



With GOD everything is possible!

Dear servants of the Lord,

Thank you for your prayers and your work during 2017. Thank you for supporting the Nazarene Missions International (NMI) in your local church, our district, and the world.

We constantly pray for you and your family, ministry, and especially for the fire in your heart, and the love and peace in your soul!

I would like to share with you about the great things the Lord did last year:

WEF: We are supporting and promoting WEF 100%, focusing on the Easter and Thanksgiving Offerings. We have shared videos, links and many other resources. We have heard the testimonies of visiting missionaries, and that has encouraged our souls to support World Evangelism.

Ministries around the communities: We are encouraging all the NMI presidents to open ministries of compassion around their churches. We really want to think and act like missionaries, sharing the Gospel everywhere specially around our communities because they are our mission fields.

Praying: Prayer Conference Call: thank God for the prayer warriors. It has been a great experience to meet every week by phone for one hour to pray, praising and worshipping the Lord with thanksgiving, and interceding for our pastors, missionaries, country, ministries, people who need healing, jobs, and other needs. We know that more churches are now having small prayer times by phone. Praise GOD! Many miracles are happening during these prayer times.

Missionary Tour or Deputation: We were very glad to have the Galvez, the Potters, the Kwons and the Mezas, They visited 19 churches in our District. Their Missionary stories encourage us to pray more, give, and care for others. Great things are happening in all the churches that are opening the doors for our missionaries.

Global NMI Convention (June 21 to 23,) It was held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.

The leaders told us to focus on the NMI TOP 5 areas of impact: Prayer, WEF, Alabaster, Children & Youth, and Links. And, to support the Child 20/20 Initiative (sponsor 20,000 children for 2020). We learned how the missionaries act in places of danger, and how the church of the Nazarene is helping so many refugees in Eastern Europe.

Missionary Trips: We had a total of 21 Mission trips. The Holy Spirit mobilized approximately 145 Nazarenes to participate in these trips. Thank you Bay Shore Church, Patchogue Church, Ozone Park Church, Massapequa Park Church, Westchester Chapel, Restauracion Church, The Bridge Spanish Church, First Community Church, Centro de Avivamiento Valley de Sitim Church, Bronx Bethany Church, Warwick Valley Church, Peniel Church, Poughkeepsie Church, Mosaic Church, Passaic Spanish Church, and Springfield Gardens Church. Praise GOD! Great things and miracles happened during these mission trips.

Alabaster Offering: 6 Churches in our district received financial help from Alabaster. Thank you so much for giving!

Fawn Grove: We had 3 weekend trips, and 43 persons came to the Compassion Center to help pack CCKs and clothing. Thanks to New Paltz Church, St. Paul's Church, Community Worship Center, Elizabeth Church, Brentwood Restauracion Church, and Jehova Shammah for your support and your desire to help. Big thanks to Pastor Bello, Paul Manza, the Riveras, the Hurkens, and Loisen Jacobs. Many thanks to all our NMI presidents who were available to help!

Work and Witness at Jersey City. The youth Work and Witness Team from Central Point Church of the Nazarene in Florida visited, and worked together with the Jersey City Church, helping to renovate the interior of their building. It was a hard, but beautiful July work week. We saw the hand of God on everything, and we are grateful to God because in June 2018 the same team from Florida will return and continue helping our Jersey City Church.

LINKS: We had 3 families: The Potters, the Ums, and retired missionary Rose Handloser. We had the privilege to meet David and Sylvia Potter.

Haiti Medical Missions trip: To Haiti with Love is a ministry of God given to Pastor Larry Mancini from Bay Shore Church of the Nazarene. Little by little, he is making a significant difference in the lives of the brothers and sisters in Lespinasse, Haiti. We had 2 teams in the beginning of September that served many people, followed by the medical team including Pastor Art. Thank you for all your donations. During the medical team mission, God gave us the opportunity to help almost 400 patients and a baby who continues safe and sound in his mother's womb, and is probably ready to be born. A Great Big Thanks to all of the people who said YES! And came to serve! Special thanks to Doctor Rosmery Rivera who came from Spain and nurses: Yanet Muñoz from Valley de Sitim Iglesia del Nazareno, Cheryl Baker from Bronx Bethany, and Patty Race. We were also blessed to have excellent translators making our job possible.

Visiting Churches: Yelssy Manza visited 12 churches last year. A big thanks to Jane Halasz for accompanying me to the Haitian Church in Jersey City.

Nazarene Compassion Ministry: In 2017, we put more emphasis on Crisis Care Kits because of the devastation wrought by the Hurricanes in the Carribean Islands and Southern USA. Metro New York Churches collected a total of 275 boxes; that is 1,650 CCKs. THANK YOU CHURCHES!!!

Thanks be to God for His Holy Spirit. There were many times He said no, and many times He said yes, and He confirmed it with peace, order and providence. Thank God for my Pastor DS Art Alexander, he has always supported me with prayers, suggestions, resources, and wisdom. Thank God for the NMI Advisory team: Jane Halasz, Marykay Bonfante, Levere Deane, Mavis Wiolds, Doreen Rutty, Lydia Samlal, and Joyce Johnson.

To GOD be the glory for what HE has done for Metro New York Missions this past year!

Respectfully submitted....

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