



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

Nazarene Missions International
Rocky Mountain District
Delegate's Convention Booklet

NMI President's Report for 2022-23

Therefore GO was the theme and challenge for the Rocky Mountain District NMI for the convention year 2022-2023, to be the hands and feet of Christ in a hurting world.

Matthew 28:19 *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."*

Another year has passed by all too quickly. Here are some of the things that were accomplished, and not necessarily in chronological order:

- Completed and submitted the required year end reporting forms to Global NMI. Registered the NMI delegates and alternates for Global NMI convention with the assistance of Carol Skinner. Sent in the required paperwork for seating an alternate. The NMI delegates were Dee Dee Crider, Pastor Matthew Connally, and alternate, Sadie Carson.
- Produced the monthly district NMI newsletter, Mission Moments, and distributed it to all churches/and some individuals, and posted it on the NMI Rocky Mountain District group facebook page and on the Rocky Mountain District webpage ..thanks to Pastor Mike Holien.
- Continued the daily update to the group facebook page, and posted weekly "Partners in Prayer for Pastors" for Mondays at noon reminders as well.
- Answered many enquiries from local NMI presidents and others regarding NMI resources.
- Hosted three missionaries on Home Assignment in our district: Dr. Bill Kwon, Dr. Floyd Cunningham, and Dr. David and Rhonda Ackerman. Thanks to Rev. James Johnson for his assistance in scheduling host churches and thank you to all the churches who welcomed these missionaries into their homes and their churches, and for generously supporting them through Deputation offerings.
- Our district NMI gave \$1000 to sponsor the Stantons (Daryll and Verna), who were missionary speakers at RMD Kids Camp in August.
- Attended the Rocky Mountain District Leadership retreat in Thermopolis WY in October.
- Assembled 160 gift bags for the teens at Rejoice and attended Rejoice in Sheridan to hand these bags to the attendees.
- Attended a number of zoom calls for district NMI council and NDI, as well as for the planning committee for District Assembly and Conventions 2023.
- Met with Pastors Matt Tygart and Jarid Hundley, a number of times to discuss the 2023 joint convention and also with Lily Moore (NMI Council Member) to brainstorm and plan the convention, Thanks to both for their support and encouragement. I am blessed by their friendship.
- Did a site tour of the facilities at the Ramada Plaza Sheridan in the fall of 2022 with Lily Moore and met with staff to reserve rooms and negotiate costs. Also met with the new General Manager, along with DS Skinner and Lily Moore in March while attending Rejoice in March 2023. Made a third site tour with Lily Moore on May 23.
- Held an open zoom call with our globally assigned missionaries, Brian and Erin Ketchum, in France in October 2022.
- Met by zoom with Andrea and Matt Hopster, missionaries in Ecuador, and planned out their schedule for their home assignment tour for May 2023. Connected with host churches for contact and accommodation information for the missionaries.

- Organized the 2nd Wind River Christmas Blessing with the assistance of Pastor Bryce Roberts II. Thank you to all the churches and individuals who were a part of this opportunity. I know that your blessing touched the hearts of the recipients.
- Worked with the Nominating Committee (DS Bob Skinner, Colleen Skinner, Jean Ackerman, and Beverly Raymond) to prepare a ballot for the election of NMI council members at the 2023 NMI convention.
- Worked with Dee Dee Crider for the transitioning of the office of District NMI President. I know that she will do an excellent job in her new role on the district NMI council.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT NMI – CHURCH GIVING REPORT 2022-23

World Evangelism Fund	\$182,148.54
Alabaster	\$24,472.79
Child Sponsorship	\$22,577.74
Missionary Health Care	\$1,300.00
Deputation	\$60,173.43
Memorial Roll	\$600.00
Distinguished Service Award	\$500.00
Jesus Film Harvest Partners	\$1,100.00
World Mission Broadcast	\$1,171.00
Missionary Christmas Fund	\$1,300.00
Vacation Bible School	\$565.00
TOTAL WEF & APPROVED MISSION SPECIALS	<u>\$295,908.50</u>

Respectfully submitted

JoAnn Hirning
District NMI President

Engaging Children and Youth in Missions

NMI encourages churches to involve children and youth in all mission endeavors and to nurture them as they seek to respond to God's call. We encourage collaboration with Nazarene Youth International and Nazarene Discipleship International to best engage all ages of the church.

For information on what the Church of the Nazarene is doing in the Name of our Lord around the globe subscribe to NMI Central, a weekly email loaded with information, prayers and praises for a different country each week. On the first Wednesday of each month you will find Kids Kaleidoscope with downloadable pages on one country just for kids.

This past year Rocky Mountain District NMI sponsored the Stantons, retired missionaries from Africa to be the missionary speakers at Kids Camp. At Rejoice each participant received a snack bag and bracelets as a way to remind the youth to be mission-minded.

Barbara Clapp, Children & Youth Coordinator

DEPUTATION - Convention year 2022-23 Home Assignment Tours

Three Missionaries from the Asia Pacific Region - Immediately following District Assembly 2022, Dr. Bill Kwon, Field Strategy Coordinator for the Southeast Asia Field, started his tour of 20 churches in our district before heading to Nampa Idaho. Thanks to Craig and Leona Marquis for gifting him with the use of a vehicle for 3 weeks he was in our district and region.

Dr. Floyd Cunningham, distinguished professor of the History of Christianity, at Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary, in the Philippines, toured our district in September/October and visited 10 churches, two of which had their first experience of hosting a missionary on home assignment: Paskel's Place in Pavilion WY and Movement COTN in Polson MT. Dr. Cunningham also visited Laramie Connections, a Nazarene Compassionate Ministries center in Laramie WY.

Drs. David and Rhonda Ackerman, who are the Academic Dean at APNTS and Member Care/Mission Mobilization Coordinator (respectively) toured our district in October 2022, and were hosted by 10 churches. The Ackermans were living in Guam at the time of their tour.

Our district gave just over \$56,900 to deputation as reported by Funding the Mission.

Mission Speaker at Kids Camp August 2022 - Daryll and Verna Stanton, former missionaries to Kenya, were the missionary speakers at Kids Camp. District NMI gave \$1000 to assist with the cost of travel and other expenses for the Stantons.

To end the convention year, missionaries Andrea and Matt Hopster will be touring our district in May and 14 churches have offered to host. Also in June, Peni Fakaua, missionary and DS of Samoa, and his wife will visit Billings and Laurel churches.

Rev. James Johnson

Deputation Coordinator

Mission Call Coordinator

This year I did my best to connect with those who are called to mission in our local churches as well as encourage churches to invest in those who are called. A call to mission is encouraged and fostered as churches pray for missionaries, the mission field, as well as praying for those who are called to mission. That call is also nourished as churches find ways to utilize those who are called to mission in various mission endeavors of the local church and the district. Below is the list of those who have been called to mission on our district. This list is compiled based upon the local NMI President's report. If you are aware of someone who is called to mission, but is not on this list, please email pastormatthewconnally@gmail.com. Our district would love to have the most accurate list of those who are called so that we can be in prayer for them and so we can find ways, together, to encourage their call to mission. Please, be in prayer for the following people that God would nurture and grow their call to mission. Also, be praying for their churches that God would continue to work through that church and call others to mission and that the church would be able to mentor that call. Lastly, if you are called to mission and have not told anyone, I encourage you to tell someone. We want to celebrate your call and be in prayer for you!

Name	Church
Allison Kissack	Casper
Isabella Hundley	Evanston
Jonathan Holien	Kalispell
Caidon Tygart	Laurel
Samuel Johnson	Laurel
Rose Katz	Laurel
Jennifer Hammonds	Laurel
Vesper Krantz	Pablo
Malachi Connally	Pablo
Tia Allred	Victor
Michael Reinke	Whitefish
Julia Hagameier	Whitefish

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Dr. Matthew Connally

Care & Connections

2022-2023 has been a year of transition for missionaries as well as churches. Missionaries are now assigned on a calendar year (January to December) basis. It has been interesting and a rewarding experience to make contacts with the two Links Missionaries assigned to our district.

The global deployed missionaries, Brian and Erin Ketchum and their four children, Grace, Elliott, Nora and Luca in France, and sponsored/sent missionaries, Tim and Margarett Stearns and daughter Natalie in Paraguay.

Rocky Mountain District, we still have the rest of this year to bless and support our assigned missionaries and their families.

Please continue to lift them up in prayer, encourage and shower them with love and support by staying in touch with them.

Here's their contact information:

Brian and Eric Ketchum (France):

Brian's email: bketchum@eurasiaregion.org

WhatsApp: + 33 6 21 69 05 56

Erin's email:

eketchum@eurasiaregion.org

Mailing address:

18 Rue Grande

77130 Ville-Saint-Jacques,

France.

Timothy and Margarett Stearns (Paraguay):

Tim's email:

tstearns@samnaz.org WhatsApp: 1-406-370-4812

Margarett's email:

mstearns@samnaz.org

WhatsApp: 1-406-370-4813

Mailing address:

16795 Lightning Drive

Frenchtown, MT 59834-9557.

Please be generous when you host and give to missionaries.

Generous giving honors God (Ezra 2:68-69)

As believers, we are called to support Christian workers (Acts 28:10)

Respectfully Submitted by Lily Tatafu Moore

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Rocky Mountain District NMI

06/19/23

Profit & Loss

Cash Basis

June 2022 through May 2023

Jun '22 - May 23

Ordinary Income/Expense Income

District Apportionments 6,086.12
District Convention Offering 2,035.00

Total Income 8,121.12

Expense

Convention Expenses 2022

Convention Speaker

Hotel 666.18
Speaker Fees 2,000.00

Total Convention Speaker 2,666.18

Ink & Printing 706.20

Luncheon 1,750.00

NMI Kid's 150.00

Supplies 94.48

Total Convention Expenses 2022 5,366.86

Convention Expenses 2023

Supplies 380.10

Travel 59.05

Total Convention Expenses 2023 439.15

Deputation Expenses 200.00

District Leadership Retreat 240.00

General Assembly 7,500.00

General Assembly Offering 1,000.00

Missionary Speaker - Kid's Camp 1,000.00

Missions Project 2,035.00

Office Supplies & Postage 3.49

President Travel and Training 107.90

Rejoice 396.38

Total Expense

Net Ordinary Income 18,288.78

Net Income -10,167.66

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Rocky Mountain District NMI

06/19/23

Balance Sheet

Accrual Basis

As of May 31, 2023

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Checking - First Interstate

10,712.75

Total Checking/Savings

10,712.75

Total Current Assets

10,712.75

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10,712.75

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LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
General Funds	18,042.22
Savings for General Assembly	2,838.19
Net Income	-10,167.66
Total Equity	10,712.75

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10,712.75