

A Note From The President:

Our emphasis for November is **The Thanksgiving Offering**. Please encourage your church to do their best in this offering in thankfulness to God.

The following is an excerpt from our Board of General Superintendents. To Nazarenes around the world:

Our special Thanksgiving Offering for the World Evangelism Fund (WEF) is crucial to funding the God given mission of the Church of the Nazarene worldwide. The global church joins in this beautiful expression of thanks to God for His countless blessings. Our combined offering provides resources vital to the effectiveness of our shared mission "to make Christlike disciples in the nations."

The Thanksgiving Offering helps keep our missionaries on the front lines as they pursue evangelism and discipleship in 159 world areas.

From preaching the gospel to offering a cup of cold water in Jesus' name to rescuing a teen from human trafficking, the Church of the Nazarene is serving a dark, dangerous, hurting world. Your investment in WEF through the Thanksgiving Offering is urgently needed. – Board of General Superintendents

Super Typhoon Haiyan, one of the strongest in world history, made landfall in the early morning hours of Friday, November 8.

Summary of area impacted:

- 2 districts have been hit the hardest, they are: Eastern Visayas, and Panay, 4 others were impacted: Bicol, Central Visayas, Negros, and Southern Tagalog.
- There are over 4,400 Nazarene members on the two hardest hit districts.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters in the Philippines.

Several of us gathered on November 9 to "Meet & Eat" together. It was so good to see each of you!

I would like any feedback that you may have ---good or bad. Let me know what things you would like to see in future events on the district.

My husband, Allen and I wish each of you a wonderful Thanksgiving as you join with family and friends. May you have a blessed day! -- Sandy Stickler, District President

Change of address for Virginia Dace: 1485 Butterfield Trail, Apt. 80, Kankakee, IL 60901; Phone: 815-935-1640.

Church Wise Resources

Marilyn McCool, General Treasurer of the Church of the Nazarene, is pleased to announce cost-free access to the ChurchWise resources of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). This access is now available all Nazarene churches through www.ecfa.org/nazarene. ECFA is "an accreditation organization dedicated to helping Christian ministries earn the public's trust," according to ecfa.org. ECFA currently accredits the Church of the Nazarene and offers this free ChurchWise subscription to all Nazarene churches and districts. The subscription includes resources about cash reserves, disaster response policies, church fraud, clergy pay and benefits, and more. Through this subscription, churches can access:

- Over 300 Knowledge Center documents, including policies and procedures
- 1 free webinar a year
- 1 free webinar-on-demand a year
- *Focus on Church Accountability* Newsletter
- Two annually updated electronic tax booklets for clergy and congregations

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Minster & Spouse Christmas Dinner

Adam's Voice



DECEMBER 7, 2013

FELLOWSHIP HOUR – 10:30 AM

DINNER – 12:00 NOON

KELLER CONVENTION CENTER

1202 KELLER DR., EFFINGHAM, IL 62401

COST: \$15/PERSON

DEPOSIT REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION

Deposits for Pastors and spouse, full time paid staff and spouse & retirees and spouse will be refunded at the door at check in. Send registration form and deposit to Illinois District, Church of the Nazarene, P. O. Box 1054, Alton, IL 62002 by December 3, 2013. Deposits are non-refundable for those who make reservations and don't attend, whether full time staff, part time staff or retiree.