



EDUF Newsletter March 2024

PROJECTS ALREADY DELIVERED THIS YEAR

In February there were multiple meetings around Global Ministry Center in Lenexa, including the meetings of all of the top educators of the institutions of IBOE (International Board of Education). Dr. Gabriel Benjiman happily reported progress on the courses-of-study offered at our Africa institutions that were reviewed by the international level education committees and approved. That's good news for all the educators who have worked on these and, of course, for thousands of students that will take these courses.

At those meetings EDUF, hence, you followers, donated to two African projects. The first project will bless the hearts of you "techies" out there. We purchased 20 digital library boxes called Shelby 2.0. These devices will be distributed to the places across the continent where they are most used for educational gatherings to train leaders.

The second one was a three-way partnership between EDUF, Global Education Clergy Development and Nazarene Theological College, South Africa. The college had raised \$1,230 USD in pledges for electronic resources to support their new online curriculum. With EDUF and GECD each contributing \$1,500 USD, for a total of \$3,000 USD to be added to the \$1,230 USD being raised by NTC-SA to purchase desperately needed resources. The majority of the funds are being used for the purchase of the New Beacon Bible Commentary with a license allowing unlimited simultaneous users (\$2125 USD). The remaining funds would be used for other electronic books, access control software, or memberships for consortial discounting.

A UNIQUE WAY TO LEVERAGE \$ THIS MONTH: UNDER-FUNDED ENDOWMENTS

At EDUF, we enjoy our connection with the Church of the Nazarene Foundation (CNF) that manages multiple endowments for multiple Nazarene projects around the globe. Their protocol is to hold a developing endowment until it reaches at least 10K (\$10,000). NCF visits their holdings on March 31st and Sept. 30 and makes beneficiary distributions from the endowments that have reached 10K.

I wrote to the Church of the Nazarene Foundation (CNF) last week to request updates on their under-funded endowments in Africa. Because one of our EDUF donors is interested in SANU (Southern Africa Nazarene University in Swaziland), I was asking specifically about the endowments for that institution. The response from CNF is in the table below with the numbers of the endowments, the purpose of it, the name of the students' institution, the current balance, and the need to top up to 10K.

Please check out information from CNF in the table below

| Endowment # | Purpose | 2/29/2024 Balance | Top To 10K | | |
|-------------|--|-------------------|------------|-------|----------|
| END0101 | Africa Nazarene University for an ANU student of exemplary Christian behavior, who demonstrates high quality academic achievement and participates in community service. | \$7,779.30 | 2,221 | ANU | Nairobi |
| END0136 | Scholarships for students at NTCCA | \$7,928.88 | 2,072 | NTCCA | Malawi |
| END0127 | – SANU for Student Scholarships | \$7,573.81 | 2,427 | SANU | |
| END0128 | Southern Africa Nazarene University for SANU scholarships for any student | \$5,547.38 | 4,453 | SANU | \$9,554 |
| END0130 | Southern Africa Nazarene University for SANU student scholarships | \$7,326.62 | 2,674 | SANU | eSwatini |

Thanks to previous generous donors, EDUF already has the funds for the scholarships at SANU, so we'll be able to move \$9,554 to the Church of the Nazarene Foundation by the end of March. Yay! This means that endowments for three scholarships for SANU will be topped up to 10K, so that the proceeds can be distributed for student scholarships in Africa! What a difference for those African students – a big “bang for our bucks”!

The impact of this giving excites me so much that I wanted to share it with you and give you a chance to join with us in this opportunity. You might like to give towards the endowment for students at ANU in Nairobi or at NTCCA in Malawi. If you do want to do this, please communicate with me **right away** at Admin@eduf.org or text or call me at (617) 750 4433. Tell me: *I'd like to give X-\$dollars to one of those under-funded endowments.* If you'd prefer, you can pick which endowment you want to give to.

According to what you direct me, EDUF will move funds by the end of March. Then, our giving will be part of our Easter celebrations! We'll be resurrecting the purposes of these endowments to new life, providing student scholarships year after year until Jesus comes again!

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL EVENTS FOR YOUR PRAYER SUPPORT

- **March 23**, in Maputo, Mozambique, the new Principal will be installed. Africa Regional Director Dr. Dany Gomis, announced that the Board of Seminario Nazareno Mozambique elected Rev. Halissone Jamissone Nefitala as the new principal. Find out more here: <https://africanazarene.org/seminario-nazareno-mozambique.../>
- **April 4-6**, in Pilar, Argentina. Nazarene Global Theology Conference.

Have a blessed Easter!

Tuko Pamoja! We are together!

Margaret Scott

