

NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

# PRESIDENT'S PLANNER



2024-2025

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**JOPLIN DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

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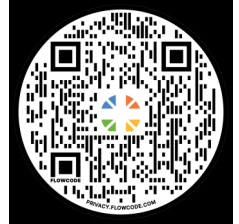
NMI Central is a weekly email publication focusing on the work of the Church of the Nazarene around the world.

Every week, lessons, prayer / praise reports, stories, and updates for the global Church of the Nazarene and our missionaries will be listed, as well as ways to get involved.

It includes what was formerly known as the “Prayer Mobilization Line” and is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French.



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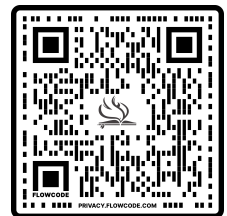


Holiness evangelist and author Oswald Chambers wrote,

*“Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work.”*

**This Joplin District NMI President’s Planner is available online at:**

<http://www.joplindistrictnaz.org/nmi>



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Click on icon beside NMI Convention Packet 24-25.**

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# Monthly Prayer and Mission Emphases

I just got elected as the NMI President! Where do I begin?

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

<p><b>May 2024</b></p> <p><b>Missionary Healthcare</b></p> <p><b>Engaging our children and youth</b></p> <p><b>Send in : Missionary Health Care Offering</b></p>	<p><b>June 2024</b></p> <p><b>World Radio Broadcast</b></p> <p><b>Send in: World Mission Radio Broadcast Offering</b></p>	<p><b>July 2024</b></p> <p><b>International Student Scholarships</b></p> <p><b>Send in: offering for International Student Scholarship Fund</b></p>
<p><b>August 2024</b></p> <p><b>Missionary Care and Connection</b></p> <p><b>Teens/Children</b></p> <p><b>Send LINKS gifts to missionaries</b></p>	<p><b>September 2024</b></p> <p><b>Alabaster</b></p> <p><b>Send in offering for Alabaster</b></p>	<p><b>October 2024</b></p> <p><b>Mission Priority One</b></p> <p><b>“BIG SERVE” -Oct 26</b></p>
<p><b>November 2024</b></p> <p><b>Thanksgiving Offering</b></p> <p><b>International Day of Prayer</b></p>	<p><b>December 2024</b></p> <p><b>Nazarene Compassionate Ministries</b></p> <p><b>Prayer and Child Sponsorship</b></p>	<p><b>January 2025</b></p> <p><b>Sponsored Missionaries</b></p> <p><b>Prayer &amp; Fasting</b></p> <p><b>Send in: Work &amp; Witness goal \$</b></p>
<p><b>February 2025</b></p> <p><b>Alabaster</b></p> <p><b>Send in Alabaster offering</b></p>	<p><b>March 2025</b></p> <p><b>Nazarene World Week of Prayer</b></p> <p><b>World Evangelism Fund</b></p> <p><b>Start promoting April’s Crisis Care Kit collection</b></p>	<p><b>April 2025</b></p> <p><b>Mission Education</b></p> <p><b>Easter Offering</b></p> <p><b>Compassionate Ministries- Crisis Care Kits/Child Sponsorship</b></p>
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# NMI TOP 5 AREAS OF IMPACT

PRAYER  
PRIÈRE  
기도  
ORAÇÃO  
ORACIÓN

WORLD EVANGELISM FUND (WEF)  
FONDS POUR L'EVANGÉLISATION MONDIALE (FEM)  
세계 선교 기금  
FUNDO DE EVANGELISMO MUNDIAL (FEM)  
FONDO PARA LA EVANGELIZACIÓN MUNDIAL (FEM)

ALABASTER  
ALBÂTRE  
옥합헌금  
ALABASTRO  
ALABASTRO

CHILDREN & YOUTH  
ENFANTS ET JEUNES  
어린이와 청년  
CRIANÇAS E JOVENS  
JÓVENES Y NIÑOS

LINKS  
LIENS  
링크스  
ELOS  
ESLABONES

## NMI OBJECTIVES

- ⇒ To encourage people to pray for all efforts of world evangelization
  - To inform people of the world's needs and what the church is doing to meet those needs
  - To challenge children and youth to learn about and participate in the mission of the church
  - To raise funds for missions outreach
- ⇒ NMI helps produce missionaries.
  - NMI assists in sending missionaries to the field.
  - NMI supports missionaries on the field.
  - NMI educates individuals and congregations as to the missionaries' work on the field.
  - NMI welcomes missionaries when they return for home assignment.
  - NMI helps equip missionaries to return to the field.
  - NMI prays for missionaries at home and abroad.
  - NMI helps provide for retirement needs.



## NMI Council Officers and Assignments 2023 - 2025

### Executive Council



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# MEET YOUR DISTRICT COUNCIL 2024-25



**Alison Johnson**  
President



**Karen Almond**  
Vice President



**Marta Ward**  
Treasurer



**Cay Sergent**  
Secretary



**Deb Davidson**  
Alabaster



**Rick Evans**  
LINKS/  
Care and  
Connection



**Ralph Houser**  
Nehemiah Builders



**Clyde Davidson**  
Mission Teams



**Lydia Perez**  
Hispanic Liaison



**Neira Garcia**  
Hispanic Liaison



**Don Daniel**  
Local Work and  
Witness



**Sarah Parrish**  
Executive Council



**Bethany Lersinger**  
Newsletter/Communication



**Lori Leibbrand**  
NY Liaison



**Sarah Pridey**  
Children's Mission

A  
MOVEMENT  
OF GOD  
THROUGH  
THE PEOPLE  
OF GOD

*"As the Father has sent Me,  
I am sending you."*

JOHN 20:21

NAZARENE  MISSIONS

Discover how you can  
**JOIN THE MOVEMENT**  
by visiting

[nazarene.org/missions](https://nazarene.org/missions)



## DIRECTORY FOR LOCAL NMI PRESIDENTS

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Ava Cold Creek Cowboy	John	Williams						417-349-0480
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Goodhope	Mindy	Walls	Route 7 Box 7546	Ava	MO	65608	wmendolynjl@yahoo.com	417-543-6045
Goodman Banner	Carol	Lankford					lclankford2001@gmail.com	417- 825-4302
Goodman Banner Hispanic								
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Hartville Solid Rock Cowboy	James	Hammons						417-531-3711
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Mansfield	Justin	Colston						417-942-7635
Marionville	Barbara	Conn	502 W Pleasant St.	Aurora	MO	65605	connbj53@gmail.com	417-229-2074
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Seneca Hispanic								

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## CHECKLIST FOR NMI MONIES

To use this checklist, find your church's allotment goals on following pages and enter them here.

Make a copy of these pages for your church's treasurer.

OFFERINGS	My Church's GOAL \$	Date Paid	NMI Treasurer	Global NMI Treasurer	District Treasurer
Children's Project	\$		X		
Youth Project	\$		X		
Work & Witness	\$		X		
Gift to Potter House	\$	<b>Send to Potter's House w/note or card</b>			
Alabaster	\$			X	
World Mission Broadcast	\$			X	
World Evangelism Fund	\$			X	
Easter Offering	\$			X	
Thanksgiving Offering	\$			X	
VBS Offering	\$			X	
Memorial Roll	\$			X	
Distinguished Service Award	\$			X	
Gifts of the Heart Monies	\$			X	
Missionary Health Care	\$			X	
Missionary Care & Connection	\$			X	
Duty Money for Missionaries	\$			X	
Personal Missionary Care and Connection (LINKS) Gifts	\$	<b>Send directly to LINKS missionary's online deputation account.</b>			
Compassionate Ministries	\$			X	
Prayer & Fasting	\$			X	
Deputation Offering	\$			X	
Scholarship Fund	\$			X	
Unified Budget	\$				X

**Mail your church's goals and NMI offerings to:**

**Joplin DISTRICT NMI TREASURER  
Marta Ward, 966 S. 120th St.,  
Cherokee, KS, 66724**

**GLOBAL TREASURY SERVICES—  
Church of the Nazarene,  
17001 Prairie Star Parkway,  
Lenexa, KS 66220**



**We recommend that all allocations be  
mailed in by:**

**March 15th**

**This will help greatly in ensuring the  
monies get processed at the  
Global Ministry Center by the end of the church  
year; April 30th.**

Joplin District NMI Treasurer, Marta Ward

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Marta:  
Phone: 620-249-9847—E-mail: [martaw.64@gmail.com](mailto:martaw.64@gmail.com)

# NMI Goals for 2024-2025

Send to District NMI Treasurer, Marta Ward

<i><b>Church Name</b></i>	<i><b>Children's Project</b></i>	<i><b>Teen's Project</b></i>	<i><b>Work &amp; Witness Project</b></i>
Anderson Iron Works	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$32.00
Ava Cold Creek Cowboy	\$118.50	\$118.50	\$948.00
Ava Highway	\$39.25	\$39.25	\$314.00
Baxter Springs	\$8.25	\$8.25	\$66.00
Bolivar	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$136.00
Bradleyville	\$11.25	\$11.25	\$90.00
Branson Citizens	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$100.00
Branson First	\$14.25	\$14.25	\$114.00
Buffalo	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$72.00
Butler	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$120.00
Camdenton	\$28.50	\$28.50	\$228.00
Caney	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$100.00
Carthage	\$120.25	\$120.25	\$962.00
Cassville	\$4.25	\$4.25	\$34.00
Chanute	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$176.00
Cherryvale	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$60.00
Clinton	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$40.00
Coffeyville Central	\$12.75	\$12.75	\$102.00
Coffeyville First	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$240.00
Deepwater Crossroads	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$80.00
Dogwood	\$27.75	\$27.75	\$222.00
El Dorado Springs	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$120.00
Elk City	\$11.25	\$11.25	\$90.00
Erie	\$8.50	\$8.50	\$68.00
Fordland Faith Journey	\$13.75	\$13.75	\$110.00
Fordland Union Chapel	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$26.00
Forsyth Trinity	\$7.75	\$7.75	\$62.00
Fort Scott	\$87.00	\$87.00	\$696.00

Galena Parkhill	\$18.75	\$18.75	\$150.00
Garnett	\$36.25	\$36.25	\$290.00
Girard Living Faith	\$45.25	\$45.25	\$362.00
Goodhope	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$56.00
Goodman Banner	\$41.00	\$41.00	\$328.00
Hartville Solid Rock Cowboy	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$96.00
Houston New Horizon	\$8.75	\$8.75	\$70.00
Independence	\$64.00	\$64.00	\$512.00
Iola	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$56.00
Joplin Calvary	\$24.50	\$24.50	\$196.00
Joplin First	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$176.00
Joplin Traders	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$14.00
Lamar Living Hope	\$6.75	\$6.75	\$54.00
Lebanon	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$48.00
Mansfield	\$15.25	\$15.25	\$122.00
Marionville	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$84.00
Marshfield	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$264.00
McCune	\$3.75	\$3.75	\$30.00
Monett	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$264.00
Monett Fuente de Agua Viva	\$35.50	\$35.50	\$284.00
Mount Vernon	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$60.00
Mountain Grove	\$31.00	\$31.00	\$248.00
Neodesha	\$18.25	\$18.25	\$146.00
Neosho	\$42.00	\$42.00	\$336.00
Neosho Casa Jaziel	\$24.25	\$24.25	\$194.00
Nevada	\$16.25	\$16.25	\$130.00
Nixa	\$25.25	\$25.25	\$202.00
Nixa Organic	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$64.00
Noel	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$36.00
Norwood Countryside	\$11.25	\$11.25	\$90.00
Osceola	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$28.00
Ozark	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$80.00
Parsons	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$296.00
Pittsburg	\$159.00	\$159.00	\$1,272.00
Pleasanton	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$40.00
Powell Twin Springs	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$58.00
Reeds Spring	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$56.00
Republic	\$6.25	\$6.25	\$50.00

Rogersville	\$20.75	\$20.75	\$166.00
Sarcoxie	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$36.00
Seymour	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$760.00
Springfield Grace	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$80.00
Springfield One Life	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$296.00
Springfield Scenic	\$7.75	\$7.75	\$62.00
Strafford	\$5.50	\$5.50	\$44.00
The Table	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$24.00
The Well	\$342.75	\$342.75	\$2,742.00
Warsaw	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$36.00
Webb City	\$20.25	\$20.25	\$162.00
Wheatland	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$48.00

Children's Goal = Weekly Corporate Worship x \$0.25

Youth / Teen Goal = Weekly Corporate Worship x \$0.25

Work & Witness Goal = Weekly Corporate Worship x \$2.00

## NMI Goals for 2024-2025

Send to ***Global Treasury Services (NOT to Marta Ward)***

<b>Church Name</b>	<b>Missionary Care and Connection (LINKS)</b>
Anderson Iron Works	\$5.60
Ava Cold Creek Cowboy	\$165.90
Ava Highway	\$54.95
Baxter Springs	\$11.55
Bolivar	\$23.80
Bradleyville	\$15.75
Branson Citizens	\$17.50



Branson First	\$19.95
Buffalo	\$12.60
Butler	\$21.00
Camdenton	\$39.90
Caney	\$36.05
Carthage	\$168.35
Cassville	\$5.95
Chanute	\$30.80
Cherryvale	\$10.50
Clinton	\$7.00
Coffeyville Central	\$17.85
Coffeyville First	\$42.00
Deepwater Crossroads	\$14.00
Dogwood	\$38.85
El Dorado Springs	\$21.00
Elk City	\$15.75
Erie	\$12.25
Fordland Faith Journey	\$19.25
Fordland Union Chapel	\$4.55
Forsyth Trinity	\$10.85
Fort Scott	\$121.80
Galena Parkhill	\$26.25
Garnett	\$50.75
Girard Living Faith	\$63.35
Goodhope	\$9.80
Goodman Banner	\$57.40
Hartville Solid Rock Cowboy	\$16.80
Houston New Horizon	\$12.25
Independence	\$89.60
Iola	\$9.80
Joplin Calvary	\$34.30
Joplin First	\$30.80
Joplin Traders	\$2.45
Lamar	\$9.45
Lebanon	\$8.75
Mansfield	\$21.35
Marionville	\$14.70

Marshfield	\$46.20
McCune	\$5.25
Monett	\$46.20
Monett Fuente de Agua Viva	\$49.70
Mount Vernon	\$10.50
Mountain Grove	\$43.75
Neodesha	\$25.55
Neosho	\$58.80
Neosho Casa Jaziel	\$33.95
Nevada	\$22.75
Nixa	\$35.35
Nixa Organic	\$11.20
Noel	\$6.30
Norwood Countryside	\$15.75
Osceola	\$5.25
Ozark	\$14.00
Parsons	\$51.80
Pittsburg	\$222.60
Pleasanton	\$7.00
Powell Twin Springs	\$10.15
Reeds Spring	\$9.80
Republic	\$8.75
Rogersville	\$29.05
Sarcoxie	\$6.30
Seymour	\$133.00
Springfield Grace	\$14.00
Springfield One Life	\$51.80
Springfield Scenic	\$10.85
Strafford	\$7.70
The Table	\$4.20
The Well	\$479.85
Warsaw	\$6.30
Webb City	\$28.35
Wheatland	\$7.00





The Alabaster Offering is a special offering taken in the Church of the Nazarene twice a year, in the months of February and September. It is named after the alabaster container mentioned in Luke 7:37-38, where a woman pours expensive perfume from an alabaster jar onto Jesus' feet.

The Alabaster offering is intended to support missions and ministries around the world by constructing church buildings, schools, medical facilities, and other infrastructure. The funds collected through the Alabaster Offering are used to meet specific needs identified by the church's leadership and are distributed through the denomination's global missions program.

The Alabaster Offering is one way for congregations to contribute to spreading the Gospel and being involved in the ministry in communities beyond their own local congregation.

The most widely used way to collect the Alabaster Offering is the Alabaster Box. Individuals are challenged to regularly contribute the cost of items they desire but do not need and place it in the Alabaster Box. The boxes also serve as reminders to pray for those people who will benefit from Alabaster buildings.

**Visit [nazarene.org/alabaster](http://nazarene.org/alabaster) for more info.**

# AUGUST EMPHASIS

## NYI and Children/LINKS (Care and Connection)

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A hands-on approach to missions works well with children and youth. Crisis Care Kits, Alabaster and LINKS are great ways to get the children involved. See Resource packet with flyer and shopping list.

LINKS! Have you connected with our LINKS missionaries yet? They would love to hear from you. You can find information on our missionaries on pages 35-36.



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# SEPTEMBER EMPHASIS

## ALABASTER

Alabaster offerings are sent to Global Treasury Service in Lenexa, KS. You will find your church's goal giving starting on pages 14-18. Each church is encouraged to create their own Alabaster goals. You will find flyers in your Resource packet.



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# OCTOBER EMPHASIS

## Care and Connection (LINKS)/ Mission Priority One

LINKS missionaries. Remember to recognize birthdays, anniversaries, and other special days by sending cards , and /or emails. You received information regarding LINKS Missionaries at assembly and/or in an email from Joplin District NMI.

*Missions Priority One* is a way to recognize churches that have embraced the Five Areas of Impact. How are you doing so far? NMI presidents and pastors work together to bring Nazarene Missionaries to their congregation. Becoming an MPO church is outlined in the Committee Report on page 44-45.



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**\*\*\* “BIG SERVE” District-wide serve blitz: October 26th, 2024 \*\*\***

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# NOVEMBER EMPHASIS

## WEF/THANKSGIVING OFFERING & IDOP



nazarene.org/nmi is our official website.

Go to [nazarene.org/stewardship](http://nazarene.org/stewardship) and learn about Faith Promise giving.



**Thanksgiving Offering** is one of the bigger offerings contributing to the World Evangelism Fund (the others are Easter Offering and Faith Promise). What better way to express Thanksgiving to Our Lord and Provider than through giving! You can't out give God!

**International Day of Prayer**— To remind us to pray for and remember those imprisoned because of their faith in Christ. The most common request of these in prison; "Pray for us" For more information visit the Voice of the Martyrs website <http://vom.com.au/idop>



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### **Important Date to Remember:**

**Please send Work and Witness funds to Marta Ward by Nov 30th.**

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# DECEMBER EMPHASIS

## Prayer/Compassionate Ministries

Please pray for your Joplin District leadership and the pastors and churches on the Joplin District. Pray for Revival. Refer to the directory on pages 9-11 in this planner to see the listing of all the churches on this district. Or find the church directory listed on our Joplin District office.

[www.joplindistrictnaz.org](http://www.joplindistrictnaz.org)



Learn more about Nazarene Compassionate Ministries @ [ncm.org](http://ncm.org). Also refer to Resource packet for Crisis Care Kits and Child Sponsorships information.



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# JANUARY EMPHASIS

## Prayer and Fasting/ Sponsored Missionaries

District-wide fast. See District's Facebook page to hear from our DS on this subject.

Sponsored missionaries: The sponsored missionary is primarily funded by his or her local community and called to serve a localized need in the field. Affirmed by the local church, district, and the Church of the Nazarene, he or she will serve a maximum of four years in the field with no previous ministry experience required.



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### ***Important Dates to Remember:***

**Jan 2-12: Daniel Fast**

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# FEBRUARY EMPHASIS

## ALABASTER

The first Alabaster offering was received in 1949. Since then, The Church of the Nazarene continues to use this offering for buildings used for service on the mission field. Clinics, schools, hospitals and more. Your offering makes a difference.



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# MARCH EMPHASIS

## WORLD EVANGELISM FUND/ Nazarene World Week of Prayer

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World Evangelism Fund (WEF) is the most helpful way to invest in the Great Commission. Learn more about WEF by reading Howard Culbertson's excerpt on page 33.



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### ***Important Dates To Remember:***

**March 15th**—all allocations need to be sent to Marta Ward and General Treasury.

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# APRIL EMPHASIS

**Mission Education /Easter**



The District emphasis: Crisis Care Kits and Child Sponsorship. The 'shopping list' and flyer are found in Resource Packet under Compassionate Ministries for CCK's . The global emphasis is: Mission Education. Get your congregation involved in missions this year by reading NMI Central and learning about our missionaries through our children's "Kids Kaleidoscope".



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***Important Dates to Remember:***

**April 20th is Easter and April 30th is the end of the church year.**

**April 3rd is Shannon Smith's birthday. (LINKS)**

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# MAY EMPHASIS

## Engaging our Children and Youth/Missionary Healthcare

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The District emphasis this month is about getting our youth involved in missions. Whether they feel the call or not, teaching our teenagers and children to have a heart for missions is very rewarding to all involved. A little planning this month means a full year of heart-felt rewards. Check Joplin District event calendar and check with NYI and Children's District Directors for District events.

Don't forget the Missionary Healthcare global offering for May.



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# JUNE EMPHASIS

## Pray for Children and Youth/World Mission Broadcast

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The Joplin District Mission council wishes you to focus on prayer this month, especially for our children and youth, as the Lord leads. Throughout the summer they work jobs, attend camps, mission trips, VBS, and some have a lot of free time.

Giving to World Mission Broadcast provides the means to reach millions around the world for Christ, providing the funding for program production, airtime, and follow-up materials. Send offering to Global Treasury Services. [Whatever It Takes-wmb@nazarene.org](mailto:Whatever It Takes-wmb@nazarene.org)



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# JULY EMPHASIS

## Prayer/ International Student Scholarship Fund

Prayer is vital to our relationship with God, so it is with all things we are a part of. Your mission council asks you to join them in praying this month for your pastor and the pastors within your missionary areas as they will be preparing their annual reports. Subscribe to NMI Central to receive weekly prayer and praise reports.

Your offering for ISSF assists students in need attending campus-based Nazarene Theological schools.



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### *Important Dates to Remember:*

**Mission Trip to New Zealand: July 6-21, 2025**

**District Assembly July 26-29, 2025**

**NMI Convention July 29, 2025.**

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# Praying Daily for Missionaries



The following are daily suggestions of ways you can pray for missionaries, as well as all workers around the world who minister for Jesus Christ:

**Sunday: Spiritual Life**— A closer walk with God. Missionaries need times of refreshing just as much as everyone else. Those in ministry give on a regular basis. Pray that they will take the time to be filled so that they will not be running on empty or on their own strength.

**Monday: Mind**— The ability to learn what is needed, be it language and culture or a new way of getting things done. Pray that their minds will be open and accepting to the new things that greet them. Louie Bustle, director of Nazarene Global Mission, has said missionaries need to “trust the locals.” It is easier to think that we have all the answers than to admit we need to learn.

**Tuesday: Team**— The people the missionaries work with—for good relationships that will build up the work and honor God. Pray the local people whose lives are touched by the missionaries, as well as missionary coworkers and leaders.

**Wednesday: Well-being**—No one likes being sick. Illness in another cultural context can be scary and even dangerous. Malaria and other diseases for which the missionaries have not built up immunity can be deadly. Health care can be hard to find. Driving over rough roads, air travel, and other modes of transportation can be fraught with ...excitement. Pray for physical safety from illness and for travel safety.

**Thursday: Thoughts**— Pray that the missionaries will not be discouraged. Pray that they will remain focused on the things of God. There are “get-thee-behind-me” moments in everyone’s life. Pray that the missionaries will be able to discern those moments for what they are and be bold in confronting them.

**Friday: Family**— Spouse, sons and daughters, sisters and brothers, mother and father. Some of these people will be Christian, others not. Some will be going through a crisis—physical, spiritual, or emotional—which drains the missionary. Sometimes the stress comes from being in the situation; at other times the stress comes from being half the world away. Pray for peace, contentment, and open communication between the missionary and family members.

**Saturday: Schedule**— As the week comes to a close and missionaries are planning the week ahead, pray that their schedules will be filled with divine appointments. Pray that when schedules are disrupted the missionaries will see the hand of God at work and not be angry, but rather expectant.



# funding the mission



Church of the Nazarene

**“...We used to call it General...”** *excerpt from Howard Culbertson’s Our Balanced Attack, How Nazarenes Finance World Evangelism*

“...as in General Budget, but it’s very specific.

As I stumbled along, I learned that a good computer will do spectacular things! From the experience I’ve even picked up a sermon illustration or two. One comes from basic computer technology. You see, without software or programs, a computer is useless. Take away software’s complex instructions, and even the most expensive computer is a useless collection of exotic electronic parts.

In some ways Nazarene World Evangelism Fund (WEF) resembles a computer’s operating system software. World Evangelism Fund “boots up” or starts our worldwide system and provides an operating environment. It draws together the basic elements of global evangelism and fits them together in an effective manner. Without the structure provided by WEF, Nazarene world outreach would grind to a halt. To be sure, WEF provides only part of Nazarene missionary funding. Offerings like Approved Specials, Work & Witness, Alabaster, Radio, Child Sponsorship, and Hunger and Disaster build on what WEF is doing. Giving in such special, designated offerings easily arouses more interest and emotion than does paying WEF. A whispered temptation comes to let WEF giving slide while concentrating on some favorite special offering. That would be a mistake. Special offerings, no matter how large or emotionally rewarding, do not pay missionaries’ salaries, keep hospital doors open, or carry out strategies on a global scale. Without WEF we might revert to spotty, fitful efforts financed on emotional whims.

## Where does it go?

Thanksgiving (or Christmas in countries other than the US and Canada) and Easter offerings. Our slogans sometimes lead people to assume that the World Mission office gets every penny of these big offerings. Forgetting that it began as “General” Budget, they express surprise—even dismay—that the Global Mission does not get every WEF dollar.

Actually, each WEF dollar is divided among all the ministry areas of the global church such as Sunday School, Nazarene Youth International, World Mission, and higher education on all six world regions. At the Nazarene Global Ministry Center and in Regional Offices around the world, more than 200 people work in these ministry areas. WEF pays most of their salaries and funds most of those programs.

The simplest way to explain where WEF dollars go was with an 80/20 formula. Of each WEF dollar, about 80 cents goes to world missions outreach. The remaining 20 cent is for other global church ministries and overall administration. In stark contrast to what happens in many nonprofit organizations, very little goes to actual fund-raising. Even costs labeled “administration” are sometimes misleading. Take the general superintendents, for example. They are part of the 20% administration. Still, Dr. William Greathouse preaching to 3,000 people in Port-au-Prince was probably more

“evangelism” than I was on the days I spent double-checking Haitian district statistical reports before mailing them to Kansas City. Yet, for reporting purpose, I was considered “evangelism” and Dr. Greathouse’s support was labeled “administration”.

A few years ago, a general superintendent was in Haiti holding district assemblies. He heard about a young pastor’s wife who was seriously ill. Three hundred dollars of medical bills had far outstripped that struggling family’s resources. Unless past due bills were paid, she would get no more medical help. When that general superintendent departed Haiti, he left behind, \$300 to wipe out those bills. The fund he used that day was a part of the WEF labeled “general administration”. So even some of those expenses labeled “general administration” could well be called “world evangelism”.

Not everyone is happy with the 80/20 disbursement plan. Some complain that too much money goes overseas. There is much yet to be done at home, they argue. We’re top-heavy in foreign missions spending, they say.....It isn’t “us” here and “them” over there anymore. It’s not just one or two countries giving all the money, sending all the missionaries, and making all the decisions. We Nazarenes all around the world are now all in it together. The only “them” are peoples outside the gospel message, in whatever country they may be... (to read more go to

<http://home.snu.edu/~hculbert/balance3.htm>

## Joplin District “LINKS” Missionaries

(See page 37 for new LINKS / Care and Connection policy. Each missionary is connected to a LINKS district for 12 months and new assignments are made every January. )

### ***Shannon Smith: Cambodia***

*Due to the sensitivity of her area and unreliability of postal services, she cannot receive traditional mail or packages.*

E-mail is best: [smocksm yng@gmail.com](mailto:smocksm yng@gmail.com)

Online Giving Portal: [give.nazarene.org/pledge/smsmith](http://give.nazarene.org/pledge/smsmith)

Birthday: April 3



*Shannon has been serving in Cambodia since 2018, after serving in Korea for nearly 10 years. She spent most of the first two years studying the Khmer language so she would be able to communicate with the people of Cambodia. She has served as a guide for teams ministering in villages and communities and is currently helping with District support and development, as well as education for local pastors. Since she is passionate about Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, she has enjoyed participating with medical teams distributing rice seed and food to needy families in the provinces where the Church of the Nazarene is currently ministering.*

Shannon requests prayer for the following:

- *Cambodia is 95% Buddhist and only a little over 1% Christian. There is a lot of spiritual warfare as the enemy tries to steal, kill, and destroy.*
- *New villages will be reached with the message of the Gospel, young people would be obedient to God's call to ministry, and the Khmer people will experience the abundant life that only comes through Jesus Christ.*

### **Joplin District Retired Missionaries:**

**Lois Rosbrugh, Elizabeth Glasgow, Barbara Simmons, Merrill and Jan Williams**

# Joplin District LOCAL “LINKS” Missionaries

(See page 37 for new LINKS / Care and Connection policy.)

## *Berna Proffitt*

Home: 4171 Summer Set, Springfield, MO 65802

Phone: 417-425-2297

E-mail: [berna@thepoho.com](mailto:berna@thepoho.com)

Berna’s birthday: September 3



Berna and her late husband Steve were the founders and directors of Potter's House. They administrated all staff and operations, discipled the staff and students, lead small group studies, fundraising, and church relations. They also spent a lot of time in relationship education and pre-marriage counseling. Since Steve’s homegoing, Berna has returned to faithful ministry at Potter’s House, now joined by former missionaries to South Korea, Hal and Moon Brower.

## *Hal and Moon Brower*

Home: 2034 S Missouri Ct, Springfield, MO 65807

Phone: 913-999-1019

E-mail: [hal@thepoho.com](mailto:hal@thepoho.com)

Birthdays:

Hal: October 8; Moon: May 23; Ella: Oct 3; Evan: Dec 26

Hal and Moon’s Anniversary: July 24



# “LINKS” HAS BECOME “CARE AND CONNECTION”

## GLOBAL LINKS POLICY

ADOPTED GLOBAL NMI EXECUTIVE COUNCIL – 28 JANUARY, 2022

Links is a Nazarene Missions International (NMI) system to assist districts in providing care and connection to Nazarene missionaries.

### Global Scope

Each region, through the sending district, provides care and connection to Nazarene missionaries sent from their region. Links provides additional care and connection to globally deployed missionaries who are deployed from your region and other regions. Only missionaries assigned through the Links system, should be referred to as Links missionaries. Links assignments are made by global NMI in consultation with the regional NMI coordinator.

### Global, Sponsored, and Retiree Missionary Involvement

Care and connection is provided to every global and sponsored Nazarene missionary who is on contract with Global Missions, by their home district.

Retired missionaries, who meet Global Missions requirements as a retiree, are provided care and connection by their home district.

Globally deployed missionaries are eligible to be assigned to any district in the Church of the Nazarene for additional care and connection through Links.

### Global Process & Procedures

**Assignment:** The Links connection is between a district/country/field and the missionary. Local churches should work with the district to care for their missionaries including those assigned through Links. Globally assigned missionaries must respond to the global NMI office by the deadline given to participate in Links. It is possible that not every globally deployed missionary will receive a Links assignment each year.

**Assignment Length:** All assignments are one year in length and will be from January 1 – December 31 each year regardless of the fiscal/church year. Districts, whose Links assigned missionary end their Global Missions contract by September 1, will receive another Links assignment for the remainder of that Links year.

**Monetary Gifts:** Any monetary gifts for missionaries through Links, will be processed through the missionary's deputation account. Gifts to retired missionaries must be given directly to them.

**Participation:** It is anticipated that each Links participant (district/country/field and missionary) will: Pray for each other., Communicate with each other at least three times a year, The district/country/field will invite the Links missionary to speak at events in person or online.



## CRISIS CARE KITS SHOPPING LIST

**1 medium-size bottle of shampoo** (12-18 oz.)

*please tape flip-tops closed*

**2 bars of soap** (bath-size or larger)

**1 medium toothpaste** (4.0-6.4 oz.)

**3 toothbrushes** (in original packaging) •

**1 box of Band-Aids** (30 or more) •

**1 fingernail clipper**

**1 sturdy hair comb**

**2 hand towels**

**4 pocket-size packages of facial tissue** •

**1 Beanie Baby-size stuffed toy**



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COMPASSIONATE  
MINISTRIES**

 **NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL**

If you live near Springfield, MO, you may drop off kits at the Convoy of Hope Global Distribution Center: 1 Convoy Drive, Springfield, MO 65802. Call ahead to notify them of your delivery: 417-823-8998.

## Instructions for packing

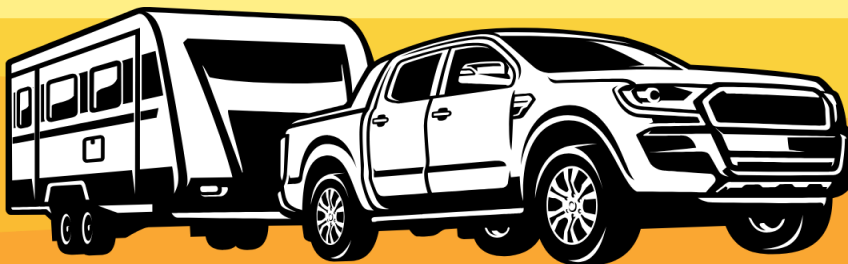
1. Gather **NEW** items in quantities listed below. Assemble Crisis Care Kits (CCKs) and seal the Ziploc bags. Include only those items listed below. **Deviating from this list can cause an entire shipment to be rejected in customs.** Set the CCKs in groups of six (6) to determine the number of banana boxes needed.
2. Pack new items into a clear 2-gallon OR 2.5-gallon plastic Ziploc bag and seal. 3. Obtain the banana boxes from your local grocery store. **Please pack CCKs solely in banana boxes, as they provide uniformity, eliminating wasted space in shipping.** 4. Cut the heavy brown paper (usually found in the banana box) in half and place inside the bottom of the box. Tape the other half over the hole in the lid. (Plain cardboard may be used in the same way if your banana boxes are missing the paper.)
5. Fill each box with **six (6) CCKs—no more, no less. Do not insert money or literature** (including anything with the church's name on it, notes, etc.) in the CCKs or banana boxes.
6. Using strong packing tape, cover all holes in the top and the bottom of the box. Then tape the box securely shut. Please leave box handles open; this makes it easier to load and unload.
7. **DO NOT** wrap banana boxes in brown paper or contact paper or put filled banana boxes inside another box.

*We are partnering with Convoy of Hope again this year. No shipping fees required.*

**ARE YOU READY FOR AN**  
**ADVENTURE**

**Partner with Rob and Cindy North,  
missionaries to the Australian Outback**

**\$5,000**



**“To reach the places we have been asked to go to reach the forgotten people of the Australian Outback, it will require a serious 100% off-road and off-grid Vehicle and Caravan”**

**“Work and Witness” is now “Nazarene Missions Teams” ,  
serving through construction, sports, medical,  
compassion, education, technology, evangelism, and  
emergency response teams.**

## **Joplin District 2025 Mission Teams:**

### **New Zealand: July 2025**

Cost: \$2500/person

Leaders: Revs Chad and Alison Johnson

aweinstock1@gmail.com

### **Maui, Hawaii: November 2025**

Cost: \$1882/person

Contact: Rev Dan and Lori Leibbrand

dlleibbrand@gmail.com



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



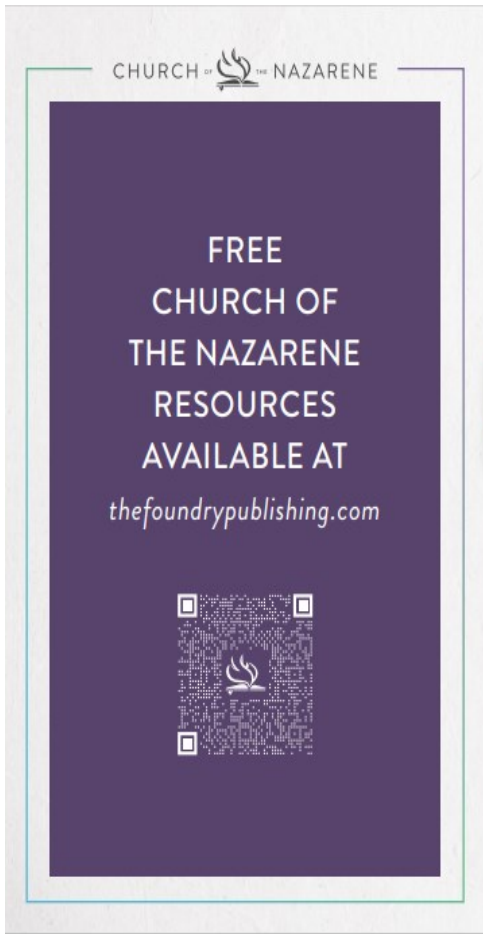
# Mission Education and NMI Reading Books

Check out “NMI Central” for digital (and downloadable/printable) mission education resources.

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

(Click on “Resources” and “NMI Central”)

All adult education, mission stories and prayer/praise updates from each field are found online through NMI Central. Subscribe to NMI central to receive weekly updates, snapshots and stories to be used in educating and inspiring your church to engage in Nazarene missions. *THIS IS A WONDERFUL RESOURCE!*



There are no books this year for adults or children. eBook readers can still get past years' books (adult or children) through their eBook store (Kindle, Nook, or iTunes).





# DEPUTATION

## SCHEDULING A MISSIONARY

Global mission has now provided an online tool to assist with scheduling and communicating directly with missionaries on the field.

Go to: [depsched.nazarene.org](https://depsched.nazarene.org) to login and view missionary profiles, view availability, and make a request.

If you do not have a current login, contact [scheduling@nazarene.org](mailto:scheduling@nazarene.org) and they will provide you with login info.

## BE A GOOD HOST

Pray for your missionaries before, during, and after their time with you.

Communicate early and often! Ask questions. Are there any technology needs, food allergies, family concerns, etc. Confirm logistical details like primary contact person, housing, transportation, location, start time, wifi info, etc.

Assist with food and travel expenses. **TAKE GOOD CARE OF THE MISSIONARIES IN YOUR CARE!**

## GIVING

**DO NOT GIVE FUNDS DIRECTLY TO THE MISSIONARY. THIS IS PROHIBITED BY THE IRS.**

**SUBMITTING FUNDS FOR THE MISSIONARY:**

1) World Evangelism Fund: This the primary avenue through which the mission of the Church of the Nazarene is carried out. All churches must be up to date with their WEF giving in order to host a missionary.

[www.fundingthemission.org](http://www.fundingthemission.org).

2) Personal Giving through [www.fundingthemission.org](http://www.fundingthemission.org) .

Deputation funds can be designated for the ministry of a specific missionary by giving to a) "Ministry Funds", b) "Personal Support/Family Assistance", c) Global Missions Projects".

The preferred method of giving is through "Funding the Mission": [www.fundingthemission.org](http://www.fundingthemission.org)

Checks made payable to "Global Treasury Services" with "[Missionary Name]" in the memo. Mail to PO BOX 843116, Kansas City, MO 64184-3116.

# DEPUTATION FUNDS

Deputation funds are used to finance ministry expenses not covered by other funding sources.

These funds can be used for a wide variety of things. Uses range from support for salary and benefits to things like setting up a house. Note: All non-consumable items purchased with deputation funds are the property of Global Missions.

A wide variety of expenses are eligible for reimbursement from deputation funds. Some examples are:

- Freight and Duty Expenses
- Conference Expenses
- Appliances
- Furnishings
- Office Supplies
- Prayer Cards
- E-newsletter Fees
- Equipment Purchases
- Vehicle Purchase
- Vehicle Maintenance
- Continuing Education
- Language study
- Field Projects
- Passport and Visa
- Small home appliances
- Living Allowance (while on home assignment; established limits)
- Deputation tour expenses (air travel, meals, tolls, fuel, car rental, lodging, etc.)
- Undergraduate tuition (established limits)
- Retirement fund (based on years of service)
- Medical Reimbursement for out of pocket expenses (i.e. HSA)
- Retirement resettlement allowance (established limits)

Deputation funds are not for personal items. Such items include, but are not limited to:

- Household supplies
- Food not related to deputation travel
- Clothing
- Personal entertainment
- Cosmetics

## NMI Mission Committee Report

2024

We, your Committee on World Mission, refer our people to the NMI Convention section of the *Joplin District Annual Assembly Journal*.

We recommend that every local NMI council review the goals for Mission Priority One as soon as possible in the assembly year and make definite plans to attain Mission Priority One status. The goals are:

1. **Prayer**—The church will pray for missions and missionaries.
2. **Discipling**—The church will provide opportunity for its children and youth to experience missions and to respond to God’s call.
3. **Giving** – The church will pay its World Evangelism Fund in full.
4. **Educating**—The church will use missions resources and participate in activities to gain better understanding of global mission efforts. The church must participate in one or more activities in each of the following four areas:

- ⇒ Use missions resources (such as NMI Central, World Mission videos, mission websites, Nazarene Communications News, etc.), and/or utilize missions publications and communications (NMI Central, *Nazarene Compassionate Ministries* magazine, *Holiness Today*, missionaries’ newsletters, regional newsletters, etc.).
- ⇒ Use the NMI Central Children’s Information, called, “Kids Kaleidoscope”.
- ⇒ Participate in missions service projects (such as Work and Witness, Compassionate Ministries centers, Good Samaritan churches, community projects, etc.) and/or hands-on missions activities (Crisis Care Kits, School Pal-Paks, Relief shipments, Care and Connection support, etc.).
- ⇒ Attend one or more services with a mission speaker (local, mission area, district, and/or regional events; Faith Promise) and/or provide interaction with a mission’s speaker (district teen/ children’s camps, missions events, district missions convention, missions workshops, etc.).

We encourage each church to complete the following:

That each NMI Mission Priority One church strive also to do the following:

- ⇒ Receive the Award of Excellence by paying 5.7% over their World Evangelism Fund goal.
- ⇒ Pay in full its Children’s/Teen Project, Work and Witness Project.
- ⇒ Participate in the Missionary Health Care, World Mission Broadcast, Nazarene Compassionate

**Ministries Fund, and Alabaster offerings.**

- ⇒ **Support one or more missionaries with a deputation offering.**
- ⇒ **That each church supports the Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Fund, be a child sponsor, and strive to be a Good Samaritan church.**
- ⇒ **That each new church member receives a new member packet, which explains our mission program.**
- ⇒ **That each church especially remembers our own retired district missionaries – Elizabeth Glasgow, Lois Rosbrugh, Barbara Simmons, Merrill and Jan Williams in prayer, with a specific time designated to pray and fast on their behalf.**
- ⇒ **That each church supports our Care and Connection missionaries through prayer, gifts, money, and cards, as we are the only district responsible for them. New LINKS missionaries will be assigned each January. In addition, our Joplin District Local LINKS are Hal and Moon Brower and Berna Proffitt.**

**5. That each church be aware of all NMI projects:**

- ⇒ **Teen and Children’s Project - Send the money for this project to the district NMI treasurer as the offering is received, but no later than March 1, 2025.**
- ⇒ **Work and Witness Project – Send money for this project to the district NMI treasurer as soon as possible. Money should be in before March 1, 2025.**

**Note: The local allocations of all the projects are in the President’s Planner and the Convention packet.**

**That we embrace our quadrennial theme Advance: The Call.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Cay Sergent, Secretary**

**Alison Johnson, Chairman**



**NMI Finance Committee  
2024**

The following is recommended by your Committee on Finance:

1. That we promote 100 percent payment of the World Evangelism Fund which supports the missionary work of the Church of the Nazarene worldwide.
2. That the district NMI apportionment for the coming year be set at 5.6 percent of the District Unified Budget (which includes General Convention Fund and District Expense) as recommended by the District Finance Committee.
3. That the Missionary Care and Connection Fund assigned to each local church be taken and sent to the Global Treasury by September 15, 2025.
4. All churches are urged to send in 5.5 percent of total monies raised for our District Budget, less adjustments. This budget supports all entities of the district as well as New Starts/district mission work.
5. That the district NMI set aside \$6,250 a year for general convention expenses.
6. That, as a district, we send a love gift of \$50 per adult and \$25 per child living in the home to missionaries who are members of our district: Elizabeth Glasgow, Lolis Rosbrugh, Barbara Simmons, Merrill and Jan Williams, and the Executive Directors of the Potter's House.
7. That we budget \$1,000 for Children's Missionary Fun Day.
8. That we budget \$100 for each Joplin District college student who participates in a college or general church sponsored Nazarene Work and Witness trip, when a request is received from that student.
9. That we budget \$300 for a missionary-in-residence at each week of Teen Camp and \$250 for Children's Camp.
10. That we budget \$5,000.00 for Work and Witness projects in our district.
11. That we budget \$2,500 for the Joplin District Hispanic Ministry.
12. That we continue to take care of the expenses of the various district officers in connection with their duties as follows: district president – honorarium, \$400; district superintendent – honorarium, \$200; treasurer – honorarium, \$300; secretary – honorarium, \$300; recording secretary – honorarium, \$50; office manager – honorarium, \$50; council travel reimbursement at the same rate as set by the Joplin District Finance Committee, plus meals; also any other incidental expense related to duties; expense stipend of \$15 per council member

Respectfully submitted,

Cay Sergent, *Secretary*

Marta Ward, *Treasurer*

July 30, 2024

## ***Helpful Websites***

[www.joplindistrictnaz.org](http://www.joplindistrictnaz.org)

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

<https://www.nazarene.org/nmi/local-nmi-leader>

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

[nazarene.org/nmi/education-resources](http://nazarene.org/nmi/education-resources)

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

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

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

### **The Foundry Publishing**

<https://www.thefoundrypublishing.com>

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

[deputation@nazarene.org](mailto:deputation@nazarene.org)

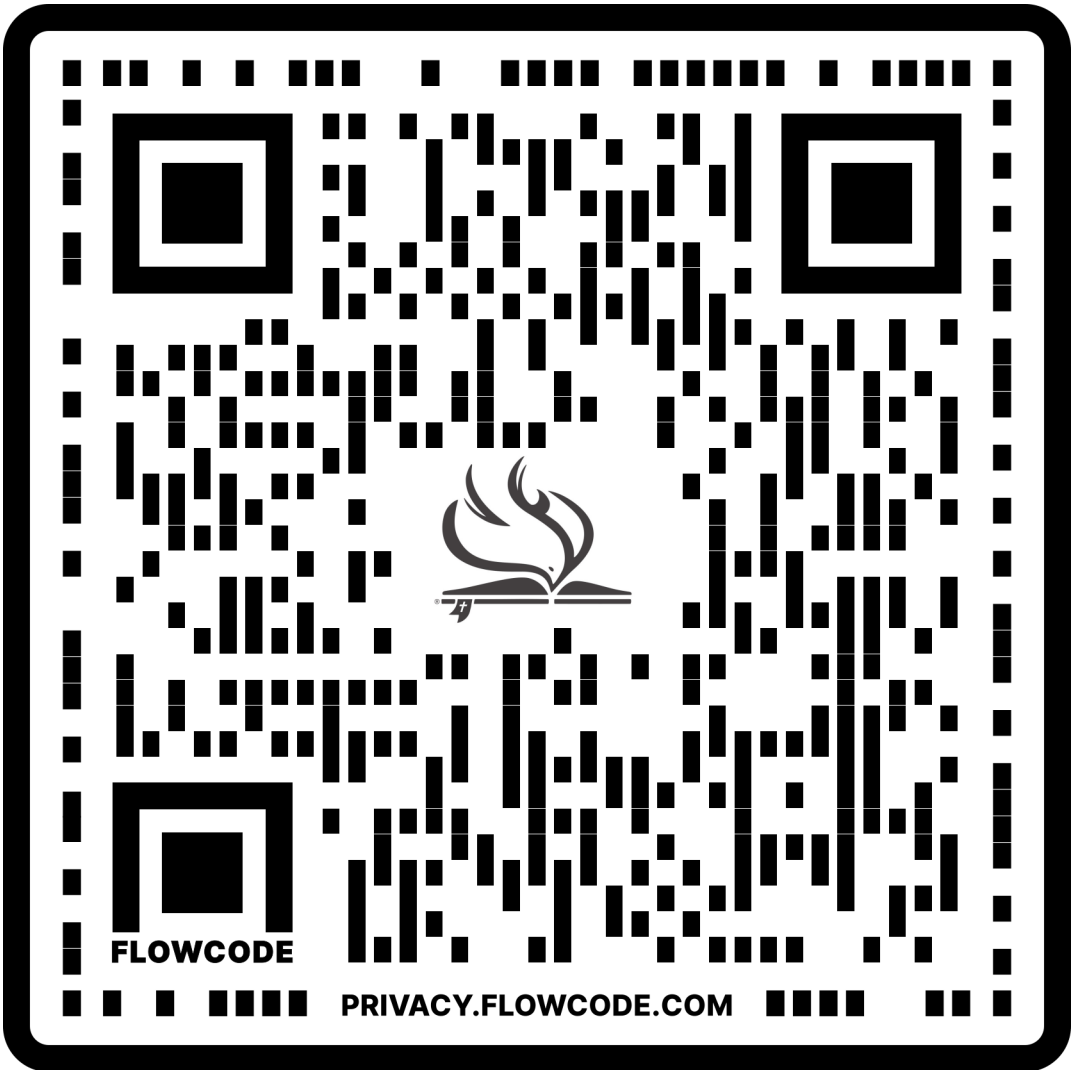
[www.facebook.com/NMPrayer](https://www.facebook.com/NMPrayer)

### **Praying for the Persecuted Resource Websites**

*International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church:*

[www.idop.org](http://www.idop.org)<http://vom.com.au/idop>

<http://www.global.prn.com/prayer-resources/praying-for-10-40-window>



Scan the QR code to visit our district NM website:

[www.joplindistrictnaz.org/nmi](http://www.joplindistrictnaz.org/nmi)