the part as possible with a costume, makeup, and a My helpers were dressed similarly all memorized our parts, which took some study; however, I tried to keep it fairly simple for the helpers,

asking each of them three questions since their answers were quite involved.

I called our people to the front of the church—the sitting on the floor, the older ones seats.

as such a popular lesson presenter that the African storyteller has read twice across the years (not ten, lest it get boring). Once we invited a neighboring church to attend.

This lesson option takes a lot of effort, but I thrive on it. I have been missionary education presenter for at least 15 years now, and I love it.



Irma Lee Herrick • Rural Town, Kansas



Six Book Club

Church of the Nazarene
Congratulates

May your journey to other countries through reading make you aware of the need to pray for others and give you a desire to allow God to unfold His plan for your life.

"Speak, for Your servant hears." | Samuel 3:10b

Pastor

Local NMI President

Janet Carr • Upstate New York District

Editor's Note: This certificate was originally for six-book children's book readers for the Upstate New York District. It has been adapted for all ages in the local church.



***Africa's Soul Hope:
The AIDS Crisis and the Church****
by Ellen Decker

Like a giant tsunami, the AIDS crisis in Africa propels itself forward, wiping out entire communities and destroying everything in its path. What hope is there for those facing this insidious, life-sucking disease? How is the Church of the Nazarene providing soul hope to millions of desperate people? Open this book. Read thoughtfully and prayerfully. A word of caution, however—you will never be the same.

***Baboons on the Runway:
And Other Humorous Stories from Africa****
by Richard F. Zanner

Do missionaries ever have fun? According to this author, the answer is a resounding yes! Join former Regional Director Richard F. Zanner on a journey into the world of hilarious encounters and unlikely escapades lived out among his Nazarene colleagues in Africa. From being chased up a tree by a rhino to experiencing a “resurrection” in a morgue, you can be sure it’s an adventure you aren’t likely to forget!

A Love Story from Trinidad
by Ruth O. Saxon

How do you fall in love with a village... a village with a bad reputation? Only God could have created the love story between missionary Ruth Saxon and Chanka Trace, Trinidad. An unlikely courtship, to say the least, it has stood the test of time and resulted in newfound hope and healing. Open your heart to this moving tale of joy and sorrow, healing and heartache, hope and disappointment. And let it stir anew your own love for the Savior and His precious lost children.

Meeting Jesus*
by Keith Schwanz

Witchcraft. Gangs. Demon possession. These are but snippets of the opposition faced by *JESUS* film team members as they share the good news of Christ around the world. At the risk of their own lives, these brave individuals seek to reap a harvest of lost souls . . . people who matter deeply to God. Written in the style of the Gospel of Luke, *Meeting Jesus* propels you into a world where good conquers evil and lives are transformed for eternity.

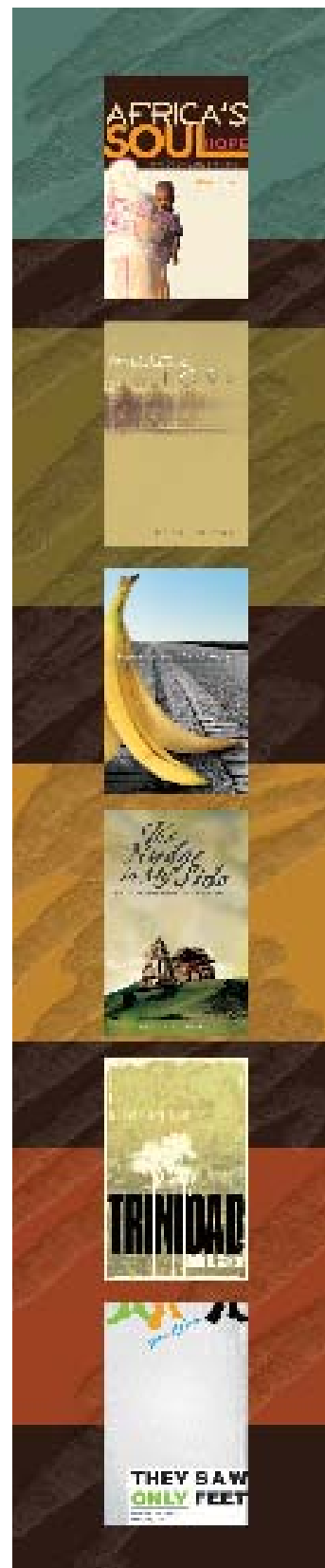
***The Nudge in My Side:
Stories from Indonesia and the Philippines***
by the Bob McCroskeys

This father/son missionary duo has teamed up to share life-changing stories from the far reaches of Asia. In Indonesia and the Philippines where life is often simple and isolated, God has moved in astounding ways to call men and women to himself. Open the pages of this book. Savor the truths of these tantalizing stories. And be prepared to never see the world in the same way again.

***They Saw Only Feet:
More Life Lessons from Missionary Kids***
by Dean Nelson

The call of a missionary often means sacrifice and surrender. Nobody knows that better than their children. Yet as the missionary kids in this book will tell you, God is faithful to care for His own. Between these pages you’ll meet men and women whose life experiences on the field changed them forever. Listen to their hearts, and let your own faith be strengthened as you do.

* Recommended for youth





Changes Every Time You Turn Around

Cast:

Narrator—does all the speaking and is clueless

Sign Person (SP)—non-speaking, but knows what is going on

Prop—Sign with “OLD—Medical Plan” in drab letters on one side and “NEW—Missionary Health Care” in a bright, eye-catching color on the other

(Narrator and SP enter. SP carries sign and stands near Narrator with back to audience. As directed in the script, SP will turn and show the phrase mentioned, then turn with back to audience, turn the sign over, and turn back around to show new phrase. This will need to be rehearsed, so it flows smoothly.)

Seems like the world is changing so fast. *(SP turns and holds up “OLD” sign, then turns back around again.)* Every time you **turn around** some mission ministry has a new name. *(SP turns and holds up “NEW” sign, then turns back around again.)* I feel like I have learned so many new names in recent years. *(SP turns and holds up “OLD” sign, then turns back around again.)* Now, some of them help clarify matters. *(SP turns and holds up “NEW” sign,*



then turns back around again.) Sometimes name changes slip past us. *(SP turns and holds up “OLD” sign, then turns back around again.)* Take Medical Plan, for instance. *(SP turns and holds up “NEW” sign, then turns back around again.)* I’m not sure what the money from Distinguished Service Awards, Memorial Rolls,...*(SP turns and holds up “OLD” sign, then turns back around again.)*...Gifts from the Heart, and other offerings goes for. *(SP turns and holds up “NEW” sign, then turns back around again.)* Have **you** wondered about this? *(SP turns and holds up “OLD” sign, then turns back around again.)* I wonder when they are going to change the name of Medical Plan. *(SP turns and holds up “NEW” sign, throws up hands in exasperation, and exits. Narrator looks at SP in surprise and exits confused.)* What? What did I say?

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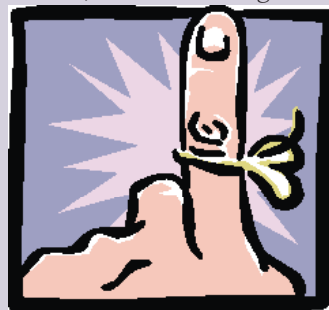
Reminders for Ordering MRs/DSAs

The General NMI Office receives many requests at this time of year. Please keep the following in mind as you plan the church’s celebration.

- Since many people order Memorial Roll (MR) certificates and Distinguished Service Awards (DSA) in time for Memorial Day, **the earlier you order, the better.**
- Remember ordering online <www.nazarenemissions.org/medicalplan> with a credit card takes **3-11 business days** turnaround time; ordering by mail takes **4-6 weeks!**
- If you need an **order form for a**

mail-in order, they are available in your church’s annual district convention packet (usually given to the local NMI president) and online at the URL listed at the left.

- Many churches like to see a list of the DSAs and MRs given over the years, this is also available on the NMI Web site (URL at the left). Click on the **MR/DSA History** link, type the church name in the keyword box and the beginning/ending dates in the appropriate boxes. (For an entire history, type 1919 in the beginning box and 2007 in the ending box.)





MISSIONARY HEALTH CARE



Give so Nazarene missionaries may concentrate on ministry, rather than worrying about paying for health care.

Giving to Missionary Health Care frees monies that would otherwise be taken from World Evangelism Fund giving.

Missionary Health Care

Did You Know . . .

- North American health insurance companies will not insure people living overseas?
- The Church of the Nazarene must therefore pay all the medical expenses related to its missionaries?
- Those expenses total approximately \$2.9 million each year?

Help provide missionaries' health care by honoring people through:

- Distinguished Service Awards,
- Memorial Roll,
- Gifts from the Heart, and
- Missionary Health Care offerings.



Idea: Use the above for a display or bulletin board for your church. Add a list of the names of people from your church who have been honored in the past year (or throughout your church's history—see page 6). It will educate them about the purpose of Missionary Health Care, showing them how your church participates.

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The World Is Listening!

A minute of air time through radio, the Internet, or television costs an average of \$4.00,

GIVE TO WORLD MISSION BROADCAST

“By All Means Save Some”

A Filipino family visited the Taytay Church of the Nazarene (Philippines) in December 2006. They had lived in Vancouver, British Columbia, for 6 years and were in the Philippines to spend Christmas with their family. They found Taytay Church because they were *Perfect Rhythm* podcast listeners. They knew the radio broadcast was produced by the Church of the Nazarene, so when they arrived in the Philippines, they looked the church up.

God is using the podcasts that Asia-Pacific communications team creates to touch people all over the world!

Daniel Pape • World Mission Communications Asia-Pacific





Listeners' Prayer Requests

If you have a few moments, I encourage you to read through these requests and pray for the listeners they represent. Nothing will support the work of World Mission Broadcast (WMB) globally, like your prayers. Feel free to pass these requests on to your church's prayer groups.

Thank you for your support of WMB, and especially for supporting the listeners.

Rick Guilfoil, Director,
World Mission Broadcast

Responses from South America
www.Esperanza.net—October 2006

"I am very anxious. I have a 14-year-old daughter. Because of my work, I see her only once a month. My daughter needs me with her. She feels very alone. At this time, I don't have an alternative. I am left with little hope."

Dina, 38
Chile

"I need help to restore my marriage."
Eduardo, 45
Bolivia

"I want to know more about God."
Gabriel, 42
Argentina

"I need strength and hope to keep going in this world."
Margarita, 41
Venezuela

"This is the worst moment for my family. We only argue, insult and hurt each other."
Andrea, 31
Chile

"I need help. I am going through a difficult time in my life."
Sandy, 22
Bolivia

"I need help with my family."
Tatiana, 23
Uruguay

"My marriage is in a total crisis. Could you pray for God's will in our lives?"
Ana María, 46
Ecuador

"I want to know Jesus."
Felix, 20
Peru

"I need to know how to instruct my children correctly. I have two children ages 8 and 3."
Enely, 30
Honduras

"How can I know the will of God?"
Islene, 32
Colombia

"I need spiritual peace."
Daniel, 45
Colombia
(Listening to the radio in a taxi)

"I am sad. My need is to receive more of God."
Eileen, 19
Paraguay

"I want to know more about women's leadership and about marriage. I am single. I listen over the Internet to Radio Faro in Bolivia."

Silvana, 33
Italy

"I need to leave this spiritual poverty."
Luis, 25
Bolivia

"Pray for peace in my home."
Marlene, 63
Uruguay

"I want to know how to be a 'valuable woman.' I want to learn to be a woman of wisdom. I have low self-esteem."
Carmen, 45
Chile



FAITH PROMISE

Where Does Faith Promise Money Go?

This drama sketch may be presented with the narrator being the only speaker (following the script exactly) or each person may present his/her own area. Select the areas your church's faith promise budget includes.

Cast:

Narrator—speaking part; should speak clearly; talks as other characters cross platform; may be done offstage

Nazarene Missions International—carries globe and spins it as he/she walks

Alabaster—two people—one, dressed in work clothes, carries a brick and trowel; the other, dressed for church, carries a large Alabaster box

Work & Witness—wears coveralls, hard hat, and tool belt; carries hammer in one hand and Bible in the other

Mission Education—wears big eye-glasses, has pencil tucked behind each ear, carries missions books and tapes/CDs, mission education curriculum, etc.

Missionary Health Care—dressed in scrubs with stethoscope around neck, carries clipboard, etc.

Compassionate Ministries—carries blanket, loaf of bread, and Crisis Care Kit so large items can be seen

World Mission Broadcast—two people—one carries a radio/CD player and a laptop, the other carries a small TV with an antenna on his/her head

World Evangelism Fund—carries a filled bag with all types of currency symbols on it

(Characters enter, walk across the platform as their ministry is described, then stand as a group to the side and watch as others enter. Using PowerPoint, display the ministry name while it is described.)

(NMI enters.) Hi there! My name is **Nazarene Missions International**. I want to introduce you to the many ways faith promise helps Nazarene missions globally. *(NMI walks to the side.)*

(Alabaster people enter.) We are **Alabaster**. We purchase land and build churches, district centers, missionaries' and pastors' homes, schools, compassionate ministries centers, hospitals, and clinics for the Church of the Nazarene globally. *(Alabaster people walk to the side.)*

(Work & Witness enters.) My name is **Work & Witness**. I volunteer, spreading God's Word as I work—constructing, repairing, and painting buildings around the world. *(Work & Witness walks to the side.)*

(Mission Education enters.) I am **Mission Education**. Adults, children, and youth learn about missions through a variety of methods, including mission services, books, tapes, CDs, DVDs, personal involvement, listening to missionaries speak, as well as other materials. Through me, people learn how to pray for missions more effectively. *(Mission Education walks to the side.)*

(Missionary Health Care enters.) My name is **Missionary Health Care**. I help provide for the health needs of Nazarene missionaries through the Distinguished Service Award, Memorial Roll, Gifts from the Heart, and special offerings.

(Compassionate Ministries enters.) My name is **Compassionate Ministries**. I serve in disaster areas and by sending Crisis Care Kits wherever needed. I also help AIDS orphans and people recovering from addictions. In short, I'm available when a need exists.

(World Mission Broadcast people enter.) I am **World Mission Broadcast**. Through me, people learn about Jesus and His saving grace via radio, television, and the Internet, in their own languages. *(World Mission Broadcast people walk to the side.)*

(World Evangelism Fund enters.) My name is **World Evangelism Fund**. None of these ministries could take place without me. I provide missionaries' salaries and retirement, institutions of higher learning, medical facilities, and literature. I help facilitate the Church of the Nazarene globally. *(World Evangelism Fund walks to side.)*

(All move to the center before the narrator makes the closing remark.) When you give to faith promise, you give to all of these ministries. Ask God to direct you in how you will participate in faith promise this year.

Norma Cunningham • Mitchell, South Dakota





GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER TAKES PLACE IN MAY

The interdenominational 2007 Global Day of Prayer (GDOP) will take place on Pentecost Sunday, May 27. It will be the culmination of 10 days of intercession in preparation for that day and will be followed by “90 Days of Blessing” in which people will begin “practical, transformational blessing to their cities and communities.”

Following are some basics regarding the GDOP. Nazarene churches are encouraged to participate in their communities’ GDOP events. If there are none planned in your area, why not take the initiative? More information and resources are available at www.globaldayofprayer.com and www.gdopusa.com.

Notify the NMI Office of how your church participates in GDOP.

Background

In 2000 God captured the heart



of a South African Christian businessman, Graham Power, with a vision of a time of intercession focused on South Africa. In March 2001 more than 45,000 Christians united for a Day of Repentance and Prayer in Cape Town.

In 2002 the event expanded to include the whole of Africa. Eventually, Africa was to invite all the nations of the globe to unite in this move of transformational prayer.

At a meeting of the International Prayer Council in 2004, the invitation from Africa went out to the nations of the world to join in a 5-year Global Day of Prayer process up to 2010. On May 15, 2005, Christians from 156 nations of the world united across denominational and cultural borders participating in the first Global Day of Prayer.

This is just the beginning of a process to saturate all the nations of the globe in prayer. May every Pentecost until 2010 see a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit!

Vision—The glory of Christ and the blessing of the nations

“For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.”

Habakkuk 2:14, NIV

Mission—To call Christians from all nations to:

- Unite in repentance and prayer, and
- Work together as God’s servants for the blessing and healing of the nations

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

2 Chronicles 7: 14, NIV

Strategy—Following the example of the first believers who “joined together constantly” in prayer (Acts 1:14), the Global Day of Prayer calls Christians from all nations to unite in prayer. A simple threefold strategy will be implemented each year until 2010:

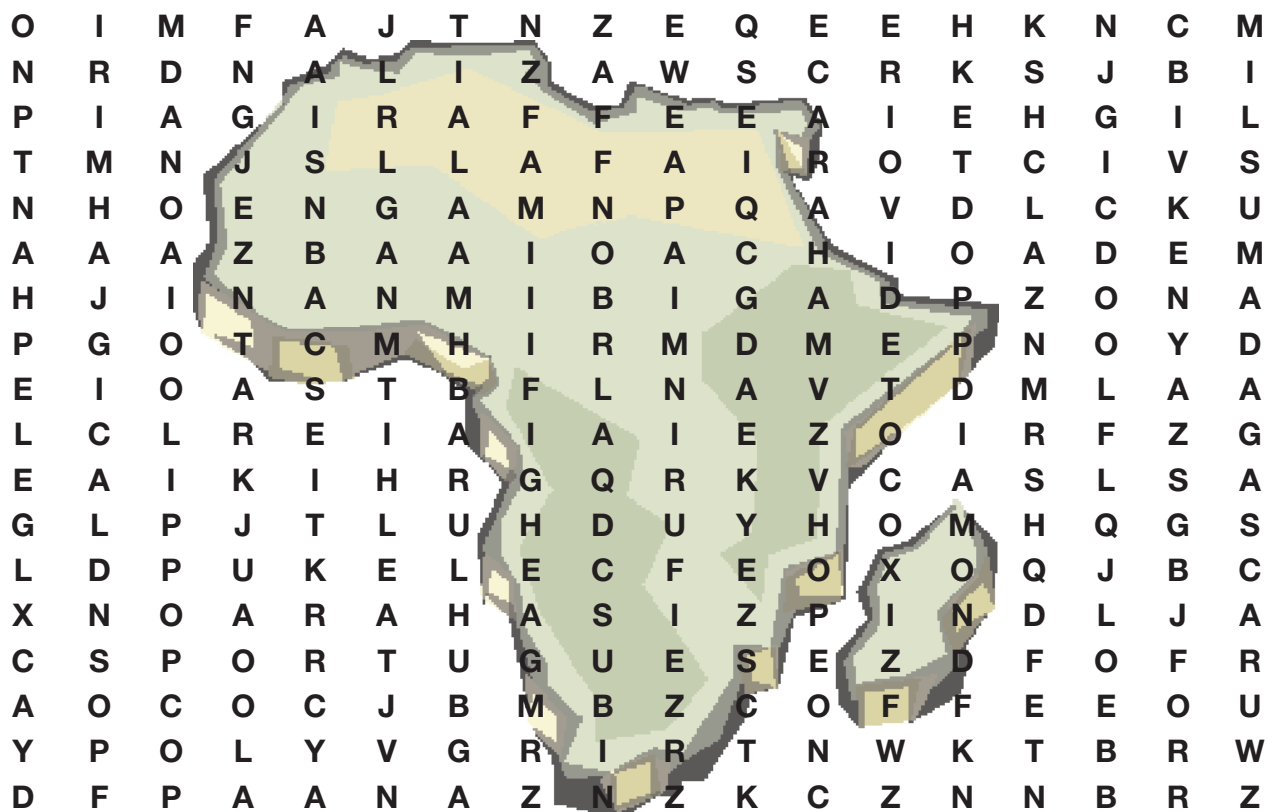
- 10 days of day-and-night prayer from Ascension Day till the Saturday before Pentecost Sunday
- A Global Day of Prayer on Pentecost Sunday
- 90 days of “community blessing” after the event

Editor’s Note: The bulk of this information and the logo came from the international Global Day of Prayer Web site (listed above).





Searching for Africa



You have studied the Africa Region this year. Find and circle words and world areas from this region listed below.

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|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| BENIN | ELEPHANT | LION | SOUTH AFRICA |
| CAPE VERDE | ETHIOPIA | MADAGASCAR | SWAZILAND |
| CHRISTIAN | FLOOD | MANCALA | UGANDA |
| COCOA | GIRAFFE | MOZAMBIQUE | VICTORIA FALLS |
| COFFEE | GORILLA | MUSLIM | VOODOO |
| COTE D'IVOIRE | KENYA | PORTUGUESE | ZAMBIA |
| DIAMOND | KILIMANJARO | SAHARA | ZEBRA |

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See Solution on page 14.



WIRED-UP FOR

YOUTH

It's a Global Awareness Blowout!

Have a Global Awareness Blowout for the youth in your church. Plan a weekend retreat or an all-day event with a variety of mission education activities. See how many of the Global Awareness points your teens can effectively accomplish at one huge event.

If the group is large, divide them into groups of no more than 10. Each group will participate in each activity and will be awarded points for completing each activity. If your group is small, all will participate together, and individual points may be awarded.

Be sure and have plenty of food throughout the event! All that learning takes a lot out of a person.

The Global Awareness points are as follows:

- **Global Awareness Resources**—present a brief, action-packed lesson from the Youth Mission Education curriculum. Food from a world area studied or food associated with the topic would be appropriate.
- **NMI Missions Books/Tapes/CDs**—provide the group with a questionnaire for one of books (three questions for each chapter), then have the group read or listen to one of the books and write their answers as each chapter is read. The more correct answers for each team, the more points they receive.
- **Missions Service Project/Hands-on Missions Activity**—If there is a soup kitchen or some other community ministry with which your youth can serve, have them

participate in that. If such a location is not a possibility for your group, have them bring items for Crisis Care Kits or School Pal-Paks (or if you are really adventurous, take them shopping at a discount store for the items), then have the kids pack them.

- **Missions Speaker**—If possible, have a missions speaker who will capture the interest of the youth. If you have the Blowout the same weekend as your church's faith promise event, you would have a speaker readily available...just remember to let the speaker know he/she will also be speaking to the youth, so that person is prepared.
- **Multimedia Missions Resources**—Show several segments from the *World Mission DVD* throughout the event (not all at one time). Serve popcorn and sodas during the segment.

An additional option—if there is time—is to occasionally play a game that is popular in a world area the youth have learned about. The Internet has many sites that give the rules for playing games from around the globe.

The key to success for this plan is to keep the kids moving. Avoid down time, so there is no time for boredom. Your whole church could also be involved; it would go a long way in building community within your church.

Gail L. Sawrie • Editor



“CURRENT” INFO

Contact Missionaries About Packages

We have heard from missionaries who have received packages of items they did not request. The missionaries notified our office out of concern for churches that exert the effort and pay the money for unneeded items.

To prevent such situations:

1. Check your LINKS lists provided by your district LINKS coordinator to see if the item has been requested. If the missionary is not your church's LINKS missionary, check the Unofficial LINKS Lists on the NMI Web site <www.nazarenemissions.org/LINKS> (look in the lower left corner on the page for that link).

2. Even if an item shows as being requested, please e-mail the missionary or other contact before sending items. Sometimes mailing instructions change, or an item is no longer needed.

Both steps are important and will save your church and the missionary time, effort, and money.

‘Books for Pastors’ Report

As of October 31, 2006, giving for the “Books for Pastors—Tools for Ministry” Project stood at \$2.45 million.

Missionary Bob Woodruff wrote, “The first phase of projects will develop and distribute books in 60 languages. Writers and translator training are now in place, and nearly 14,000 pastors will receive books

rather than the 7,000 originally targeted. This is due to the growth of the church and resultant growth of people preparing for the ministry.”

NMI Helping Globally

NMI recently sent a large investment of money to the Horn of Africa Field Office in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and to the hospital in Kudjip, Papua New Guinea (PNG). The money will help cover the cost to install Internet capability, to provide for three years of service, and to provide videoconferencing.

“Funds for this investment were provided by a family estate through NMI,” said Daniel D. Ketchum, general NMI director. “We give thanks to God for His abundant blessings that allow us to help in this way.”

Ron Berk, missionary to Papua New Guinea, recently wrote of the benefits: “I knew it would make a difference, but not like this. I didn't understand how much not being able to reach out at any time was weighing on us. Christmas is a time for family and friends—we were isolated, but not anymore. In seconds, I see pictures of family and friends that I would have deleted... because they were too large. I can conduct business that was not possible before and make commitments to reply in time, when we never knew before if we could even reply. I believe that this one generous gift will completely change what we can do here for the Lord. I also know it will strengthen all of us who are serving here, as we are no longer isolated. It will be some time before we realize the full extent of this gift.

“Thank you for making this our best Christmas in PNG...ever!”

Solution (From page 12)

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Missionary Health Care

Did You Know . . .

- North American health insurance companies will not insure people living overseas?
- The Church of the Nazarene must therefore pay all the medical expenses related to its missionaries?
- Those expenses total approximately \$2.9 million each year?

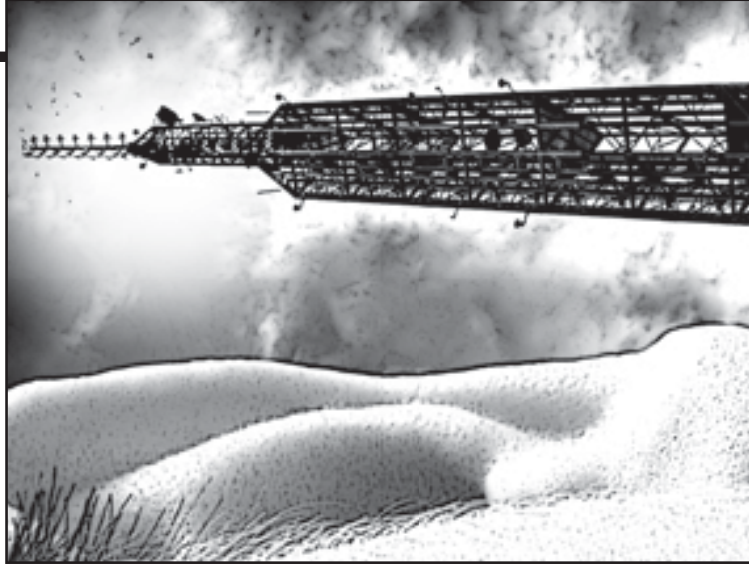
Give so Nazarene missionaries may concentrate on ministry, rather than worrying about paying for health care.

Giving to Missionary Health Care frees monies that would otherwise be taken from World Evangelism Fund giving.



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