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NMI SNAPSHOT



Care & Connection



A young woman in Canada had a vision of a flood and felt impressed to pray for a specific Nazarene missionary. When the missionary learned about the young woman's prayers, he was deeply touched. He explained that while he hadn't experienced a literal flood, his increasing responsibilities had felt to him like an overwhelming flood. He was blessed to know God saw him and stirred her heart on his behalf.

How sweet of God to connect this young woman and this missionary through prayer. But how did she know about the missionary in the first place? Through Care & Connection, one of NMI's Five Areas of Impact.

Relationships between local churches and missionaries result in blessings on both sides. We celebrate that USA/Canada districts are finding creative ways to provide Care & Connection!



At children's camp, the Philadelphia District used a letter template from Kids Kaleidoscope to encourage children to write their Links missionaries as well as those sent from the district and those who had visited on deputation. Adult helpers sent photos of the children's precious letters, complete with misspellings and drawings in the margins, via email and WhatsApp with notes inviting the missionaries to respond. Replies are shared in the district's NMI newsletter. Philadelphia children also participated in a prayer walk based on the prayer requests and praises from the 2025 Kids Global Week of Prayer booklet. Children placed their hands on maps and prayed for missionaries in each region who had specific ties to their district.



When a daughter of the Manswells, missionaries to Trinidad, got married, Canada West NMI hosted a virtual bridal shower, which turned into a joyful online celebration. They sent gift cards and emailed notes and photos from adults and children.

WAPAC NMI invited their Links missionaries to lead their NMI Missions Day. With the help of a young man who is gifted in technology, they've posted videos from these missionaries to their district Facebook page. They've also sent video greetings from the District NMI Council to the missionaries who have happily agreed to join their NMI convention via video call.

For the Hauns, missionaries to Bulgaria, Care & Connection is one of their favorite aspects of being missionaries. They commented, “We have been blessed to connect with so many churches and individuals in districts we would have never been connected to. It reminds us of just how small the Nazarene world is and how interconnected we all are!”

The USA/Canada Region isn’t alone. Churches on every region participate in Care & Connection. Missionary Heidi Bowes is linked with the Barbados District. She enjoys receiving occasional WhatsApp messages asking how she’s doing and how they can pray. She shares, “What a blessing! Churches in Barbados are praying for an American missionary living in Switzerland who works with people located between Ireland to Sri Lanka. Just as the Church of the Nazarene is a global church, Links exemplifies the global partnership we have in God’s mission together, as we follow his Spirit, who knows no boundaries.”

USA/CANADA REGION

United States



The work of the Church of the Nazarene began officially in the United States in 1887, though the formal organization of the denomination occurred in 1908 with the merger of several like-minded holiness groups. Today, Nazarenes gather in local churches in every state within the US. There is a renewed emphasis on evangelism, discipleship, and church planting, engaging all ages in the mission of God. Youth are taking their place as leaders and missions workers, crossing borders beyond their comfort zones, to share the good news of Jesus. The message of scriptural holiness is more relevant than ever, and it embraces and challenges individuals of all ages.



558,147 Members



4,216 Organized Churches;
685 Not Yet Organized
Churches



2,129 District Licensed,
and 11,223 Ordained
Ministers on 73 Districts

PRAY

- Pray that more districts and local churches discover the joy of engaging in Care & Connection with Nazarene missionaries.
- Pray that our missionaries will be encouraged by the sending church, especially during the upcoming Christmas season.



PRAISE

- Thank God for inspiring and creative ways to show love and care for Nazarene missionaries, and especially for those who intentionally help children and young people connect with missionaries.
- Thank God for the joy of belonging to a church big enough to reach around the world but connected enough to feel like family.



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