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NCM CANADA GIFT CATALOGUE NOW AVAILABLE!

The 2017–2018 NCM Canada Gift Catalogue has a new look! The redesigned catalogue is now available and has been mailed out to all Nazarene churches in Canada.

This year's catalogue, as always, includes popular favourites such as goats, blankets, wells and school books. Also included in this catalogue are opportunities to give towards children's needs in child development centres in South Asia and Malawi (Africa).

The catalogue also features our relationship and projects with Canadian Foodgrains Bank, where your giving can be matched 4:1 by the Canadian government (see page 10 of the catalogue). Included this year is the opportunity to sponsor an acre in a CFGB growing project and see your dollars further multiplied!

Youth groups, Sunday School classes, seniors groups and others, including local NMI, continue to participate in giving through the catalogue. Some have fundraising events, others collect loonies and toonies over several weeks, others hold 'auctions' of catalogue items.....the possibilities are endless!

You or your group may give in one of three ways:

1) You can mail your order form and payment to the National Office using the following address:

Church of the Nazarene Canada
20 Regan Road, Unit 9
Brampton, ON
L7A 1C3

Please ensure that your cheque is made payable to Church of the Nazarene Canada.

2) You can call the National Office at 1-888-808-7490 and make a donation (VISA and MasterCard accepted).

3) You can submit your order online at www.ncmcanada.ca.

Please find your personal copy of the Gift Catalogue attached to your copy of the newsletter. You can also view the Gift Catalogue online at www.ncmcanada.ca.

PLEASE NOTE

To help ensure that you will receive your gift cards in time for Christmas giving, your order must arrive at the National Office by **December 1, 2017**. Gift cards are also downloadable on the website.

For additional copies of the Gift Catalogue, please contact the National Office.

*Thank you to all who give.
Your gifts do make a difference!*

URGENT: **RESPONSE TO THE ROHINGYA CRISIS**

To date, more than 430,000 refugees have fled Myanmar – mostly women and children. They have left everything behind after escaping the burning of their homes, killings and violence, and have crossed the border into Bangladesh, overwhelming the refugee camps there. Many are living without food, clean drinking water, and shelter. Many of the camps are flooded because it is the rainy season in Bangladesh. The situation is rapidly becoming a humanitarian crisis.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank is responding with food. NCM Canada is supporting this response through Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Your gift today will feed and aid desperate refugee families with emergency food rations of rice, lentils, and cooking oil.

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You can also phone 1-888-808-7490 (VISA and MasterCard accepted). You can also donate online at www.ncmcanada.ca under “Donate” and “Disaster Response.”

Please designate all donations as **Rohingya CFGB Response**.

CUBA HURRICANE RESPONSE

NCM Canada is working with and through the Canada Central District partnership with Cuban Nazarene Churches to respond to the neediest people in communities where there are Nazarene churches.

Please send your donations to the National Office or call 1-888-808-7490 (VISA and MasterCard accepted). You can also donate online at www.ncmcanada.ca under "Disaster Response" and designate "Cuba."

Your gifts are needed now to help families in crisis.

Pray for all those impacted by recent disasters. Pray for the Church, that we will be able not only to provide bread and basic necessities for human life, but that we also will have opportunities to share "The Bread of Life" with many.

RESPONSE TO MEXICAN EARTHQUAKES

Following the earthquakes in Mexico, Mexican Nazarene churches immediately rallied to help their neighbours, providing food, shelter, clothing and basic necessities. They set up 10 distribution points to provide food, water, and first aid supplies to those in need. So far, they have provided food for more than 2,500 people.

Urgent needs include more food, water, and medical supplies. Chiapas and Oaxaca are home to some of the poorest families in all of Mexico. Local churches need your help to reach out to their neighbours with the love of Christ. NCM Canada is supporting response in Mexico through NCM International. When you donate, specify [NCM 128252](#).

Notice Regarding Sponsored Children in Mexico

We have heard that all the children in Chiapas and Oaxaca, Mexico, who are sponsored through NCM's child sponsorship program, as well as their families, are safe.

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

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS WITH
TORONTO KENNEDY ROAD CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE!

Pastor Daniel Ramessar and the Toronto Kennedy Road Church of the Nazarene invite you to join us for a weekend of special activities on October 6–8, 2017 to celebrate our church's 60th Anniversary

Activities will include:

Friday, October 6th @ 7:00 PM

- Free Concert of Music
- Followed by Coffee & Anniversary Cake

Saturday, October 7th @ 6:00 PM

- A Walk down Memory Lane with Greetings and Special Music from various churches and leaders
- Followed by a Light Supper

Sunday, October 8th @ 11:00 AM

- Service of Thanksgiving with Guest Speaker, District Superintendent, Rev. Ian Fitzpatrick
- Followed by a Feast of Thanksgiving

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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