



New England District NMI Messenger

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DUE MARCH

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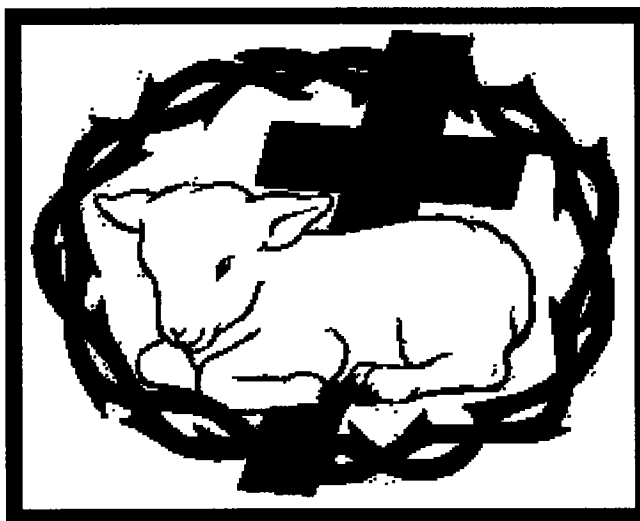
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Luncheon in Lowell**

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SHARE THE GLORY OF EASTER



Remember Your Easter Offering

The World Evangelism Fund Supports:

- ◆ Outreach ministry in 148 world areas
- ◆ 739 missionaries and 286 missionaries' children
- ◆ Monthly pensions for 301 retired missionary units; ("units" consist of couples and single missionaries)
- ◆ 41 Bible colleges and seminaries, 2 liberal arts universities, and 31 extension centers with 17,634 students enrolled
- ◆ 3 additional career training centers with 142 students
- ◆ More than 60 medical clinics and 2 hospitals
- ◆ Literature in 95 languages
- ◆ Casa Robles (Nazarene Missionary Retirement Center)
- ◆ The facilitation of Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, Work & Witness, Alabaster, and World Mission Broadcast
- ◆ Administrative costs to facilitate ministries and services to 13,259 churches and 3,078 missions around the world

MARCH CHALLENGE

Easter Offering for World Evangelism Fund

Impact! Your dollars do impact the world for Christ! Just think, in the jungle of Peru there are 10,000 Nazarenes in 200 churches. In some villages, the Church of the Nazarene is the only church. This report comes from Larry and Addie Garman, missionaries who have presented the resurrected Christ to the Aguaruna and Huambisi Indians for the past 40 years.

As you give to the Easter Offering, you are helping people "from every nation, tribe, people, and language" - even the Aguaruna and Huambisi in the Amazon jungle - worship our resurrected Lord.

Wes Eby, General NMI Office
—Heartline

Attention Presidents
and Pastors:

Report packets for the 2004-2005 church year will be mailed to your church on April 1.

Please contact us if you do not receive it by April 15. All reports are due on May 1. (Make sure all president and pastors' reports are alike.)



LEADERSHIP TIP

"True leadership emerges from those whose primary motivation is a deep desire to help others."

Robert K. Greenleaf
The Servant as Leader
—Heartline

SCRIPTURE

Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

Mark 9:23, NKJV

LINKS & District Missionaries Birthdays & Anniversaries

March

28 Birthday—Rhoda Restrict

28 Birthday—Gloria Henck

April

1 Birthday—Neal Estey

14 Birthday—Merritt Mann

LINKS CHANGE!



Just a reminder — The Nielson's are on leave.

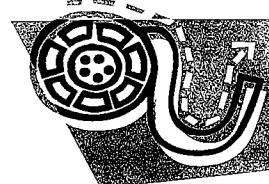
If your LINKS missionary is John and Janice Nielson you are assigned Brenda Gould for the rest of the year up to District Convention.

A new LINKS family will be assigned to our district at that time. See NMI Handbook pages 42-43 to see if you fall in that category. Let our LINKS missionaries know we love them.

Harvest Partners

JESUS Film Ministry (As of March 1, 2005)

JESUS Film Ministry Teams have reported 32,424,405 viewers of the JESUS Film through March 1, 2005. Of these viewers, 4,708,868 (14.5% of viewers) have indicated decisions for Christ and 1,789,723 (38% of decisions) are initial discipleship contacts. There have been 5,608 new churches started and 12,665 new pastors are in training. Please pray for these new starts and the pastors in training! 152 JESUS Film language translations used. 98 countries where the JESUS Film is used.



Prayer Requests

Regularly follow the prayer requests at

http://www.nazarenemissions.org/prayer/prayer_mobilization_line.htm

- Pray for the family of Chuck Zink who passed away on January 12 and for Sally as she continues her battle with cancer.
- Pray for Sally Zink and Pastor Tim Kauffman and the family on the passing of Sally and Tim's mother, Alice Kauffman, on February 21.
- Tsunami victims and ongoing relief efforts in South Asia.
- Flood victims in Guyana, where they suffered the worst flood since 1933.
- Nepal, where political tension has caused a state of emergency
- Christians in Iraq who face persecution. Our soldiers and the situation in Iraq.
- Easter Offering for World Evangelism Fund, March 27.
- Nazarene World Week of Prayer February 27-March 5 and District Prayer Brunch at Lowell, March 5.
- David Wooster had a heart transplant on January 29. He still needs prayer for future care.
- NMI 90th Anniversary Project: "Books for Pastors – Tools for Ministry." Pray that New England Nazarenes will give sacrificially to equip 7,000 pastors with needed resources.
- Jesus Film Harvest Partners Ministry – teams, mission churches, and for spiritual impact.
- General NMI Convention preparation & District NMI Convention & Assembly preparation



JESUS FILM TEAM RESCHEDULE FOR MARCH – TEAM MEMBERS ARE NEEDED!



The February Jesus Film Work and Witness team trip to Mexico had to be cancelled due to emergencies of two of their members. We would like to reschedule sometime in March. We need six members to complete the

team. If you are interested and can go please contact Frank Turner, District WW Coordinator at Email <RTU1750553@aol.com.> It would be great to have some pastors on the team.

What will you be doing? The W/W team will receive and carry the Jesus Film equipment to the field. When on the field they will help train the Mexican team on the use of the new equipment and go with the team to the villages to show the Jesus Film. The cost will be somewhere around \$650-\$800 per person.

Contact Frank Turner immediately if you are interested.

For other Work and Witness Opportunities contact Frank Turner.



**2004-05
World Evangelism
Fund Overpayment**

Your church's World Evangelism Fund Overpayment will be used in:

Albania	Guinea Bissau
Cambodia	Macedonia
Creative Access Area #3	Poland
Creative Access Area #4	Réunion
East Timor	Sierra Leone
Equatorial Guinea	Sudan
Fiji	Turkey
Greece	USA/Canada
	Vanuatu
	New Areas

NMI 2004

A CONVENTION FIRST

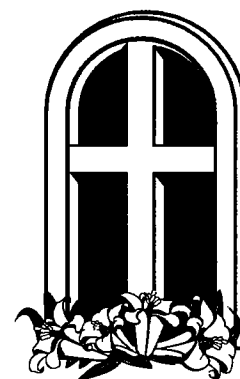
Opportunity will be given this year to purchase extra copies of the *New England District NMI Handbooks* for \$5.00 each.

The Handbooks will be distributed as follows to each church:

- ▶ For churches 1-50 (2 Handbooks)
- ▶ For churches 50-100 (3 Handbooks)
- ▶ For churches 100 and up (4 Handbooks)

If you wish to purchase more for your council members please place your order by May 1. There will be an order blank in your President's report packet.

Make checks payable to N.E. District NMI and send to our district treasurer, Lucy Bollinger.



Nazarene Compassionate
Ministries – Tsunami
report can be found on line
at <www.ncm.org>

Books for Pastors TOOLS FOR MINISTRY

NMI 90th Anniversary Project



BOOKS FOR PASTORS / TOOLS FOR MINISTRY

Some have expressed a desire to promote the NMI 90th Anniversary Project: "Books for Pastors - Tools for Ministry" beyond 2004-2005 into 2005-2006. This can be done because the project is greatly needed in order to resource thousands of pastors for our growing church. However, we challenge you to meet your goal this year.

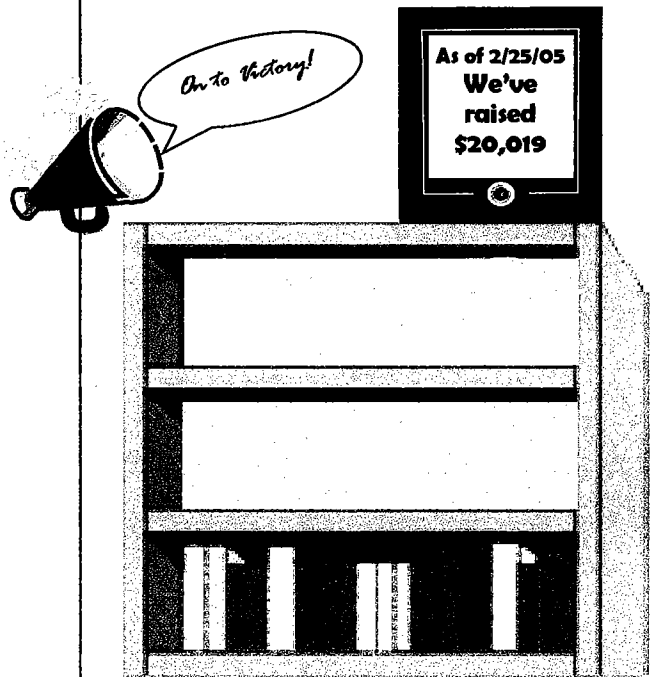
The 2005 General NMI Convention in Indianapolis will include inspiration and information as well as interaction with some pastors who might be recipients of the books.

Let's all work together to reach our \$3.5 million denominational goal to resource 3,000 pastors!

—Heartline

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.



News From Our Churches

Lynn Church of the Nazarene stepped out on faith and pledged the cost of one Pastor's library (\$500.) at District Convention. As of this date, they now have collected enough money for two libraries. Great work! Congratulations!

Jim & Emily Hoover and David Blaney from the **Rockville Church of the Nazarene** spent four days at the Fawn Grove, PA Compassionate Ministries Center packing clothes and CCK's for distribution. They recommend this as a great Work and Witness trip for teens or adults because it is close to home and it was a wonderful experience. The center sure can use the help!

District NMI Council members voted to honor Dr. Chuck Zink's memory by providing the funds to equal the purpose of a Pastor's Library - "Books for Pastors - Tools for Ministry." \$660.00 was pledged.

Million Hours of Prayer (MHP)!

Pray...Partnering in the Gospel.

January-June 2005 is the time to focus on Million Hours of Prayer for the General Assembly and Conventions, sponsored by the Board of General Superintendents and Nazarene Missions International.

Let's strongly encourage Nazarenes in our churches to intercede for God's guidance and blessings on the meetings and worship services, and also for a mighty spiritual awakening.

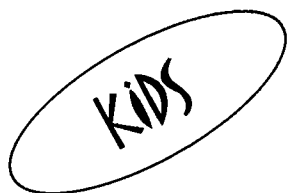
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Churches added to the list of paying their District Missions Expense Allocation in full are:

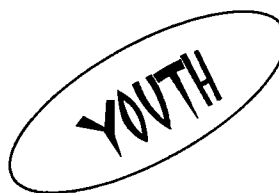
Belmont Haitian
Beverly
Hartford First

Our deep appreciation to all who have paid their DMEA in full so far. We hope to add more churches to the list next month.



AMBASSADORS NEWS—for children & their leaders

- ▶ The NMI Web site now includes a new Children's Web Page. The page includes ideas for involving children in missions, as well as activities for kids. www.nazarenemissions.org/children
- ▶ Recommended Reading: *Transforming Children into Spiritual Champions* by George Barna.
- ▶ In case you missed it check out February's *Messenger* for two other articles about what children on New England are doing for missions.
- ▶ WATCH FOR DETAILS - KIDZ FIRST 2005 & "KIDZ PASSPORT TO MISSIONS"- CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AT GENERAL CONVENTION - June 23-25, 2005. Information can be found online at www.nazarenemissions.org/generalconvention
- ▶ The Children's Memorial Roll is now available in Spanish. Available at www.nazarenemissions.org/memorialroll.



ACTION NEWS—for youth & their leaders

- ▶ Give It Back To Camp Days, June 3-5, 2005.
- ▶ Youth in Mission recently announced that the first ever International Youth in Mission team will come to the USA this summer for multicultural ministries. The team includes one participant from each of the six world mission regions.
- ▶ Five young people from the New England District have been chosen to serve in Youth in Mission this summer. Congratulations to Janelle Collica, serving in Australia/Melbourne; Charissa DeFranca, Cambodia; Ryan Magnuson, England/Sheffield; Rebecca Newton, Kosovo and Kara Nichols, Long Beach. Pray for these young people that they will be able to raise the funds for their support and for them as they serve on the field.



**We
ALL
can
give!**

People of all ages
need to know Jesus!

**Give to the
WORLD EVANGELISM
FUND!**

NAME 2005

4th Annual Give It Back To Camp Days
June 3-4, 2005 at Camp Windsor Hills

Youth and Adults giving back in service to Windsor Hills Nazarene Camp.
Jointly sponsored by NYI and NMI.

- * Friday evening is fun, games and fellowship
- * Swim Party Saturday from 4-5 pm

RSVP by May 29th. Each church will be assigned food items to bring.
Contact Pastor Martha 603-543-1435. Email: pastormartha@verizon.net

New Alabaster Resources

Now available - the NMI Web site now includes an Alabaster Photo Gallery with photos available for download. The downloadable photos are suitable for use in print materials. Visit the Alabaster Photo Gallery at www.nazarenemissions.org/alabaster.

General NMI Convention Web Page:

www.nazarenemissions.org/generalconvention



FROM THE HEART – Dr. Nina Gunter

A Fatally Slow Alert

"In the January 6, 2005 USA today, the editorial focused on "In Asia, a Fatally Slow Alert:"

'On the day a tsunami killed 140,000 people, scientists, and government officials scattered across the Pacific and Asia had inklings of an impending disaster in time to save lives. Yet even in this age of instant global communications, the message never reached those in peril...'

Most blame has focused on the lack of a tsunami warning system in the Indian Ocean, but the failure was more fundamental. Warnings were not dis-

seminated for hours...some people couldn't get the word out...others were constrained by reticence, fumbling or fear of disrupting protocol...leaders are calling for a warning system.'

Application: How faithful are we believers to warn people of the end of time – the return of Christ – the coming judgment of God? Can we pray, give, and go even more so that the "message will reach those in peril" in time for them to experience a grace-based relationship with God? I pray so. By all means, save some."

—Heartline

THANK YOU NEW ENGLAND...

- 🌐 New England gave \$897.47 to the Buddy Plan to help delegates from Third World Nations to attend the General Assembly.



- 🌐 You also gave \$11,849 to the World Mission Broadcast offering in 2003-2004 placing New England in the top ten districts for giving to WMB. Congratulations!

20th General NMI Convention

GENERAL NMI WORKSHOPS FOR PASTORS

Wednesday June 22, 1:00-4:30 pm

Your choice of five workshops:

1. "IS YOUR CHURCH TOO LARGE FOR MISSIONS?"
2. "HOW DO YOU DO NMI IN NEW STARTS, RESTARTS, REFOCUS?"
3. "BOTTOM LINE: RAISING MONEY FOR MISSIONS"
4. "MISSIONS: PASTORS AND PRESIDENTS LEADING THE WAY TOGETHER"
5. "WHY MISSIONS?"

Did You Know?

- * In 2003, more than 537 new church-type missions were planted on the Mexico/Central America Region.
- * The 2005 NMI Promotional slicks are available for download on the NMI Web site www.nazarenemissions.org/downloads. They will also be included in the President's packets at District Convention.
- * 15,000 Crisis Care Kits were sent to aid tsunami disaster victims. Thank you for the great response on the New England District. We need to replenish the supply again. We will be collecting CCK's and clothing at the District Convention. Please follow directions carefully.
- * Crisis Care Kits were sent to aid Guyana flood victims.
- * World Mission Broadcast (WMB) has added an additional promotion option: regional communications coordinators, who work directly with broadcast ministry, are available for live phone calls during conventions and church services. Details will be on the WMB Web site www.worldmissionbroadcast.org
- * Updated local NMI statistical forms are available at [<www.nazarenemissions.org/downloads>](http://www.nazarenemissions.org/downloads)

— Heartline



EMPOWER

The Next Generation

New England District NMI Convention

Wednesday, May 25th—Thursday, May 26th

Service: 4:00 pm—Registration; Wednesday evening service:
6:30 pm—Pre-service Music, 7:00- 9:00 pm—Service

Speakers: Dr. Charles Gailey, Ellen Decker and Jay Decker
(Three generations)

Where: Wollaston Church of the Nazarene and
Eastern Nazarene College

Specials: Following Wednesday evening service

- ▶ Teen Afterglow
- ▶ Presidents and Pastors Reception
- ▶ Work and Witness Luncheon

Registration Fee
\$8.00 early registration or
\$10.00 at the door

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TIME VALUE

"CALLED TO ALL NATIONS"

Prayer & Fasting

Please be faithful in praying for the General Assembly and Conventions as well as those planning and those participating in this event.

Please pray individually, in your congregations, small groups, Sunday School classes, prayer chains, etc. Thank you for praying.

Pray for unity among the delegates and in the business of the Conventions and General Assembly, especially in the election of two new general superintendents.

Just A Reminder 

Thank you for praying,
Kathy Bourgault, Prayer & Fasting Director, New England District NMI