EDUF Newsletter - March 2023

NAZARENES IN AFRICA IN 2023

Dr. Dany Gomis' Update. Technology made it possible for EDUF members to hear directly the heartbeat of African leaders Dr. Gomis and Dr. Gabriel Benjiman. EDUF prays regularly for them but meeting together provided the added pleasure and privilege of praying with them. They shared from the perspective of their responsibilities across the vast continent. EDUF also was pleased to meet missionary Hope Owens, who serves in administration. They shared these statistics from Africa: 1 Continent, 8 Fields, 44 Countries, 145 Districts, 4,989 Churches (Organized), 3,648 Churches (Non-Organized), 789,111 Members, 5,256 Clergy.



SAVE THE DATES! EDUF hopes for you to meet us and/or pray for these encounters.



- · May 6: Boise, ID. **Graduation** from Masters' Programs at NNU of two of our lady leaders. Crakers will host a simple social event on that Saturday evening.
- · May 7: Federal Way, WA, 5:00-7:30 p.m. **Meet & Greet Potluck** with Scotts in the foyer of the Church of the Nazarene there.
- · June 8: Indianapolis, **EDUF** "Connecting Point". An open door for our friends from 4-8 p.m. at the Convention Center at a room to be announced.
- · June 10: Indianapolis, 7:30 a.m. African Partners' Breakfast, at Convention Center

The Chaguala family. We invite you to join us in praying for this family that will be Stateside from May through July.



Celeste and Admirado Chaguala are missionaries on global assignment, originally from Mozambique and currently serving on the Africa region in their country of origin. Celeste is completing the Master in pastoral ministries at Northwest Nazarene University. EDUF instituted the Schmelzenbach Scholarship for African Leaders that has helped Celeste to reach this significant goal. On graduation day, May 6, Robbie and Randy Craker, Chair of EDUF, will be hosting a party. Margaret and Jon Scott worked alongside the Chaguala's in Mozambique are thrilled to be able to attend the graduation and the party!

Celeste currently serves as NDI coordinator for Africa Region. She worked with Margaret in the development of resources for the extension education program in Mozambique and then served as secretary at Seminário Nazareno em Moçambique (Bible College) and literature coordinator for Lusophone field (Portuguese speaking countries in Africa). Her passion is to see an integral and intentional discipleship happening in the grass roots with more focus on children so that they grow as Christ followers. A key project that Celeste is leading is the translation and adaptation of Sunday school books into oral method in the main mother languages on the Africa region in order to also disciple those who can't read and write. Celeste's personal motivation is to learn more of God, to grow spiritually and being obedient to His call until the end of her days.

Admirado is an ordained Nazarene minister and currently serves as administrative assistant to the Regional Director for Africa region, Dr. Dany Gomis, and the country mission coordinator for Mozambique. He is passionate about leadership development and strategies, establishing networking for ministry reinforcement and district resourcing and equipping. He is inspired to see leaders in Africa that are Relevant, Resilient and Ready to embrace the future with confidence and grace and his personal life's motivation is to continue growing in the love of God, deep in knowing and obeying His will and develop an excellence ministry that will reflect and give a living testimony of a holy life.

Admirado served in Mozambique in various ministry roles and led several NCM projects where he established 10 child development centers, coordinated WASH and nutrition program, JFM and in leadership development and district resourcing. One of the outstanding projects in Mozambique that he is currently leading up to date is the construction of a leadership and pastoral training center in the northern region of Mozambique, a multipurpose building that will serve as resource center for leadership development programs that will serve more than 1,000 lay pastors and leaders by providing them formal education, vocational training, literacy and much more. Admirado strives in developing a generation of Christ-centered leaders that will impact lives of believers in the communities of which the church serves.

Admirado and Celeste have two amazing children - Noel in college and Shirley in grade 11. Noel loves playing instruments and is growing into a great worshiper. Shirley loves reading, baking and cooking and she cooks really delicious meals.

In Christ, Margaret Scott









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