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**The Cross**  
Seize it! Share it!

NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

# NE DISTRICT NMI MESSENGER

## Crisis Care Kits Are Needed!

The General NMI Office has received word from the Nazarene Warehouse in Fawn Grove, Maryland, that they are completely out of Crisis Care Kits (CCKs). With the recent earthquake in Indonesia and hurricane season upon us the shortage of CCKs could put relief efforts in a bind.

School Pal-Paks are also being requested globally. Information, instructions, and inventories for these may be accessed on the

NMI Web site [<http://www.nazarenemissions.org/nem>] or can be found in the *Blue New England District NMI Handbook* pages 74-75 or the *New England District Compassionate Ministries Booklet* passed out to presidents at the District NMI Convention.

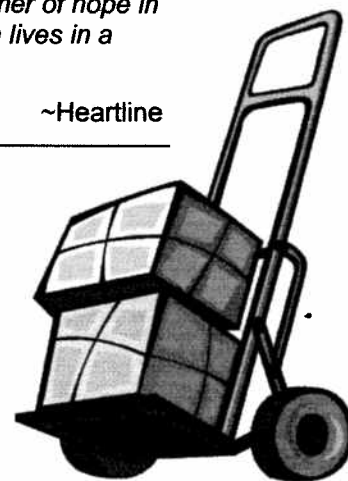


**IDEA**— Crisis Care Kits and School Pal-Paks are a great way to involve children and youth in missions. It's a great project for Vacation Bible School.

*For those who are suffering, Crisis Care Kits offer a glimmer of hope in the midst of disaster. Don't miss this opportunity to touch lives in a tangible way!*

~Heartline

There is still time to get your CCK's in the shipment to Fawn Grove. Email Phil Smith at [psmith@smithsummit.com](mailto:psmith@smithsummit.com)



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### July Events

- 1-9 Family Camp
- 9-15 Encounter (Teens) to Gulf Coast
- 17-22 Children's Camp
- 19-31 W&W to Russia
- 24-29 Senior High Camp

### August Events

- 7-12 Junior High Camp

## July Challenge—International Ministry, Bible Schools & Seminaries

One way NMI supports students is through the NMI International "Student Scholarship Fund (ISSF). The ISSF assists students in need who attend campus-based Nazarene theological schools in world mission regions, so their education can be completed as debt-free as possible. Every year 175 international students are helped with the ISSF.

Please pray for our schools and their faculties and students.

Scripture: "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever!" (2 Peter 3:18, NIV)

—Heartline

## August Challenge—LINKS



Focus on LINKS (Loving, Interested Nazarenes, Knowing and Sharing)

**Joel and Sara Mullen**

(one of our LINKS missionaries) currently serve as Field Director for Southeastern Europe where the Church of the Nazarene ministers in seven nations: Albania, Bulgaria, Italy, Kosovo, Macedonia, Romania, and Slovenia. This field also includes the nations of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Greece, and Serbia and Montenegro.

"They feel privileged to encourage,

*support, and lead the work on this diverse field, which is a kaleidoscope of languages, cultures, and religions. God is moving among a generation of youth with immense potential. From Bucharest to Tirana, from Sofia to Skopje, and from Catania to Kosovo, the churches and ministries are vibrant and filled with the faces of youth who are committed to Christ and who also have a vision to make Him known to their nations."*

Send your missionaries a "welcome" letter as soon as possible. Provide missionaries with at least one local e-mail address for your church to com-

municate with them personally. Be sure to check your LINKS cash assignments and send them to the appropriate location prior to September 1. Focus on your LINKS missionaries throughout the month of August. Get your children involved and have a LINKS "Christmas in August" party. Or have a LINKS birthday party. Be creative and most importantly pray for your LINKS missionaries. If you have any LINKS-related questions, feel free to send e-mail to Laura Ritter-Cox at [LIRCRTC@aol.com](mailto:LIRCRTC@aol.com).

Laura Ritter-Cox,  
District LINKS Secretary

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## Harvest Partners—JESUS Film Ministry (as of July 4, 2006)

JESUS Film Ministry Teams have reported the following:

39,921,294 viewers of the JESUS Film  
6,857,168 (17.2% of contacts) decisions for Christ  
2,156,392 (31.4% of decisions) initial discipleship contacts  
9,267 new mission churches started  
14,230 pastors in training

Please pray for these new starts and the pastors in training!  
190 JESUS Film language translations used. 99 countries where the JESUS Film is used.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries of LINKS & District Missionaries

### August

1 Anniversary—Mr & Mrs Merritt Mann  
15 Birthday—Landon Hall (1996)  
16 Birthday—Jeanna Sunberg (2002)  
18 Birthday—Mrs Marilyn Clinger  
25 Birthday—Mary Restrict (1982)  
26 Anniversary—Rev & Mrs David Restrict  
26 Birthday—Sheri Hall

### September

n/a



## CHILDRENS NEWS—for children & their leaders

KIDS



Our own district missionaries David & Rhoda Restrict, Mozambique, Africa, will be the Missionaries-in-Residence at the Children's Camp this year.

Pray for them and for Rick Smith, Director, as they prepare for the Camp.



## JAMBOREES COMING IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Begin preparations now for these exciting days.

September 23<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> **North Country Jamboree** at the Johnson Lamoille Valley Church of the Nazarene. Missionaries Russell & Donna Lovett, Rwanda, will be the workers.

September 30<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> **South Shore Jamboree** at South Shore Christian Academy, South Weymouth, with Russell & Donna Lovett, missionaries to Rwanda, Africa, as workers.

October 14<sup>th</sup> (Note the date) – **Connecticut/Western MA Jamboree**, with Ramon & Bianca Sierra, Guatemala

Cost: \$4. per child. For children ages K-6<sup>th</sup> grade. Younger children are welcome with adult supervision.

YOUTH

## YOUTH NEWS—for youth & their leaders

### CAMPS...



Missionaries to Youth Camp – Our district missionaries, David & Rhoda Restrict, Mozambique, will be the missionaries-in-residence at Senior High camp and missionaries from a Creative Access area will be the in residence at Junior High camp. Both of these missionaries are busy preparing for the camps with some great creative material.

Pray for them and for Fran Wright, Senior High Director and Brian Bollinger, Junior High Director.



## Additional LINKS Information



Check page 31 in the District NMI Handbook for your NEW LINKS assignment. Send your LINKS assignment to Kansas City, General Treasurer, 6401 the Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131.



The Christmas Fund and Furlough Fund page 32 should be sent to Rick Smith, treasurer, P.O. Box 246, E. Charleston, VT 05833.



See pages 28-42 in District Handbook to get more information on LINKS and for pictures of your LINKS missionaries.



The 2006-2008 New England District LINKS missionaries are Rev. Stan & Sherry Hall, Mary & Landon, Ecuador; Rev. Joel and Sara Mullen, Switzerland; Rev. Henry and Grace Stevenson, retired No. Ireland; Dr. Elton and Margaret Wood, retired Rhode Island.

Please let  
Laura Ritter-  
Cox know  
how you are  
communicat-  
ing with your  
LINKS  
missionaries.

## Books for Pastors, Tools for Ministry

Dear Mission Minded Churches,

As you know we are still in the process of raising money for Books for Pastors., and as I sit here in my own library, looking at the vast amount of resources I have to study and exegete the Word with, I am ashamed that I haven't done more this year to promote the cause of raising funds for Pastors in need. Some Pastors are preaching with just a page of the Bible or a few chapters at best. Others have two or three books in their resource library.



I would also encourage you to get your people involved in supporting their country by showing the video periodically, as well as having fundraisers, and special offerings. The church that raises the most for books for pastors will receive special recognition at our next District Assembly.

We also recommend getting film canisters to hand out to your congregation, to help support this cause. Each film canister holds seven dollars in quarters, and this would be an easy way to get the individual members of your congregation involved in filling up the canisters. Film canisters can be obtained at Wal-Mart, Walgreen's, CVS, and BJ's. All you need to do is ask what the best pick up day is.

Sincerely,

In His Service

Rev. Connie Correia

Children's Mission Director

chcorreia@comcast.net

How can we, a nation of fortunate pastors assist our brothers and sisters in need? Glad you asked me, because I'll be glad to tell you. This year we are looking to make it more personal. So we have asked all churches on the district to adopt a country. Some churches already adopted a country, at District Assembly. For those who did not, I will be appointing a country for you to support. I will send out information the first week of July on your individual countries, and how you can raise the money to help buy books for pastors.

**Adopt A Country**



## World Evangelism Fund

As of this writing we are \$8,013.00 away from our goal of 90%.

Enclosed is a print out of the most recent 2005-2006 WEF. If you feel that your church gave more than the KC report shows contact Marsha Ballard in Kansas City at 816-333-7000. We

appreciate all those who have gone over and

above their goals and those who have made an effort to reach their goals this year. We still need your help and thank you ahead of time for your sacrifice. Please pray about it

and see what God would have you do.

If we do not reach our goal of 90% we will not be able to send out a district Work and Witness team next year so your help is very important.

**Extend your ministry throughout the world  
by giving to the World Evangelism Fund**

in.

What is WEF used for? See page 68 in New England District NMI Handbook for your answer.

We are still waiting for pledges and payment of WEF to come

## Work & Witness Opportunity

The Uxbridge Church of the Nazarene will be going back to New Orleans on a Work and Witness Trip. The team will be staying at the Slidell Church of the Nazarene.

The date for the trip is November 10—19th, 2006.

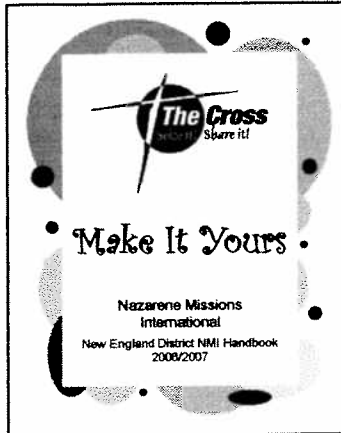
If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact the Uxbridge NMI President, Deb Koopman at rkoop@juno.com.

## Did You Know?

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1. THE 2005-2009 NMI handbook and Constitution (Order number: R-2005 ; cost \$5.99) is available from Nazarene Publishing House (NPH). Order it via toll-free (1-800-877-0700) or online [www.nph.com](http://www.nph.com).
2. The NEW MISSION PRIORITY ONE requirements are available on the NMI website [www.nazarenemissions.org/mpo](http://www.nazarenemissions.org/mpo). The changes are in the Mission Education or Global Awareness area. See pages 61-65 in the Blue NMI New England District Handbook for information.

Also, see pages 10-11 for Outstanding Achievement Award and for the NMI check off list.



## District NMI Handbooks

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Blue District NMI Handbooks (2006-2007) are available for a minimal cost of \$5.00. Contact Gerry Perry if you are interested in purchasing one or more. If you can't afford the cost let me know if you need more handbooks and we will see that you get them for the cost of mailing.

## KATRINA—Adjunct Missions Book!

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The General NMI Council voted to approve *KATRINA: Friends, Family and Faith*, by Fletcher Tink and Oliver Phillips, as an adjunct missions book for 2006-2007. The book was sent to local churches (USA/Canada). For more information about the book, contact: USA/Canada Mission Evangelism Phone: 816-333-7000 Ext. 2239. E-mail: [usamissiona@nazarene.org](mailto:usamissiona@nazarene.org) or read the book online at [www.usamission.org/cms](http://www.usamission.org/cms).

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*International Ministry,  
Bible Schools and  
Seminaries*



## Prayer Requests

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- TESS- Teens "engulfed" in spirit of service - Work and Witness trip to Gulf Coast
- Work and Witness teams and leaders as they prepare for trips to Bulgaria, Russia and Gulf Coast & Guatemala this summer.
- "Books for Pastors" offering that our district goal will be reached..
- Jesus Film: showings, converts, discipling and training of pastors
- Family of Marjorie Stockwell who passed away on Friday, June 16.
- Indonesia earthquake victims and those ministering to them.
- Peace for Solomon Islands, Guyana, East Timor and the Middle East
- Missionaries-in-Residence and speakers at Children's and Youth Camps this summer.



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Web—[http://www.nednaz.org/  
missions.html](http://www.nednaz.org/missions.html)



## LINKS

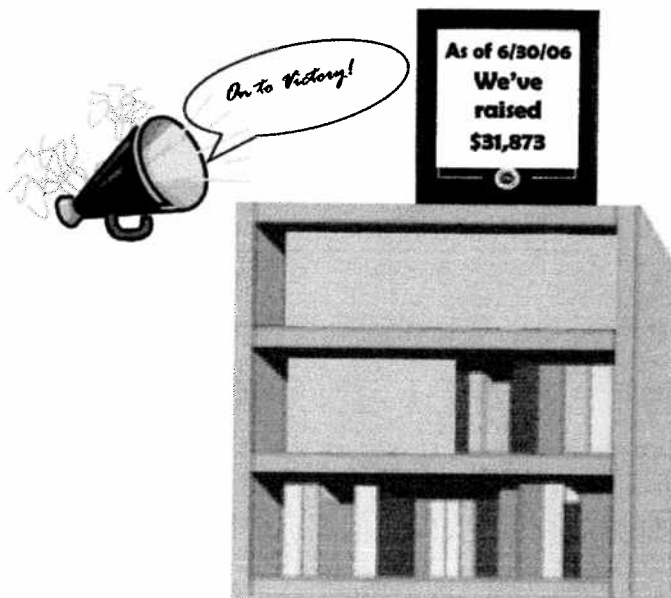
Loving, Interested Nazarenes,  
Knowing and Sharing  
Connecting the local church  
with missionaries on a personal level.

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## Books for Pastors / Tools for Ministry

### Let's fill up the bookcase!

When all the shelves on the bookcase are filled with  
books, NE District will have met their goal of \$62,741.





### Information as of 6/30/06 Kansas City Reports

WEEK	WEEK	WEEK
Due	Paid	Balance
\$1,772.00	\$1,772.00	\$0.00
\$5,812.00	\$34.00	\$5,778.00
\$1,509.00	\$4,009.00	(\$2,500.00)
\$5,531.00	\$2,585.81	\$2,945.19
\$4,394.00	\$500.00	\$3,894.00
\$0.00	\$23.00	(\$23.00)
\$65,342.00	\$67,379.00	(\$2,037.00)
\$16,389.00	\$17,700.00	(\$1,301.00)
\$26,317.00	\$26,317.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$115.00	(\$115.00)
\$3,084.00	\$3,084.00	\$0.00
\$807.00	\$807.00	\$0.00
\$6,139.00	\$6,249.00	(\$110.00)
\$246.00	\$0.00	\$246.00
\$786.00	\$786.00	\$0.00
\$13,626.00	\$13,626.00	\$0.00
\$1,895.00	\$300.00	\$1,695.00
\$3,581.00	\$100.00	\$3,481.00
\$2,844.00	\$3,456.88	(\$612.88)
\$14,080.00	\$14,080.00	\$0.00
\$45,653.00	\$46,053.00	(\$400.00)
\$0.00	\$49.00	(\$49.00)
\$24,624.00	\$300.00	(\$23,324.00)
\$11,099.00	\$24,754.00	(\$13,655.00)
\$2,314.00	\$11,296.00	(\$9,982.00)
\$1,415.00	\$2,314.00	\$0.00
\$2,955.00	\$1,415.00	\$0.00
\$37,804.00	\$2,194.00	\$761.00
\$8,199.00	\$37,804.00	\$0.00
\$6,621.00	\$8,404.00	(\$2,005.00)
\$52,542.00	\$0.00	\$6,621.00
\$1,625.00	\$52,567.00	(\$25.00)
\$1,747.00	\$1,625.00	\$0.00
\$4,676.00	\$1,010.00	\$737.00
\$432.00	\$2,748.00	\$1,928.00
\$10,395.00	\$805.00	(\$173.00)
\$2,862.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,862.00
\$24,008.00	\$0.00	\$24,008.00
\$3,557.00	\$27,603.11	(\$3,556.11)
\$5,525.00	\$2,113.00	\$1,444.00
\$5,321.00	\$1,073.25	\$4,451.75
\$31.00	\$0.00	\$31.00
\$1,094.00	\$1,150.00	(\$56.00)
\$2,127.00	\$127.00	\$2,000.00
\$7,696.00	\$5,818.60	\$1,747.40
\$723.00	\$25.00	\$698.00
\$786,796.00	\$708,076.02	\$87,699.98