



# NMI

# MISSION MOMENTS

JANUARY 2024

NEWSLETTER OF THE NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT



## Volunteer Ministries



## **VOLUNTEERING AT YOUR CHURCH CREATES A LEVEL OF DEPTH AND FELLOWSHIP BEYOND JUST ATTENDING SERVICES.**

Church volunteer opportunities are ways to get plugged into the church, serve Jesus, and use your God-given skills and gifts. Some examples of church volunteer opportunities are secretarial duties, folding bulletins, mentoring others, helping with holidays or special events, and providing support or instruction to people in need. Volunteering can also have a spiritual benefit and make you want to dive deeper into the life of the church.



Are you musically inclined - join the worship team or assist with special music.

Do you have artistic skills? -the lobby or hallways of your church are a great place for painters, photographers, sculptors, and other visual artists in your congregation to display their work. Photographers and videographers can always be used to capture important moments like baptisms, church events, etc. Talk to your Pastor about using your artistic skills to beautify your church or bulletin boards.

Do you have technical skills? You could assist in the sound booth with Audio/Visual, or webpage design and maintenance, or social media presence.

Do you like to be physically active? You could volunteer to organize or lead a group to promote healthy lifestyles through walking, running or cycling.

Do you have a vehicle? - There may be individuals in your church who do not have a vehicle or are not physically able to drive themselves to church. You could volunteer to pick people up and bring them to church and get them home afterwards.

Do you like to visit with people? Speak to your pastoral care team to see if there is an opportunity for you to help out with mentoring, home visits, nursing home visits, or phone calls to shut-ins or to follow up with new attendees.

Your church has a variety of volunteer opportunities waiting to be filled: Sunday School Teacher, Bible Study leaders, cleaners, snow removal, grass cutting, general maintenance, counters, and more.

**GO --- BE SALT AND LIGHT**





## COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING

Is your church involved in reaching out into the community?

Opportunities Abound

**Volunteering can be a rewarding experience that offers many benefits to both the volunteer and the community.**

**Connections:** Volunteering allows you to connect with your community and make it a better place. It can help you make new friends, expand your network, and boost your social skills.

**Improving your mental and physical health:** Volunteering can help reduce stress, combat depression, keep you mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose. It can also help you stay physically active and healthy.

**Developing your skills:** Volunteering can help you gain new skills, build your resume, and network with professionals in your field.

**Giving Back:** Volunteering can be a fun and fulfilling way to spend your free time. It can help you learn new things, explore your interests, and give back to your community.

**But most of all, volunteering in the community is an opportunity to share the love of Jesus with those around you: the people you are serving and the ones you serve with....**

Volunteering in the community can be an individual activity, but how much better it can be when done with a community of believers. Get your church involved.



## Volunteer Opportunities in the Church of the Nazarene

Nazarene Mission Teams (Work & Witness)

Jesus Film Harvest Partners

Nazarene Campus Mission

RVs on a Mission (ROAM)

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries

Child Sponsorship

Crisis Care Kits

School Packs

Disaster Relief



1 Peter 4:10

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

## **OUR DISTRICT IN ACTION**

Our Rocky Mountain District Churches are actively being the hands and feet of Christ as they reach out into the community with love and support.

Here are some examples (just to name a few):

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Caroling and handing out gifts

Van Ministry for those needing a ride

Free Family Christmas Photos

Free Market Rummage Sale

Serving Sunday on the 5th Sunday - going out into the community

Participating in Serve Montana with other local churches and nonprofits.

Going on an interdistrict mission trip

Food Pantry and Clothing Closet

Weekly Community Meal and Movie Night

Jail Ministry

Food Share Ministry - Bruin Pantry

Supported God's Love Shelter with winter clothing

Back Packs filled with hygiene products, snacks and more of  
Teens at Risk

Supported Sunrise Women's Clinic

Offered Addictions Support Group  
and so much more.

***“Never walk away from someone  
who deserves help;  
your hand is God's hand for  
that person.”***

***Proverbs 3:27 (The Message)***



Dear Rocky Mountain District Churches,

This coming June 26 - July 6 our district is sending a team of 20 to Santa Rosa Paraguay to help the Stearns family build a church. Each member of the team pays for their travel and trip expenses.

Above that there is a project cost which covers the cost to build the church. This amount is \$13,000. RMD NMI has generously pledged to give \$3,000.

Would your church consider one of the following ways to help us as a District raise \$13,000 to build a church where our missionaries are serving?"

- Pledge an amount of money from your church NMI budget to support the project
- Hold a fundraiser at your church or in your community to raise support
- Ask for a love offering

Send funds in care of Kim Smith, NMI Treasurer to 617 Alice Drive, Great Falls, MT 59405 or by Zelle to Kimberly Smith (funds go to NMI account).

We appreciate your consideration and your prayers for the team as we prepare over the coming months.

Thank you,  
Heidi Hagemeyer and Josh Allen  
Trip Coordinators



YOUR SUPPORT  
AND PRAYERS ARE  
NEEDED.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT NMI'S**  
NEW GLOBALLY ASSIGNED  
"LINKS" MISSIONARIES  
for 2024

**TIMOTHY AND MICHELLE EBY**  
SERVING IN SOUTH AFRICA

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Tim and Michelle Eby have served as commissioned missionaries with the Church of the Nazarene for 22 years in Africa. Tim grew up on the mission field in Papua New Guinea with his parents Lee and Carol Ann Eby. Michelle is also a missionary kid from Beirut, Lebanon where her parents Larry and Sharon Buess served with the church of the Nazarene. Tim has a B.S. in Aviation Technology, his commercial pilot licenses, and began his career as a commercial pilot in Atlanta, Georgia.

In August of 1997, they were assigned as Nazarene missionaries to the Africa East Field to open the work for Nazarene Mission Aviation as a missionary pilot.

The Ebys returned to the USA in 2003, where Tim completed his course of study, received a Master's in Christian Education, and was ordained as a minister in April of 2006. They returned to Africa in November 2006. Tim worked in leadership development and church planting in the country of Senegal and across the Africa West Field for the next 11 years, and Michelle served as the field treasurer. They moved to Johannesburg, South Africa in January 2018 where Tim is now serving as the Africa Regional Jesus Film and Evangelism Coordinator. Michelle is serving on the finance team for the Africa Region.

They have 4 children, 4 grandchildren, and call Nashville, TN their home. God continues to work through the ministry of Tim and Michelle as they serve Him on the mission field. Their passion is to see the development of national leaders who will lead the church in Africa to maturity and significance. Their positions require much travel and great wisdom as they develop tools of evangelism and discipleship that are effective for the African context. Please pray that God will give them strength, wisdom, and safety as they teach and preach the Good News of Christ in every corner of Africa.



*Missionaries coming in 2024*

**APRIL  
2024**



## **Marcus & Jazz Eugenio**

**Mark Eugenio is the 6th Chancellor of Chapman International College. He came to South-East Asia after serving as president of Philippine Nazarene College in La Trinidad, Philippines. He has a long history in education, starting in 2012 as the Field Education Coordinator. He also served as District Superintendent for Southern Tagalog District in the Philippines. Mark is married to Jasmin, and they have 2 children, Josiah Kent and Maeve Lane.**

**The RMD NMI Deputation team is working on a tour schedule for Mark and Jazz Eugenio who will be flying in to Billings on or about April 13 and will be touring until about April 30th.**

**Please be receptive to hosting this couple when you are asked to do so by the deputation team. A tentative schedule is in the works and your church will be contacted soon.**

**Please be in prayer for the Eugenios as they prepare for the trip from Thailand, and for the district churches, that they will open their hearts to host this missionary couple.**



The tentative schedule looks like this:

New Hope, River Rock, Bitterroot, Missoula, Pablo, Kalispell, Whitefish, Great Falls, Helena, Laurel, Cody, Sunnyside/Riverton, The Fort, Casper, Sheridan, then back to Billings to fly out.

Your church will be contacted by someone on the deputation team in order to firm up these host dates.





**Dr. Bill Kwon**  
NMI Missionary Speaker



**Dr. Scott Rainey**  
Global NDI Director



**RMD  
CAMP  
MEETING  
DISTRICT ASSEMBLY  
AND CONVENTIONS**

**ABBAS HAVEN 196 BUNDY RD LAVINA MT**

**Camp Speaker**  
**G.S. DAVID BUSIC**

**PLEASE MARK THE DATE - DETAIL STILL TO COME**  
**JUNE 11 - 16TH 2024**

The poster features a dark brown background with stylized illustrations of mountains, a crescent moon, and stars. The text is in bold, white and yellow fonts. There are also some orange and green geometric shapes and arrows.

**PLAN TO  
ATTEND**

CALLING ALL **SUPER BIBLE QUIZZERS** 

**MATTHEW** 

**THIS FALL**

07 OCT LESSONS 1-5 LAUREL COTTAGE

18 NOV LESSONS 1-10 THE

16 DEC LESSONS 1-12 LOCAL CHURCH

13 JAN LESSONS 1-15 THE

17 FEB ZONE QUIZ THE

01 MAR DISTRICT QUIZ LAUREL COTTAGE **RMD**

Kids ages 5-11

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**CURRICULUM & RESOURCES**  
www.thefoundrypublishing.com  
www.hideandkeep.com  
You Tube "The Word for Kids" videos  
https://sconaz.org/resources/  
FaceBook Rocky Mountain Kidz Quiz

## TEEN BIBLE QUIZZING

2023 - 2024

COME JOURNEY THROUGH THE LETTERS

 GALATIANS EPHESIANS  
PHILIPPIANS COLOSSIANS   
AND PHELEMON

Date	Time	Location	Days	Notes
09 Sep	10:00am	Willsie, MT	Sat 9-11	Team Quiz
23 Sep	10:00am	Laurel Mt Cott	Sat Sep 2	MT Club and MT Zone
08 Nov	10:00am	Laurel Mount Mt Cott	Sat Nov	MT Club and MT Zone
09 Dec	10:00	Laurel Mount	Sat Dec	MT Club and MT Zone
13 Jan	10:00am	Stouffer Mt	Sat Jan	MT Club and MT Zone
17 Feb	10:00am	THE	Sat Feb	MT Club and MT Zone
17 Mar	10:00am	THE	Sat Mar	MT Club and MT Zone
Mar 24-25	10:00am	Willsie, MT	Sat & Sun	Team Quiz (Sat) and MT Zone (Sun)
Apr	10:00am	Willsie, MT	Sat	Team Quiz (Sat) and MT Zone



Partners in  
Prayer for  
Pastors

Every Monday  
at Noon

**MAN CAMP** 2024



APRIL 26 - 28TH

**RMD**  
**MAN CAMP**

SAVE THE DATE  
GOD, GUNS, AND GOLF  
To bring spiritual renewal to the men of the RMD



## Other Upcoming District Events

### JANUARY 2024

#### NMI Emphasis - Volunteer Ministries

- Jan. 01 New Years Day
- Jan. 01 (8, 15, 22, 29) Partners in Prayer for Pastors at noon
- Jan. 13 Quiz Meet
- Jan. 15 Martin Luther King Jr Day

### FEBRUARY 2024

#### NMI Emphasis - Alabaster Offering

- Feb. 2 Ground Hog Day
- Feb. 5 (12, 19, 26) Partners in Prayer for Pastors at noon
- Feb. 12 Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday / Valentines Day
- Feb. 19 Presidents Day
- Feb. 22 Washington's Birthday
- Feb. 29 Leap Year .. An Extra Day to Praise God !!

