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CHURCH OF  THE NAZARENE

WORLD EVANGELISM FUND
THANK OFFERING

We trust you are looking forward to the Thank Offering for the World Evangelism Fund on 19 November globally and 8 October 2017 in Canada, or the alternate date specified by your region or district. On these dates, thousands of Nazarenes around the world will offer up thanks to God for the blessings He has given us and for the things that He will do. Together, we will answer the call to *make Christlike disciples in the nations*.

I want to encourage you to approach your congregations and churches about participating in this meaningful offering. Ask them to consider the blessings God has given them and encourage them to share God's goodness worldwide by giving back through the World Evangelism Fund.

As always, to make it easier for you to spread the word about this offering, please take advantage of the resources available online at www.nazarene.org/generosity. We are excited to witness the amazing things God will do in the days leading up to and following this important event.

Blessings,

Mark E. Lail
Director, Stewardship Ministries



TOO DANGEROUS TO STAY

Between 1979 and 1992 there was a deadly civil war in El Salvador, and over 75,000 people were killed. At the time, a current Mission Possible Associate named Jaime was 17 and lived in that country. In 1984, he had to quickly leave El Salvador because it became too dangerous for him to stay. Jaime's two brothers were killed, along with several friends and family members. Jaime's parents were scared for the rest of the boys in the family (he has 7 brothers and three sisters). After his brothers were killed, his parents decided to do whatever they could to get Jaime and his remaining brothers out of the country.

Jaime told us he really didn't want to leave his parents and sisters behind at such a young age. At the same time, he feels very fortunate to live in Canada where he now has family, including two teenage boys.

Recently, Jaime needed to take some time to work on his own emotional and mental health. He has struggled with alcoholism throughout his life. He has had long periods of sobriety, but had a relapse two years ago and entered the recovery program at Union Gospel Mission, which is where he heard about Mission Possible.

To be sober is the most important thing to him right now. He feels that the part-time work that he is currently able to do at Mission Possible is perfect for him, and hopes to do more in the future as his recovery progresses.

Two months ago, Jaime was named the Mission Possible Employee of the Month. He says he is pleased to be working here and loves what MP does in the community; ***“keeping it clean, picking up needles, and helping people overcome poverty by providing jobs.”*** He's thankful to Mission Possible for the opportunity to work, and for ***“the trust we have put in him.”***

As far as the future goes, he doesn't want to think too far ahead, as he takes it ***“one day at a time.”***

SOYBEANS AT SEEDS OF LIFE!

Hello Donors and Friends,

Below are some photos of the soybean crop on our 72 acre farm at Seeds of Life Growing Project, located in Alberton, Ontario.



The soybeans are maturing well with this nice warm weather, and the harvest should be in 10 days to 2 weeks.

ALL of the proceeds from this harvest will be sent to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to help us pay for the overseas relief and development programs of our members.

This is A MUCH NEEDED RESPONSE as many people are suffering from recent weather disasters in the Caribbean and elsewhere.

To learn more and to help us with a donation, please visit www.seeds-of-life.ca.

Blessings and thanks for your support of our CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO HUNGER!

Scott Brooks
Project Manager, Seeds of Life

WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING SEMINARS:
DATES NOW AVAILABLE

Dr. Riley Coulter, Director of Stewardship Services for the Church of the Nazarene Canada, is available to present a Wills and Estate Planning seminar in Canadian churches, and is now scheduling dates for the winter and spring of 2018. The seminar, usually scheduled for Saturday morning or afternoon, is entitled **Estate Planning: A Proposition of Values**. There is no charge to attend.

Topics covered in the seminar include establishing clearly defined goals in planning for your future; wills and estate planning, including power of attorney & health care directives; understanding assets, liabilities and ownership issues; family law considerations and trusts; and charitable giving through your estate. The seminar is of significance to **all** age groups, and will have special interest to young couples and parents of young families, as well as those reaching middle age and planning for retirement.

Dr. Coulter is available to preach on the Sunday following the seminar, on the topic of **Generosity: God's Call to His People**. There is no expense to your church for this ministry; expenses are covered by the National Board of the Church of the Nazarene Canada.

Please contact Dr. Coulter for more information, or to book a seminar in your church.

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