



NOVEMBER 10, 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR

I wanted to take this early opportunity to greet you all and to encourage you with the Word of God. *“Therefore my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as you know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.”* (1 Corinthians 15:58).

This is the very first Scripture I memorized as a brand–new follower of Jesus, and since 1975, it has often encouraged, strengthened and renewed my commitment to be diligent in my service to the King. I pass it along to you today. Let it live in you, let it speak to you, let it work through you, and let it accomplish its purpose in you.

I am looking forward to partnering in ministry with you and to personally be present in your context of ministry. As I write this, I am en route to Calgary to serve on the Ambrose Board of Governors. This is the first “leg” of my itinerant ministry across this great land and I look forward to many more.

My responsibilities include the following:

- Provide “Evangelistic Missional” leadership for the Church of the Nazarene in Canada.
- Promote and emphasize the 5 USA/Canada Strategic Priorities nationwide.
- Work closely with District Superintendents and District Advisory Boards on local church effectiveness.
- Oversee Ministry Assessment Centres Nationwide.
- Serve as a representative on the Board of Ambrose University.

- Represent the Church of the Nazarene in Canada to other denominations and para-church organizations. Being “at the table” as significant decisions are made.
- Working closely with NCM Canada (Rev. Elaine Bumstead) to enhance the home front ministries as well as overseas.
- Working closely with the District Superintendents to facilitate “Clergy Development” nationwide.
- Oversee “Field Budget” allocations.
- Collaborate on the development of Church Planting, expansion & church wellness initiatives nationwide.
- Work with the “auxiliaries” of NYI/ SDMI and NMI to help each department of the church make full proof of its ministry as a part of the “whole” mission of the church.

As you realize, there are many sub-points to each of these responsibilities, but everything will be harmonized to accomplish the mission of Christ through His Church.

I really do believe that Jesus can transform His creation, and there is evidence of this from coast to coast to coast. Coming together in the power of that transformation increases our effectiveness and I feel privileged to partner in ministry with you.

Blessings,
Dr. Ian Fitzpatrick

UPDATE:
ROHINGYA REFUGEE RESPONSE THROUGH CFGB

The response is food. The combined total budgets for the response is just under \$1 million and is being implemented by the Pentecostal Church (ERDO) partner in Bangladesh, the World Renew (Christian Reformed Church) partner in Bangladesh, and funded by many Canadian churches and their relief and development arms, including NCM Canada.

The food transfers for both projects have now been completed – but without rice, which was provide by World Food Programme.

World Renew and their partner CCDB provided a single transfer of four 1 kg packages of lentils, 1 kg of sugar and 0.5 kg of salt to 1,884 households within Kutupalong camp on October 25th.

ERDO and their partner, CDP-PAOB, did the same October 27th, 30th and 31st to 8,002 households. Note that there were no high energy biscuits included in the transfer as yet.

World Renew and ERDO, together with their partners, are now exploring what the next transfer will include and when it will be. Cox's Bazar and the refugee camps remain a very fluid context. WFP is providing all the rice required and we are hearing that their pipeline of lentils and oil might also be about to come online... stay tuned for more info in the coming weeks.

UPDATE:
BANGLADESH NAZARENE RESPONSE
TO THE ROHINGYA CRISIS

Mosquito nets, blankets, and plastic mats are being provided by Bangladesh Nazarene Mission (BNM) to Rohingya refugees living in camps and makeshift shelters in Bangladesh. BNM is also planning to provide for the needs of children by establishing some "Child Friendly Centres" in the camps to minister to the children. Many of the refugees are women and children. The children are traumatized. They are missing school. They are often overlooked in camp situations. This project is funded by NCM International and NCM Canada is supporting this response.

Government Will Match Funds For the Rohingya Response

The Canadian government has stated that it will provide a 1:1 match for all funds raised for Rohingya refugee response. The funds must be raised in Canada and be received by a registered Canadian charity. The 1:1 match applies for funds raised from August 25th through November 28th.

Please direct donations to NCM Canada either through our website www.ncmcanada.ca or by calling 1-888-808-7490. When donating online, please choose "Disaster Response" and specify either **Rohingya CFGB Response** OR **Rohingya NCM Response**. Either will be matched 1:1 by the Canadian government.

After November 28th, when giving is reported by Canadian charities, the government will then put **their match** into their Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund, which will be distributed to NGOs and other agencies to help people affected by the crisis.

Thank you for helping the Rohingya people. They are in desperate need. Your gifts are helping them to survive and giving them hope.

A NEW MODEL OF GLOBAL MISSIONS

Enoch Tee will be returning home this summer to North America on a deputation tour offering a very different model of what future Nazarene missionaries will look like. His background says it all. He is young, single, university-trained, and with diversified roots.

He comes from an Asian family, but Enoch has grown up in North America on the west coast of Canada. His university training is significant, being a graduate of Emily Carr University in Vancouver, BC. It was there his focus and specialization enabled him to become today a videographer and graphic designer on the Asia-Pacific Region.

It is imperative that the storyline of how he has become a valued consultant on the Asia-Pacific Region is heard by teens and developing young professionals. Enoch Tee is a vivid picture of how the global missions in the Church of the Nazarene continues to change.

In addition to working as a graphic designer, photographer, videographer and design instructor with World Mission Communications, Enoch serves as an art teacher and provides art therapy with refugees in creative access areas.

Enoch Tee is a young and vibrant Canadian missionary who will be available for deputation and consulting events this coming summer. His visits are sure to trigger interest among Nazarene teens and developing young Nazarene professionals.

Enoch Tee can be contacted at etee@wmc-ap.org or contact Rev. Douglas Woods (604) 214-7702 (douglascwoods@gmail.com).

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!*

THE TWEET THAT FED 180 PEOPLE

A Nazarene in Germany posted a challenge on Twitter, and as a result, over 180 homeless people were fed in 11 countries around the world in a day. In addition to that, work was started that is continuing past that day. This is a testimony to the power of social media, but it is also a testimony to the power of the God who can take something like Twitter or Facebook and use it to transform lives in the real world.

What happened through social media recently is an example of this continuing incarnational movement of God. Here's what happened:

I had this sudden thought, "***What if we used the power of social media to reach around the world?***" I posted a tweet with the challenge that I believed if we all got together we could feed 100 homeless people around the world all in one day.

For the rest of the story, see [Engage magazine](#).

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