

September 2009 (dot) Stewardship eNewsletter

Get a Nazagreen Bag – like the ones at General Assembly

The original vendor for our Nazagreen re-useable bag promotion at General Assembly has agreed to work with churches and individuals who are interested in ordering Nazagreen bags.

Orders of larger quantities (100+) will keep costs down, but group orders might be a possibility. Interested pastors and lay people should contact the company directly:

NAMES Embroidery

Karen J.

names@hctel.net

320-833-2372

NAMES Embroidery (yes, it is an embroidery-specialty group, but the operation has expanded its product line since its inception) is keeping the official Nazagreen logo on-hand to use on all Nazagreen supply orders. Per an agreement between Stewardship Ministries and NAMES Embroidery, the logo may not be modified to ensure branding integrity.

Other promotional products may be available as well. Please contact Karen for that information. On a side note, yes, Karen is my mother. You'll see where I get the "creative" part of my job title if/when you work with her. She runs one of the top embroidery groups in southern Minnesota and is a preferred vendor of apparel and specialty items for many departments at the Global Ministry Center.

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Josh Jakobitz
Creative Coordinator

Leadership conference opened to treasurers

The annual District Leadership Conference will open registration for its 2010 meeting in Louisville, Ky., to district treasurers later this fall (watch your e-mail for a direct link). Stewardship Ministries (SM) director Mark E. Lail said that, along with district treasurers, others at the district level whose main responsibility is handling funds should plan to attend for two days of training and discussion.

Topics will include: funding the global mission, auditing, accountable reimbursement plans, treasurer to treasurer forum, best practices for accountability in Nazarene district, understanding charitable contributions, interacting with GTS and Donor Services, and Ten Percent Mission Specials.

The historic Galt House in Louisville is the site for the conference as well as accommodations and provided meals. Their Web site, www.galthouse.com, provides an overview of the accommodations and services available.

The event will be hosted cooperatively by four ministries at the Global Ministry Center: NYI, NMI, Sunday School, and SM. The efficiency of bringing four, formerly individual conferences together has kept overhead costs lower. Other district leaders attending the conference will include district NYI and NMI presidents and district Sunday School superintendents.

Rates will be \$399 for double occupancy or \$549 for single occupancy.

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Stewardship Ministries

\$1,000 Scholarship available to students for sermons

Stewardship Ministries is offering \$1,000 scholarships to up to five Religion and Christian Education students for their outstanding sermons. The 2009-2010 scripture base is 2 Chronicles 31:5. Sermons should be submitted by December 1 for fall semester participants and April 1 for spring semester participants. Winners will be notified in April 2010. The sermon should be about stewardship and its place in the Church of the Nazarene. [Click here for more information and to download the brochure \(PDF\).](#)

Mark E. Lail, Stewardship Ministries director, said, "Our hope is for this scholarship opportunity to encourage participants to build a foundation of stewardship and generosity into their current and future ministry."

Stewardship Ministries congratulates last year's scholarship recipient Shane Chamberlin of Eastern Nazarene College for his award-winning sermon, "A Holy Manager, Not an Owner."

Shane successfully used last year's assigned scripture passage, 1 Timothy 6, to explore holiness as it relates to tithing and living generously while addressing money as it relates to funding the mission of the church.

Your students can win, too! E-mail submissions (or questions) to stewardship@nazarene.org or send a hard copy of the sermon to Stewardship Ministries, 17001 Prairie Star Parkway, Lenexa, KS 66220.

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Thanks for reading!
Mark, Tom, Josh and Jamie