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Mesoamerica Region



The Mesoamerica Region is comprised of many mainland and island nations, speaking Spanish, English, Dutch, and French, as well as Creole, which is spoken in Haiti. The Church of the Nazarene established work in countries like Cuba and Mexico (1902 and 1903 respectively) as the earliest mission fields across the region. New works have continued to emerge from the early 1930's, throughout the 1970's, and to the present. It is a tapestry of diverse and beautiful traditions and people groups. There is a passionate desire to see the Church of the Nazarene and the message of Scriptural Holiness grow and thrive here. The story that follows exemplifies the creative and energetic ways used to impact the people groups of Mesoamerica for Christ.





437,859 Members

3,423 Fully Organized Churches; 430 Not Yet Organized Churches 1,569 District Licensed and 109 Ordained Ministers on 79 Districts 54 Missionaries come from the Mesoamerica Region; 70 Missionaries serve on the Mesoamerica Region

PRAYER

- Pray that Nazarenes in the Mesoamerica Region will remain united in Being and Making Disciples in urban areas, with particular focus on children and youth.
- Pray for our youth, that they will fulfill God's mission, committing to impact their generation with the message of salvation.

PRAISE



- Praise God for leaders who prepared the 40 devotionals and prayer requests; and for translators of the resources in three languages: English, Spanish and French.
- Praise God for all who participated during the 40 Days of Prayer, and for the encouragements received through prayer and the Word of God.



Kids Kaleidoscope

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40 DAYS OF PRAYER PRIOR TO PENTECOST SUNDAY IN THE MESOAMERICA REGION

Since 2004, NMI on the Mesoamerica Region has taken the responsibility of leading Nazarenes in 40 Days of Prayer prior to Pentecost Sunday. Over these 40 days, districts of the region gather to pray and focus on topics that will help fulfill God's mission.

In 2024, 40 devotionals and prayers focused on the regional vision of Making Christlike Disciples, which were: What is Our Mission?; Receiving the Mission; Fulfilling the Mission in Urban Areas; Arranging Opportunities for the Children in the Mission; and concluded with the theme, Young People Fulfilling the Mission, Impacting their Generation.

Various approaches were taken across the region, but here are a few that stand out:

Nazarenes of the Windward Islands District, which includes the islands of St. Vincent, St. Lucia, and Grenada, participated in a Prayer Walk, carrying banners in the main streets of each island.





In St. Vincent, participants walked through communities from Rillan Hill to Penniston. In St. Lucia, they walked and prayed through the community of Gros Islet, where evangelistic campaigns are being conducted in that same community. And, in Grenada, prayer walks were held simultaneously in Fontenoy, Victoria, and Telescope communities. Persons in Telescope, Grenada experienced healing after they were prayed for, and 15 new members have been added to the church as a result of the prayer walk.

Add to these island nations several districts in Mexico, Guatemala, and Costa Rica, and this 40 Days of Prayer initiative impacted a large portion of the Mesoamerica Region.

Over 1,325 people gathered simultaneously for worship and prayer in two zones of the South Pacific District of Mexico.





The Church of the Nazarene of Chajchucub, Coban in the Guatemala Verapaz del Norte District brought offerings for missions that day as part of their gathering for 40 Days of Prayer.





The Central District of Costa Rica had a united service with all the churches in that District, concluding seven weeks of preaching the Word of God. Many testimonies of victory were shared by children, young people, and adults.



"God moved us to pray, fast and give to missions, but especially united us to ask for a revival in every Nazarene in the Mesoamerica Region. To God be the glory!" (Any Crocker-Diaz, Mesoamerica NMI Regional Coordinator)

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