



**ARIZONA DISTRICT  
NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL**



# **2025-2026 NMI HANDBOOK**

**“EMBRACING CHANGE”**

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## **NMI Mission Statement**

Nazarene Missions International (NMI) is the organization responsible for engaging and mobilizing the local church to engage in missions in the Church of the Nazarene and is the denomination's representative for missions on the district and in the local church.

NMI helps **DEVELOP MISSIONARIES**.

NMI assists in **SENDING MISSIONARIES**.

NMI **SUPPORTS MISSIONARIES** through prayer and giving.

NMI **EDUCATES INDIVIDUALS AND CONGREGATIONS** as to the work of Nazarene Missions.

NMI **WELCOMES AND HOSTS** missionaries when they return for home assignment.

NMI helps **EQUIP MISSIONARIES** to return to their field of service.

NMI is the **GLOBAL MISSIONS ADVOCATE** in every local church.

NMI **NURTURES THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS** in everyone.

**NMI Constitution:** <https://resources.nazarene.org/index.php/s/JGSpeMA3zY9EcTN>

**NMI Promotional Materials:** <https://nubo.nazarene.org/index.php/s/t7tf75WNn8MZiJ4>

**NMI Logos:** <https://resources.nazarene.org/index.php/s/Kz9ae9Yr6jKYtMy>

**Questions for Local NMI Leaders:**

<https://nazarene.org/who-we-are/organization/ministries/nazarene-missions-international/nmi-faqs-nmi-leader>

# 2025 NAZARENE FAST FACTS

NMI is the global missions **advocate** in every local church, **nurturing** a spirit of missions, and **mobilizing** into action, **impacting** people around the world.



## WE ADVOCATE

Each local NMI president is a member of their local church board who actively participates in the efforts of their local church to ensure that our neighbors know that Jesus loves them.

The local NMI president also serves as the advocate to encourage their church to participate in ensuring that everyone, living in every place and speaking every language, also knows that Jesus loves them.

- The Church of the Nazarene ministers in **165 world areas** with Belgium on the Eurasia Region recognized in 2024.
- The number of Nazarene churches was **30,585** in 2024, with over **2.78 million members**, an increase of 2.11% from last year.
- In 2024, there were **473 districts** and **29 pioneer areas** around the world, with **31,688 credentialed clergy**.\*



## WE NURTURE

NMI nurtures a spirit of missions in the local church, working hand in hand with pastors to ensure that every person in each local church has a deep passion to share Jesus with others in our communities and around the world.

This spirit of missions is so alive it fuels all that we do. We will not stop until everyone, everywhere, has heard the Good News.



## WE MOBILIZE

NMI mobilizes into action by focusing on five key areas of impact:



### Prayer for the lost

- We encourage people to pray for all missions efforts of the Church of the Nazarene.
- Each week, NMI Central shares prayer requests and praises for a country where the Lord is working through the Church of the Nazarene. [NAZARENE.ORG/NMI-CENTRAL](https://www.nazarene.org/nmi-central)

- Since 1996, during the week that includes the first Friday in March, NMI has called the church to prayer through the **Global Week of Prayer**, with resources for adults and children in multiple languages. [NAZARENE.ORG/NMIGWP](https://nazarene.org/nmigwp)



### Engaging children and youth

- We engage children and youth in learning about and participating in the mission of God. We collaborate with NDI and NYI to ensure that all children and youth have a spirit of missions within them.
- NMI provides **Kids Kaleidoscope** as part of **NMI Central** to help nurture a spirit of missions in children. Kids Kaleidoscope connects to the focus story in NMI Central the first Wednesday of each month. [NAZARENE.ORG/NMI-CENTRAL](https://nazarene.org/nmi-central)
- **International Student Scholarship Fund** (NMI 80th Anniversary project) provided **85 scholarships** for students outside the USA/Canada to attend Nazarene theological institutions.



### Providing Care and Connection to Nazarene missionaries

- NMI provides care and connection between missionaries and local Churches of the Nazarene.
- All six regions participate in providing Care and Connection between districts and Nazarene missionaries through Links.
- In 2024, there were **466 missionaries** originating from **60 world areas**, serving in **81 countries**. Of these missionaries, **339 served as global deployed** and **127 were sponsored deployed**. Last year, there were **38 new missionary deployments**. Within these missionary families, there are **317 missionary kids**.
- Nazarenes gave **US \$4.2 million** in deputation and missionary support offerings for missionaries.\*\*
- **Missionary Health Care** provided **US \$336,276** in medical assistance for Nazarene missionaries, through offerings, Memorial Roll gifts, and Distinguished Service Award gifts.\*\*
- **364 retired missionaries** received benefits through the Global Missions Pension Plan for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.\*



### Giving to World Evangelism Fund

- We inform our churches of the world's need and how the Church of the Nazarene is responding through the World Evangelism Fund. We encourage every church to faithfully participate in giving to the World Evangelism Fund.
- 50 educational institutions, including seven graduate seminaries/theological colleges, 14 liberal arts colleges/universities (13 with graduate programs), 18 undergraduate seminaries/theological colleges, eight certificate and diploma Bible colleges, two nurses training colleges, one teacher training college, and 1,023 education centers (approved extension centers), in 110 world areas had a 2023-2024 combined enrollment of 43,476 students globally.\*

- Persons in need were treated at **community-based clinics and health care centers** all over the world with concentrated efforts in India, Papua New Guinea, and Eswatini (formerly known as Swaziland).\*
- **JESUS Film Harvest Partners (JFHP)**, raising **\$4.8 million**, reports that World Evangelism Fund (WEF) helped provide infrastructure for **1,166 JFHP teams** to share God's love through the story of Jesus. In 2024, teams reported over **2.3 million evangelistic contacts**. Of these contacts, **688,936 indicated decisions for Christ** with **394,969 new believers receiving initial discipleship follow-up**. Teams started **12,866 Preaching Points** in 2024.
- NMI and others partnered with local churches to help raise **US \$38.5 million through the World Evangelism Fund** during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.\*\*
- Churches globally gave **US \$25.6 million for Nazarene Approved Missions Projects**.\*\*
- In 2024, **109 districts gave 5.5 percent or above of their income to the World Evangelism Fund (63 of which were from regions other than the USA/Canada Region)**. WEF giving beyond 5.5 percent helps open new work, sustains works opened in recent years, and helps send new missionaries that God calls.<sup>1</sup>
- Nazarenes gave **US \$217,550 to World Mission Broadcast (WMB)**, providing radio, television, and Internet programs to share the gospel globally.\*\*
- NMI partnered with **Nazarene Compassionate Ministries** to **give more than US \$7.5 million** for child development, disaster response, and other compassion projects around the world, including the support of **10,000 children** through Child Development Centers and Pastor's Kids programs.\*\*



## Giving to Alabaster

- Churches lay the foundation through Alabaster offerings for places where people worship, heal, and learn by encouraging global participation each year. Every Alabaster project is a joint effort of local contribution and labor, combined with global love and support in bringing tangible presence and a sense of long-term commitment to a community. No Alabaster funds are used for administrative costs.
- Nazarenes gave **US \$2.8 million for Alabaster** to fund projects in 2024. The Alabaster Offering is used in all six global regions.\*\*
- Often, **Alabaster** giving goes hand in hand with **Nazarene Missions Teams** who help build structures funded by Alabaster and the contributions of Nazarene Missions Teams. NMI assisted **355 Nazarene Missions Teams**, comprised of **4,664 participants for projects**.
- Alabaster videos are available in English, French, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish.  
<https://bit.ly/AlabasterVideo>

<sup>1</sup> "New work" refers to new world areas, a geographical area, or new entities such as institutions. Pioneer areas or Phase 1 districts are considered new work. When a district reaches Phase 2, it is no longer a "new work."



## WE IMPACT

NMI supports those called to go and serve as Nazarene missionaries, and NMI provides a place of service for those called to stay and support missions through their local church.

Since 1915, Nazarene Missions International has served Christ and his mission through the Church of the Nazarene in making Christlike disciples in the nations.

- **NMI Central** is a weekly publication that focuses on a different country each week by telling stories of impact, calling the church to pray for specific requests from the focus country, and offering praise for God's activities through the Church of the Nazarene. NMI Central is free to subscribers and is distributed by email every Wednesday in multiple languages.

**[NAZARENE.ORG/NMI-CENTRAL](https://nubo.nazarene.org/NMI-CENTRAL)**

- NMI membership is now equal to local church membership. In 2024, there were more than **2.78 million** NMI members organized in **30,585** churches around the world.

\* Supported either directly or indirectly by World Evangelism Fund (WEF).

\*\* Represents data for the fiscal year 1 October 2023 through 30 September 2024.

**To download the fast facts visit this link:**

**<https://nubo.nazarene.org/index.php/s/Ae6XmskznSNTE23?>**

## **Arizona District NMI Council**

**Rev. Joshua Jorgensen – Arizona District NMI President**

**Rev. Cheryl Gosnell – Vice President**

**Rev. Toni Henry – Secretary**

**Rev. Susan Brewsaugh – Deputation Coordinator**

**Rev. Geoff Roediger – Council Member (Media)**

**Rev. Donna Otto – Council Member (Care & Connection)**

**Rev. Cindy Cunningham – Council Member (Child Sponsorship)**

**Penny Hiller – Council Member (Alabaster)**

**Josh Cookson – Council Member (Children)**

**Rev. John Menkveld – Council Member (Youth)**

**Rev. Kayte Sanford – Council Member (Missions Education)**

**Jim Sage – Council Member**



## **District NMI President's Report 2024-2025**

This will be my fifth and final report as your NMI president. Serving in this capacity as your district missions advocate has been a joy and a privilege. As I step into another leadership role in the district, I will continue to advocate for the work of local and global missions, cheering on our district council and new NMI President. With that being said we have one of the best NMI councils around, I want to recognize them for the faithful and sacrificial service to the district and beyond: Rev. Cheryl Gosnell (VP), Rev. Toni Henry (Secretary), Rev. Susan Brewsaugh (Deputation Coordinator), Joshua Cookson, Rev. Cindy Cunningham, Penny Hiller, Rev. John Menkveld, Marolyn Miner, Rev. Donna Otto, Rev. Geoff Roediger, Jim Sage, and Rev. Kayte Sanford. They have served faithfully and diligently over this past year(s).

Our district project last year was "Operation Education" as we faithfully raised over \$162,000 to help complete the New Scent Centre school in Kenya. Rev. Flora Mwikali was our Fusion speaker last year. She shared with us heartbreaking stories of abuse and gender-based violence in Kenya. She also shared with us stories of hope and transformation, starting with her own and how the ministry of the New Scent Centre began. Through this ministry, God is changing lives, creating beauty from ashes, and offering a new scent of dignity and hope. They now have a school for the residents of the New Scent Centre and the surrounding community. Thanks for your faithfulness and generosity in making this a reality! This summer, we will be taking a team of 20 individuals from across our district on a Nazarene Mission Team to see the work that has been done and to begin the construction of a new dining hall that will greatly benefit all who call the New Scent Centre home.

We were also able to contribute more than \$7,000 through our children's project to the new ministry of missionaries Rob and Cindy North in the outback of Australia as they seek to take the good news about Jesus to the Aboriginal people. They were able to use the funds we provided to aid in the purchase of a Toyota Land Cruiser and a Caravan so that they can live off the grid in the outback. I was able to be with the Norths in August to see firsthand how God is using them on their new assignment. It was amazing to see how God provided them with the right vehicle from the right person for the right price. They are currently living off the grid in the outback of Australia.

Speaking of generosity, we were able to assist the Southwest Latin District in repairing the roof of the parsonage at the Palmdale church with the money in the backyard missions account. There is currently a 90-year-old retired pastor and his wife living in this home. After serving the church for many years, it was a blessing to provide a safe and secure living space for these saints of the church.

The Kazakhstan trip to help with the renovation of the Borovoe Ministry Center has been postponed, and we are working on scheduling a Nazarene Mission Team in the spring of 2026.

The Arizona District and its churches have been and will continue to be a consistent contributor prayerfully, physically, and financially to the work of missions locally and globally. Here is just a sampling of your generosity.

**Arizona District NMI giving from this past year: \*Numbers figured on 5/12/2025**

1. Given to the World Evangelism Fund (WEF) – Over \$963,000
2. Given to Alabaster – Over \$40,000
3. Given to Mission Projects – Over \$1,122,000
4. Given to NCM Child Sponsorship – Over \$43,000 (121 Sponsored Children)
5. Crisis Care Kits – 1,850 kits delivered to Sacramento
6. Given to Missionary Deputation – Over \$71,000
7. 2024-2025 District Project – New Scent Centre – Over \$162,000
8. 2023-2024 District Children's Project – Offroad in the Outback – Over \$8,000

As we look ahead, I want to encourage you to embrace the change that is ahead of us. Change can be a blessing. We will elect a new NMI president who will continue in the great legacy of mission's advocacy here on the Arizona District. Additionally, the General Board has elected Rev. Jim Ritchie as our new Global Missions Director and Cheryl Crouch as our new Global NMI Director. Their vision and collaboration will be beneficial for the church in this changing season.

Visit [Arizonadistrict.org/NMI](http://Arizonadistrict.org/NMI) and become a friend to stay updated with NMI activities on the district.

**Our District Project for 2025-2026 will continue to be the New Scent Centre in Kenya. Our theme will be "Operation Dining Hall."** The New Scent Centre is a home for girls who have been rescued from the horrors of human trafficking and sexual abuse. There are currently over 80 girls who call the center home and who benefit from the life-giving care provided for them by Rev. Flora Mwikali and her team. We will be committing to raising \$30,000 to support the construction of a new dining hall that is connected to the school on the New Scent Centre campus. With the completion of the school, there is a need for a dining hall that will be used by the New Scent Centre to have a safe and sanitary space to eat, which will also be used as a lab for educational purposes. Would you begin praying about how you and your church, together with the district, might help in erecting a new dining hall at the New Scent Centre? We need 300 of the over 10,000 Nazarenes across our district to commit to giving \$100 or 60 churches committing to give \$500 toward this project. We believe that it is possible with God's help to not only reach the goal of \$30,000 but to raise exceedingly more! To hear Flora's story and the birth of the New Scent Centre, there is an amazing documentary titled "Daughters of Tala." Watch it [HERE](#).

**Our District Children's Project for 2025-2026 will focus on the daily care of the children at the New Scent Centre, "Meeting the Need":** The district churches, children's ministries, and supporters of missions around the world are going to be invited to help enrich the lives of the over 80 residents of the New Scent Centre. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for this project. Would your children's ministry, youth group, senior adult group, or small group commit to helping with this project?

There are great days ahead for the Arizona district! Thank you for being missional advocates in your local church and beyond. Thank you for "Embracing Change" in advancing the good news of Jesus Christ near and far.

Pastor Joshua Jorgensen – Arizona District NMI President

# Financial Report 2024-2025

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Arizona Nazarene Missions International

05/08/25

## Balance Sheet

Accrual Basis

As of April 30, 2025

	Apr 30, 25
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · Cash and Bank Accounts	
1010 · Chase Bank Checking	95,886.95
Total 1000 · Cash and Bank Accounts	95,886.95
Total Checking/Savings	95,886.95
Total Current Assets	95,886.95
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>95,886.95</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 · Accounts Payable	430.00
Total Accounts Payable	430.00
Other Current Liabilities	
2000 · Restricted Funds	
2001 · General Assembly Reserve	22,975.74
2002 · Crisis Care Kits	2,768.13
2003 · Work & Witness Teen Scholarship	3,000.00
2007 · Backyard Project	7,412.59
2009 · Borovoe Min Cn Kazakhstan 23-24	13,960.99
2011 · Pastors W&W to Kazakhstan 23-24	500.00
2012 · New Scent Centre 2024-2025	11,774.95
2013 · New Scent Mission Trip 2025	15,054.37
2014 · North's Outback Truck 2024-2025	1,200.03
Total 2000 · Restricted Funds	78,646.80
Total Other Current Liabilities	78,646.80
Total Current Liabilities	79,076.80
Total Liabilities	79,076.80
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	17,085.97
32000 · Retained Earnings	(253.97)
Net Income	(21.85)
Total Equity	16,810.15
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>95,886.95</b>

Arizona Nazarene Missions International  
Profit & Loss Budget Performance

April 2025

	Apr 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	May '24 - Apr 25	YTD Budget	\$ Over Budget	Annual Budget
Income							
3000 - Income	1,575.00	1,575.00	0.00	18,900.00	18,900.00	0.00	18,900.00
3010 - AZ District Contributions				18,900.00	18,900.00	0.00	18,900.00
Total 3000 - Income	1,575.00	1,575.00	0.00	18,900.00	18,900.00	0.00	18,900.00
Total Income	1,575.00	1,575.00	0.00				
Expense							
4000 - Expenses							
4010 - General Assembly Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
4011 - General Assembly Reserve				5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Total 4010 - General Assembly Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
4020 - Administration Expenses							
4021 - Office Supplies/Postage/Website	0.00	83.00	(83.00)	942.69	1,000.00	(57.31)	1,000.00
Total 4020 - Administration Expenses	0.00	83.00	(83.00)	942.69	1,000.00	(57.31)	1,000.00
4030 - Board Meetings							
4031 - Board Meals	0.00	42.00	(42.00)	667.78	500.00	167.78	500.00
4032 - Board Travel & Mileage	0.00	125.00	(125.00)	774.78	1,500.00	(725.22)	1,500.00
Total 4030 - Board Meetings	0.00	167.00	(167.00)	1,442.56	2,000.00	(557.44)	2,000.00
4040 - Conferences & Conventions							
4041 - NMI Convention							
4042 - Speaker Expenses	705.00			1,333.06	1,000.00	333.06	1,000.00
4043 - General Supplies	130.32			331.48	500.00	(168.52)	500.00
4044 - Board Travel Expenses	0.00			0.00	500.00	(500.00)	500.00
4045 - Crisis Care Kits	0.00			0.00	1,500.00	(1,500.00)	1,500.00
Total 4041 - NMI Convention	835.32			1,664.54	3,500.00	(1,835.46)	3,500.00
4046 - Other Conferences							
4047 - Registration Fees	0.00			109.00	350.00	(241.00)	350.00
4048 - Travel Expenses	400.00			765.92	1,150.00	(384.08)	1,150.00
4046 - Other Conferences - Other	0.00			997.14			
Total 4046 - Other Conferences	400.00			1,872.06	1,500.00	372.06	1,500.00
Total 4040 - Conferences & Conventions	1,235.32			3,536.60	5,000.00	(1,463.40)	5,000.00
4050 - Deputation Travel							
4051 - Deputation Travel	500.00			3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
Total 4050 - Deputation Travel	500.00			3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
4060 - Mission Projects							
4061 - Mission Projects	3,000.00			3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
Total 4060 - Mission Projects	3,000.00			3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
4070 - LINKS							
4071 - LINKS	0.00			2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Total 4070 - LINKS	0.00			2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Total 4000 - Expenses	9,735.32	5,250.00	4,485.32	18,921.85	21,000.00	(2,078.15)	21,000.00
Total Expense	9,735.32	5,250.00	4,485.32	18,921.85	21,000.00	(2,078.15)	21,000.00
Net Income	(8,160.32)	(3,675.00)	(4,485.32)	(21.85)	(2,100.00)	2,078.15	(2,100.00)

## **NMI 5 AREAS OF IMPACT**

**Nazarene Missions International focuses on five strategic areas where the local church can have maximum impact on missions in the Church of the Nazarene.**

The first is **PRAYER**. NMI gathers believers together for prayer in the local church, linking us to our brothers and sisters in Christ across the globe.

The second is the **WORLD EVANGELISM FUND**, which fuels the Church of the Nazarene's mission by combining gifts from each person and church to fund ministries everywhere.

Through the **ALABASTER OFFERING**, the third emphasis, ministries around the world receive funds to purchase property and buildings.

The fourth is to **ENGAGE CHILDREN AND YOUTH** through education and fostering calls to missions.

**CARE & CONNECTION** is the last area of emphasis, strategically connecting Nazarene missionaries and Nazarene churches through prayer, personal contact, and generous giving.

## **AREA OF IMPACT #1: PRAYER**

### **A Praying Church**

Remember your missionaries throughout the year in prayer. Many are often facing troubled times in the places in which they serve. They seek to be peacemakers and agents of transformation. They need your support through intercession. Click [here](#) to view all of our missionary profile pages.

### **NMI Central**

NMI Central is a weekly email publication focusing on the work of the Church of the Nazarene. Every week prayer needs and praise reports for the global ministries of the Church of the Nazarene and our missionaries will be listed as well as ways you can get involved. It is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French. [Click here](#) to subscribe in the language you would like to receive.

### **Global Week of Prayer**

March 1, 2026 through March 7, 2026

[Click here](#) to download the 2025 Global Week of Prayer resources

## **AREA OF IMPACT #2: ALABASTER**

### **What is Alabaster?**

The Alabaster Offering provides funds for property and buildings around the world. While we understand the church consists of the people of God and not a building, buildings erected for the purpose of ministry help provide a sense of permanence, functionally enhance ministry efforts, and convey an attitude that the Church of the Nazarene intends to "put down roots."

### **How Alabaster Funds are Used**

Alabaster funds are to be used for new churches to:

- Purchase a property or church building
- Purchase or build a church parsonage
  - Build a church building
- Conversion of a property into a church gathering space
- Meet initial costs for renting a church meeting space for a limited period

Alabaster funds may also be used to:

- Purchase or build missionary homes
- Purchase or build regional or field missions facilities
- Build or repurpose buildings on Bible college campuses

Consider giving to the Alabaster fund in new and creative ways. Although we are accustomed to receiving these offerings bi-annually with the use of "Alabaster Boxes," there are many ways to promote and implement Alabaster giving through your local church. Our hope is that each of our churches across the Arizona District would participate in giving to Alabaster.

## **AREA OF IMPACT #3: WORLD EVANGELISM FUND (WEF)**

World Evangelism giving fuels the Church of the Nazarene's mission by combining each person's and church's gifts to fund ministries everywhere. Every church is asked to share a portion of its total income for the purpose of making Christlike disciples in the nations. Click to [download](#) or [order](#) the latest brochure for World Evangelism giving.

### **Why does the World Evangelism Fund exist?**

In 1923, the Church of the Nazarene moved to a centralized funding system called the General Budget. In 1997, the name was changed to World Evangelism Fund, but the purpose remained the same: to sustain valuable ministries through consistent mission funding. The World Evangelism Fund provides the undesignated money and mission network that all Nazarene ministries need. Your gifts create and sustain ministries and make it possible to bring Christ's transformational message of hope and salvation to the world through the Church of the Nazarene.

### **How does the World Evangelism Fund work?**

When you give, the money comes to the General Treasurer's Office, where the funds are distributed to six world regions, missionaries, and ministries around the globe. The World Evangelism Fund not only provides ministries on the ground with the monies they need, but the money is used to ensure that legal, federal, and support needs are met so that ministries are as safe as possible and can be sustained for years to come.

Here are a few examples of ministries that your World Evangelism giving makes possible through direct funding of ministry network support:

- New churches and ministry outposts
- Missionaries
- Regional ministries
- Christian literature and resources
- Holiness education
- Partner ministries such as [JESUS Film Harvest Partners](#), [Nazarene Compassionate Ministries](#), and many more.

### **How is World Evangelism giving received?**

Much of the money received comes directly from local congregations as a part of the [Funding the Mission plan](#) (watch the [Where Does the Money Go?](#) video to learn more). When you give, your church shares a portion of your gift with the worldwide Nazarene church. The World Evangelism Fund's goal for every church is 5.5% of its total income annually less their Mission Special giving.



## **AREA OF IMPACT #4: ENGAGING CHILDREN AND YOUTH EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION**

Engaging children and youth is one of the five areas of impact in NMI. NMI continues to encourage churches to involve children and youth in all mission endeavors and to nurture them as they seek to respond to God's call. NMI encourages every church, and every district to be intentional and encourage and engage every child, and every youth in the mission of God in your community and around the world. NMI continues to encourage churches to involve children and youth in all mission endeavors and to nurture them as they seek to respond to God's call. We encourage collaboration with Nazarene Youth International and Sunday School Discipleship Ministries to engage all ages of the church. We believe nurturing and leadership development is best done in the local church and individualized to the needs of each person.

[NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL \(NYI\)](#)

[NAZARENE DISCIPLESHIP INTERNATIONAL \(NDI\)](#)

## **AREA OF IMPACT #5: CARE & CONNECTION**

Care & Connection, previously called LINKS, is an NMI top 5 area of impact and a strategic ministry connecting Nazarene missionaries and Nazarene churches through prayer, personal contact, and generous giving.

Global NMI assigns each District a missionary family outside the district in addition to missionaries sent and retired on our district. Missionaries can use gifts to help with their everyday needs, such as food, clothing, etc. Your NMI requests that you reach out to all your C&C missionaries, pray for them, and consider sending gifts for birthdays, anniversaries, and special holidays, especially Christmas.

Sending gifts to your Care & Connection missionaries: To send cards directly, you will need to first email your missionaries to ask them for their addresses. For security reasons, Global NMI does not allow us to publish physical addresses. To send financial gifts, please remit checks to: Global Treasury Service P.O. Box 843116 Kansas City, MO 64184-3116 \*Description for remittance: Missionary first and last name + Care & Connection. Example: "Jeremy and Lynette Page, Care & Connection" Do NOT send mail to the Global Ministry Center.

Our Care & Connection missionaries for 2025 are Jeremy (jpage@apnaz.org) & Lynette (lpage@apnaz.org) Page and Lisa Lehman (llehman@apnaz.org)

For more information on our Care & Connection missionaries, [Click Here](#).

Our District Care & Connection Coordinator is Rev. Donna Otto  
djotto51@gmail.com

## FAITH PROMISE

Faith Promise is a plan based on missions giving at systematic intervals rather than just twice a year. Through Faith Promise, people pray about the amount they should give for missions (over and above their tithe). The amount is often given weekly, biweekly, monthly, or yearly.

### **How to prepare and plan Faith Promise with your pastor and NMI council:**

1. Set the date and plan a Faith Promise emphasis.
2. Discuss your specific responsibilities for the Faith Promise emphasis.
3. Will there be a speaker? Who will be the speaker? Who will book the speaker?
4. Length of Faith Promise emphasis: Saturday? Sunday morning only? Sunday morning & evening? Saturday night & Sunday morning?
5. What materials will be provided? Need a WEF brochure for your church? Download one here for free.

<https://resources.nazarene.org/index.php/s/2zJSG5fqWM9Tk6E#pdfviewer>

WEF Videos: <https://nazarene.org/wef> (In various languages)

6. Ask about a missions bulletin board, the church calendar, and how and when the deadlines are for submitting mission information for the Sunday morning church worship folder, church newsletter, or website.
7. Discuss the amount that needs to be raised in the coming year for missions, starting with the WEF (5.5%), special offerings, local NMI Council expenses, and missionary speakers—both care and offerings.
8. Missionary Profiles: <https://production.nazarene.org/missionary-profiles> From here you can find information for missionary bios for your Faith Promise or other mission events.

# DEPUTATION

The Church of the Nazarene funds its mission's enterprise, and supports missionary families, through the World Evangelism Fund (WEF), which is given by local churches around the world throughout the year. Missionaries supplement this fund by traveling to their home country every few years to raise money for specific ministry needs and projects, as well as to share with churches what God is doing around the world and inspire greater involvement with God through missions.

## What is a Missionary Home Assignment?

Most Nazarene missionaries visit their home country periodically to raise funds. These trips are called deputation, or home assignments. The money they raise pays for a variety of personal needs including medical expenses, home furnishings, transportation, and special mission projects.

[Click Here to learn more about being a great missionary host](#)

### Deputation Offering *Recommendations*

Sunday Morning Worship.....	\$500-\$1000
Sunday Evening Worship.....	\$300-\$600
Weeknight Gatherings.....	\$200-\$500
Weekend Conventions .....	\$700-\$1500

The actual amount will vary according to the size of the church and the distance the missionary travels. Remember, the missionary wants to simply connect with churches and family. The gathering doesn't have to be a service, it can be a small gathering or a meal (especially on a weeknight).

[Click Here to see the current district deputation schedule](#)

**The Arizona District Deputation Coordinator is Susan Brewsaugh. To schedule a missionary on-home assignment contact her here:**

**suebwaan1@gmail.com**

## **End-of-Year Reporting**

There are 3 forms that need to be returned to the District NMI Secretary at the end of the church year either by mail or email.

You can find these forms @ [www.arizonadistrict.org](http://www.arizonadistrict.org) > Click on Pastors> Click on Forms> Scroll down to the NMI President Report Forms

1. [Local NMI President's Report Form \(Spanish\)](#)
2. [Local NMI Council Address Form](#)
3. [Delegates for District NMI Convention](#)

You are also invited to share a story of how your local church has engaged in missions over the last year.

### **When is my Local President's Report due?**

**NOTE: All church reports are due to be emailed or mailed immediately following the close of the Church Year – April 30th.**

**If possible, email your report(s) to our District NMI Secretary at [pastor.toni.henry@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.toni.henry@gmail.com)**

**If you cannot email the reports, you can snail-mail them to:**

**Toni Henry**

**1100 Franklin Dr.**

**Kingman, AZ 86401**

**If you have any questions feel free to reach out to our AZ District NMI Secretary, Pastor Toni Henry at (928)279-5152 or email her at [pastor.toni.henry@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.toni.henry@gmail.com)**

# **Arizona District Project 2025-2026**

## **New Scent Centre International**

### **“Project Dining Hall”**

**Goal: \$30,000**



New Scent Centre is a rescue centre for girls from the streets and vulnerable homes with a special focus on those who have been sexually abused, sexually trafficked, or forced into incestuous relationships. Thier vision is to see a healed society while our mission is to offer institutionalized services to rape and sexually assaulted survivors; community outreaches for prevention, sensitization, and awareness creation on sexual violence as a form of Gender Based Violence, alcoholism, and substance abuse in pursuit of a healed and restored society. The major objective of the New Scent Centre is to restore dignity, honor, self-worth, livelihood, and a measure of normalcy to girls and women who have suffered rape and sexual assault as a form of Gender-Based violence. The center is home to over 80 children aged 4 to 21! The current center was built in 2019 and they are expanding with the construction of a dining hall that will provide a safe and sanitary space to eat meals and to use as a lab for their school. For the New Scent Centre to complete this project will require \$150,000. We will merely get the ball rolling.

Our goal as a district is to raise \$30,000 to assist in the initial construction of this project. That is a commitment of \$100 from 300 Nazarenes of the almost 10,000 Nazarenes in our churches or a commitment of \$500 from 60 of our churches. With God’s help, we will meet and exceed this goal!

**To give financially to the project send your gift to the district office:**

**2420 W Ray Rd. Unit 1, Chandler, AZ. 85224**

**Write “New Scent Centre” in the memo line**



# Arizona District Children's Project 2025-2026

## "Meeting the Need" of the New Scent Centre Goal \$10,000



For our children's project this upcoming year, we are inviting our children's groups, youth groups, and, for the fun of it, the young at heart to participate in a school supply drive while also raising funds for the daily care of the children of the New Scent Centre. We will specifically focus on the needs of the residents/students of the New Scent Centre by raising funds that will go directly to their daily needs. In addition, we will be asking churches that would like to participate to fill a suitcase with school supplies (see list below), sanitary towels, and other essentials. We are looking to fill 20 suitcases that each member of the district mission team will take with them when we travel to the New Scent Centre in June. Start participating today by introducing the project to your NMI president, lead, youth, or children's pastor.

Cash donations are preferred because it is easier to send ahead and/or get through customs without 60 suitcases of supplies. Our goal is to fill 20 suitcases with each suitcase not weighing more than 50 pounds (each suitcase will require a \$100 donation to cover bag fees). *Filled suitcases along with the \$100 bag fee will be received at our District Assembly on June 12th-13th at Haven Church of the Nazarene or earlier at Phoenix First Church, and any cash donations can be sent to the District Office ahead of time: 2420 W Ray Rd., Chandler, AZ. 85224 with 2025-2026 Children's Project in the memo line.*

**Supplies Requested:** Pencils, Colored Pencils, Crayons, Erasers, Glue Sticks, Chalk, Dry Erase Markers, Markers, Chalk and Expo Erasers, Pencil Sharpeners, Pencil Cases, Scissors, Composition Notebooks, Metric Ruler, Calculators, Graph Paper, Sanitary Towels

**To give financially to the project send your gift to the district office:  
2420 W Ray Rd. Unit 1, Chandler, AZ. 85224**

# Work & Witness Scholarship

Available for Students in Junior High, High School, and College



## ARIZONA DISTRICT NMI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



The Arizona District Church of the Nazarene NMI desires to promote cross-cultural ministry opportunities to students ages 13-21 through Work & Witness. Applications must be received at least 6 months in advance of the opportunity. |

If you are under the age of 18, you must be accompanied by an adult sponsor.

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsors Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work & Witness Trip Details: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Trip: \_\_\_\_\_ Where: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \_\_\_\_\_ How are you raising funds: \_\_\_\_\_

Share your testimony (It's good practice before you go on your trip): \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your current involvement in your local church: \_\_\_\_\_

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How are you currently involved in missions both locally and globally (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

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How is God working in your life right now: \_\_\_\_\_

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What are your future plans for serving the Lord: \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you expect to gain from this opportunity: \_\_\_\_\_

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**REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Completed Application
2. Written Recommendation from a Pastor
3. Written Recommendation from a Non-Family Member
4. Prepare and Present a 2-3 presentation at the next district NMI Convention

Email your completed application and recommendations to:

**NMI@arizonadistrict.org**

Once an application is received the district NMI Council will review and respond within 30 days.

To receive a pdf version of the application visit [Apply for our district scholarship](#). Or email [NMI@arizonadistrict.org](mailto:NMI@arizonadistrict.org)

## CALLED INTO MISSIONS: SEND ME

There are millions of people who have never experienced the hope of the gospel or the transformational power of a growing relationship with Christ. In the Church of the Nazarene, we believe that God wants everyone to encounter the message of the gospel in order to live transformed lives of holiness. That is why our goal is to engage communities of faith in going where the Church is not yet so that no one is without a holiness witness. But what do we mean by “where the Church is not yet?”

In Acts 1:8 Jesus tells us, as His disciples, “you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” For many of us, the call to make disciples is lived out through encounters with our neighbors in our communities. Other times the call means making an impact on the country in which we find ourselves. As a people, we are also called to “the ends of the earth.”

In our church, God continues to call people to full-time service “to the ends of the earth.”

These missionaries are Christlike disciples who have been set apart by the Holy Spirit, prayerfully sent by the church, and affirmed by Nazarene Missions. They diligently carry out the missions work of our church to go where the Church is not yet by living among those who have not yet been engaged by the life-changing message of holiness.

**If you or someone in your Church is sensing a call into mission service visit the [SEND ME PAGE](#) on the global missions website to submit an inquiry and download the necessary resources ([Send Me: A Guide to Missionary Service](#)). Begin your journey today and don't forget to contact Arizona District NMI so we can assist you and pray for you as you discern where God may be leading you.**



## **NAZARENE MISSIONS TEAMS**

### **Work & Witness and Beyond**

We encourage our churches to participate in missions locally and globally. One way to do this is through Nazarene Missions Teams (Formerly Work & Witness). Are you looking for an opportunity to serve visit the NMT website **<https://nazarene.org/teams>**

#### Identify Project by Location or Type

We have several types of projects with Nazarene Missions Teams, there is something that will fit each team. **Find a Project** site.

- a. Sports Projects
- b. Construction Projects
- c. Evangelistic Projects
- d. Compassionate Ministries Projects
- e. Jesus Film Projects
- f. Medical Mission Projects
- g. Technology Projects
- h. Emergency Response Projects
- i. Education Projects
- j. Or any combination of the above

Once you have identified the project for your team contact the Site Coordinator by clicking the button on the project page and sending them a message of your proposed available dates to participate in the project.

# CRISIS CARE KITS



## CRISIS CARE KITS

### INSTRUCTION SHEET

#### GET STARTED

- Gather only **NEW** items to create kits.
- Pack one set of kit items into a **clear, 2.5-gallon, zip-close plastic bag** and seal.
- Set the kits in **groups of six** to determine the number of banana boxes needed.

#### 2 GATHER KIT ITEMS

- **1 medium-size bottle of shampoo (12-18 oz.)**
  - Please tape flip-tops closed, using heavy packing tape, and please do not include medicated shampoo.
- **2 bars of soap**, bath-size or larger, in original packaging
- **1 medium toothpaste (4.0-6.4 oz.)**, expiration date should be at least 18 months out from the time the kit is packed
- **3 toothbrushes**, in original packaging
  - Please do not include only children's toothbrushes.
- **1 box of adhesive bandages**, containing 30 or more bandages
  - Please do not include medicated bandages.
- **1 fingernail clipper**
  - Please do not include toenail clippers.
- **1 large, sturdy hair comb**
- **2 hand towels**, approximately 15" x 28"
  - Please do not include kitchen towels, bar wipes, or washcloths.
- **4 pocket-size packages of facial tissue**
- **1 stuffed toy**, 6-8 inches tall, soft and huggable
- **7 unscented sanitary pads**, regular absorbency, each individually wrapped, all placed in a 1-quart zip-close plastic bag, then added to the kit

#### 3 PACK KITS

- 1. Obtain banana boxes from your local grocery store.**
  - Please ship kits solely in banana boxes, as they provide uniformity, eliminating wasted space in shipping.
- 2. Cut the heavy brown paper** (usually found in the banana box) in half and place it inside the bottom of the box. Tape the other half over the hole in the lid. (Plain cardboard may also be utilized.)
- 3. Fill each box with exactly six kits.**
  - Please do not insert money or literature (including anything with the church's name on it, notes, etc.) in the kits or banana boxes.
- 4. Using strong packing tape, cover all holes in the top and the bottom of the box.**
  - Please leave box handles open; this makes kits easier to load and unload.
  - Please do not tape the box shut.
- 5. Address the box.** Please put the name and address of the church (or individual donor) on the box in the "From" section and the address of the warehouse in the "To" section.
  - Please do not wrap banana boxes in brown paper or contact paper or put filled banana boxes inside another box.
- 6. Send the boxes to the following addresses** (see next page, dependent on the method of shipping or originating location).

#### COMPLETE YOUR CRISIS CARE KITS

- 1. Ship to one of three warehouses for distribution**
- 2. Donate to cover the cost of global use**

## SHIP KITS

For shipping via the USPS to Fawn Grove:

**Nazarene Relief Shipments**  
P.O. Box 117  
Fawn Grove, PA  
17321-0117

For shipping other than the USPS to Fawn Grove:

**Nazarene Relief Shipments**  
Fawn Grove  
Compassion Center, Inc  
5300 Fawn Grove Road  
Pylesville, MD 21132

For the following states—AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, OR, UT, WA, and WY:

**Nazarene Relief Shipments**  
Hands of Hope  
1201 South Powerline Rd.  
Nampa, ID 83686

For shipping via any carrier to Sacramento:

**Nazarene Relief Shipments**  
Compassionate Ministry Center, Inc.  
8115 Elder Creek Road, Suite A  
Sacramento, CA  
95824

## SEND DONATION

- Send a check—made payable to **Global Treasury Services, Church of the Nazarene**—in the amount of **\$16.00 per banana box** (for storage and shipping costs during the distribution process).
- Include the **name and address of your church** with the check.
- Ten Percent Credit will be allowed for the \$16.00 shipping donation only.
- Please do not put money in the kits or boxes.
- Mark the check:  
“**Crisis Care Kit Shipments 140002**” and mail to:  
**Church of the Nazarene**  
17001 Prairie Star Parkway  
Lenexa, KS 66220-7900  
Attn: Donor Services

Remember: **Adherence to these directions is required.**  
Kits that do not conform cannot be used due to customs requirements.



*Looking for more guidance on packing crisis care kits or school pal-paks, or help advertising this ministry in your church?*

Visit Nazarene Compassionate Ministries' webpage for kits and paks:  
[ncm.org/kitsandpaks](http://ncm.org/kitsandpaks)



[nazarene.org](http://nazarene.org)



[ncm.org](http://ncm.org)



[nazarene.org/nmi](http://nazarene.org/nmi)

## [Crisis Care Kit and School Pal Pak Guide](#)

## [Crisis Care Kit Guide](#)

## [Child Advocacy Guide](#)