



Mission Matters

The Greatest Gift of All

Visiting a friend in the hospital, volunteering at a homeless shelter, contributing canned food or clothing to a local charity ... Helping other people is something we do routinely. It is truly more blessed to give than to receive, and we especially sense the call to be *need-meeters* as we approach the seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas. Clothing, food, and shelter provide for the physical needs of the poor and the powerless. Should we just feed and

clothe the needy, then fail to give them what they need most? Jesus tells us that He came to give eternal life. In John 3:16 we read, *"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."* (NIV)

The Greatest Need
Eternal life! That's the greatest need of every individual. By the forgiveness of our sins through the sacrifice of Jesus, anyone who wishes

to receive it can have the gift of living in Heaven for eternity.

Everyone just needs to know this treasure is available!



Telling about Him is the greatest gift we can give to anyone!

Share God's Greatest Gift

JESUS Film Harvest Partners takes this message of hope throughout the world with the help of 360 JESUS Film teams and people like you. Based on the Gospel

of Luke, the JESUS Film has been translated into over 1,000 languages and dialects, taken into more than 100 countries, and shown to millions.

On average, for every one dollar given, three people hear the good news of Christ. What a fantastic return on an eternal investment!

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With an investment of only three dollars, one person will receive Christ and the gift of eternal life.

Please help us share God's greatest gift today. God bless you as you join with us to win souls for Christ.

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Thanksgiving Offering for World Evangelism, November 22, 2009



Thanksgiving is a wonderful opportunity to praise God for all He has provided. As we think back to last year's Thanksgiving offering and all that has been accomplished, I trust you will give thanks along with me.

Across the country and around the world, we are hearing of lives being changed by the gospel of Jesus Christ. God is working to bring in the harvest. The harvest fields are still white. People are waiting to be reached with the gospel. The workers are ready.

We need your help. Please give generously. Whether it is \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000 or more, it will make a difference.

Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless you.

Reminders

- Please send your Thanksgiving offering to:
Global Treasury Services
Church of the Nazarene
P.O. Box 843116
Kansas City, MO 64184
- Quarterly check-ups are due December 10. Please send the report to Luanne Frank and your zone director. We are striving for 100% mission participation this year. If we can help you in any way, please let us know.

Please pray for:

- The Thanksgiving offering, November 22.
- Traveling mercies for the Shalleys as they make the long trip to and from America.
- Victims of recent disasters.
- Russell Shalley, father of Mike Shalley, battling cancer.
- Compassionate Ministries offering in December.
- A renewal of God's vision for missions in every local church, every pastor, and every NMI President.
- Young people to be called into fulltime Christian service.
- Our country, military men, world and church leaders.

Crisis Care Kit Update

Thank you, Rev. Tony Winter and Russ Toothman, for recently delivering one hundred and forty banana boxes of Crisis Care kits and forty-seven boxes of School Pal Paks to the warehouse in Maryland.

Spread His Love

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries brings the hope of Jesus to a needy world through the ministries of child development, disaster response, development education, and social transformation. You can change lives by giving generously in the NCM offering this month.

"Each time we reach out our hand to help another, we are spreading His love and kindness."

- Please remember your LINKS and district missionaries at this holiday season.
- Send us photos and stories of your church's Mission Fitness this year. We want to spotlight you and encourage others to get involved.
- Your partnership is greatly valued and appreciated. May God richly bless you.

FYI

Missionaries Mike & Julie Shalley will be taking vacation time in the states Nov 22 to Dec 13 to be with Mike's father, Russell Shalley, as he celebrates his 90th birthday on Dec 3.

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