



EDUF Pastoral Training at the "Ends of the Earth" August 2024

Dear Friends of Nazarene Education in Africa.

Jesus references the "Ends of the Earth" in His last instructions to us. Where are these "ends"? I think I've been to a few of them! When Jon and I lived in Africa, we drove our 4x4 to deliver Jesus Film Equipment and pastoral training books to churches in very remote places. Sometimes the rutted, dirt road ended such that we had to drive through fields to get to the church. Surely Africa isn't alone with these locations, but it does have some of those "Ends of the Earth" and Jesus has churches there. Yay!

In recent communication with a pastor who was part of a team that traveled to teach at one of these very remote places, I wrote to him: The realities there seem to cause us conflict. 'Things' shouldn't be this way. Why is life so difficult for them? Why do poverty and death live so close to these wonderful people? What can we do about it? Why don't more people care? Why don't more Nazarenes care?

He wisely replied, "More Nazarenes would care if they only knew."

Our EDUF readers do care. You show it by reading this newsletter. Thank you.

Let's think more about Jesus' mission in Africa. Do you know that there are 54 countries in the continent of Africa? The Church of the Nazarene is planted in 44 countries across Africa. How many languages are spoken in Africa? Over 2000!

- Pastors in these 44 countries of Africa need multiple options to become better prepared to lead their churches
- Pastors and church leaders need training in many different languages
- Pastors and church leaders need training at different educational levels, i.e. an academic ladder:
 - · Some of them need entry level and oral methodologies
 - Others need secondary- and university-level schooling
 - Instructors at our Nazarene institutions, need graduate-level studies

EDUF chose the month of August for a yearly campaign to raise funds for educational resources throughout Africa. We called it "August-for-Africa" but the real need is to raise funds every day, every month! There are several choices for giving on our website: Giving to Empower

August seemed too busy with vacations and preparation for school starts to focus on Africa so we switched the campaign to "October-for-Africa" and created a poster and bulletin inserts to use in your church on the next two pages. Click on these links for more information on October-for-Africa and downloading the poster and bulletin inserts.

Thank YOU for caring about the Ends of the Earth,

Margaret Scott President

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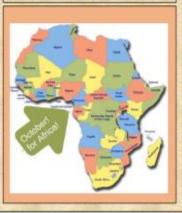
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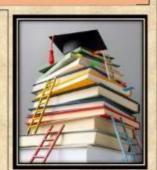


Nazarene Ministers in Africa Need Help from Your Church

Why do they need our help?

AFRICA is the world's fastest growing Region of the Church of the Nazarene. However, the rapid increase in the number of churches in Africa has far exceeded the theological training of church leaders. Thousands of the men and women who are already leading churches lack holiness training. They need more kinds of ladders! They need move ministerial training programs in order to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and character to lead churches well.





Why would your church want to do this?

EDUF is agile! We have set up means to act quickly on the funding priorities of our top African leaders.

When to give? Anytime, of course, but the orange of autumn may remind you to plan to pray for and give to "October for Africa" when, each year, EDUF promotes the highest priorities of our top African leaders.

How would your church give? Details for giving are found on the EDUF.org website.

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