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**HARVESTING HOPE IS OFFICIALLY REGISTERED WITH
GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS!**

Harvesting Hope: A World Record to Help the Hungry is officially registered to break the current Guinness World Records for the “most threshing machines operating simultaneously” held by Francois Latour of St Albert, Ontario. Harvesting Hope plans to have at least 125 threshing machines at its event, operated by over 600 volunteers.

“Harvesting Hope is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to take a step back in time, and see how people grew food over a hundred years ago,” says Ayn Wilcox, spokesperson for Harvesting Hope. *“What makes it even more special is that it’s an opportunity to help make a difference for some of the millions of people around the world who are hungry.”*

To set the new record, all threshing machines must operate simultaneously for at least 5 minutes. Harvesting Hope’s organizing committee plans to run all threshing machines for at least 20 minutes and thresh 75 acres of wheat. Each machine will be driven by a steam engine, tractor or stationary engine built between 1890 and 1950. When operating, the machines will require over 4 football fields of space.

Prior to last year’s new record of 111 machines, the 2013 event Ode Tyme Harvest event in Langenburg, Saskatchewan held the record with 41 threshing machines. The Saskatchewan event also raised funds for the Foodgrains Bank.

For information on Harvesting Hope, including details on how to attend the event, participate in the harvest, sponsor a piece of equipment, or make a general donation, please visit www.harvestinghope.ca.

About Harvesting Hope: A World Record to Help the Hungry

On **July 31, 2016** *Harvesting Hope: A World Record to Help the Hungry* will create the world’s largest pioneer harvest near Austin, MB. Over 600 volunteers from 100

Canadian communities will operate 125 century–old threshing machines to harvest a field of wheat. A joint partnership of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and the Manitoba Agricultural Museum, Harvesting Hope will take place in conjunction with the 62nd *Manitoba Threshermen’s Reunion & Stampede*, a Manitoba STAR Celebration.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank is a partnership of 15 churches and church agencies working together to end global hunger. In the 2014–15 budget year, the Foodgrains Bank provided over \$41 million of assistance for 1.1 million people in 39 countries. Canadian Foodgrains Bank projects are undertaken with matching support from the Government of Canada. Assistance from the Foodgrains Bank is provided through its member agencies, which work with local partners in the developing world. NCM Canada is a member of Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Founded in 1954, the Manitoba Agricultural Museum celebrates and preserves Manitoba’s rich rural heritage by providing visitors with interactive experiences of pioneer life and maintaining Canada’s largest collection of operating vintage agricultural machinery. The museum welcomed over 18,000 visitors from around the world to its facilities in 2014 and is one of the Manitoba’s six Signature Museums.

*Mark the date on your calendar!
Make this a family fun day!
NCM Canada is sponsoring a combine in this event!*

LEADING VOICES TO SPEAK AT COMPASSION CONFERENCE

The Church of the Nazarene, through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, is hosting a global [Compassion Conference](#) July 14 to 16. The event will feature [leading voices](#) on the role of the Church in engaging with communities through transformational ministry.

Speakers include Eugene Cho, founder of One Day’s Wages and author of *OVERRATED: Are We More in Love With the Idea of Changing the World Than Actually Changing the World?* and Jo Anne Lyon, founder and former CEO of World Hope International, member of the President’s Advisory Council on Faith–Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, and general superintendent of The Wesleyan Church.

The conference, which will be held at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Illinois, will also feature David Busic, a general superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene and leader in the Swaziland Partnership to reduce the rate of HIV/AIDS and assist vulnerable children; Gustavo Crocker, a general superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene and former vice president for programs at World Relief; Celestin

Chishibanji, a pastor and compassionate ministries coordinator in Democratic Republic of the Congo; and Deirdre Brower-Latz, principal of Nazarene Theological College in Manchester, England, and senior lecturer in pastoral and social theology.

Compassion Conference is a global event designed to bring together church and regional leaders alongside learners and practitioners to equip churches for holistic, transformational ministry.

The conference will also feature [capacity-building workshops](#) led by experts in areas including community development, disaster preparedness, holistic child development, anti-human trafficking, ministry to displaced persons, organizational capacity, holistic ministry, and more. Featured workshop leaders include Jennifer Roemhildt Tunehag, global human trafficking taskforce member for the World Evangelical Alliance; Matthew Soerens, U.S. director of church mobilization for World Relief; Jamie Aten, founder of the Humanitarian Disaster Institute at Wheaton College; and Dan Brewster, director of holistic child development academic programs for Compassion International.

Pre-conference sessions will also be available, and any group within the church is encouraged to take advantage of the conference space to host meetings for their leaders or create their own pre-conference workshops.

“I’m so excited and privileged to be one of the speakers at your upcoming Compassion Conference,” said Eugene Cho, who also serves as pastor of Quest Church in Seattle, Washington. ***“I’m learning why theology matters so much. Our theology, rooted in Scripture, it really informs our practice, how we live these things out – why mercy, compassion, justice ought to matter to the church. ... I hope that you’ll come and join us, and, together, we might encourage one another and grow deeper into the heart of the character of God.”***

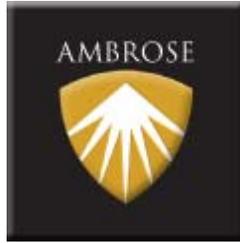
[Early Bird pricing](#) is available through March 31. Student pricing is offered, and group rates are also available.

For more information or to register for the conference, visit compassionconference.com.

Questions regarding the conference, including group rates and preconference space, can be sent to info@ncm.org.

– [Nazarene Compassionate Ministries](#)

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AMBROSE LAUNCHES ONLINE COURSES WITH ECAMPUS ALBERTA

Ambrose University is preparing to offer two courses through [eCampusAlberta](#), a consortium of 26 Alberta post-secondary institutions that provides access to high-quality online learning opportunities.

eCampusAlberta provides offers 900 online courses, and this Fall the first of Ambrose's offerings, Jesus and the Muslims, will launch. In January, we will also be offering a course on Jesus and the Gospels. We're thrilled about this opportunity to partner with eCampusAlberta and give our distinctive courses a broader reach.

[Read the full story and learn more about these courses on the eCampusAlberta website.](#)

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