

2026-2027 NMI PRESIDENT'S HANDBOOK:

**GOALS, ONLINE RESOURCES,
WHERE TO SEND NMI OFFERINGS,
SUGGESTED CALENDAR OF NMI EMPHASES,
and MISSIONARY CARE**

NMI'S FIVE AREAS OF IMPACT ARE:



PRAYING FOR THE LOST &
NAZARENE MISSIONARIES



ENGAGING CHILDREN
& YOUTH



PROVIDING CARE
& CONNECTION



GIVING TO ALABASTER



GIVING TO THE WORLD
EVANGELISM FUND



March 1, 2026 – February 28, 2027

Discover how you can JOIN THE MOVEMENT by visiting:

[Purpose of Mission | Church of the Nazarene](#)

Dear NMI President and Pastor:

Your District NMI Council recommends that all West Texas churches support Nazarene Missions International through the following activities:

1. Strive to be **Missions Priority One** by:
 1. **Praying** for all Missions efforts of the Church of the Nazarene
 2. Sending the **Alabaster Offering** for places where people worship, heal, and learn
 3. **Praying** for and **connecting** with Nazarene missionaries
 4. Engaging **children and youth** in learning about and participating in the mission of God
 5. Sending at least 5.5% of adjusted church income to the **World Evangelism Fund** (WEF) *(as verified by the Annual Pastors' Report)*.
2. The West Texas District NMI budget is included in the **District Unified Ministries Fund**. The District NMI Budget for 2026-27 was approved by the District Advisory Board in the amount of \$17,000. Each local church is asked to send **5% of adjusted church income** to the West Texas District Office weekly or monthly to help support NMI on our District:

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
ATTN: MARTI JONES, DISTRICT TREASURER
860 AIRPORT FWY, SUITE 206
HURST, TX 76054 817-479-8611 (office)

*Checks for the **District Unified Ministries Fund** should be made out to "West Texas District" or submitted online at:*

[West Texas District Church of the Nazarene - Give](#)

3. Any person who is a member of the Church of the Nazarene and supports the Nazarene Missions International (NMI) purpose is a member of NMI in that local church. Any person who is not a member of the Church of the Nazarene and supports the NMI purpose is an associate member of NMI. The Lead Pastor includes the year-end NMI membership number in the Annual Pastors' Report (APR) to the District Office in March.

4. For the **2026 Children's Mission Project Offering**, send funds by September 1 to:

RENOVATION COMMUNITY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
6301 GRANBURY RD
FORT WORTH TX 76133

*Please note that the check is for **2026 Children's Mission Project Offering**.*

5. Participate in special NMI offerings for **Missionary Healthcare, World Mission Broadcast, and Nazarene Compassionate Ministries** or NCM/Nazarene Child Sponsorship. Contribute online via bank draft at www.FundingTheMission.org or make these checks payable to “**Global Treasury Services**” and mail to:

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE GLOBAL MINISTRY CENTER
ATTN: DONOR SERVICES
17001 PRAIRIE STAR PKWY
LENEXA KS 66220-7900

6. Participate in the West Texas **District Nazarene Missions Teams** (formerly District W&W) **Offering**. (The District Teens Missions Project Offering is **not** requested in 2026-2027.) Make this check payable to “**West Texas District NMI**” and mail to:

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
ATTN: KATRINA MARTIN, DISTRICT NMI TREASURER
860 AIRPORT FRWY SUITE 206
HURST TX 76054-3273 (*designate for “District Nazarene Missions Team Offering”*)

7. Pay **Missionaries-on-deputation** with generous offerings!
8. Support **NMI Leadership Training** by sending pastors and mission leaders for training and inspiration to the West Texas Vision Conference/NMI Business Session, any NMI Zone Rallies, NMI workshops that may be scheduled on our region, and District Nazarene Missions Teams opportunities.
9. Reach **Church of Excellence** by paying 5.7% of adjusted church income or \$1,500 over goal for World Evangelism Fund.
10. Strive to be a **Bowers Blue Ribbon Church**, which is the West Texas District NMI recognition program for outstanding accomplishment in every area of NMI.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Amanda Pettit
West Texas District NMI President

Karen Davisson
West Texas District NMI Secretary

2026-2027 Nazarene Missions International
Levels of West Texas District Recommended Participation At-A-Glance

	Action Recommended	Which goals did your church reach?
Goal #1	Pray for all Missions efforts of the Church of the Nazarene	
Goal #2	Pay World Evangelism Fund in full. Making church contributions online is easy via bank draft at www.FundingTheMission.org . The goal is at least 5.5% of adjusted church income for the World Evangelism Fund (as verified by the Pastors' APR in March).	
Goal #3	Report year-end NMI Membership the same as Church Membership and add NMI Associate Members. Make sure your entire congregation has opportunities to pray, give, connect with a missionary, and get involved in Missions. These numbers get reported through the Pastors' APR (Annual Pastors' Report) to the District Office in March.	
Goal #4	<p>MISSIONS PRIORITY ONE (MPO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for all Missions efforts of the Church of the Nazarene • Send Alabaster Offering for places where people worship, heal, and learn • Pray for and connect with Nazarene missionaries • Engage children and youth in learning about and participating in Missions • Send at least 5.5% of adjusted church income to the World Evangelism Fund (must be verified by the Annual Pastors' Report) 	
Goal #5	<p>BOWERS BLUE RIBBON CHURCH</p> <p>Accomplish all of the above, <u>plus</u> send these NMI Offerings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Send 5% of adjusted church income (as verified by the Annual Pastors' Report) to the West Texas District Treasurer to support Nazarene Missions International in the District Unified Ministries Budget ✓ World Mission Broadcast Offering (mail to Donor Services) ✓ Missionary Health Care Offering (mail to Donor Services) <u>or</u> order a Memorial Roll or Distinguished Service Award ✓ Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (mail to Donor Services or give through Nazarene Child Sponsorship) ✓ 2026 Children's Mission Project Offering to provide a usable green space for children and youth at Renovation Community Church of the Nazarene ✓ District Nazarene Missions Teams (formerly W&W) Offering--mail to District NMI Treasurer, Katrina Martin <p>(The District Teens Missions Offering is not requested in 2026-2027.)</p>	
Goal #6	CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE: Send 5.7% of adjusted church income or \$1,500 over goal to Global Treasury Services for World Evangelism Fund.	

- Have this check-off sheet handy when you email your NMI Year-End Report in March to the District NMI Secretary, Karen Davisson, at kcdavisson@gmail.com.

NMI CENTRAL



NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

All Nazarenes are encouraged to sign up for the FREE publication called **NMI Central** which is released electronically every Wednesday. It is available in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish. It is the central location for NMI information for the local church. Churches are encouraged to use NMI Central along with previous lessons and books to promote NMI among our adults, teens, and children.



Kids Kaleidoscope is a monthly addition to **NMI Central** to awaken and nurture a spirit of missions, especially in children. All children's pastors and everyone who works with kids can access **Kids Kaleidoscope** from inside each NMI Central message for craft and educational resources highlighted in that week's NMI Central!

Subscribe to **NMI Central** here: [NMI Central | Church of the Nazarene](#)

See the past archive of **NMI Central** publications [here](#).

Access www.nazarene.org/nmi to find details regarding:

- **Alabaster**
- **Easter Offering**
- **Offering of Thanks**
- **Areas of NMI Impact**
- **Global Week of Prayer**
- **World Evangelism Fund**

Access [NMI - Recognition - Church of the Nazarene](#) to find details on how to order:

- **Distinguished Service Awards**
- **Memorial Rolls**

TO FIND MISSIONARY PROFILES, GO TO: <http://nazarene.org/missionary-profiles#>

JESUS Film Harvest Partners

www.jfhp.org

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries

www.ncm.org

Southern Nazarene University

www.snu.edu

Wesleyan-Holiness Digital Library

<http://www.whdl.org>

Nazarene Missions Teams (formerly W&W)

<https://nazarene.org/teams>

West Texas District Church of the Nazarene

WesTexNaz.org

West Texas District NMI Resources

[West Texas District Church of the Nazarene - District NMI \(westexnaz.org\)](http://West Texas District Church of the Nazarene - District NMI (westexnaz.org))



“Work & Witness” is now *Nazarene Missions Teams!*

Explore opportunities at:

Missions Teams | Church of the Nazarene

**Pastors, Treasurers, & NMI Presidents should please work together to ensure
2026-2027 BUDGET ALLOCATIONS and NMI OFFERINGS
get to the right place:**

<p>Church of the Nazarene Global Ministry Center ATTN: Donor Services 17001 Prairie Star Pkwy Lenexa, KS 66220-7900 913-577-0500</p> <p>Or make church contributions online via bank draft at www.FundingTheMission.org</p> <p>NOTE: <i>Online contributions through FTM result in lower bank processing fees than do checks, thereby, allowing more of your donation to be used as originally intended.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark all offerings for the <u>ending</u> church year, 2026-2027 • World Evangelism Fund – send at least 5.5% of adjusted church income* • NBUSA (formerly P&B) – send 2.0% of adjusted church income • 10% Designated Giving/Missions Specials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alabaster ○ World Mission Broadcast ○ Missionary Health Care Offering, or purchase Memorial Roll or Distinguished Service Award ○ Kids Reaching Kids VBS Mission Project (or District Children’s Mission Project, but not 10% Giving) ○ Missionary Deputation Offerings, including Links ○ Nazarene Compassionate Ministries ○ Crisis Care Kit Shipments 140002 for storage & distribution
<p>West Texas District Church of the Nazarene ATTN: District Treasurer 860 Airport Freeway, Suite 206 Hurst, TX 76054-3273 817-479-8611 office 817-479-8615 fax</p>	<p>District Unified Ministries Fund - send 5% of adjusted church income*</p> <p>Make checks out to “West Texas District” or pay online at: West Texas District Church of the Nazarene - Give</p>
<p>Southern Nazarene University 6729 NW 39th Expressway Bethany, OK 73008</p>	<p>Send 2.5% of adjusted church income for the Education Budget Allocation</p>
<p>West Texas District Church of the Nazarene ATTN: Katrina Martin, District NMI Treasurer 860 Airport Freeway, Suite 206 Hurst, TX 76054-3273</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Nazarene Missions Teams (W&W) Offering (by February 1) • District NMI President Love Offering (in March) <p>Make these two checks payable to “West Texas District NMI.”</p>

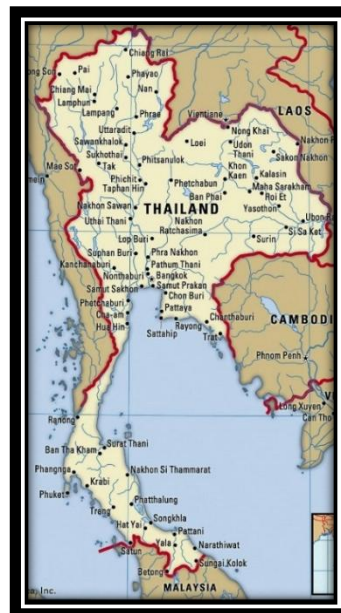
***Adjusted Church Income** is calculated as **Total Church Income** minus all **WEF** and **10% Missions Specials giving**.

Calendar of NMI Emphases & Activities for Church Year 2026-2027

(Suggested calendar only – do what works best for your church!)

Emphasize every month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer & Fasting • World Evangelism Fund • NMI Membership—give all adults, teens, and children opportunities to pray, give, hear missionary speakers, and become involved in Missions • Send 5.5% of adjusted church income to Donor Services for World Evangelism Fund (WEF). <i>Submitting WEF monthly makes it easier to reach year-end goal!</i> • Give to the WEF regularly, marked for the <u>ending</u> church year, 2026-2027.
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easter Offering for the World Evangelism Fund • Mission Education
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missionary Health Care: Memorial Roll \$75.00, Distinguished Service Award \$125.00, or send in a Healthcare Offering • National Day of Prayer—annually on the first Thursday in May: May 7, 2026
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Mission Broadcast Offering
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for the Nazarene Bible Schools and Seminaries worldwide
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deputation offering for our assigned “Care & Connection” (Links) Missionary. Or send offerings to coincide with birthday and/or holidays. Communicate throughout the year. Invite to speak either in person or by Zoom, Facebook Live, video greetings, etc. Lisa Lehman’s birthday is August 13! • 2026 District Children’s Project Offering for Renovation Community
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alabaster Offering
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missions Priority One • Pray for the 10/40 Window. Of the 55 least evangelized countries, 97% of their population lives within the 10/40 Window.
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church is an observance in which congregations pray for Christians who are persecuted for their faith - the first Sunday of November: November 1, 2026 • Thanksgiving Offering for the World Evangelism Fund
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nazarene Compassionate Ministries
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nazarene Missions Teams / Volunteer Ministries
February 2027	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alabaster Offering • February 1 – deadline for mailing District Nazarene Missions Teams (W&W) Offering to West Texas District NMI Treasurer, Katrina Martin • February 28, 2026 = the end of the church year.
Early March 2027	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Day of Prayer -- the first Friday in March: March 5, 2027 • Global Week of Prayer • Nazarene World Week of Prayer • Mail final WEF Offering to Donor Services – at least 5.5% of adjusted church income - as verified by the Annual Pastors’ Report (APR) and marked for the <u>ending</u> church year, 2026-2027. • Mail District NMI President Love Offering to District NMI Treasurer, Katrina Martin • Email year-end NMI report to District NMI Secretary, Karen Davisson

Care & Connection / Links Missionary 2026-2027



Lisa Lehman is a global missionary for the Church of the Nazarene in Thailand since 2001. She serves as Asia Pacific Regional Literature Coordinator, SE Asia Field Prayer Newsletter Coordinator, and advises the development of the Thailand District as she builds relationships, develops Thai leaders, and oversees translation teams who work in over 20 languages. She teaches pastoral training courses, preaches holiness, and engages in prayer ministries in Thailand District and SEA Field. In these ways she is actively developing leaders throughout SE Asia and the Asia Pacific Region while living in Bangkok.

Lisa graduated from Olivet Nazarene University in 1993 with a B.A. in elementary education. She received her M.A. in special education from Governors State University in 2000, followed by a certificate of cross-cultural ministry from Nazarene Theological Seminary in the same year. She was ordained an elder on the Chicago Central District of the Church of the Nazarene in 2007. She received her post-graduate certificate in leadership from Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary in 2022.

Lisa initially felt called to missions as a seven-year-old, and her call was confirmed several times throughout her teen years before God called her to preach cross-culturally. Her passion for prayer and sharing the Gospel with unreached people propels her to fulfill God's call to "be a light to the Gentiles" and to proclaim the gospel of God, so that the Gentiles might become an offering acceptable to God, sanctified by the Holy Spirit." (Is. 49:6, Romans 15:16, NIV).

To contact Lisa to schedule a home assignment service or to invite her to share about her ministry with your congregation or small group, please send an email to Lehman@apnaz.org

Remember Lisa's birthday on **August 13**.

Missionary Care

The cost of providing insurance for Nazarene missionaries is quite high, and those costs continue to rise. The Church of the Nazarene wants its missionaries to be able to serve and not worry about where they will scrape up the cost of the next insurance premium.

Nazarene Missions International has helped subsidize some of these funds since as early as 1919. Through your giving to the [Memorial Roll](#), [Distinguished Service Award](#), and [Missionary Health Care Offering](#), you help offset those insurance costs. The remaining insurance costs are provided by the World Evangelism Fund.

The **Memorial Roll**, established in 1919, is a way to honor deceased friends and loved ones and contribute to Missionary Health Care, which provides medical assistance for Nazarene missionaries. A certificate is issued in the name of the person memorialized and is often presented to a family member or displayed in the church. Churches or individuals may place as many names on the Memorial Roll as they desire, and those memorialized do not need to be members of the church.

The cost of placing someone on the Memorial Roll is \$75. You will receive a certificate that fits into a standard 8"x10" frame. Duplicates of the certificate are \$25 each.

[A Children's version is available, too.](#)

To order a **Memorial Roll**:

1. [Order Online](#)

Use Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express. Please allow 5-10 business days for delivery.

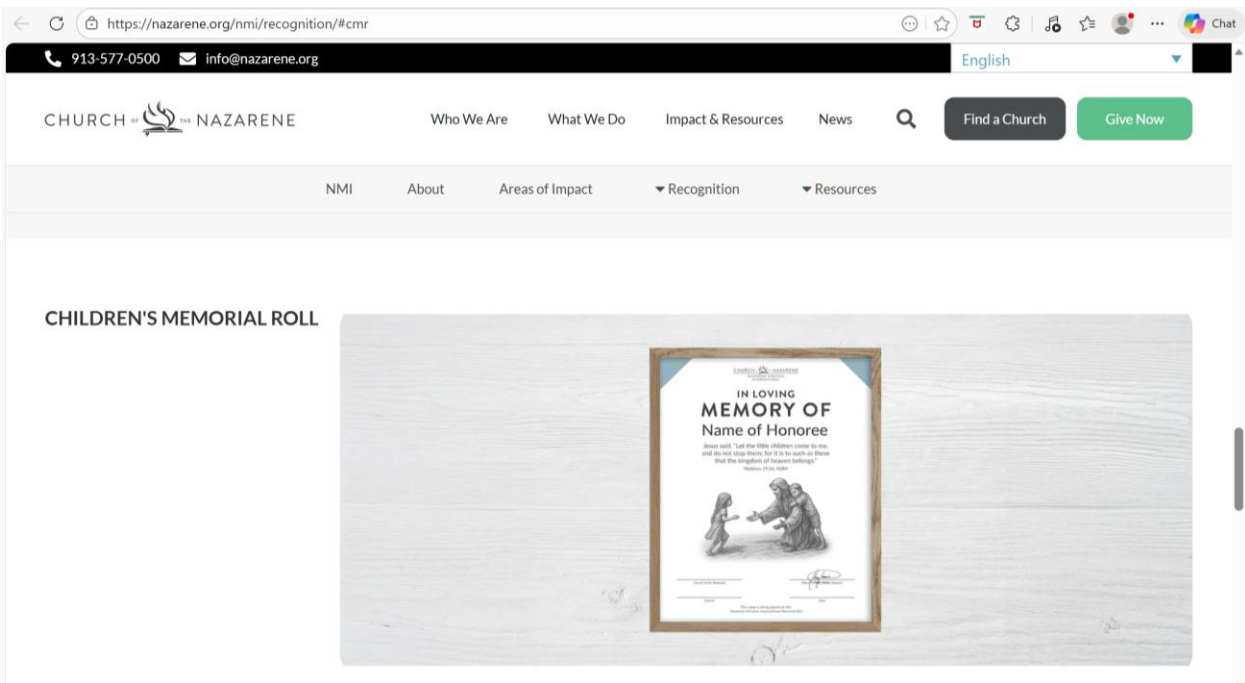
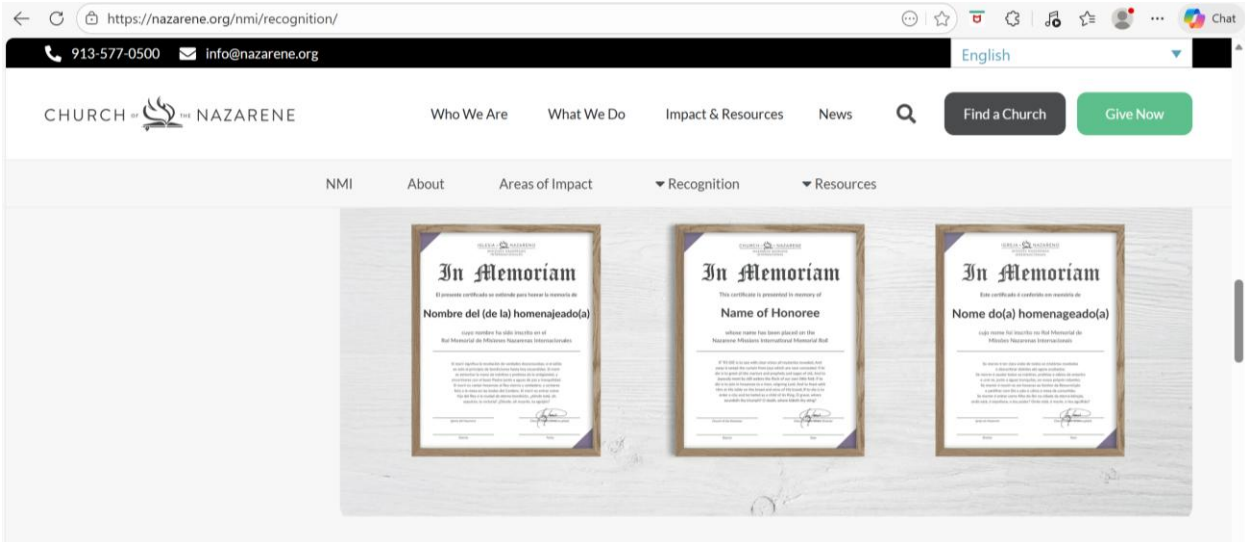
2. [Order by Mail](#)

Print the Memorial Roll order form. Fill out the order form. Make checks payable to Global Treasury Services (include the giving code "204" in the memo line for Distinguished Service Award or "197" in the memo line for Memorial Roll) and send to:

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE GLOBAL MINISTRY CENTER
ATTN: DONOR SERVICES
17001 PRAIRIE STAR PKWY
LENEXA, KS 66220-7900**

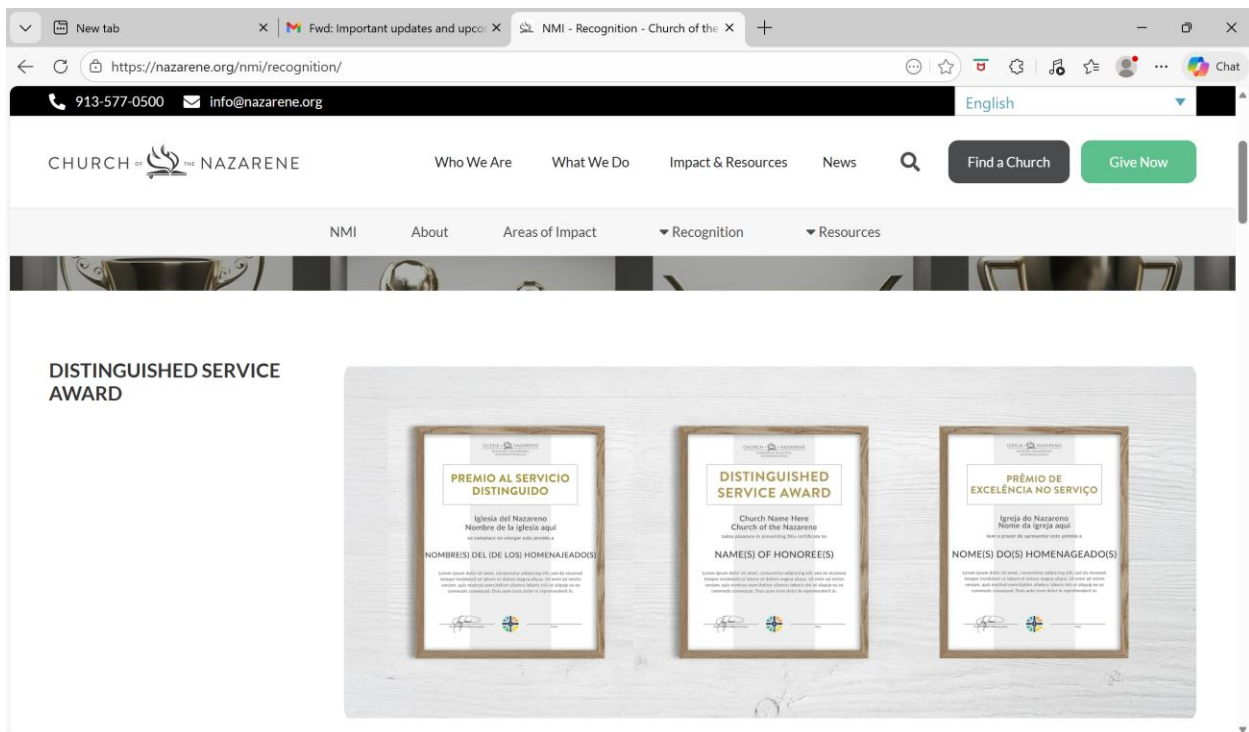
Please allow 3-5 weeks for delivery.

Need assistance? Contact us at businesscenter@nazarene.org.



The **Distinguished Service Award (DSA)** is a tribute to Nazarenes who are living, for their service to the church. Donations received through DSAs are used to provide medical assistance for Nazarene missionaries through Missionary Health Care. Although the DSA is given through NMI, it does not need to be given in the area of missions. A church may wish to honor anyone in the congregation for their service to Christ and the church. The DSA may be given by a church, a group within the church; a district or a group within the district; a region; or the global church. Individuals may not give this award. A DSA may be awarded to a couple as long as only one tribute message is submitted.

The cost of the DSA is \$125. Duplicates of the award are \$25 each. Churches are encouraged to frame the DSA. The certificate fits into a standard 8"x10" frame.



You can order a **Distinguished Service Award** online with Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express at:

[NMI - Recognition - Church of the Nazarene](https://nazarene.org/nmi/recognition/)

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