

MAY 2023

# MISSION MOMENTS



Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain District NMI



## Missionary Care



The Church of the Nazarene values its missionaries. When missionaries or members of their families are ill, they cannot give their full attention to their assignments. Missionary Health Care provides needed medical procedures, medications, and prevents financial worries, allowing missionaries to serve the people in the world area to which they are assigned.

## MISSIONARY CARE


Missionary care is an important strategy of Nazarene Missions International (NMI) to help provide for personal needs of missionaries. These expressions of care include:

**Links:** a strategy for “linking” churches with missionaries through prayer and personal contact. **Missionary Christmas Fund:** provides a monetary Christmas gift for missionaries. **Missionary Health Care:** monies collected through the Memorial Roll and Distinguished Service Award used to subsidize missionary health care costs.

**The Memorial Roll:** a way to honor deceased friends and loved ones. A certificate is issued in the name of the person memorialized and is often presented to a family member or displayed in the church. Cost is \$75.

**Distinguished Service Award:** a certificate presented to an individual to recognize outstanding service to God and the church. The presenter (usually a church or district) contributes \$125 to Missionary Health Care.

NMI - Memorial Roll | Church of the Nazarene

A photograph of a field of orange poppies in a field of tall grass. The poppies are in various stages of bloom, with some fully open and others as buds. The background is a soft, out-of-focus field of similar flowers and grass under a bright sky.

Missionary Health Care provided US \$406,362 in medical assistance for Nazarene missionaries, through offerings, Memorial Roll gifts, and Distinguished Service Award gifts. (Oct. 2021 - Sept. 2022)

**Nazarene Missions International (NMI) is the organization for mobilizing the local church in missions in the Church of the Nazarene and the denomination's representative for missions on the district and in the local church.**

NMI helps DEVELOP MISSIONARIES.

NMI assists in SENDING MISSIONARIES.

NMI SUPPORTS MISSIONARIES through prayer and giving.

NMI EDUCATES INDIVIDUALS & CONGREGATIONS as to the work of Nazarene Missions.

NMI WELCOMES & HOSTS missionaries when they return for home assignment.

NMI helps EQUIP MISSIONARIES to return to their field of service.

NMI is the GLOBAL MISSIONS ADVOCATE in every local church.

NMI NURTURES THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS in everyone.



**SPONSORED  
MISSIONARY**

**Primarily locally funded**

**Serves a maximum of  
four years**

**No prior ministry experience**

**Has skill set to engage in  
field ministry**



**GLOBAL  
MISSIONARY**

**Primarily World Evangelism  
funded**

**Serves two years to full career**

**Prior ministry or specialty  
service experience**

**Assigned by the church  
where needed**





Local NMI Presidents  
and/or Pastors

Be sure to have your NMI year end  
reports in to the district NMI President  
before the end of May.



If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart  
that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9

June 23 - 25 , 2023  
Ramada Plaza, Sheridan WY

Room reservation block number  
062223CHU

Be sure to use this code  
when reserving your room.

# Andrea & Matt Hopster

Missionaries from  
Quito Ecuador



15-May Cheyenne SonRise  
16-May Lander  
17-May Casper  
18-May Riverton  
19-May Cody WY  
20-May Day off - Laurel / Billings MT  
21-May Laurel a.m. Billings p.m.  
22-May Basin MT  
23-May Helena MT  
24-May Missoula MT  
25-May Pablo MT  
26-May Kalispell MT  
27-May Travel day to Havre  
28-May Havre & Great Falls MT

## HOST CHURCHES

Please start preparing for the Hopster's home assignment.

Advertise, promote, and encourage attendance at their presentation.

Set a goal for a deputation offering and pray that this goal will be not only be met, but exceeded.

Each host church is responsible for housing and food while the missionaries are in your area.

Please complete and return the Host Church Contact form which was emailed to you.

Need it resent??  
contact [nmi@rmnaz.org](mailto:nmi@rmnaz.org)



Nazarenes gave US \$2.9 million for Alabaster, to fund projects in 2022. The Alabaster Offering is used in all six global regions. No Alabaster funds are used for administrative costs.

Nazarenes gave US \$256,610 to World Mission Broadcast (WMB), providing radio, television, and Internet programs to share the gospel globally.



Nazarenes gave US \$4.2 million in deputation and missionary support offerings for missionaries.

NMI partnered with Nazarene Compassionate Ministries to give more than US \$8.4 million, for disaster response and compassion projects around the world and to support 11,126 children through Child Development Centers and Pastor's Kid programs



Partners in  
Prayer for  
Pastors

Every Monday  
at Noon



First Church of the Nazarene  
Kalispell MT

Joe & Kristi Arnold

Lander Church of the Nazarene  
Lander WY

Phil & Cindy Ferguson



Laramie Connections  
Laramie WY

Tim Snowbarger





# NYC23 *Tampa Bay*

## BRING WITH PROJECT

NAZARENE YOUTH CONFERENCE  
INVITES YOU TO OVERFLOW WITH HOPE  
THROUGH OUR BRING WITH PROJECT.

Students and sponsors will have the chance to offer HOPE and HELP across the greater Tampa Bay area through a variety of Ministry With Others (MWO) community service opportunities, including our Bring With project – providing Care Kits to meet health and hygiene needs.



Students will be mobilized on-site to organize, assemble, pray over, and distribute completed Care Kits to share with those in need around the host city

Our goal is to put together 10,000 Care Kits

We encourage all students, sponsors, and churches to join together in collecting and delivering these listed items at event check-in on-site.

### GIRLS

#### TRAVEL SIZED:

- hand sanitizer
- deodorant
- toothpaste
- toothbrush
- mild soap (non-scented)
- perfume/body spray
- face wash or facial wipes
- shampoo
- pads/pantyliners

### BOYS

#### TRAVEL SIZED:

- hand sanitizer
- deodorant
- toothpaste
- toothbrush
- body wash/soap
- some type of body spray (AXE)
- face wash or facial wipes
- shampoo

[nazareneyouthconference.com](http://nazareneyouthconference.com)



# Man Camp

RMD 2023

May 19th - 21st | Reg. 4pm  
Abba's Haven 196 Bunday Rd Lavina Mt  
Cost: \$140  
Register at: <http://www.rmnaz.org/ndi>

BORN AND RAISED IN AKRON, OHIO, REV. DR. DOUG HOPKINS IS A GIFTED PREACHER/TEACHER WITH A PASSION TO BRING GOD'S WORD TO LIFE.

PASTOR DOUG HAS SERVED IN FULL-TIME MINISTRY SINCE 2004 AND WAS ORDAINED AS AN ELDER IN THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE ON THE N.C. DISTRICT IN 2008. HE HAS EARNED DEGREES IN BIBLE/THEOLOGY (B.A.) FROM JOHN WESLEY COLLEGE, A MASTER OF DIVINITY (M.Div.) AND A DOCTORATE OF MINISTRY (D.Min.) FROM NTS. APART FROM HIS CLASSROOM TRAINING, PASTOR DOUG SERVED EIGHT YEARS IN THE U.S. ARMY & ARMY RESERVES (AIRBORNE), ONE OF WHICH HE SPENT OVERSEAS IN IRAQ.

FOR THE LAST SEVEN YEARS, PASTOR DOUG HAS SERVED AS LEAD PASTOR AT GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE IN NICHOLASVILLE, KY. HE IS EXCITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RMD'S 'MAN CAMP' FOR THE SECOND YEAR, AND ANTICIPATES GOD'S INVITATION TO EVERY MAN PRESENT, THAT WE MIGHT GO DEEPER IN OUR WALK WITH HIM.



## RMD Kidz CAMP



**LIVE** Romans 15:13  
**JOY**

August 7-11, 2023

\$165 For kids ages 8-11



Register at [rmnaz.org/rmd-kidz](http://rmnaz.org/rmd-kidz)

**RMD**  
KIDZ

Kidz Camp Director: Candace Tygart  
[rmdkidzquiz@outlook.com](mailto:rmdkidzquiz@outlook.com)

## SUPER CAMP

Abba's Haven

JULY 24 - 29

Speaker: Rev. Tim Snowbarger

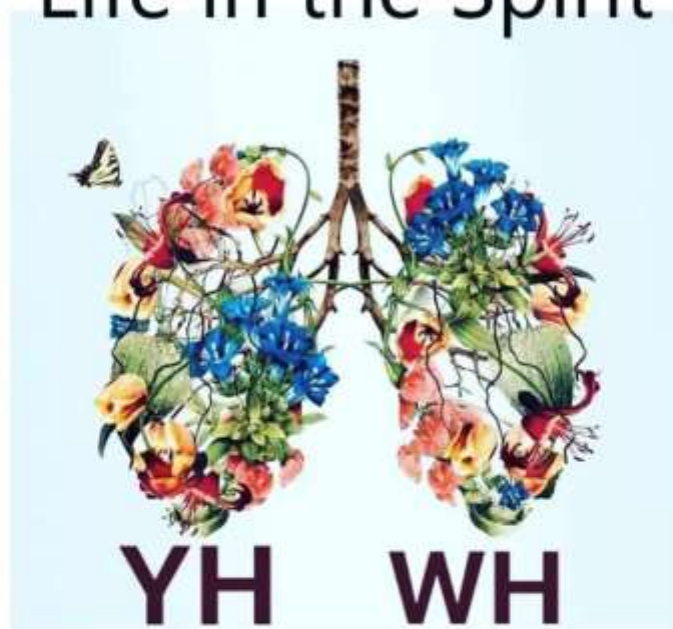
## ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Oct. 12 - 14

The Pollard Hotel, Red Lodge MT

Rocky Mountain District  
Women's Retreat  
Speaker: Rev. Colleen Skinner

## Life in the Spirit



September 29th to October 1st  
Abba's Haven, Lavina MT

Any questions contact Kelli Hundley  
307.677.1633 Email: hundley2011.kh@gmail.com  
Cost \$135

Register Early at [www.rmnaz.org/ndi](http://www.rmnaz.org/ndi)

Registration will open after Man Camp  
May 20 -21/23

## Upcoming Events

2023

### May Monthly Emphasis – Missionary Care

- May 1 Mission Moments newsletter is sent out by email
- May 1 (8, 15, 22, 29) Partners in Prayer for Pastors every Monday at noon
- May 14 Mothers' Day
- May 15 NMI Year End Reports are due in
- May 31 Deadline for articles for June Mission Moments newsletter

### June Monthly Emphasis – World Mission Broadcast

- June 1 Mission Moments newsletter is sent out by email
- June 5 (12, 19, 26) Partners in Prayer for Pastors every Monday at noon
- June 9-12 Global NMI Convention at General Assembly
- June 18 Father's Day
- June 22 Early Registration for Delegates and Guests (4-9 pm)
- June 23-25 District Conventions/Assembly "Jesus is Lord."
- June 30 Deadline for articles for July Mission Moments newsletter

### July Monthly Emphasis – International Ministry, Bible Schools and Seminaries

- July 1 Canada Day
- July 3 (10, 17, 24, 31) Partners in Prayer for Pastors every Monday at noon
- July 24-29 Super Camp

### August Monthly Emphasis – Care & Connection

- Aug. 7 (14, 21, 28) Partners in Prayer for Pastors every Monday at noon
- Aug. 7-11 Kids Camp