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**“In the morning, Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning
I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly.” Psalm 5:3 (NIV)**



From My Heart

Heirs to Other Pioneers

By Daniel Ketchum

“He brought out his people with rejoicing, his chosen ones with shouts of joy; he gave them the lands of the nations, and they fell **heir to what others had toiled for**” (Psalm 105:43-44, NIV).

Having served as director of Nazarene Missions International for six years, I embrace increasingly the Psalmist's reminder. I realize more each month that I am an heir to what others worked diligently to attain. Sometimes I feel like a dwarf standing on the shoulders of giants.

To feel like a dwarf standing on the shoulders of giants is a familiar Western metaphor meaning “a person who develops future service by embracing opportunity opened and research created by notable leaders of the past.” The metaphor was first recorded in the twelfth century and attributed to Bernard of Chartres. Seventeenth-century scientist Isaac Newton repeated and revised the metaphor famously.

But beyond historical quotations, biblical examples capture best what we comprehend about becoming heirs to other pioneers. The Lord said to Joshua, “Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their forefathers to give them” (Joshua 1:6).

As the writer to the Hebrews challenged, we will “imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised” (Hebrews 6:10-12).

You and I are deeply indebted to the following colleagues. Through them and in Christ, we have inherited profound promise and blessing. Grateful for the vision of pioneers and the shoulders of giants, I am simply honored to be one of the dwarfs.

In 1964, the Executive Officer was repositioned from General President to General Director. Then in 2009, titles were changed to Global President and Global Director.

Executive Directors/Officers

Dr. Mary L. Scott	1950-1975 (25 years)
Mrs. Wanda Knox	1975-1980 (5 years)
Dr. Phyllis H. Perkins	1980-1986 (6 years)
Dr. Nina G. Gunter	1986-2005 (19 years)

Sometimes Giants Move

Now, let's talk turnover in this mobile milieu. Only two of the previous directors and four of the presidents are still living. Only two of the regional coordinators and one of the global council members who served when I was elected are still serving. Only one of the NMI office team members I inherited is still serving. Many of the giants have moved on.

Heirs Sing and Soar

You and I have inherited so much from so many. Let us together receive the Spirit-gift and develop the Christ-grace to honor global, regional, field, district, and local leaders whose mission vision and passion influenced our own. Let us together affirm and express appreciation to each who preceded us in God's mission. Especially while many still live, let's find practical ways to commend them authentically and frequently.

Eventually, our GenNEXT dream is that those who come behind us will find us faithful.

Find Us Faithful (by Steve Green)

We're pilgrims on the journey of the narrow road
And those who've gone before us line the way
Cheering on the faithful, encouraging the weary
Their lives a stirring testament to God's sustaining
grace

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses
Let us run the race not only for the prize
But as those who've gone before us let us leave to
those behind us
The heritage of faithfulness passed on through
godly lives

CHORUS:

Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful
May the fire of our devotion light their way
May the footprints that we leave lead them to
believe

And the lives we live inspire them to obey
Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful

After all our hopes and dreams have come and
gone
And our children sift through all we've left behind
May the clues that they discover and the
memories they uncover
Become the light that leads them to the road we
each must find

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Is It Really Worth It? - Members of the Masaki Village would tell you, 'YES!

“World Mission Broadcast is far-reaching in its scope. This tool is able to do what no other ministry can. It reaches beyond borders where there are barriers to keep the message out. We need your help to reach the unreachable by supporting this evangelism tool. Make a difference in the world today!”

Louie E. Bustle, Director of Global Mission

Nazarene broadcasters are often asked whether it is really worth putting so much effort into old media like radio. Yet, it is never hard to come up with the answer of “YES!”

It is true that technology has advanced tremendously, and yet radio remains a great ministry tool throughout the world, especially in Africa. Radio ministry is difficult and costly work that begins with planning and funding—but when powerful, life-changing testimonies are received, we know we are still doing the right thing.

For the last six years World Mission Broadcast (WMB) has worked in partnership with Radio Usima Tanzania (RUT). We air a youth program known as *Tafakari Ya Siku* (Daily Meditation) in the Kiswahili (Swahili) language. WMB's African radio team has received many prayer requests, testimonies, and

comments from faithful listeners whose lives have been changed by the Lord through this radio program. One of those listeners is David.

David Munga is a resident of Masaki Village in Dodoma, Tanzania. One day his family (two brothers and a relative) were struck and killed by lightning on a rainy afternoon, leaving him alone. Great fear haunted him! His other relatives isolated themselves from him because of the Sukuma tribe's taboos and cultural restrictions. Among these people, it is believed that people who are struck by lightning are evil; and no one should associate with them, lest that person get infected with the bad omen.

One Saturday afternoon David heard a voice from his small, old radio receiver saying, "There is One who cares and loves those who are unlovable and lonely...the Lord Jesus. He is inviting those who are afraid and weary and is offering them rest and safety that the community can't offer."

"I knew this was an offer to me; and that afternoon, I gave my all to Jesus," said David. After weeks of communication and visitation with Pastor Ronic, David joined the Iringa Road Church of the Nazarene where he has been a member for four months. Brother Munga and many others don't have the means to communicate their gratitude to the Church of the Nazarene for making it possible for the Word of God to reach and change their lives through radio. These villagers do not have cell phones or mail service to communicate their appreciation, but according to David, they say "...We always thank God for things like radio and the people who use them to reach disadvantaged villagers like us. We can't read the Bible on our own. It is likely the only way we would receive the Good News is by hearing."

WMB's radio team members, local churches, and pastors are grateful witnesses of radio's continued viability to provide powerful, life-changing work in the lives of African listeners.

World Mission Broadcast

District Presidents, WMB is one of the ministries NMI continues to receive an offering for, and WMB needs your help. This year the offering is currently down 3.08% from last year at this time. The story of David Munga is a true story and should be shared throughout your district. It shows how the giving of the local church to WMB results in a life reached and made new in Jesus Christ. Nothing ministers quite like WMB does, but your support is necessary to keep WMB programs on the air, sharing the Good News around the world. As the offering falls, so does the ministry's ability to fund programs like the one David Munga heard on that Saturday afternoon.

Thank you, DPs, for helping WMB programs stay on the air by sending the story above to all the local presidents on your district and by including a feature on WMB in your newsletters. News and stories can be found on www.worldmissionbroadcast.org or www.facebook.com/WMBroadcast.

Because You Give - Gripping Conviction and Connection - Terrorists couldn't keep him from throwing his Bible down, and it cost him his life.

By Daniel Ketchum

Recently, another courageous Nazarene pastor was threatened with death by terrorists who hate Christians. They told him to throw his Bible in the dirt and deface it or "we will kill you."

Reflecting momentarily, he embraced his Bible and replied quietly, confidently, "Then kill me." The thugs bound him to a nearby tree, gathered sticks, and started a fire at his feet.

Racked by searing pain, he cried out in mercy for his persecutors, "Father, forgive them. They don't know what they are doing."

Nearby villagers heard his cries, saw the smoke, and ran as close as his torturers would allow. Unable to intervene, someone asked his name and where his family lived. "We will run and tell your family what is happening."

When they brought his wife and daughter to the scene, they found only the smoldering ashes of his body. In deep anguish, his wife sobbed, "He laid down his life for the Lord, the Word, and the Church he loved."



Among many others, this Nazarene pastor was counted worthy to suffer for Jesus Christ. Persecuted believers like him on front lines experience what it means to share in the sufferings of Christ (2 Corinthians 1:5). Suddenly, my life is wrenched into reality.

I am so grateful to learn amazing grace from our brothers and sisters, to hear their stories of humiliation and torture, and to realize their commitment to the Lord, the Word, and the Church. Their faith challenges mine with gripping conviction and connection.

Each of us remembers. Every offering we give for the World Evangelism Fund sustains persons like this pastor (in life and in death), his widow and daughter, his church, and his flourishing district and field. Brave believers like him and his people cherish and rely on our caring support and faithful prayers!



A reflection the topic of Human Trafficking and the Role of the Church

Recently the NMI office has received a few e-mails regarding the content of NMI's mission book called *Traffic* and the related *Living Mission* education lesson called Priceless People. Focusing on the topic of human slavery, the book and lesson's straightforward content about a tragic subject has caused some interest and concerns.



The following is a response Daniel Ketchum, NMI global director, sent to one such e-mail. Please read the response, pray for the men, women, and children who are trafficked every day, and forward this on to your local presidents. It will help them understand why we are addressing such a topic within our mission education resources.

August 21, 2011

Dear :

Thank you for your e-mail regarding *Traffic*, the NMI mission book, and the *Living Mission* theme on human trafficking. I warmly welcome your further dialogue about this troubling issue. You are right to be concerned. I will share your concern with our colleagues: writers, editors, and mission educators.

You are so right: this theme is graphic and gripping. Current slavery, human trafficking, or sex trade is abhorrent and offensive...anywhere and in America. Everything about this sin is objectionable, loathsome, and sickening.

The sale of humans to other humans is detestable, abominable, and horrendous. The whole industry is repulsive, degrading, and grotesque.

It is essential that we see this as horrid, unholy, and unjust. Nazarene pastor and author Darrell MacLearn knows that something insidious is happening in our world, country, and neighborhoods (*Traffic*, page 36).

The authors told me that the theme made them sick to research and write. But they also reminded me that we cannot hope to combat or correct

something about which we know little or nothing. You probably know that trafficking will happen again tonight and this weekend in your town or cities near your home. You noted that you are "very aware of this problem in our world." Are you aware of this problem where you live? Do your people know this and are they doing something to intercede and intervene?

You encourage sensitivity to persons won to Christ from pornography and women who have been molested and beaten and who struggle with unneeded memories and feeling. These persons might be the first to affirm the need for the Church to address the sources of this crisis and do something like missionaries to resolve this human disaster.

Regarding your concern that no one in the book was led to Christ, please join me in rereading chapter 8 of *Traffic* again. I wonder how many stories missionary Harmon Schmelzenbach told or accounts he wrote before he led the first convert to Christ in Africa. And how many times did he petition Christians in Nazarene churches to become involved with him before he organized the first church in those villages?

"Darrell wonders if this hush among the Christian community is because they are truly processing these realities or because they are offended at the profaneness they acknowledge in their worlds....He also knows there is no other single entity as well-suited to this purpose than God's church. It is Darrell's dream that the people of God become leaders in the rescue and restoration of sex-trafficking victims and the prevention of sex trafficking altogether...that in their repulsion Christians would not retreat to their ivory tower, but instead advance as a united army fighting the good fight for justice, setting the captives free" (*Traffic*, pages 59-60).

I commend you for raising strategic questions and concerns. What is God's mission in Christ regarding human trafficking? How will He set the captives free? What should we feel and how shall we respond? Then, what shall we do about this plague and epidemic where we live and with people we lead and serve?

Across decades and centuries, what has the Church done in response to the Holocaust, human slavery in America's south, AIDS, abortion, pornography, and other issues addressed in

NOTE: If you would like to comment about Human Trafficking or about the issue of NMI publishing a mission book and education lesson on the topic, please feel free to do so on the *Living Mission* Facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/104428492923551. The dialogue can only help us understand and learn as we all attempt to be the hands and feet of Jesus to those who are suffering.

Calculating the WEF Formula – Is it as complicated as it seems? Not really!

Here's How to Calculate WEF Giving on Funding the Mission (FTM) Web Site

The new funding plan for the Church of the Nazarene is based on current year church income less anything that is given to the World Evangelism Fund or Approved Ten Percent Special. We request that each church give 5.5 percent of current income for World Evangelism Fund (WEF).

The 5.5 percent goal is a minimum that we hope churches will give for the global mission: making Christlike disciples in the nations. We recognize each church that gives at least 5.5 percent for WEF as a World Evangelism Church. We recognize each church that gives at least 5.7 percent for WEF as a World Evangelism Church of Excellence.

How should you calculate your 5.5 percent goal correctly? The best method is to utilize the Funding the Mission Web site (www.fundingthemission.org). Simple-to-use tools there will actually calculate the exact allocation for you.

our *Manual* Appendix, Chapter IV? In light of your letter, I have reviewed *Manual* paragraphs 903.3, 903.4, 903.7, 903.8 (trafficking is war), 903.12, 903.15, 903.16, 903.17, 903.18, and 903.19. I hope you will join me in this review. I reflected on every *Manual* paragraph as I reread the book before responding to your e-mail.

I have grieved and wept over this. I repent that I have done so little to correct or counteract evil in trafficking and in many other forms. Perhaps you and I together can make a difference: praying, repenting, informing our people of present danger, and offering hope and redemption in Christ. Perhaps we can become even more involved as the Spirit guides us. Perhaps this *Traffic* book and the same theme in *Living Mission* (Volume 1: Forgotten People) are small beginnings.

Thank you for your time and passion. Would you be willing to read page 88 in *Traffic* one more time? Then, please keep helping us serve the Lord and the Church more effectively. You are so right: it's all about Him.

Daniel

On the Funding the Mission Web site, the "Home/Dashboard" shows "Income and Contribution Status" and reflects your church's giving as it is received. The "Planning Calculator" will assist your church as you plan a budget for the coming year.

When you attempt to determine a goal using the straight 5.5 percent, you will give beyond the World Evangelism Fund goal at the end of the year. How this happens is explained below. While we honor your church for giving beyond the basic WEF goal, we want to be fair to you.

Example: your church gives \$1,000 total tithe and offerings. You could send \$55 for WEF, but you will be over 5.5% a little. That's because the base income (\$1,000) minus what has been sent in for WEF and Approved Ten Percent Specials (\$55) is no longer \$1,000. The base is now \$945 (\$1,000 - \$55 = \$945) and \$55 is 5.82% of \$945.

Actually, the exact amount you would need to send in for a \$1,000 total income is \$52.14. That's because total income (\$1,000) minus missions giving (\$52.14) gives you a base of \$947.86. And \$52.14 is 5.5 percent of \$947.86.

You can see from the example above that deriving the actual amount to achieve the 5.5 percent goal is not a very intuitive process unless you excelled in algebra during high school. So, we developed the FTM Web site (www.fundingthemission.org) to help each local church to track and calculate participation in the global mission of the church. To utilize this site is as easy as typing in your church's total income, hit enter, and see your goals!

The WEF calculation presumes that the church will send in that amount for WEF when it makes the calculation. However, allocations for Pensions and Benefits (P&B), Education, and other allocations will display a full percentage on the reported income: \$20 in the case of \$1,000 income until the WEF money is posted at the General Treasurer's office.

When the church's WEF contribution of \$52.14 is posted by the General Treasurer's office, then the \$20 goal for P&B goes down to \$18.96. So, the online tool calculates the WEF as if you are going to send it, but calculates the others based on what has actually been received by the General Treasurer for WEF and Approved Ten Percent Specials.

In other words, when your WEF and Approved Ten Percent Specials post to the General Treasurer's records, you will see your goals go down slightly for P&B, Education, etc. That is why it is best to report income and send in allocations regularly. Thank you for giving generously to the World Evangelism Fund. We hope that your church will even consider giving WEF at the 5.7 percent level to become a World Evangelism Church of Excellence.

Daniel Ketchum found the following example from a church in Ohio where they explain to their congregation how the funds they give are allocated for WEF.

Attendance		Finances	
Worship	393	Tithe	\$ 12,565
Discipleship	217	Forward in Faith	2,181
Abbington Tuesday	13	Faith Promise/Missions	7
Thursday	18	Weekly Total	\$ 14,573
Amber Park	19	A 10% tithe of all monies donated, designated or	
Springs	5	unrestricted, are contributed to world evangelism	
		and denomination allocations.	

This is the back page of the weekly worship folder from the Pickerington Church of the Nazarene in suburban Columbus, Ohio. This shows the attendance and finances from the prior week with the following disclosure, which applies to unrestricted donations as well as designated gifts: "A 10% tithe of all monies donated, designated or unrestricted, are contributed to world evangelism and denominational allocations."

Work & Witness and Cross-Cultural Orientation Conferences Scheduled for September—Is one coming to your area?

Upcoming Work & Witness Conferences

Work & Witness (W&W) conferences are regionally hosted and sponsored events that allow W&W coordinators, W&W participants, NMI leaders, and anyone interested in knowing more about Work & Witness to meet. District leaders share what Work & Witness trips have happened from their church and district level in the last year and what is planned for the next year. There will be Nazarene missionaries from all over the world who will share about the service opportunities on their field.

Visit www.workandwitness.org/?page=events.html for more details on how to register for the events.

September 9-10, 2011	Eastern W&W Conference in College Park, MD, with speaker Doug McCloy
September 16-17, 2011	Northwest W&W Conference in Portland, OR, with speaker Harmon Schmelzenbach III
September 23-24, 2011	East Central W&W Conference in Gahanna, OH, with speaker Peter Rae

Upcoming Cross-Cultural Orientations

The Cross-Cultural Orientation (CCO) is a dynamic weekend event designed to assess, train, and orient those who are interested in cross-cultural ministry with the Church of the Nazarene. It is a requirement for anyone who would like to serve for more than 90 days. Please visit www.missioncorps.org to view the CCO schedule and register.










October 14-16, 2011
 October 28-30, 2011
 November 11-13, 2011
 December 2-4, 2011
 January 2012

Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, IL
 Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, OK
 Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, CA
 MidAmerica Nazarene University in Olathe, KS
 Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, ID



NMI resources were the decorations. Mission posters hung on the church walls. Alabaster boxes and *Global Mission DVDs* were scattered throughout the church. Worship songs were led by a NYI band, and the people prayed 20 minutes for Nazarene missions— first facing each other and then facing outward symbolizing prayers for the world. This is how Hungarian Nazarenes celebrated at their NMI district gathering in May 2011.

Did You Know?

-  On August 24, *Engage* magazine, at (www.engagemagazine.com), launched a new mission series called "Mission Essentials." Running for the next eight months, this series features voices from all six denominational regions in an ongoing conversation about the theology, tradition, and doctrine that underpin our Nazarene understanding and practice of missions in the 21st century. Every week a new topic will be addressed through essays, reflections, and articles. Topics include "Who is a missionary?" and "How do we define cross-cultural?" as well as "Called: How do you know?" The articles in the series can be identified by the Mission Essentials logo. Many of the articles will include discussion questions and additional resources, making the series useful for mission education in your local church. If you'd like to receive *Engage* as an e-mail newsletter once a month, sign up at the Web site: www.engagemagazine.com.
-  *Holiness Today* has published a fun quiz that will test your knowledge of country facts as it relates to the Church of the Nazarene. It is also a great resource to use as a short mission education lesson. You can find the quiz in the downloadable resources section of *HeartLine*.
-  If you have trouble reading *HeartLine* online, the simple solution is to print out the PDF versions. The links to these versions are found on the front page, in the upper left corner. Simply click and print, and voila...the whole issue of *HeartLine* is available for your reading pleasure.
-  A listing of churches (by district) that sent Crisis Care Kits (CCK) and/or School Pal Paks (SPP) is included in the downloadable resources section of *HeartLine*. DPs, find a way to celebrate the churches on your district that contributed CCKs and SPPs last year and encourage their continued participation.
-  The dates for the next Global NMI Convention are June 19-23, 2013, in Indianapolis, Indiana. The dates for General Assembly are June 19-28, 2013.
-  In observance of the World Trade Center tragedy 10 years ago, Christian leaders are calling for a time a prayer on 9.11.11. Anne Graham Lotz and Joel Rosenberg will co-host a simulcast and many churches will host gatherings to watch the simulcast and pray. Anyone can be a part of this event, no matter where you live. Log on to <http://tinyurl.com/4ywq33t> to learn more.
-  GMI is an international team of research professionals who are passionate about informing, equipping, and connecting the Church for more appropriate and effective mission. Their goal is to see the worldwide Christian community make Spirit-guided use of research information to stimulate mission interest, shape mission appropriately, and carry it out effectively. Visit their Web site - www.gmi.org/index.php?CID=1 - to purchase a copy of Operation World, find ways to help your church pray for the world, and more.
-  Nazarene Global Mission, JESUS Film Harvest Partners, Campus Crusade for Christ, and Nazarene USA/Canada Evangelism Ministries have partnered to make 100,000 JESUS Film DVDS available at no cost to the local church. Churches can order boxes of 200 JESUS DVDs in a number of languages. The effort is called the 2011 Christmas Outreach JESUS Film DVD Multilanguage Offer. An order form with more details can be found in the downloadable resources section.
-  The Personnel Address List (PAL) available in the DP section on the NMI Web site under "Deputation Resources." The list, which is updated regularly, is where DPs can find contact information for missionaries. DPs have been given access to the PAL to answer questions from people on your districts who are trying to contact missionaries along with guidelines to observe when doing so.

Ways to Celebrate WEF Overpayments

The generous giving of Nazarene churches is often reflected in their giving to the World Evangelism Fund (WEF). This year we celebrate this generosity with the churches and districts that achieved well over 100 percent of their giving to WEF.

District Presidents, look over the updated WEF 100 percent list in the downloadable resources section of *HeartLine*. The districts marked in blue are the ones that have been added since last month's list published in *HeartLine*. Identify the churches on your district that gave more than 100 percent and find ways to thank them. You could:

1. Write a thank you note to the pastor and NMI president and include a story, such as the one entitled "Gripping Conviction and Connection" found in this edition of *HeartLine*. Remind them that it is their church's giving to WEF that allows missionaries, national leaders, and workers to be the hands and feet of Jesus in hostile areas such as that of the pastor who refused to throw his Bible down. The work of the church is often used by God to give strength, support, and courage to Christians who face adversity because of what they believe.
2. Suggest to local presidents of 100 percent churches that they purchase noisemakers, party hats, streamers, etc., and celebrate the church's achievement.
3. Another option is to purchase a sheet cake and have a cake and coffee celebration following a church service.

The ideas of how you can celebrate churches' or districts' 100 percent WEF achievement are endless. Let NMI know how you have celebrated and what those churches did to achieve 100 percent, and we will share the idea in upcoming issues of *HeartLine*.

The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP) 2011, is just two months away!

The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP) 2011, is just two months away! The designated date for IDOP 2011 is Sunday, **November 13** (Sunday, **November 6** in the U.K. and Ireland); however, you are free to choose another date in November if you wish to join in prayer in this global, annual event to pray for the suffering church worldwide.

There are many countries in the world today where Christians are persecuted for their faith. Believers in some countries face death threats. Christians in many other countries around the world face violence, imprisonment, discrimination and actual death. There are thousands of Christians who have fled their homes and countries due to persecution; and some places are so closed off from the world that persecution take place, but goes unknown to the outside world.

Visit the IDOP international Web site (www.idop.org) to find out more about IDOP 2011 and to download resources designed to help you get involved and pray effectively for the persecuted. This site is especially helpful for people from outside the U.S.A. who are seeking resources.

September Downloadable Resources

Churches Sending 2010 CCKs and SPPs (2 docs)

July 2010 Funding the Mission Report

Updated WEF 100% List – 8-9-11

JFHP 2011 Christmas Outreach Offer

The Country with the Most _____