





James Spruce District Superintendent

P.O.BOX 1054 - 2916 GILBERT LN., ALTON, IL 62002 Web Site: http://ilnazarenedist.org **VOL 64 NUMBER 3 NOVEMBER 2010** THANKSGIVING OFFERING South America hilip • East Africa Lee • Asia-Pacific - ydeg Nazarenes have the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others. Lives like mine... as a sponsored child, I was given a chance to be free from the barriers of poverty. The rowing up in East Africa, it was easy to see n my home country, we can't speak the name Growing up in East Africa, it was easy to see the impact of Nazarene giving to ministry. All around me, churches and congregations were growing, leader were emerging, and compassionate ministry centers were caring for the sick and hurt – especially those afflicted with HIV/AIDS. Because of the World Evangelism Fund, the sole have heard the nosnel in places like of God without fear. I lead a church from my own home, yet we are still persecuted. Ministry is difficult here. Before we can share the good encouragement from the missionaries—and the hope I have in Jesus Christ—kept me motivated to graduate and start my own business. I always keep news with our neighbors, we have to meet their needs and gain their trust. The gifts we received from the World Evangelism Fund sustain our my stereo tuned to Nazarene radio and custo work through the good times and the hard times. The connectional ministry of the Church thousands have heard the gospel in places like churches, home groups, after-school programs, football—soccer—fields, radio air waves, text ask me about the programs. I tell them that God, through the Church of the Nazarene, changed my of the Nazarene enables us to interact with the life and heart. As others did for me, today I sponsor message, clinics and hospitals, compassionate districts that communicate with us, pray for us, a child. I am preparing another generation to live a life that glorifies God. When I give my tithes and ministry centers, music halls and performances, and support our ministry with their resources. JESUS Film showings, breaking news alerts, e-mail Thank you for generations of giving to World offerings, I know that part of it supports our global notifications, and the prayer mobilization line Evangelism Fund. mission. Minster & Spouse Christmas

DECEMBER 4, 2010 FELLOWSHIP HOUR - 10:30 AM DINNER - 12:00 NOON KELLER CONVENTION CENTER, 1202 N KELLER DR., EFFINGHAM, IL 62401 Cost: \$13/person Deposit Required With Registration The deposit will be refunded to pastors,

retirees, full time staff & their spouses attending.





Transform your congregation's Christmas tree this year into an NCM Giving Tree! Decorate your tree with NCM Gift Card "ornaments" and get your community involved in warming the world with compassion.

The NCM Gift Card gives your congregation the opportunity to share the ministry and message of compassion with their loved ones. Purchase a card, give it as a Christmas gift to a friend or family member, and share Christ's love with people around the world. Friends or family members then have the opportunity to personally select which NCM project receives the donation by redeeming their gift card online at <u>ncm.org/redeem</u>.

We will be calling all NMI presidents in the next few weeks to give you the opportunity to order an NCM Giving Tree Kit. The kit has everything you need to promote the NCM Gift Card this Christmas, including 54 gift cards of varying amounts, gift card ornament sleeves, and a variety of hard copy and downloadable resources to make promoting the gift card easy.

We greatly appreciate all the hard work you put into Christ's ministry. Let's work together to make this Christmas special and give the gift of hope! God bless!

Video lin: http://nazarenemedia.org/MediaView.aspx?mediaId=6316aa23-e08e-4e44-96ab-46e46d78c230

WEF, WEF PLUS, Approved Mission Specials...I'm So Confused! What is the relationship between regular World Evangelism Fund (WEF) giving, WEF PLUS giving, and Approved Mission Specials giving?

WEF giving beyond 5.5 percent invests in new world areas and new works in the U.S.A. and Canada. Therefore, WEF giving **beyond 5.7 percent** invests in what we formerly called "**overpayment**." The NMI Handbook and Constitution articulates the policy for what NMI formerly called "overpayment" giving.

The Board of General Superintendents, in collaboration with other Global Ministry Center leaders, decided that the **WEF PLUS Offering for Thanksgiving/Harvest will be received as an Approved Mission Special** and, therefore, will not count toward regular WEF giving at 5.5 percent or WEF giving above 5.5 percent (former "overpayment"). While the receipt of the WEF PLUS Offering is different from WEF, monies given through WEF PLUS can and will be used in the same manner as regular WEF. This will encourage churches to give WEF beyond 5.5 percent and to give a WEF PLUS Offering.

The Handbook (pages 25-26) clarifies WEF giving at 5.5 percent and above 5.5 percent as follows:

Recognition

NMI recognizes local churches and districts that reach giving goals for the WEF:

- •World Evangelism Church: Churches that give at least 5.5 percent of their income to the WEF have met the minimum goal in their support of the global mission. These churches are the lifeblood of the Church of the Nazarene's mission to the nations.
- World Evangelism Church of Excellence: Churches that give at least 5.7 percent, or \$1,500, whichever is less, to WEF. (This giving parallels the former "Award of Excellence.") WEF giving beyond 5.5 percent invests in new world areas and new works in the U.S.A. and Canada.
- World Evangelism District of Excellence: Districts that give at least 90 percent of their WEF goal (5.5 percent) have met the minimum goal in their support of the global mission as a district.



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NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL Jay Bush, District President 53 Partridge, Chatham, IL 62629 Phone: Church: 217-529-6771; Home: 217-483-2480 E-mail: jayrbush@aol.com





NYC 2011 Louisville, KY July 5-10, 2011

Check out the website for more information: <u>www.nyc2011.org</u> Go to the NYI page of <u>www.illinoisnaz.org</u> for forms and directions for registration.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Radiate November 5-6, 2010 More details to come



Discipleship Ministries International

TIM CRUMP, District Chairman 1177 West Hickory Point Road Decatur, Illinois 62526 (217) 875-0616 nazpaz1@yahoo.com





SEPTEMBER STATISTICS

Sunday School	4,235
Worship	6,014
Responsibility List	11,015
New Nazarenes	14

Laclede was omitted from the Top Ten Lists in the Last Booster. They were a +14 in SS and a + 15 in Morning Worship. We congratulate Pastor Bill Chenault and his fine people!

Those who did not report September 2009 numbers are not eligible for the Top Ten Increase Listing.

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TOP TEN SS INCREASE

Salem Grace	+43
Beardstown	+39
Carmi	+21
Shelbyville	+17
Decatur Parkway	+16
Centralia	+14
Pana	+14
Carlinville	+10
Sherman	+10
Anna First	+ 8
Champaign New Day	+ 8

TOP TEN WORSHIP INCREASE

Carmi	+31
Decatur First	+26
Flora	+21
Glenview	+19
Urbana Lighthouse	+15
Beardstown Liberty	+11
Decatur Parkway	+11
Olney	+10
Sherman	+ 9
Anna First	+ 8
Carlinville	+ 8
Pana	+ 8

Children's Camp 2011 Lake Williamson, August 1-5 Carlinville, Illinois

Mark your calendar now and make sure our children attend the 2011 Children's Camp. This five day camp will offer swimming, a water slide, bonfire, hayride, mini golf, and a number of other outstanding activities and events. In addition, our children will receive instruction in how to experience and live a holy life which is not found at most camps out there. There may be one cheaper or closer but not better! I am asking each pastor and church to assist their children in coming to camp. The District sees this as so important that they are committing \$50 per

So what is your cost for this five day camp? The cost is only \$175 if registration and payment are postmarked by 6/28/2011. It is \$195 if postmarked 6/29/11 through 7/15/11. After that, cost is \$205 and only if room is available. We also need to pay for each staff member and counselor who attends. Therefore, we are assessing each church \$20 per camper if you do not provide a counselor. If you do provide a counselor, you will only be assessed \$10 per camper. Counselors must be pre-approved by the SDMI chairperson.

Promotional materials will be made available for pastors at our annual Christmas banquet. In addition, registration material will be on the district website shortly. Questions or comments? E-mail Pastor Tim at nazpaz1@yahoo.com or call (217) 875-0616.

Prime Time Smoky Mountain Retreat October 4-7, 2011 Music Road Hotel & Inn, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee Dr. Reuben Welch, Speaker Brian Arner, Special Music \$550 single per room \$399 per person double occupancy \$350 per person triple occupancy \$315 per person quad occupancy \$75 deposit required, balance at check-in

Register @ <u>www.primetime.nazarene.org</u> or call 877-240-2417

SDMI REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2010

Church	Enroll	SS	MW	NN	Church	Enroll	SS	MW	NN
Champaign Team - Carl		-			Mississippi Valley Team - Richard Unger Cha				
Champaign 1st	131	70	121	0	Glenview 191 60 85				1
Champaign New Day	120	38	38	0	Godfrey	117	34	47	0
Mahomet	84	17	50	0	Jerseyville	96	34	39	0
Mansfield Community	129	23	27	0	Roxana	227	145	150	0
Monticello	89	24	35	0		631	273	321	1
Ogden	62	50	73	0	Mount Vernon Team		•		
Rantoul	88	38	63	0	Benton	66	33	60	0
Urbana Lighthouse	108	33	47	0	Centralia	130	78	74	3
	811	293	454	0	Du Quoin	44	17	24	0
					Mount Vernon 160 32 39				0
Decatur Team - Gree	g Woote	n, Cha	airman		Salem Grace	540	211	367	0
Clinton	162	59	69	0	Sparta	32	11	17	0
Decatur 1st	700	309	571	2	Tilden	Closed	0	0	0
Decatur Oak Grove	208	35	60	0		972	382	581	3
Decatur Parkway	187	88	98	0	Murphysboro Team - I	Bobby Pa	rker, Ch	airman	
Decatur Trinity	110	38	47	0	Anna First	195	95	117	0
Decatur West Side	152	67	88	0	Carbondale New Begin.	118	30	38	0
Lincoln	72	24	48	0	Marion	81	20	39	0
Shelbyville	288	107	190	0	Murphysboro	112	44	72	0
	1879	727	1171	2	Royalton	194	98	93	0
Illinois River Team - Le	eslie Mo	ore, C	hairman		700 287 359				
Barry	22	15	14	0	Olivet Team - Willia	m Conne	ll, Chair	man	
Beardstown	142	80	97	0	Chrisman	124	45	71	0
Beardstown Liberty	60	39	54	0	Georgetown	89	42	51	0
Bethel Community	139	28	56	0	Oakwood	78	18	6	0
Griggsville	76	20	28	0	Olivet	156	40	60	0
Mount Sterling	70	14	20	0	Paris	78	31	51	0
Nebo	129	31	43	0	Tuscola	100	14	37	1
Pittsfield	354	165	242	0	625 190 276				1
Quincy Emmanuel	123	53	36	0	Olney Team - Bob Taylor, Chairman				
	1115	445	590	0					0
Mattoon Team - Pen					Fairfield	48	9	13	0
Arcola 1st	117	29	47	0	Flora	243	125	185	0
Arcola Spanish	60	21	36	0	Laclede	58	16	33	0
Casey	589	90	147	4	Mount Carmel	54	17	26	0
Marshall	118	47	48	0	Mount Erie	36	16	26	0
Mattoon East Side	180	90	93	1	Olney	133	63	73	2
Mattoon Real Life Comm.	75	30	46	0		650	321	430	2
West Union	65	13	22	0	Springfield Team - Donald Harrison, Chairman				_
	1204	320	439	5	Auburn	310	63	43	0
	,	520	.00	0	Carlinville	75	43	45	0
Metro East Team - Russ	ell W B	rewer	Chairm	an	Pana	352	132	245	0
Belleville Emmanuel	131	56	51	0	Sherman	135	72	87	0
Belleville 1st	240	144	193	0	Springfield 1st	300	153	218	0
Belleville Korean	48	25	47	0	Springfield Trinity	110	37	49	0
Dupo Bluffview	186	27	48	0	Vandalia	75	15	19	Ŭ
Collinsville Good Sam.	130	80	134	0			86	0	
E. St. Louis Rush Mem.	6	6	6	0	Virden	65	28	39	0
Edgemont Grace	65	18	34	0		1522	20 593	831	0
Fairview Hgts Parkview	00 100	48	34 49	0		1922	292	031	0
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BUDGET REPORT OCTOBER 21, 2010

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Okumah Nama	District	Olivet	NMI	SDMI	NYI	WEF	P & B
Church Name	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
Anna First Arcola First	\$4,225.69	\$1,877.55	\$273.68 \$59.44	\$184.58	\$238.24	\$5,480.00 \$2,885.00	\$1,764.23
Arcola First Arcola Spanish	\$917.74 \$501.35	\$876.00 \$224.00	\$32.47	\$40.09 \$21.91	\$51.75 \$28.27	\$2,885.00	\$390.15
	\$312.73				\$28.27 \$17.63	\$492.00	\$179.00
Auburn		\$179.83	\$20.25	\$13.66			\$143.87
Barry	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$1,255.24	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$138.64	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$1,083.58
Beardstown	\$2,459.08		\$159.26	\$107.41		\$3,707.50	
Beardstown Liberty Hispanic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Belleville Emmanuel	\$932.76	\$118.39	\$60.41	\$40.74	\$52.59	\$1,075.06	\$394.69
Belleville First	\$4,905.46	\$0.00	\$317.70	\$214.28	\$276.56	\$3,000.00	\$7,070.00
Belleville Korean	\$1,890.40	\$0.00	\$122.43	\$82.60	\$106.57	\$922.00	\$462.00
Benton	\$1,971.84	\$871.41	\$127.70	\$86.12	\$111.16	\$2,145.87	\$823.24
Bethel	\$992.93	\$536.65	\$64.31	\$43.37	\$55.98	\$1,214.33	\$429.31
Bluff View Christian Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Carbondale New Beginnings	\$200.03	\$0.00	\$12.95	\$8.74	\$11.28	\$0.00	\$0.00
Carlinville First	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$580.00	\$200.00
Carmi	\$1,548.73	\$0.00	\$100.31	\$67.65	\$87.31	\$0.00	\$0.00
Casey	\$6,298.00	\$3,061.78	\$407.87	\$275.10	\$355.08	\$10,332.00	\$2,850.01
Centralia	\$1,607.09	\$681.00	\$104.09	\$70.21	\$90.61	\$1,761.00	\$648.25
Champaign First	\$2,946.80	\$1,382.36	\$190.84	\$128.71	\$166.13	\$3,405.56	\$1,105.88
Champaign New Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chrisman	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Clinton First	\$3,519.85	\$1,600.00	\$227.95	\$153.75	\$198.45	\$3,480.00	\$1,280.00
Collinsville Good Samaritan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Crossroads Community	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Decatur First	\$13,304.68	\$7,448.48	\$861.66	\$581.16	\$750.09	\$19,966.00	\$5,554.70
Decatur Oak Grove	\$925.46	\$427.00	\$59.93	\$40.43	\$52.18	\$1,190.00	\$436.00
Decatur Parkway	\$3,813.88	\$1,748.26	\$247.01	\$166.60	\$215.03	\$4,376.86	\$1,591.60
Decatur Frinity	\$3,813.88	\$0.00	\$247.01	\$0.00	\$215.05	\$2,113.82	\$779.57
Decatur Minity Decatur West Side	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$147.06	\$0.00 \$189.78	\$3,505.09	\$1,274.58
Decatur West Side	\$3,366.71	\$0.00	\$≥18.04 \$0.00	\$147.06	\$189.78	\$3,505.09 \$0.00	\$1,274.58 \$0.00
East St. Louis Rush Mem.	\$136.50	\$139.00	\$8.84	\$5.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Edgemont Grace	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fairfield Fountain of Life	\$267.00	\$0.00	\$17.29	\$11.66	\$15.05	\$1,675.00	\$60.40
Fairview Heights Parkview	\$1,535.13	\$1,371.26	\$99.41	\$67.06	\$86.57	\$2,755.00	\$964.43
Flora	\$3,546.16	\$1,727.31	\$229.67	\$154.90	\$199.94	\$5,193.40	\$1,511.01
Georgetown	\$0.00	\$234.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Glenview	\$3,155.00	\$1,259.75	\$204.33	\$137.82	\$177.87	\$4,198.00	\$985.67
Godfrey	\$2,035.67	\$894.94	\$131.86	\$88.93	\$114.77	\$2,090.47	\$763.11
Griggsville	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Highland	\$100.61	\$0.00	\$6.51	\$4.39	\$5.67	\$323.00	\$40.00
Jerseyville	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Laclede	\$364.03	\$197.43	\$23.58	\$15.90	\$20.52	\$315.80	\$114.84
Lincoln	\$1,304.09	\$609.03	\$84.45	\$56.94	\$73.51	\$1,560.84	\$572.38
Mahomet	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mansfield Community	\$1,194.17	\$386.00	\$77.34	\$52.17	\$67.32	\$1,065.00	\$499.00
Marion First	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Marshall	\$858.50	\$0.00	\$55.60	\$37.50	\$48.40	\$0.00	\$500.00
Mattoon East Side	\$1,594.02	\$831.88	\$103.24	\$69.63	\$89.87	\$3,810.14	\$885.66
Mattoon Real Life Community	\$1,988.28	\$1,037.62	\$128.76	\$86.85	\$112.09	\$2,282.78	\$836.19
Monticello	\$890.26	\$450.00	\$57.66	\$38.89	\$50.19	\$1,087.00	\$281.00
Mount Carmel	\$728.86	\$0.00	\$47.21	\$31.84	\$41.09	\$87.00	\$400.00
Mount Erie	\$763.63	\$371.46	\$49.46	\$33.36	\$43.05	\$810.84	\$297.17
Mount Sterling	\$441.05	\$74.26	\$28.59	\$19.26	\$24.86	\$0.00	\$92.82
Mount Vernon	\$892.51	\$356.00	\$57.80	\$38.99	\$50.31	\$1,016.00	\$377.00
Murphysboro	\$2,315.29	\$0.00	\$149.96	\$101.14	\$130.53	\$0.00	\$945.69
Nebo	\$1,429.97	\$604.20	\$92.61	\$62.46	\$80.61	\$1,641.77	\$603.77
Oakwood	\$1,429.97	\$0.00	\$92.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,041.77	\$0.00
Oasis Community	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ogden	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Olivet	\$1,518.69 \$1,812.47	\$184.00 \$717.87	\$98.35 \$117.37	\$66.34 \$70.18	\$85.62 \$102.10	\$0.00 \$1,190.71	\$792.00
Olney	\$1,812.47	\$717.87	\$117.37	\$79.18	\$102.19		\$719.84
Omaha	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pana First	\$2,325.45	\$722.84	\$150.61	\$101.59	\$131.10	\$2,492.85	\$1,147.95
Paris First	\$1,142.97	\$471.34	\$74.03	\$49.92	\$64.44	\$1,419.47	\$482.12
Pittsfield	\$7,267.12	\$8,965.35	\$470.64	\$317.44	\$409.69	\$12,188.16	\$3,033.99
Quincy Emmanuel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$776.75	\$0.00
Rantoul	\$741.94	\$587.20	\$48.05	\$32.41	\$41.83	\$1,186.84	\$309.76
Roxana	\$7,908.60	\$3,857.13	\$512.20	\$345.45	\$445.87	\$9,209.70	\$3,364.81
Royalton First	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salem Grace	\$9,283.83	\$4,427.66	\$601.26	\$405.54	\$523.41	\$11,029.49	\$4,017.88
Shelbyville	\$5,231.97	\$2,729.71	\$338.85	\$228.55	\$294.96	\$5,864.93	\$2,162.03
Sherman	\$2,634.44	\$1,349.52	\$170.62	\$115.08	\$148.52	\$1,713.05	\$596.46
Sparta	\$59.41	\$0.00	\$3.85	\$2.60	\$3.35	\$0.00	\$0.00
Springfield First	\$2,575.50	\$0.00	\$166.80	\$112.50	\$145.20	\$3,102.00	\$2,000.00
Springfield Trinity	\$429.25	\$500.00	\$27.80	\$18.75	\$24.20	\$1,000.00	\$700.00
Taylorville First	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tuscola	\$1,020.36	\$1,000.00	\$66.08	\$44.57	\$57.53	\$3,090.00	\$1,000.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Urbana Lighthouse	+						
Urbana Lighthouse Vandalia	\$76.02	\$8.18	\$4.92	\$3.32	\$4.28	\$87.28	\$31.73
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$8.18 \$339.93	\$4.92 \$76.53	\$3.32 \$51.62	\$4.28 \$66.60	\$87.28 \$1,833.48	\$31.73 \$492.80
Vandalia	\$76.02						



PITTSFIELD DOES WORK AND WITNESS AT HOME

Katie Davis, a member of our church, needed her roof shingled but there were about 4 to 5 layers of old



shingles on the house already. We had approximately 30 individuals show up to help. A lunch was provided for all workers. All of the shingles were removed, decking and tar paper was put on in one day when they thought it would take two. Also individuals who could not help gave money to help buy shingles. It was a great day and the men (women and kids) enjoyed themselves.

This project was started by youth pastor William Guffey, back in the Spring. Even though William was no longer with the church, his project still went forward. --Marilyn Lightle



What Is the World Evangelism Fund?

The World Evangelism Fund is the cooperative genius of the mission enterprise of the Church of the Nazarene. It is based on the concept that we can do more working together than could ever be done working alone.

Why do we have World Evangelism Fund?

Missions in the Church of the Nazarene is a large enterprise. To accomplish the Great Commission—spreading the gospel and the message of holiness around the world—requires money.

In "faith-based" missions, missionaries must spend valuable time raising financial support. They conduct services, take offerings, receive pledges of support, and then pray the amount raised covers living expenses. Sometimes if the money runs out, missionaries are forced to return home.

In this type of support, churches do not always share equally in the mission work. Larger churches are sometimes visited by more missionaries than they could possibly help, while some smaller churches are overlooked.

The World Evangelism Fund was created to allow missionaries to work more effectively and to encourage all churches to support missions.

The World Evangelism Fund goes directly toward accomplishing the mission of the Church of the Nazarene, to make Christlike disciples in the nations. The World Evangelism Fund is the funding that operates the Church of the Nazarene and its entire mission effort, from the operation of the Global Ministry Center to districts and churches around the world.

How does the World Evangelism Fund work?

Full-time missionaries (excluding volunteers) in the Church of the Nazarene receive a monthly paycheck based on a standard amount plus a cost-ofliving adjustment.

Missionaries also receive medical insurance (see Missionary Health Care) a pension provision, and other items (such as housing and travel costs).

The World Evangelism Fund comes from the generosity of Nazarenes around the world. Each church is challenged to contribute an assigned apportionment, but many, seeing the effectiveness of the world mission enterprise, choose to overpay.

How is the World Evangelism Fund collected?

Traditionally, it has been through two large offerings a year—the <u>Thanksgiving</u> and <u>Easter</u> offerings. Some churches continue to successfully raise their entire fund this way.

<u>Faith Promise</u> is a plan based on mission 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, or monthly. Over time, churches find they raise their mission support and often go over their goal through this giving plan.

The Benefits of the World Evangelism Fund

Missionaries—They receive a regular paycheck, freeing them from the added worry of raising finances. Missionaries still write letters and conduct deputation services to inform people of happenings in their field of service; however, such activities do not consume a large portion of their time on the mission field.

Churches—Regardless of size, each church has the opportunity to take part in the global mission endeavor. Also, just as individuals are blessed by God when they commit a portion of their resources for His kingdom, so churches are blessed when they allocate funds to help reach the lost around the world.



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A Lighthouse on our District "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hill, glowing in the night for all to see." – Matthew 5:14

In September of 2006, Pastor Wayne Clevenger and his wife Karen set out to plant a NewStart church in Urbana. They began in a single room with only their family, plus one. First called "Urbana Southside", they soon realized that the name limited their mission geographically. In a special meeting, they sought a name that would better reflect their vision. Someone exclaimed, "Let's be The Lighthouse!" and the name stuck -- Urbana Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene was born.

Today, nearly five years later, their Sunday morning celebration has grown to 50, with standing room only on many Sundays. Most of those who attend the church were unchurched only two years ago. Beyond Sunday worship, they have become a committed community who are journeying together toward Christ, inviting others to join them along the way. From the beginning they have sought to be a "7-days-a-week" church, with programs reaching into the everyday lives of those in their neighborhood. "We wanted to be a family that grows together, not just inside," says Wayne, "but outside the church as well."

For example, they are beginning their second season of Upward Basketball – a Christian based sports program for children in grades 1-6. They partner with the Urbana Middle School and a few other churches, to touch nearly 200 families each week. Five of these families are now attending the church with four professions of faith, and one testimony of sanctification, that can be traced directly to the program. Other ministries include a monthly women's group; "L.I.F.T. (Ladies In Fellowship Together)" led by Rebe`kah Carter, and a Caravan program which reaches fifty children each week. "It's alive, man, it's alive!" says Wayne.

The work at Urbana has been generously supported monthly by the Ogden Church of the Nazarene, led by Pastor Jon Garlock. They've also received some funds through grants from the District. Though finances are always a concern, the Lighthouse's greatest challenge is their facility, which is filled to capacity, and since it is downstairs, inaccessible to those with disabilities. Reaching those with special needs is important to this congregation whose neighbors are among the poorest in Champaign County. Yet, they have displayed a great receptivity to the gospel. "We have seen over two dozen lives changed through salvation and saved by grace. We have seen marriages saved, addictions broken, and children promoted to honorable positions in their schools and communities." As Pastor Wayne says, "They not only have the need for Christ but they are open to Christ, the gospel, and the message of holiness. God is on the move here, and our work isn't done."

Please pray for the Urbana Lighthouse Church, Pastor Wayne and Karen, their children, and those they are reaching through Christ. Perhaps Christ will lead you to find other ways to assist them in their mission as well.

In Jesus,

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